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A1 in Northumberland: Morpeth to Ellingham

Deadline 8a

Please find confirmation of the documents submitted by Highways England (the "Applicant") to the Planning Inspectorate (the "Inspectorate") for Deadline 8a of the Examination for the A1 in Northumberland: Morpeth to Ellingham (the "Scheme"). This is in accordance with the variation to the timetable (Rule 8(3)) issued by the Examining Authority (ExA) on 9 April 2021 [PD-014].

Submission of documents

As per the ExA's advice in the Amended Examination Timetable, the Applicant has enclosed the following documents for Deadline 8a:

Document Name	Previous Examination Library Reference	Revision	Comments
Volume 1 Application Information			
Cover Letter	N/A	0	This document
1.5 Application Document Tracker	REP8-002	10	Submitted to include Deadline 8a submissions



Volume 2 Plans/drawings/sections			
2.4 General Arrangement Plan	REP6-005	5	Update to include the end of the adopted length of East Linkhall Access Road and addition of the associated turning head, as agreed with Northumberland County Council. Other Plans and related DCO documents to be submitted at future deadlines to coincide with other updates of those deliverables.
Volume 6 Environmental Statement and Related Documents			
6.5 Landscape Mitigation Masterplan Part A	REP4-060	5	Updates following discussions with stakeholders (see paragraph titled Landscape Mitigation Masterplan Part A, below)
6.50 River Coquet Hydraulic Modelling Report	REP7-006	1	As set out in Applicant's Response to Deadline 7 Submissions [REP8-024], the Applicant committed to submitting an updated River Coquet Hydraulic Modelling Report at Deadline 8a.
6.52 Northgate Farm Private Means of Access Technical Note	N/A	0	Document to describe and appraise the current options for access to Northgate Farm following stakeholder liaison
Volume 7 Other Documents			



7.6A Statement of Common Ground with Northumberland County Council	REP8-016	7	Updated to reflect the progress that has been made in relation to highway matters and ecology since Deadline 8
7.6B Statement of Common Ground with Natural England	REP8-017	6	Updated to reflect the progress that has been made since Deadline 8
7.6 Statement of Commonality for Statements of Common Ground	REP8-015	8	This has been updated to reflect the position of the SoCGs at Deadline 8a
7.30 Applicant's Response to ExA's Fourth Written Questions	N/A	0	Responses to the ExA's Fourth Written Questions
7.30.1 Appendix A – Cross- sections for Earthworks Amendments	N/A	0	Supports Written Question LV.4.2 and LV.4.3 of the Applicant's Response to ExA's Fourth Written Questions
7.31 Consultation Statement for Statutory Consultation on Change Request	N/A	0	The Applicant has undertaken a statutory consultation between 22 April 2021 and 20 May 2021 for Changes 1, 2 and 3. The Consultation Statement sets out how the Applicant has complied with the consultation requirements

Northgate Farm Private Means of Access Options Technical Note

The Applicant has managed stakeholder engagement between the two affected parties at Northgate Farm and Capri Lodge and will continue to undertake this liaison, with the latest site meetings held 03/06/2021. From a Scheme perspective, there is no significant difference between the two solutions described to the means of access to the two properties in the Technical Note submitted (document reference 6.52). However, the Applicant does not foresee





the parties agreeing on a solution in relation to Alternative Route A. Therefore, the Applicant is proposing to the ExA that Alternative Route B as described in the Technical Note should be taken forward as part of the Scheme as this does not require agreement between the parties. The ExA may feel that provision could be made for Alternative Route A should agreement be reached, but in that case, this would have to be implemented as an alternative. The Applicant will provide support to the affected landowner in obtaining planning permission for the access outside of the DCO process.

Landscape Mitigation Masterplan Part A

The following changes have been made to the Landscape Mitigation Masterplan Part A (document reference 6.5):

- Sheet 5 Additional woodland shown extending along the Floodgate Burn watercourse to provide riparian woodland and compensatory riparian habitat, in line with the discussions with the Environment Agency
- Sheet 17 Additional woodland planted to compensate for air quality impacts (specifically increased nitrogen deposition arising from the Scheme) on the existing retained veteran trees (refs T682 and T701)
- Sheet 17 Additional scattered trees to be planted east of detention basin number 19 to compensate for the loss of veteran tree T688, in line with the mitigation strategy set out in Appendix A - Impacts to Ancient and Veteran Trees [REP6-045]

Participants at Hearings

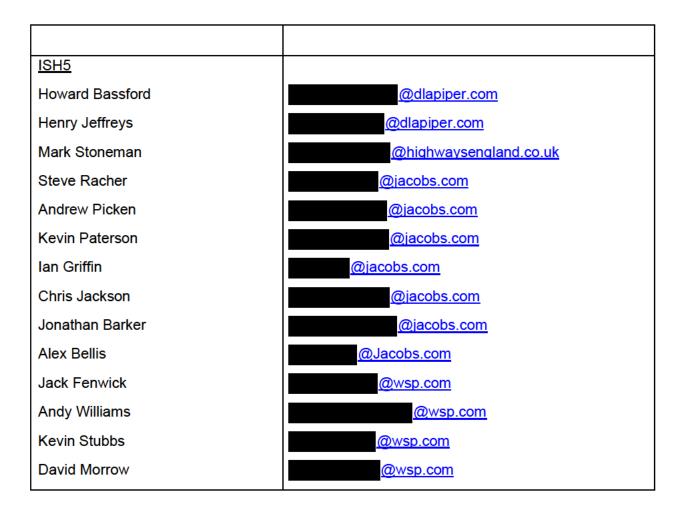
The Applicant proposes that the following people will appear on behalf of the Applicant at hearings in the weeks commencing 7 and 14 June 2021.

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If you have any queries about the documents provided, the Scheme or otherwise please do not hesitate to contact me using the details provided.

Yours sincerely,



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