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Date: 23 July 2019

Dear Sir / Madam

The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 - Rule 9

Application by Highways England for an Order Granting Development Consent for the A19 Downhill Lane Junction Improvement

## **Procedural Decision**

In relation to the notice given by the Applicant of the hearings to be held on Tuesday 13 August 2019, the Examining Authority (ExA) has made a procedural decision to direct the Applicant to carry out its duty in accordance with Rule 13(6)(c) of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) no later than 23 July 2019.

Rule 13(6)(c) states that unless the ExA otherwise directs, the applicant must not later than 21 days before the date fixed for the commencement of a hearing - '(c) publish a notice of the hearing by local advertisement in the area in which the proposals contained in the application are to have effect.'

The ExA had in its letter of 12 July, directed the Applicant to publicly notify and advertise the hearing arrangements no later than Monday 22 July 2019. The Applicant has informed the Planning Inspectorate that this was not possible, but has confirmed it can publish the notice Tuesday 23 July, which meets the criteria set out in Rule 13(6).

By undertaking this duty from Tuesday 23 July 2019, the Applicant provides the full 21 days' notice before the date fixed for the commencement of the hearings in respect of the notice published in a local newspaper. Please note that, in accordance with Rule 6(a) and (b), the site notices and other public notices will be posted 21 days before the date fixed for the hearing.



This procedural decision does not affect the draft examination timetable in any way.

Yours sincerely

Kevin Gleeson

**Examining Authority** 

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