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Dear Sir / Madam,

Planning Act 2008

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

Response to Secretary of State clarification gueries

Please find Surrey County Council's (SCC) responses to the relevant questions posed in the Secretary of State's letter dated 27th November.

Matter 1: Proposal by the Applicant for reduced Replacement Land

The County Council simply wish to reiterate the view expressed throughout the examination that the Replacement Land provision within the dDCO constitutes an appropriate approach to address impact within this environmentally sensitive area. The Replacement Land package in its entirety takes into account a complex set of interrelationships and any reduction in the ratios will diminish what the scheme seeks to achieve in terms of mitigation, public access and biodiversity enhancements.

The Council notes that the Applicant maintains that the ratios and specific Replacement Land parcels within the scheme are appropriate and proportionate. The proposal being considered here is simply what the Applicant considers the least worst compromise, should a reduced ratio be deemed necessary following the Secretary of State's assessment.

Yours faithfully

Caroline Smith - Planning Group Manager