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Dear Sirs

## **M25 Junction 10/A3 Wisley Interchange Improvement Plan - Deadline 12**

Further to previous correspondence, I write to provide the Guide Association Trust Corporation and Girlguiding Greater London West (“GGLW”) comments on Deadline 11 submissions.

### **The Applicant’s Response to the Examining Authorities request from the Compulsory Acquisition Hearing, Session 2 Part 1 (Heyswood Camp Site) for:**

*Action point 2 - With respect to land plot 7/1 provide a note explaining:*

1. *a) the mechanism that could be used for securing the provision of a narrower private access road should land plot 7/1 be required to provide vehicular access to the Heyswood camp site and Court Close Farm and any implications for trees having regard to the recent and/or ongoing surveying of the land at or within the vicinity of Heyswood camp site; and*
2. *b) how land plot 7/1 would be used to accommodate the proposed gas pipeline diversion and any implications for trees, having regard to the recent and/or ongoing surveying of the land at or within the vicinity of Heyswood camp site.*

**We are extremely disappointed with the inadequate response given.**

2.1.4 We agree with the sentence that locating the access road further from the A3 reduces the functionality of the site. This is one of the reasons for suggesting the alternative route (Change 7). However, we don’t agree the applicant has addressed the constraint of the community benefits associated with the activities carried on at the campsite, because there is no solution to the need to relocate the buildings and our own access across the site.

2.1.5 With the current dDCO, the car park has been left outside of plot 7/1 - separating it from the residential buildings and camping fields. This increases the risk of accidents as young people arrive and leave the site as it is on the opposite side of the road to the campsite. At the recent site meeting, we were told this was intentional so that we could still have a car park as we would be unlikely to get planning permission to have a new one anywhere else on site as it is a registered park and garden. There had not been any discussion with use about this concept.

3.1.1 The final sentence, 'the working for the gas pipeline will encompass the majority of the area within the DCO boundary of plot 7/1.' This makes it clear that in reality it is going to be almost impossible to save any of the woodland.

3.1.3 We have noted that tree planting will not be allowed along the route as we had not been told this until very recently. We had been led to believe that it would only not be permitted above the 60cm pipe; not that none would be permitted along the whole easement area. We are concerned that hedge screen will give us more on-going maintenance than we can manage as we are dependent on volunteers.

The only way for the Sweet Chestnut tree to be retained is for GGLW to agree to a deviation of the DCO and permit the access track for our neighbours to go through the car park. This would mean a much smaller car park that is inadequate.

The cumulative effect of the current dDCO (plot 7/1) being followed for the access track to the neighbours and the gas pipe, is that nearly all of the woodland between the current track and the camping fields will be removed!

We are extremely disappointed that despite cooperating fully with the Applicant through all the consultation, we have had unclear and sometime conflicting information. As a charity operating with only volunteers we have spent hours following this process correctly. We have had to wait a long time for answers to queries from the applicant and for copies of notes of meetings. In particular, we are very unhappy that we were not told at any time that the access road / gas pipe would not go along our existing track and that the intention is to use our main field boundary woodland, resulting in more trees being felled. We really do hope that serious consideration will be given to our proposed alternative route (change7).

Yours sincerely

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County Commissioner Greater London West