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London Borough of Havering (20035775) – Response to Relevant Representations Report (REP1-180)

Dear Sir.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Applicant's response to LB Havering's Relevant Representation (RR-0605) contained in the Applicant's Relevant Representations Report (REP1-180).

The Council notes that the Applicant has taken the opportunity in its response to categorise the issues Havering has raised into three broad categories:

- 1) Matters that are covered in the emerging Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) between LB Havering and the Applicant.
- 2) New matters that are not included in the SoCG.
- 3) Matters that have been addressed outside of the SoCG.

Table 2.33

LB Havering notes the matters that the Applicant has identified as being included in the emerging SoCG between National Highways (NH) and LB Havering. The Council agrees with the Applicant that these matters are recognised within the SoCG.

The ExA will be aware that a number of these matters within the SoCG remain "Matters under discussion" and the Council continues to work with the Applicant to resolve these issues.

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Protective Provisions

LB Havering's position on Protective Provisions has not changed since the submission of the Relevant Representation (REP1-180). LB Havering provided further details on its concerns with a lack of Protective Provisions for its Highways Assets and structures in its Written Representation (WR) (REP1-253) and Local Impact Report (LIR) (REP1-249).

The Council has held further discussions with the Applicant on this point, however this is a matter that remains outstanding for Havering.

Construction

LB Havering notes that the traffic diversion route for Ockendon Road has not been finalised and that the outline Traffic Management Plan for Construction (oTMPfC) (APP-547) sets out a proposed diversion route.

LB Havering has set out its concerns regarding the suitability of that diversion route in the Traffic and Transport section of its LIR (REP1-249). Further details can be found in paragraphs 7.2.25, 7.2.26 and Table 7.

Socio Economics

LB Havering's position on the Skills, Education and Employment (SEE) Strategy remains unchanged.

The Council has submitted further details of its concerns with the SEE Strategy and specifically the lack of a local employment target in its WR (APP-153) and paragraphs 5.1.15 to 5.1.25 of its LIR (REP1-249).

LB Havering would further add that a local employment target is something that is contained within Policy 22 *Skills and Training* of the Havering Local Plan 2021. The Council remains of the view that including a local labour target for Havering would ensure the scheme is complaint with this Local Plan Policy.

Population and Human Health

LB Havering has set out its views on mitigation requirements in Table 18 of its LIR. Havering remains of the view that the mitigation proposed does not give the Council the surety it needs that the impacts of the scheme will be minimised.

DCO and Consents

LB Havering maintains its position concerning some of the language that is currently contained within the draft DCO. LB Havering submitted comments on the Applicant's draft DCO at Deadline One (D1) (REP1-251).

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Following the submission of these comments at D1, the Council has held a meeting with the Applicant and these points have been discussed in greater detail.

Whilst the Applicant has indicated that they are happy to accept and address some of the points Havering has made concerning the drafting of the DCO, there are other matters, which they are unwilling to address.

LB Havering looks forward to seeing how its comments have been addressed in an updated draft DCO that Havering understands will be submitted at Deadline 2 (D2). Havering will review this and provide comments at Deadline 3 (D3).

Havering looks forward to having further discussions with the Applicant on the remaining outstanding matters contained within the draft DCO.

Charging

LB Havering is no longer of the view that there are inconsistences with the drafting in the draft DCO and the Road User Charging Strategy. LB Havering reflected this change in its updated PADS document submitted at D1 (REP1-246).

LB Havering is also satisfied with the Applicant's response to that particular point, as set out in Table 2.34 of NH's response to Havering's Relevant Representation (REP1-180).

LB Havering continues to press the case that its residents should benefit from the Local Resident Discount Scheme (LRDS). LB Havering has set out its position in further detail within its WR (REP1-253) and section 11 paragraphs 11.1.1 to 11.1.10 of its LIR (REP1-249).

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Consultation and engagement

The Council notes the position the Applicant has given with regards to updating documents. It is also recognised that NH have submitted a number of updated control documents such as the outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (oLEMP) (REP1-172) and oTMPfC (REP1-174) at D1.

As such control documents are submitted at various stages during the Examination, the Council will review these and comment on whether it considers outstanding matters have been satisfactorily addressed.

Yours faithfully,



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