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Dear Michele,

A1 Birtley to Coal House Scheme
Highways England
Section 51 advice following issue of decision to accept the application for Examination

Further to our letter of 18 November 2019, please find confirmation of the remaining documents submitted by Highways England (the “Applicant”) in response to the section 51 advice and section 55 checklist from the Planning Inspectorate in line with the deadline set out in the Rule 6 letter dated 10 December 2019 in relation to A1 Birtley to Coal House (the “Scheme”).

Submission of updated documents

As per the Inspectorate’s advice, the Applicant has enclosed the following documents with this letter to address the section 51 advice:

Document Name	Document Number	PINS Reference	Updates Made
Cover letter	TBC	TBC	This letter provides an overview of the updates made to submission documents in light of section 51 advice, confirmation of attendees at the Preliminary Meeting and proposed changes to Scheme to be considered for Examination.
Guide to the Documents to be Certified	APP/1.4	APP-004	Update to the table within the Guide to the Documents to be Certified (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/1.4).
Works Plans	APP/2.3	APP-007	As per Box 30 of the section 55 checklist, the following changes have been made to the Works Plans (Application Document

			<p>Reference: TR010031/APP/2.3) to address some inconsistencies or minor errors:</p> <p><u>Sheet 3</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A label has been added to identify 'Lamesley Road'. • A label for 'Woodford' has been added as this is referenced in the draft DCO (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/3.1) as Work No 21 in Schedule 1. • A reference number for Outfall 6 has been added, this is located to the south of Smithy Lane. <p><u>Sheet 4</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The gantry hatch for the proposed new gantry area located at junction 66 (Eighton Lodge) adjacent to the Angel of the North has been amended to show the Gantry Type 2 – super span which is proposed. <p><u>Sheet 6</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Limit of Deviation (LoD) for Work No 19 has been simplified. <p><u>Sheet 7</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A label for the B1288 road has been added which is referenced in the draft DCO as Work No 8b in Schedule 1.
Draft Development Consent Order (clean)	APP/3.1	APP-013	As per Box 30 of the section 55 checklist, the draft DCO (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/3.1) has been updated to clarify the multiple
Draft Development Consent Order (tracked changes)	APP/3.1	APP-013	<p>"commencement of work" points associated to a single Work for Work No's 8b and 19 as depicted on the Works Plans (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/2.3).</p> <p>A typo relating to the grid references for Work No 19 has also been updated. Schedule 12 of the draft DCO has also</p>

			been updated to show the latest revisions to the documents to be certified. A tracked-changes version and clean version of the draft DCO is included with this letter.
Statement of Reasons (SoR) (clean)	APP/4.1	APP-016	As per Box 30 of the section 55 checklist, Annex A of the SoR (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/4.1) has been updated to rectify the inconsistencies highlighted in Tables 1 – 6 between the identified Works (column 2) and Plot number (column 1), against the Land Plan (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/2.2) and Works Plans (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/2.3).
Statement of Reasons (SoR) (tracked changes)	APP/4.1	APP-016	
Composite Land and Works Plans	TBC	TBC	As per the section 51 letter, a Composite Land and Works Plan has been produced which shows the works packages from the Works Plans (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/2.3) overlaid across the existing Land Plans (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/2.2).
Environmental Statement Addendum (including updates to Figure 2.2 and Figure 8.1)	TBC	TBC	Information has come to light on new and amended Local Wildlife Sites (LWSs) within the Scheme Footprint and a 2km buffer since the submission of the Environmental Statement (ES) (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/6.1) submitted with the DCO application. An Addendum has been produced to update the findings of the ES in relation to two new LWSs that have been identified and boundaries of two amended LWSs. The ES Addendum also includes an updated Figure 2.2 (Environmental Constraints Plan) and Figure 8.1 (Statutory and Non-Statutory Sites) (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/6.2) as requested at Box 30 of the section 55 checklist. These Figures have been updated to denote the individual designation types of nature

			conservation sites and also to show the new and amended boundaries for the LWS information identified above.
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This is in addition to the updated documents submitted to the Inspectorate on 18 November 2019 which are included here for information and as follows:

Document Name	Document Number	PINS Reference	Updates Made
Cover letter to PINS	N/A	AS-001	N/A
Land Plans	APP/2.2	AS-002	As per Box 30 of the section 55 checklist, the Land Plans (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/2.2) have been updated to rectify discrepancies identified in relation to Part 1 of Book of Reference (BoR) (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/4.3) in relation to Description of Land. A Red Line Boundary has been added to the Key Plan to the Land Plans.
Special Category Land Plans	APP/2.8	AS-003	A Red Line Boundary has been added to the Key Plan to the Special Category Land Plans (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/2.8).
Book of Reference (clean)	APP/4.3	AS-004	As per Box 30 of the section 55 checklist, Part 1 of the BoR (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/4.3) has been updated to rectify discrepancies identified in relation to Description of Land against the Land Plans (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/2.2).
Book of Reference (tracked changes)	APP/4.3	AS-005	
Book of Reference – Schedule of Changes	N/A	AS-006	Explanation of changes to the BoR (Application Document Reference: TR010031/APP/4.3) in response to section 51 advice.

Request for amendment to application

In addition to the documents supplied in accordance with advice under section 51, the Applicant also hereby respectfully requests that the Examining Authority admits certain changes to the Application. These changes, the consequent changes to the application documents and the procedure proposed to be adopted for the admission of the changes and the supporting documents are set out in the accompanying document referred to below:

Document Name	Document Number	PINS Reference	Updates Made
Summary of Proposed Changes to Application January 2020	TBC	TBC	<p>A summary outlining changes to the Scheme Design and how the Applicant is seeking these for consideration during Examination. This covers the following proposed design changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional option for Allerdene Bridge (3 span viaduct) • Narrower lanes over Kingsway Viaduct at junction 67 (Coal House) up to approximately 750m in length. • Additional temporary Land to facilitate an extension of the existing site compound, to be used as a material stockpile.

The proposed changes have resulted from further design development since the DCO application was submitted in August 2019.

It is submitted that the Examining Authority will be able to consider this request, the consequences for the application timetable and to rule accordingly at the preliminary meeting.

Preliminary Meeting

I can confirm that the following people will be attending the Preliminary Meeting and Issue Specific Hearing into the draft DCO on 21 January 2020:

- Nicola Wilkes – Project Manager, Highways England
- Terri Morgan – Assistant Project Manager, Highways England
- Nigel Rawcliffe – Project Manager, WSP
- Nicola Ashworth – Environmental Lead, WSP
- Natalie Corless – Planning Lead, WSP
- Howard Bassford – Legal Lead, DLA Piper
- Michael Greig – Legal, DLA Piper
- Ross Corser – Legal, DLA Piper

If you have any queries about the updated documents provided, the Scheme or otherwise please do not hesitate to contact me using the details provided.

Yours sincerely,



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