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1. Introduction

- 1.1.1 This document summarises the case made orally by Highways England (**the Applicant**), at the first Open Floor Hearing (OFH1) which took place at the Mandolay Hotel, Guildford on 12 November 2019.
- 1.1.2 Whilst the primary purpose of OFH1 was for interested parties to make oral representations to the examining authority concerning the Scheme, at the request of the Examining Authority (**ExA**) the Applicant was invited to reply.

2. Open Floor Hearing

2.1 Applicant's response to the representations made at the Open Floor Hearing

- 2.1.1 By way of general reply to the various points made by interested parties, Mark Challis (**MC**) on behalf of the Applicant explained that in developing the Scheme, the Applicant has made strenuous efforts to meet the concerns of local people and businesses. In doing so, it also had special regard to the environmental value and statutory designations of the Scheme's location and its objectives.
- 2.1.2 MC noted that the Applicant has had to undertake a difficult balancing act in order to promote a scheme subject to these constraints, which is furthermore nationally significant and promoted in the public interest. The Applicant will continue to engage with numerous stakeholders and is optimistic that helpful statements of common ground can be agreed in due course with those parties with whom such a statement has been requested by the ExA.
- 2.1.3 MC explained that the Applicant would not be responding orally to each of the representations raised by interested parties during the open floor hearing, but that the Applicant would provide a written response as part of the examination process.

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