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Dear Planning Inspectorate,

Please find attached the London Borough of Havering (20025659) submission for Deadline 5 for the M25/J28 Improvement Scheme (TR010029). This submission concerns LB Havering's response to the Applicant's response to Action Points from Issue Specific Hearing One (REP4-021).

Regards,

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Dear Sir,

London Borough of Havering (20025659) – Responses to Applicant’s responses to Issue Specific Hearing 1 Actions (REP4-021)

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Applicant’s response to action points from Issue Specific Hearing 1, held from 3rd to 4th March. Havering would like to offer the following comments:

Action Point 4

It is noted that the Applicant is looking to secure funding for the Non-Motorised User (NMU) route through Highways England Designated Funds process. Whilst it is noted that the outcome of this process will be known by Deadline 9, LB Havering maintains its position that such a route should be secured through the DCO itself.

Action Point 7

LB Havering welcomes that the draft Archaeological Management Plan has been updated since the Examination Hearings. GLASS on behalf of LB Havering has provided further comments to the Applicant. A number of matters have been resolved with the Applicant in the most current version, submitted at Deadline 5, most notably how detailed complex remains will be dealt with, and the protocol for unexpected significant discoveries in evaluation. Discussions will continue with the Applicant to resolve these matters.

Whilst the timetable for the initial trial trenching is welcome, the Council remains concerned that there are a number of variables that will need to be met if this timetable is to be achieved and for trial trenching to take place during the Examination in May 2021.

Action Point 10

LB Havering welcomes that the Applicant has clarified that two of the parcels of ancient woodland actually form one ancient woodland (known as Shoulder of Mutton Wood) and that the total number of ancient woodlands indirectly affected is 17. LBH welcomes that the Applicant will amend the oCEMP to reflect this.

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Action Point 11

Whilst the Applicant has agreed with Natural England (NE) that neither Alder Wood nor The Grove meet the definition of Ancient Woodland, the description provided of these woods fits the criteria for Priority Mixed Deciduous Woodland habitat which is relevant to the ExA assessment of the proposal.

LB Havering suggests that it would therefore provide clarity if the Applicant could use this term wherever it is appropriate and only use “mature woodland” where woodland does not meet any defined designation for this habitat.

Action Point 12

LB Havering is satisfied that as there is no ancient woodland within the Order Limits, there is no need for the AMS to include any measures for Ancient Woodlands. It is welcome that measures to protect ancient woodland from pollution will be included in the final CEMP.

Action Point 13

LB Havering looks forward to reviewing the update to the outline AMS and providing a response on its adequacy at Deadline 6, to ensure that it addresses the inadequacies identified and secures the details recommended.

Action Point 14

LB Havering welcomes that the Applicant has confirmed that 16 replacement trees will be planted within the Order limits. LB Havering looks forward to reviewing the updated AMS to be submitted by the Applicant at Deadline 5 where this information will be contained, and will respond at Deadline 6.

Action Point 18

LB Havering notes the additional changes (5 – 7) proposed by the Applicant. LB Havering welcomes the opportunity to comment on these changes and will do so in due course.

Action Point 20

The amended Requirement 13 of the draft DCO to secure the provision of Deer fencing is welcome.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Applicant’s responses to Issue Specific Hearing One Action Points.

Yours faithfully,



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