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FAO Mr Nicholas Coombes

I previously registered as an interested party and would like to raise the following question at the open meeting in Hilton on 13th July 2015

“Given that the proposed scheme will have a major impact on the village of Hilton, is the Inspectorate satisfied that all reasonable mitigation measures have been incorporated into the design and not just minimum measures to comply with guidelines?

This statement is not emotive or exaggerated given that this proposal will dominate an area to the north and east of us that is generally flat. The road surface will be raised and we are now advised that the crossing bridges will be 11m high. Regrettably such detail was not clear in the DCO.

It would appear that the only consideration of the impact of the new road on the village is a simple earth mound advised at 2m height plus or minus 1m. However the design of the bund could be improved by **incorporating a vertical face closer to the road**; a simple gabion wall has been recommended. This will improve sound mitigation by keeping the height of the bund nearer to the sound source and this design would also reduce the amount of “Land Grab” required for the scheme. HE advise that the current design complies with guidelines but that **more can be done with an instruction**. Please will the Inspectorate give that instruction? ”

Regards

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