

Application by Highways England for the A19 Downhill Lane Junction Scheme

IAMP LLP's responses to ExQ1

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Ref No.	Question:	IAMP LLP's Response:
1.10.1	<p>Section 2.6 of the ES [APP-020] notes that other highways and non-highways schemes have been taken into account in the ES. Reference is made in particular to IAMP Two and '<i>proposals to expand the Nissan Plant</i>'. Paragraph 1.2.5 also describes Downhill Lane as a junction to be improved to support plans for IAMP. Page 1 of the ES Non-Technical Summary [APP-043] states that future developments such as IAMP are likely '<i>to significantly increase the amount of traffic using the A19 Downhill Lane junction</i>'.</p> <p>The Applicant is asked to provide an update on proposals to expand the Nissan Plant and to explain the importance of this proposed expansion as well as the IAMP in justifying the case for the improvements to the Downhill Lane junction.</p> <p>IAMP LLP is asked to update plans for both IAMP One (currently on site) and IAMP Two? How do proposals for IAMP relate to the proposed expansion of the Nissan Plant?</p>	<p>IAMP ONE is underway with over 51,200sqm of manufacturing, research and development space across 3 buildings currently under construction. Related highways and other infrastructure are also under construction.</p> <p>IAMP LLP carried out statutory consultation for IAMP TWO in Spring this year. It is currently working towards submission of its DCO application in Q1 2020.</p> <p>The relationship between IAMP and the Nissan Plant is summarised in the International Advanced Manufacturing Park Area Action Plan 2017-2032, which is available on the websites of South Tyneside Council and Sunderland City Council. IAMP is a location for occupiers from across the automotive and advanced manufacturing sectors, not just those connected to Nissan.</p>

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1.10.4	<p>Paragraph 5.4.5 of the ES [APP-020] indicates that Elliscope Farm would be vacated of any residential/commercial farm use by 2020 and converted to Estate office buildings after 2021.</p> <p>Is this proposed change part of, or as a result of, the IAMP Two development?</p>	<p>Elliscope Farm is currently vacant and is expected to remain in that condition for the foreseeable future. The emerging ES for IAMP TWO considers the property as a receptor, but not for residential purposes – its likely use, if it remains, would be as a site management office.</p> <p>This change is a direct result of the IAMP TWO project.</p>
1.10.5	<p>Paragraph 5.4.13 of the ES [APP-020] states that <i>'it was assumed that the Scheme would only proceed if IAMP or another project akin to IAMP would exist either upon opening or within 15 years of opening. Therefore, IAMP One and IAMP Two were included in the core traffic model scenarios'</i>.</p> <p>The Applicant and IAMP LLP are asked to comment on this statement in the context of Q1.1.5.</p>	<p>IAMP LLP has seen a draft of Highways England's proposed response to this question and has nothing further to add.</p>