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1 Assessment of nature conservation effects

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This document relates to an application by Highways England to the Secretary of State for Transport under the Planning Act 2008 [REF 1-1], as amended by the Localism Act 2011 [REF 1-2] (the Application), for the Highways England M42 Junction 6 Improvement Development Consent Order.

1.1.2 This document has been prepared in compliance with the requirements of Regulation 5(2)(l) of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 [REF 1-3], which requires:

“Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying – any statutory or non-statutory sites or features of nature conservation such as sites of geological or landscape importance; habitats of protected species, important habitats or other diversity features; and water bodies in a river basin management plan. together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features, habitats or bodies likely to be caused by the proposed development.”

1.1.3 This document has also been prepared in accordance with the Department for Communities and Local Government guidance, ‘Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance’ (June 2013) [REF 1-4].

1.1.4 As this document is part of a suite of documents it should be read alongside and is informed by the other Application documents. In particular, this document should be read alongside the Environmental Statement [TR010027/APP/6.1].

1.2 Assessment

1.2.1 Statutory and non-statutory designated sites of nature conservation importance are shown on **Figures 9.1a** and **9.1b** respectively within Appendix 9.1 [TR010027/APP/6.3].

1.2.2 An assessment of the effects on habitats of protected species, important habitats and other diversity features is provided in Chapter 9 Biodiversity of the Environmental Statement [TR010027/APP/6.1].

1.2.3 Detailed survey reports, baseline reports and other technical information referenced within Chapter 9 Biodiversity of the Environmental Statement form appendices to that document [TR010027/APP/6.3].

1.2.4 An assessment of the effects on geological features is presented within the Geology and soils assessment provided in Chapter 10 of the Environmental Statement [TR010027/APP/6.1].

1.2.5 An assessment of the effects on waterbodies is presented within Chapter 14 Road drainage and the water environment of the Environmental Statement [TR010027/APP/6.1].

1.3 References

REF 1-1	Planning Act 2008. HMSO (2008).
REF 1-2	Localism Act 2011. The Stationary Office (2011).
REF 1-3	The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009. The Stationary Office Limited (2009).
REF 1-4	Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance. Department for Communities and Local Government (2013).