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Letter sent via e-mail to

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Dear Kate Atkins

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

Request for comments from Interested Parties on the Applicant's response to the Secretary of State dated 31st October 2022

Thank you for providing the Peak District National Park Authority with the opportunity to provide comment on the Applicant's response to the Secretary of State dated 31st October 2022.

The A57 Link Roads scheme lies wholly outside of the boundary of the Peak District National Park. However, traffic flows are predicted to significantly increase on National Park roads as a result of the scheme. Therefore, our participation in the Examination of the scheme has focussed on the effects of the predicted increase in traffic on the Special Qualities of the National Park.

The Secretary of State sought a response from the applicant in relation to issues raised by CPRE Peak District and South Yorkshire Branch's response to the Secretary of State's letter dated 4 October 2022. The issues raised are in relation to the proposed major development of Godley Green Garden Village and its potential impact on the strategic road network; in combination with the A57 Link Roads scheme.

Whilst the National Park Authority would be concerned about the knock-on effects of increased traffic on the Peak District's road network as a result of both the A57 Link Roads scheme and the Godley Garden Village; we are satisfied with the responses provided by the applicant in relation to this matter. The assessment of impacts on the strategic and local road network lies with the developer and the local planning authority with regard to the Godley Green Garden Village

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development. We would however, expect the developer and local planning authority to work closely with National Highways to mitigate and address this impact, including through the provision of sustainable modes of transport.

I hope that this response is useful to you in progressing with the scheme. Please contact me directly if you have any questions about any of the points contained within this letter.

Yours sincerely



Transport Policy Planner