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Cc: John McDonnell MP [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Updates for M4 Junctions 3 to 12 Smart Motorway

TR010019: M4 Junctions 3 to 12 Smart Motorway Updates Thank you for your notification that representations made in response to the application for a non-material change to the M4 Junctions 3-12 Smart Motorway Development Consent Order have been published. However, I cannot see my representation amongst those published. I did receive an acknowledgement that it had been received. See below. Please correct the record and ensure that my representation is considered. Regards, Robin Brown

M4 Junction 3-12 Smart Motorway <M4Junction3to12@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

To:

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• Thank you for your email. You

This is an automatic acknowledgement. We will respond, as necessary, as soon as practicable.

Kind regards

M4 Junctions 3-12 Smart Motorway Case Team
The Planning Inspectorate

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My representation was as follows:

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Thank you for informing me of the application for a non-material change to the M4 Junctions 3 to 12 Smart Motorway Development Consent Order that has been made by National Highways.

I wish to make a representation and in 2015 I had the Interested Party reference 10031720 and I am reference RR298 and REP4-030 in the Examining Authority's report of 3 June 2016.

I have reviewed as best as I could with the time and resources available to me to review the 321 out of a total of 1604 document entries on the website that the filter 'published 3 May 2022' presented. As far as I could determine there was no non-technical summary or equivalent overview document that could have directed me to the non-material change(s) to the development. This omission I found to be most unhelpful, virtually negating the purpose of the consultation.

Having studied relevant documents, in particular the Environmental Masterplan sheets for the Hayes and Cranford, I am disappointed to see that the Applicant has not taken the opportunity to respond to and implement that part of the Secretary of State's decision letter of 2nd September 2016 at para 36, namely:

".. the Secretary of State agrees also [with the Examination Panel] that improved provision of noise mitigation for Cranford park would be desirable to enhance the noise environment of the Park and the setting of its listed buildings in accordance with paragraph 5.130 of the NPSNN". As the Panel wrote in its June 2016 Report at para 5.12.23, "...the proposed mitigation would do little to improve the noise environment to such an extent as to aid the community groups in their work to improve the Park and find a new use for the listed building". The Panel had been informed by representations from the Cranford Park Friends succinctly paraphrased at 5.12.20, myself (see 5.12.22) and others including the local MP John McDonnell and its own site visit; and had taken into account the use of low-noise surfacing and the very limited contribution made by 2m high fencing at the base of the motorway embankment.

For many years the Cranford Park Friends have been working with Hillingdon Council to enhance the Park through the National Lottery Heritage Fund and the National Lottery Community Fund grant schemes. In 2020, the Cranford Park Project was awarded £2.28 million by NLHF. This enabled planning, consultation and surveys to get underway and consultants to be engaged. Then, Hillingdon Council added to this awarded sum to set an overall £3.47 million budget for the scheme and in February 2022 the Council's Cabinet gave its approval for the main project works. Cllr Jonathan Bianco, the council's Cabinet Member for Property and Infrastructure, said "The park is an important part of our heritage and an important asset for the local community...we're committed to delivering these improvements so that the park can be enjoyed by future generations of residents."

It has become all the more important that improved noise mitigation measures be brought forward by National Highways to improve the noise environment of the Park and its listed buildings and to ensure that beneficial outcomes from the significant public investment in the Park's heritage and amenities are not diminished by this motorway scheme. An acoustic barrier should be erected along lengths of the motorway and westbound slip road between the Cranford River bridge and approximately the map reference line 11350.000 at the level of the carriageways (and not at the base of the embankment where it would have negligible benefit). Indeed, the Panel at para 5.12.22 referred to paragraph 5.130 of the NPSNN regarding the "desirability of sustaining and where appropriate, enhancing the significance of heritage assets, the contribution of their settings and the positive contribution that their conservation can make to sustainable communities." There is, therefore clear Government policy on this (see also para 3.4) which the Applicant should attend to and bring forward improved noise improvements.

Regards, Robin Brown for Hayes Community Forum, [REDACTED]