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London Borough of Havering (20035775) – Matters concerning Havering's request for a new Non-Motorised User Route between the A127 footbridge and Folkes Lane Woodland.

Dear Sir.

At Issue Specific Hearing 10 (ISH10) when discussing the potential for a Non-Motorised User route between the A127 and Folkes Lane Woodland, the ExA inquired about the use of permissive paths as an alternative to creating a new formal public right of way under the Order.

In the context of Havering, the Council has examined whether the route we seek as a WCH alternative to Folkes Lane could be created as a permissive path. Our view is that it could not. A permissive path would not generate the certainty of the right of way for all non-motorised users and cannot guarantee availability as would a public right of way.

There was also some discussion around the potential for a new NMU route to fit within the existing Order Limits for the scheme. Some further assessment work has been carried out by LB Havering and the Council is of the view that the route could fit within the existing Order Limits.

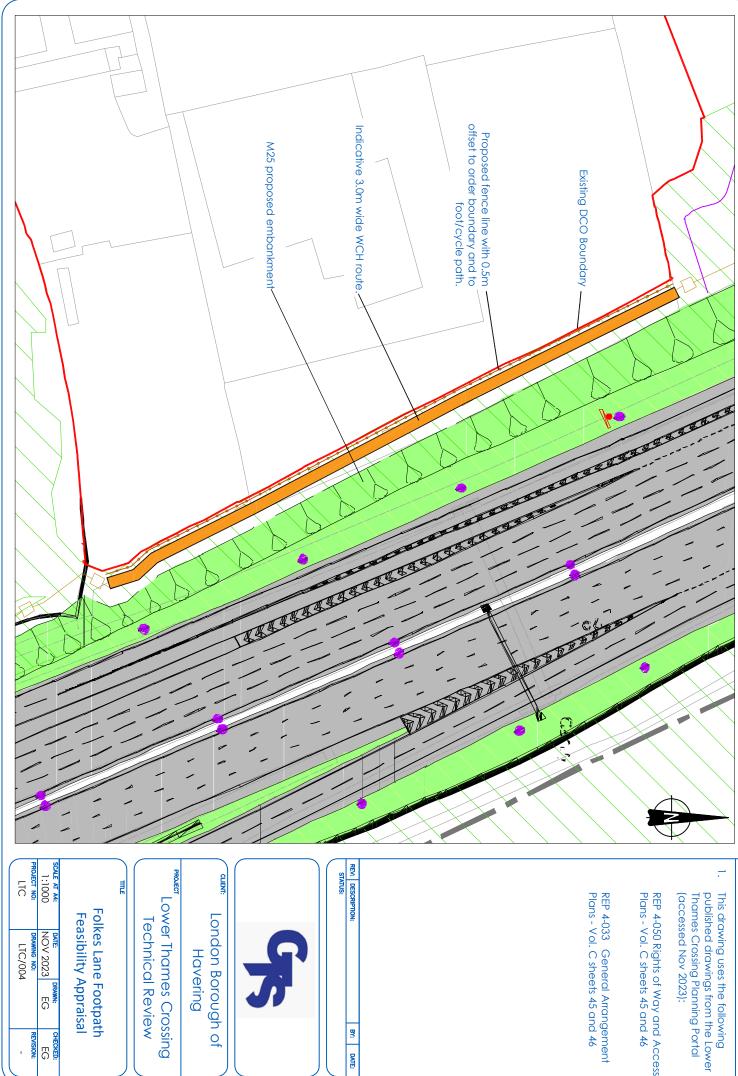
The drawing in Appendix 1 shows a section of the Order Limits running parallel to the northbound M25. This shows available land (potentially 9 metres) to accommodate a 3 metre wide NMU route. The Council would suggest that this is more than enough room not just to accommodate the path, but to also allow for any additional works that would be required.

Yours faithfully,

**Daniel Douglas** 

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## Notes:

This drawing uses the following published drawings from the Lower (accessed Nov 2023): Thames Crossing Planning Portal

REP 4-033 General Arrangement

Plans - Vol. C sheets 45 and 46



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**Lower Thames Crossing** Technical Review

Folkes Lane Footpath Feasibility Appraisa

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