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Transport Infrastructure Planning Unit
Department for Transport
Sent by email to:
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Interested Party Reference number:
LTC-AP1727/LTC-s599905

Date: 29 April 2024

Dear Transport Infrastructure Planning Unit

Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010

Application by National Highways (“the Applicant”) seeking Development Consent for the proposed Lower Thames Crossing Scheme (“the Proposed Development”)

Consultation Seeking Comments from The Applicant, Natural England and other interested parties.

Thank you for your letter dated 19 April 2024 inviting comments from Interested Parties on a number of matters relating to the Lower Thames Crossing scheme.

Amendment of section 85 of the Countryside and Rights of Way (CRoW) Act 2000

As there are no Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) within Thurrock, this Council does not seek to comment on the implications of the amendment of section 85 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act (CRoW) 2000.

Water Framework Directive (WDF)

This Council does not wish to raise any further comments on this matter (beyond those raised in its letter dated 23 April 2024) other than wishing to ensure that sufficient and robust mechanisms are putting in place in relation to the culverting of watercourses, and in particular the detailed design of the West Tilbury main culvert in Thurrock.

Yours sincerely

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