The Planning Inspectorate By Email



Wednesday 10th April 2019

Dear Sirs.

Re: Application by Suffolk County Council for the Lake Lothing Third Crossing, ExQ2 Environmental Issues (2) 2.2 Question to Nwes

In response to The Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information issued on the 22nd March 2019, wherein the following question is asked of Nwes:

Have Nwes secured any further technical evidence from the 'noise specialists' to support their statement at bullet point 5 of their Deadline 7 submissions that the effects of the LLTC proposals would be 'very severe' [REP7-012]?

May I kindly advise that we have appointed Peter Brett Associates LLP who will liaise with Suffolk County Council's appointed consultants – WSP, to establish a survey and assessment methodology to determine the change in noise levels as a result of the Lake Lothing Third Crossing.

As stated in our written representation dated the 14th March 2019, earlier discussions with noise specialists have indicated that the noise specialists believe that the noise impacts of the Third Crossing (both during the construction and throughout the operational phases) on Riverside Business Centre will be very severe, due to a combination of the noise impacts of the Third Crossing and associated traffic, and the existing form of construction of Riverside Business Centre (i.e. it doesn't have air conditioning, was not designed for a mechanical ventilation solution and it is not 'air tight'). It might well be that Riverside Business Centre is no longer fit for purpose due to the noise generated as a direct consequence of the proposed compulsory purchase of some of Nwes' land and the cumulative impacts of the Third Crossing. If as a result of the scheme (both during construction and thereafter), the noise is unacceptable, SCC must commit to ensuring that sufficient noise mitigation measures will be put in place.

Yours faithfully,

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