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Dear Mr Price,

**A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down
Application for Development Consent – Deadline 7 Submission**

Further to the Rule 8(3) and Rule 17 letter dated 19 June 2019 please find enclosed the following documents set out in item 17 of Annex A of that letter:

- ***Comments on responses to the ExA's Written Questions issued on 5 July 2019***
- ***Comments on any further information requested by the ExA and received to Deadline 6 (and Deadline 5)***

This report has been combined into one document. It is structured by Interested Party. The following representations by Interested Parties are responded to in this report:

- Comments on the oral written submissions from ISHs made by the Applicant at Deadline 4 [REP4-029 to REP4-035];
- Comments on the Applicant's Comments on information received at Deadline 3, submitted at Deadline 4 [REP4-036];
- Comments on the Land Acquisition and Temporary Possession Negotiations Schedule [REP5-008];
- Responses by IPs to Second Round of Examining Authority's Written Questions [PD-014] submitted at Deadline 6;
- Comments on the draft DAMS [REP4-024]
- Written confirmation of oral statements made at the Compulsory Acquisition Hearings; and
- Additional submissions received outside of Deadlines 5 and 6.

Comments received at Deadline 5 on the revised OEMP [REP3-006], comments on the revised dDCO [REP3-002] and comments from Wiltshire Council and Trail Riders Fellowship regarding Deadline 4a submissions were responded to in separate reports, submitted at Deadline 6; REP6-034, REP6-035 and REP6-037 respectively.

Please note late Deadline 6 submissions published on the PINS website on and after 5th August 2019 will be addressed by Deadline 8.

- ***Final Statements of Common Ground***

We enclose revised updated Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) between Highways England and the following Interested Parties:

Wiltshire Council;
Winterbourne Stoke Parish Council;
English Heritage;
Historic England;
RSPB;
Natural England;
Environment Agency;
National Trust; and
NFU

All SoCGs apart from the SoCG with RSPB (which has been approved at officer level but still requires final approval by RSPB's legal department), still have matters that remain under discussion. Since those discussions will continue, in order to continue to narrow down the issues for the ExA, the Applicant plans to submit updated SoCGs at subsequent deadlines.

In addition, three landowners, Mr Philip Sawkill, Ms Pamela Sandell, and Mr Robin Parsons have requested that the outstanding issues with them be captured in a SoCG. These are in the process of being prepared and will be submitted to the Examining Authority at or before Deadline 8.

- ***Any further information requested by the ExA under Rule 17 of the Exam Rules***

An updated version of the dDAMS

A clean and tracked changed version of this document is enclosed, which replaces the one submitted at Deadline 6 [REP6-0014]. This incorporates further changes as a result of discussions with stakeholders and is submitted to ensure that the Examining Authority and interested parties have as up-to-date a draft as possible in advance of the issue specific hearing on cultural heritage on 21 August.

An updated version of the Guide to the Application

This document has been updated for Deadline 7. This was not requested but given the amount of documentation being submitted we thought it would be helpful for the Examining Authority.

Errata Report

This enclosed document sets out errata that have been identified within the Development Consent Order (DCO) application. The errata are minor in nature and do not change the meaning of the documents or the analysis or assessment contained them.

Photomontages

Enclosed are additional photomontages, cross-sections and Zone of Theoretical Visibility (ZTV) plans in response to the following requests:

Examining Authority

The following photomontages are being submitted in response to the Examining Authority's First Written Questions [PD-008] LV.1.9:

- Figure 7.92: View west from the A303 across Winterbourne Stoke Conservation Area and the River Till valley
- Figure 7.93: View from the summit of Oatlands Hill looking north-east

Historic England

The following photomontages and contextual cross-sections are being submitted in response to Historic England Deadline 2 Submission [REP2-100] paragraphs 7.5.14 – 7.5.29:

- Figure 7.89: View from Byway BSJA4 adjacent to Yarnbury Camp
- Figure 7.90: View south from Cherry Lodge Lane, across land east of Parsonage Down
- Figure 7.91: View north-east from adjacent to the Manor House, Winterbourne Stoke
- Figure 7.92: View west from A303 across Winterbourne Stoke Conservation Area and the River Till Valley
- Figure 7.93: View from the summit of Oatlands Hill looking North-East
- Figure 7.94: View south-west from the centre of ridge line AG12 Winterbourne Stoke Barrows
- Figure 7.95: Dynamic View 1 from adjacent to the A360 looking north
- Figure 7.96: Dynamic View 2 from adjacent to the proposed PRoW and PMA looking north
- Figure 7.103: Solstitial Alignment from Coneybury Hill Tumulus
- Figure 7.104: Solstitial Alignment from Stonehenge
- Figure 7.105: Solstitial Alignment from Woodhenge
- Figure 7.106: View north-west from Vespasian's Camp
- Figure 7.107: View north from Blick Mead
- Figure LE-1115: Contextual Cross Sections D-D1
- Figure LE-1116: Contextual Cross Sections F-F1

Wiltshire Council

A set of Zone of Theoretical Visibility (ZTV) plans in relation to the western approach cutting are also being submitted in response to discussions with Wiltshire Council via the Statement of Common Ground [REP4-023] and item 3.17.5 (RR-2365) along with a statement explaining these plans. This consists of:

- Figure 1: Zone of Theoretical Visibility of Vehicles on Existing A303
- Figure 2: Zone of Theoretical Visibility of Proposed Scheme Western Cutting Section – Vehicles
- Figure 3: Zone of Theoretical Visibility of Existing A303 Road Only
- Figure 4: Zone of Theoretical Visibility of Proposed Scheme Western Cutting Section - Road Only

Additional Views to be Submitted

The Applicant will also be submitting the following views by Friday 16th August in response to the following requests:

Examining Authority

First Written Questions [PD-008] Question LV.1.9:

- Figure 7.101: View from the eastern edge of Green Bridge no.4 looking east
- Figure 7.102: View from the western edge of Green Bridge no.4 looking west

Historic England

Historic England Deadline 2 Submission [REP2-100] paragraphs 7.5.14 – 7.5.29:

- Figure 7.97: Dynamic View 3 from proposed PRow and PMA within the WHS looking east
- Figure 7.98: Dynamic View 4 from the southern edge of Green Bridge no.4 looking east
- Figure 7.99: Dynamic View 5 from the central part of Green Bridge no.4 looking east
- Figure 7.100: Dynamic View 6 from the proposed restricted byway (former A303) looking east.

Stone Curlew Plot Update

As stated in its responses to the Examining Authority's Second Written Questions Ec.2.1-2.4 [REP6-024] and in the HRSA Clarification Note - stone curlew plot sift submitted at Deadline 6 [REP6-039], Highways England is currently in the process of identifying suitable land parcels on which to provide the proposed two additional stone curlew plots proposed. As per the criteria set out in those submissions, relevant landowners in the SPA+5km zone and within 5km of the Scheme have been contacted to date, starting with those nearest to Normanton Down RSPB reserve. As expected, multiple landowners have responded positively and where they have, specific locations for the plots have been selected and farm visits are being undertaken to further discuss the options for plots. RSPB is involved in verifying the suitability of plots. A further update on this matter will be provided at Deadline 8.

Response to English Heritage objection to PRow to Visitor Centre

This report responds to English Heritage's Deadline 2 submissions (see English Heritage's Written Representation, in particular Appendix 2 (a report by Momentum Transport Consultancy [REP2-092]) and Appendix 3 (Safety Audit [REP2-090]), which object to part of the Applicant's proposals for a new public right of way in parallel with the A360, providing new restricted byway links to the Stonehenge Visitor Centre, as comprised in the Applicant's original DCO application (and shown on Sheet 14 of the Rights of Way and Access Plans [APP-009]).

The issue of the proposed PRow route was discussed at the Issue Specific Hearing 6 – Traffic & Transport, held on 13 June and also at the Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1, held on 9 and 10 July 2019, when the Applicant committed (see REP5-002 at page 2-34) to provide a detailed written response to the issues raised by English Heritage. This report comprises that response. It demonstrates that the concerns raised by English Heritage are unfounded and/or capable of being appropriately addressed or mitigated. In so doing, the report also explains the Applicant's endeavours to develop an alternative PRow proposal which addresses these concerns and describes the two options which have emerged from that process (selected from eleven potential solutions) to form the 'non-material change' proposals on which the Applicant is currently consulting, and which are presented (as reference NMC-06, Options A and B) in the Applicant's Proposed Changes Application which was submitted on 5 August 2019 [AS-066 and AS-097].

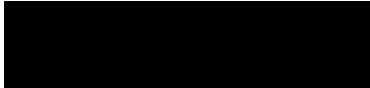
Illustrated Examples of Key Design Elements

This document presents illustrations which show how key elements of the Scheme could look, when designed in compliance with the Vision, Design Principles and Commitments presented in Chapter 4 of the Outline Environmental Management Plan (OEMP). This has been produced following stakeholder consultation regarding the Scheme-wide Vision and Design Principles.

The intention is for this document to be included in the appendices of the next iteration of the OEMP, as referred to in paragraph 4.3.2 of the Deadline 6 OEMP [REP6-011].

I would be grateful if you could acknowledge safe receipt of this letter and enclosed documents.

Yours sincerely



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