I wish to expand on my previous written representation.

Since Roxhill started the process of applying for NSRFI planning permission for Northampton Gateway, the amount of congestion on the roads surrounding their proposed project have increased dramatically. Delays on the M1, A508 and A43 are a daily occurrence and result in pressure on all the minor roads in the area. The area around these roads already has dangerously high levels of pollution and an additional 4,250 HGV's will make it even worse. The area currently provides some relief from this pollution and is the lungs of the area. A lot of research has been published recently on the health risks of excessive pollution particularly on young brains together with increased risk of dementia and the increase in respiratory disease. As an asthmatic myself with friends in the area who are suffering it is of grave concern and must have an impact on our already overloaded local hospitals.
The proposed Roade bypass will do nothing to reduce the congestion and pollution as the increased traffic will still come onto the A508. The junction of the A508 at the A5 roundabout has a long tail back at peak times now and journeys to Milton Keynes at beyond will become even more fraught.

The National Policy on SRFIs calls for a national network but the current proposals seem to concentrate them in this area. The Government have asked all Local Councils to, at great expense, consult with the community on Plans for their area and only to find them ignored when it comes to National Infrastructure Projects. This is particularly unfortunate when the Local Plan points out that with practically full employment in the area there are no benefits to the community to offset the horrendous disadvantages.

For your consideration

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