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**Subject:** Tregothnan Estates Response to Questions raised by the ExA in relation to the application by Highways England for a Development Consent Order in relation to the A30 Chiverton to Carland Cross Scheme  
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Dear Sirs,

I am responding on behalf of Tregothnan Estate in relation to the question 1.5.23 and 1.5.26 in the following link <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/TR010026/TR010026-000635-30CC%20DCO%20agenda.pdf>

Tregothnan Estate does not believe that articles 31 and 32 of the dDCO or article 24 of the dDCO, incorporating Parts II and III of Schedule 2, Minerals, to the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 appropriately addresses their concerns.

The reasoning for this is that the value of the underlying minerals is currently unknown and not possible to quantify given the time restraints in which a response was required by.

If the acquiring authority do not acquire the mineral rights which the road scheme covers they would in effect be trespassing on those mineral rights by building the road scheme over them. But the question of compensation is based on value and the acquiring authority can compensate the owner for all or any part of the mines that cannot be worked. A potential future developer of the mines and minerals however might take a view that the road scheme had sterilised the whole site not just the area covered by the road scheme and dismiss the area as a problem without fully exploring the opportunities and therefore the compensation to the mineral owner could arguably be nil.

More detailed information about the underlying mineral lodes under this proposed road scheme and the long term impact that this might have on the economic opportunities in the future needs to be considered further.

Yours faithfully,

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