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Dear Mr Jones

Planning Act 2008

Application by Highways England for an order granting development consent for the M25 Junction 10/A3 Wisley Interchange improvement project

Submission made pursuant to Deadline 6

This submission is in response to the Examining Authority ("ExA") Rule 8 letter dated 20th November 2019 and comprises the relevant information requested from Surrey County Council.

The Council has a number of comments on documents submitted at deadline 5 and 5a.

1. Applicant's response to ExAQ2 (REP5-014)

Surrey County Council officers have reviewed the documents submitted by Highways England at deadline 5. Areas for discussion remain and ongoing collaborative work continues to attempt to seek a resolution to concerns. During the current Coronavirus situation these discussions are continuing where possible using available remote technology (Skype/MSTeams and emails) to progress this during these difficult times.

2. Applicant's deadline 5a note on the implications of a reduction in replacement land (REP5a-012)

The Council would not wish to see any reduction in the extent and nature of the exchange land as such a reduction might call into question the whole basis of replacement land provision in the scheme.

The Council considers that the proposed compensation areas are all needed to adequately compensate for the impact on habitats caused by the scheme. The proposed compensation scheme has been carefully put together in consultation with SCC, SWT and NE and includes habitats that have the greatest potential to achieve compensation for the habitat loss but are also in locations which will achieve habitat continuity. The Council considers that any

reduction of these areas could not only compromise the scheme's ability to adequately compensate for the impacts but also reduce any contribution to biodiversity net gain.

3. Comments on revised dDCO.

The revised dDCO contains amendments to Part 4 Protective Provisions for SCC in respect of ordinary watercourses. The Council continues to work collaboratively with Highways England to reach agreement on the final aspects of the Protective Provisions that remain under discussion.

Yours sincerely

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