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## **Dear Sirs**

We refer to the above and following recent discussions with representatives from Highways England we can confirm that we have still have outstanding queries regarding the temporary land use area on our clients land. It would appear to us from the Environmental Master Plan sheets 13 and 14 that a substantial part of the area which is required for temporary use is in actual fact going to be planted to woodland edge. We are unsure as to what exactly woodland edge involves and have asked for clarification. Clearly this gives the impression that although the land is required temporarily it may well be that it is used in such a way that it can no longer be returned to its former use once it is returned to the land owner. We would query whether this is in fact a temporary use of land.

We have also noted that in the responses to representations received at deadline 6 and 6A being document 7.28 under paragraph REP6 – 024 – 2 that the applicant has indicated that the temporary working area is required for 2 purposes the first being for the installation of the new highway boundary. We question why such a large area is required for such a simple task which should only require an extra 1metre to 2 metre to the side of the boundary. In this particular case the working area appears to be some 20 metres to 30 metres wide. The second purpose is to carry out planting to mitigate the loss of vegetation and enable early planting of new trees ahead of landscaping. Whilst we are quite happy to consider the early planting of new trees ahead of landscaping we fail to understand the further comment that the applicant could reduce the extent of temporary land required to align with the environmental master plan (which reflect a smaller footprint of landscape planting), however this would result in no early planting of woodland ahead of the main works. We are completely at a loss to understand how permitting early planting would extend the area required unless it is simply a case of they are seeking to extend even further the area and it would be an area in addition to that shown on sheets 13 and 14 of the environmental master plan.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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