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Highways England

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Dear Sir/Madam

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

Application by Highways England ("the Applicant") for an Order granting Development Consent for the A585 Windy Harbour to Skippool Improvement Scheme

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS FROM THE APPLICANT ON THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED A585 WINDY HARBOUR TO SKIPPOOL IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

The Examining Authority submitted on 9 January 2020 a Report and Recommendation in respect of its findings on the above application to the Secretary of State for Transport ("the Secretary of State"). In accordance with section 107 of the Planning Act 2008, the Secretary of State has until 9th April to make a decision on the application.

The Secretary of State seeks further clarification and information from Highways England on the following matters:

Issues arising regarding temporary possession of land in Schedule 7

The Secretary of State notes the Applicant's response to our consultation regarding the potential acquisition of permanent rights over land that is subject only to temporary possession. The Secretary of State invites the Applicant to provide a copy of a sample of the notice (with personal details redacted) that was served on those with an interest in land which is subject to temporary possession, and confirm whether notices served on all such persons were in similar terms. If not the Applicant is requested to set out the different provisions.

Draft Development Consent Order

The Secretary of State notes that the Applicant has included a definition for GTC Infrastructure Limited in article 2 of the draft DCO. Can the Applicant's provide confirmation that the company number and registered address included in this definition is correct? If this is not the case the Applicant is requested to provide the updated information.

The deadline for response is 12 March 2020.

Responses to the matter outlined in this letter should be submitted by email to A585WindyHarbourtoSkeppool@planninginspectorate.gov.uk. Please send any hard copy response to the A585 Windy Harbour to Skeppool Case Team, The Planning Inspectorate, Kite Wing 3K, Temple Quay House, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN.

If you will have difficulty in submitting a response by the consultation deadline, please inform the Project Team. Your response may be published on the project page for the A585 Windy Harbour to Skeppool Scheme on the Planning Inspectorate website as soon as possible after the above deadline for response at: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/north-west/a585-windy-harbour-to-skeppool-improvement-scheme/?ipcsection=overview>

This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's decision whether or not to grant development consent for the A585 Windy Harbour to Skeppool Improvement Scheme and nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what that decision might be.

Yours faithfully

Susan Anderson