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- 1.1 Northumbrian Water Limited ("**NWL**") submitted a Written Representation on 8 January 2019 in respect of Suffolk County Council's (the "**Applicant**") DCO application for a Third Crossing at Lake Lothing, Lowestoft.
- 1.2 NWL's Written Representation raised concerns in respect of the following matters:
- (a) The absence of detail as to the proposed works;
  - (b) The phasing of construction;
  - (c) Traffic and transport impacts;
  - (d) Noise disturbance as a result of the construction works;
  - (e) Implications for NWL's compliance with the Trinity House habitat planning condition; and
  - (f) DCO drafting issues.
- 1.3 NWL has reviewed the information submitted by the Applicant at Deadline 3, including a revised Transport Assessment, responses to the Examining Authority's First Written Questions and a revised draft DCO. Unfortunately, these documents do not fully address NWL's concerns.
- 1.4 With respect to transport matters, NWL welcomes the Applicant's proposal to amend the DCO scheme in respect of parking but remains particularly concerned that the junction capacity of the proposed Waveney Drive / New Access road has been inadequately assessed. NWL further notes the intention to carry out and share further sensitivity testing of the junction of the new Access Road, and we await sight of this work.
- 1.5 Other than the proposed amendment to the parking arrangements, all of the concerns set out in NWL's Written Representation of 8 January 2019 remain outstanding.
- 1.6 NWL is engaging proactively with the Applicant in an attempt to resolve its outstanding concerns, and most recently met with Michael Wilks, Jon Barnard and Will Sproul, all representing the Applicant, on 16 January 2019. While discussions have been positive, as yet there has been no agreement between the parties. NWL remains open to continuing engagement with the Applicant.
- 1.7 We note that on 15 January 2019 the Applicant wrote to the Inspectorate indicating its intention to submit a request for proposed scheme changes, and that such details would be set out in submissions made in association with Deadline 4. The Examiner responded on 24 January 2019 setting out details which are expected to be included in any submission. NWL will await any submissions made at Deadline 4 and reserves its rights to make further representations.

## Conclusions

- 1.8 NWL has reviewed the documents submitted by the Applicant at Deadline 3. Other than the proposed amendment to parking arrangements, which is welcomed, that information does not address the concerns raised by NWL in its Written Representation of 8 January 2019, all of which remain outstanding.

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### Getting in touch

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