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Dear Mr Parker

Re: A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme

Further to my letter of 19 June 2014, I have again met with representatives of Hilton Parish Council, who have expressed concerns about the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme.

The Route

As I said in my letter of 19 June, the Parish Council accept that there is a need for a new road, but they are unhappy with the route – which they believe could be positioned further to the north without disadvantaging the Hemingfords or Fenstanton – as the new scheme places a heavy burden on the residents of the village. They would like to see the maximum amount of mitigation measures included in the scheme and I fully support them in this matter.

Minimum Visual Impact

The Parish Council accept that the carriageway needs to be raised, but they would like the elevated level to be kept as short as possible to minimise the visual impact on the village.

Substantial Banking

The current plans suggest that a 2 metre bund will be installed, but the plans have a tolerance level of 1 to 2 metres and the Parish Council fear that the final bund may only be 1 metre. As an absolute minimum, the Parish Council would like a 2 metre bund, but they would like Highways England to fully consider the advice provided by

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their acoustics expert, whom has said recommended a 4 metre gabion bunds in line with current European Standards.

Noise Reduction

The Parish Council were extremely disappointed to learn that the very low noise surfacing (vNLS) will not be installed on the 4km stretch at Hilton. They understand that the cost of this would be approximately £400,000 and, given the significant burden on the village, they believe this is essential to minimise the impact of the road on residents.

Consultation Process

The Parish Council remain dissatisfied with the lack of consultation and engagement with them and residents. They feel strongly that their concerns are not being listened to or addressed.

I would be very grateful if due consideration is given to these measures as plans progress.

Yours sincerely

