

**A57 Link Roads TRO10034 - Deadline 7, 23rd March 2022**

**Written representation from Anthony Rae - unique reference: 20029740**

I have read document 9.59 *Applicant's response to Issue Specific Hearing 2 Item 6 c) and d) Cumulative Carbon Assessment* which responds to the request made by the ExA in Item 6c) of the Issue Specific Hearing 2 Agenda concerning the DfT's letter to the A38 Derby Junctions project. I had referenced the issues arising from this ExA question in paragraphs 2-4 of my representations for deadline 4.

If I can characterise the applicant's response in this way, it's saying in so many words 'we don't have to address this question, so we're not going to'; see for example paragraphs 2.2.14/19/20/24/36 of the response. I appreciate that this is based on a position derived from National Networks NPS paragraphs 5.17-18, but notwithstanding that it doesn't assist the elucidation of the extremely serious real world problem of cumulative carbon emissions.

At the issue specific hearing I may want to raise the new analysis contained in the report prepared by Decarbon8 [\*Everything counts: why transport infrastructure emissions matter for decisionmakers\*](#) which directly concerns this issue. However because it was only launched on Friday 18th March, I have yet to review its relationship to the applicant's climate analysis for their specific scheme.

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