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Subject: Open Floor Hearing 1 A303 Sparkford to Ilchester Dualling Project (TR010036)
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Importance: High

Our reference with you 20014098

Mr Alan Walton wishes to speak

Looking at Initial Assessment of Principal Issues Annex B2 the following are relevant to us :-

Item 4. **Noise and Vibration** Construction effects, operational effects including mitigation

Item 6. **Socio-Economic effects on Surrounding Communities** and Noise, traffic impacts/mitigation, signage to local businesses

Item 7. **Traffic and Transport** Construction effects, noise in particular planned road closures and displaced traffic during construction

Will the Learned Inspector carefully examine the Applicant so as to mitigate traffic noise at the outset of construction especially to preserve vehicular access and explanatory signage to Sparkford? This would be for the benefit of all consumers wishing to visit and be accommodated at business premises in the Village at all times during the construction period despite road closures. For the record, these businesses work in tandem with each other especially Sparkford Hall which provides larger venue events. Most of those attending require local accommodation such as at The Hall, Long Hazel Park, Sparkford Inn and local B&B's and other local Inns. Guests including those at Long Hazel Park also patronise the Sparkford Inn, and the Haynes International Motor Museum, the Fleet Air Arm Museum, RNAS Yeovilton, local pubs, Hazlegrove School, restaurants the Royal Bath and West Showground and other wider venues where numerous events are held all year round. All local guests are most likely to use Sparkford Services during their stay in Sparkford. Visitors to the Motor Museum and the other venues, including Cadbury Court, Sherborne Abbey and Castle, Wincanton Racecourse, the Octogan Theatre, Westlands Leisure Centre at Yeovil, Glastonbury Festival and Abbey also seek local accommodation such as at the Inn, Long Hazel Park and local B&B's. Long Hazel Park currently being the largest licensed per unit holiday park accommodation provider in South Somerset will maintain this position during the construction period. The Learned Inspector may consider inviting Sparkford businesses (where they wish to and are permitted to be heard) together as a group in the same programme schedule. Could clarity on compensation issues (if any) for loss of business particularly during the construction period be outlined as well, please?

Kind regards

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