

# A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction

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**COVERING LETTER AND SECTION 55 CHECKLIST**

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Dear Sir/Madam

**Planning Act 2008**  
**Application for a Development Consent Order for the proposed A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction**  
**Highways England**  
**Application Reference TR010037**

I am pleased to enclose an application on behalf of Highways England (the “Applicant”) under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008) for an order granting development consent for the A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction (the “Scheme”).

**1 Subject of the Application**

- 1.1 Development consent is required to the extent that the application includes development that is or forms part of a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) pursuant to sections 14(1)(h) and 22(1)(b) of the PA 2008.
- 1.2 Further detail concerning the Scheme’s qualification as a NSIP can be found in the prescribed form within the **Application Form (TR010037/APP/1.1)** and in the **Explanatory Memorandum (TR010037/APP/3.2)**.

**2 Application fee and documentation enclosed**

- 2.1 A fee of £7227 has been submitted by BACS transfer to the account of the Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate).
- 2.2 It has been agreed with the Inspectorate that the method of submission for the electronic application will be via Microsoft Teams and this will contain the full application as listed in **Annex A**.
- 2.3 A number of additional documents have been included in support of the application. These include:
- **Environmental Masterplan (TR010037/APP/6.8)**
  - **Scheme Design Report (TR010037/APP/7.3)**
  - **Environmental Management Plan (TR010037/APP/7.4)**
  - **Outline Traffic Management Plan (TR010037/APP/7.5)**

- **Equality Impact Assessment (TR010037/APP/7.6)**

- 2.4 A completed Section 55 checklist accompanies this letter in **Annex B**.
- 2.5 The electronic application index and GIS shape file have been supplied to the Planning Inspectorate via Microsoft Teams two weeks prior to formal Development Consent Order application submission, as advised by the Planning Inspectorate's Advice Note Six.

### **3 Application formalities**

- 3.1 This Application is made in the form required by Section 37(3)(b) of the PA 2008 and the application documents comply with the requirements in Section 37 of the PA 2008 and those set out in:
- The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (the APFP Regulations)
  - The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017
  - The Department for Communities and Local Government's (DCLG) Planning Act 2008: Nationally significant infrastructure projects – Application form guidance' (June 2013)
  - The Planning Inspectorate's 'Advice Note Six: Preparation and submission of application documents'
- 3.2 The Applicant request that the Inspectorate publish the application documents on the Scheme page of the National Infrastructure website from submission of the application.
- 3.3 The exception to this would be the Confidential Badger Survey Report (Appendix 8.11 of the **Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.3)** as this document contains confidential information pertaining to species protected under the Protection of Badgers Act 1992 and The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981).

### **4 Description of the Scheme**

- 4.1 A non-technical description of the Scheme is provided in the **Introduction to the Application (TR010037/APP/1.3)**. A more detailed and technical description is provided in Chapter 2 The Proposed Scheme, of the **Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.1)**.

### **5 Consent flexibility**

- 5.1 The Applicant has considered the National Policy Statement for National Networks and the Planning Inspectorate's 'Advice Note Nine: Rochdale Envelope'. It is our view that the inclusion of flexibility provided for in the draft **Development Consent**

**Order (DCO) (TR010037/APP/3.1)** is fundamental to whether the Scheme can be delivered.

- 5.2 An important element of flexibility sought within the DCO, where appropriate, limits of deviation have been incorporated within the DCO boundary to allow minor modifications to be made to the Scheme during the detailed design and construction stages. Such flexibility is required, for example, to enable the construction contractor to make minor adjustments to the position of certain infrastructure in response to unforeseen conditions identified on site, and for areas where the existing utilities will need to be diverted.
- 5.3 The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) which was undertaken in support of the Scheme has considered and reflected the flexibility sought in the draft **DCO (TR010037/APP/3.1)**. The maximum design parameters referenced in the draft **DCO (TR010037/APP/3.1)** have been assessed in the **Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.1)**. Further details of the Applicant's approach to the Rochdale Envelope and flexibility within the draft **DCO (TR010037/APP/3.1)** is provided within Chapter 4 Environmental Assessment Methodology of the **Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.1)**.

## 6 Habitats Regulations Assessment

- 6.1 This Application includes a **Report to Inform Habitats Regulation Assessment (TR010037/APP/6.9)** as required by Regulation 5(2)(g) of the APFP Regs. This Report identifies all relevant European sites designated for their nature conservation interest and provides the information required for the competent authority to determine whether the Scheme is likely to have an adverse effect on the integrity of any European site.
- 6.2 The Report was prepared in consultation with the Planning Inspectorate's 'Advice Note 10: Habitats Regulations Assessments'.
- 6.3 The Applicant has undertaken Screening for the purposes of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 and concluded that there are no likely significant effects on any European sites and their features. The accompanying **Report to Inform Habitats Regulation Assessment (TR010037/APP/6.9)** evidences this conclusion.

## 7 Compulsory Acquisition

- 7.1 The Applicant is seeking compulsory acquisition and temporary possession powers to acquire land, rights over land and interests in land, and other related powers to support the delivery of the Scheme. Details on the powers sought and negotiations to date, including those relating to Crown land and Special Category Land affected, are provided in the **Book of Reference (TR010037/APP/4.3)** and **Statement of Reasons (TR010037/APP/4.1)**.
- 7.2 Adequacy of the funding for compensation is provided in the **Funding Statement (TR010037/APP/4.2)**.

## **8 Other consents**

- 8.1 Details of other consents and licences not forming part of the Development Consent Order which the Applicant (or others) may be seeking in relation to the construction and operation of the Scheme are set out in the **Consents and Agreements Position Statement (TR010037/APP/3.3)**.

## **9 Pre-application consultation**

- 9.1 As required by section 37(3)(c) a **Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)** accompanies this application; the Consultation Report details compliance with Sections 42, 47, 48 and 49 of the PA 2008.

## 10 Pre-Application engagement with the Inspectorate

- 10.1 The Applicant has had several meetings to provide updates throughout the process including Scheme specific meetings on the 16 September 2020 and 28 January 2021. The Applicant has also considered where appropriate the advice provide by the Inspectorate in relation to the A47 Blofield to North Burlingham DCO application in producing the DCO documentation for this Scheme.

## 11 Other matters

- 11.1 Under Regulation 6(2) of the APFP Regulations, an application for highway development is required to include section drawings; these can be found as the **Engineering Drawings & Sections (TR010037/APP/2.7)**.
- 11.2 Under Regulation 5(3) of the APFP Regulations, any plans, drawings or sections shall be scaled at (irrespective of the method of submission used) no larger than A0 size, shall be drawn to an identified scale (no smaller that 1:2500) and, in the case of plans, shall show the direction of north.
- 11.3 Several plans are provided at a scale no smaller than 1:2500 as it is considered that the chosen scale is clearer and provides the information required. Those plans are as follows:
- The **Location Plan (TR010037/APP/2.1)** - at a scale smaller than 1:2500 to show the location of the Scheme in its wider geographical context.
  - **Environmental Statement Figures (TR010037/APP/6.2)** – information is presented a scale appropriate for the particular topic.
- 11.4 Under Regulation 5(2)(l) of the APFP Regulations, an applicant is required to provide a plan and assessment of the following sites and features likely to be affected by the Scheme: statutory or non-statutory sites or features of nature conservation; habitats of protected species, important habitats or other diversity features; and water bodies in a river basin management plan. The Plans are included within the **Environmental Statement Figures (TR010037/APP/6.2)** as Figures 7.2, 8.2 to 8.4, 9.2 and 13.1 to 13.5. The assessments are provided within the following chapters of the **Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.1)**: Chapter 5 Air Quality, Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual, Chapter 8 Biodiversity, Chapter 9 Geology and Soils, and Chapter 13 Road Drainage and Water Environment.
- 11.5 There is an equivalent requirement under Regulation 5(2)(m) in relation to certain historic sites and features. The Plans are included within the **Environmental Statement Figures (TR010037/APP/6.2)** as Figures 6.1 to 6.3. The assessment is provided within Chapter 6 Cultural Heritage and Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual of the **Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.1)**.
- 11.6 In accordance with Regulation 5(5) of the APFP Regulations, the Applicant retains all responses to the consultation carried out under Part 5 of the PA 2008 and can make them available at the request of the Inspectorate.

- 11.7 The Applicant will keep all application documents under review and will endeavour to provide updates (where it considers it necessary to do so) during the examination of the application considering questions and comments received from the Examining Authority and interested parties.

We look forward to hearing from you in relation to a formal acceptance of this Application. If we can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us using the details provided below.

Yours faithfully,

  
Project Manager  
Highways England

Enclosures:

- Annex A: Overview of the Application Documents and Table of Application Documents  
Annex B: Section 55 Acceptance of Applications Checklist (completed by the Applicant)



## Annex A: Overview of the Application Documents

The reports, drawings and plans that make up the DCO application have been organised into seven volumes as listed in the table below. The seven volumes are explained in further detail in the **Introduction to the Application (TR010037/APP/1.3)**.

	VOLUME	CONTENT
1	Application Form / Information / Background	This document, the completed application form and an introduction to the Scheme
2	Plans / Drawings / Sections	These include plans that illustrate the location of the Scheme, the proposed works, the land that will be acquired or used, and engineering details
3	Draft Development Consent Order	This is the document that sets out the legal powers that the Applicant is seeking to enable it to build, operate and maintain the Scheme, together with the Explanatory Memorandum, explaining the provisions of the Order, and the Consents and Licences Position Statement which sets out the strategy for obtaining the consents and associated agreements needed to implement the proposed Scheme
4	Compulsory Acquisition Information	Documents setting out in tabular form the land to be acquired or used, and reports justifying the seeking of compulsory acquisition powers over this land
5	Report / Statements	Reports including the Consultation Report and other Reports / Statements required by the PA 2008 for the specific DCO and not dealt with elsewhere in the application
6	Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Information	An assessment of the likely significant effects (both positive and negative) of the Scheme on the environment and a description of mitigation measures proposed to reduce any negative impacts  This Volume also includes other environmental reports including the Scoping Report, Scoping Opinion, the Statement relating to Statutory Nuisance, the Environmental Masterplan and the Report to Inform the Habitats Regulations Assessment
7	Other Documents	Additional documents that support the DCO application; these are not legally required but provide useful information on the case for the Scheme

## Table of Application Documents

A list of documents within the application is set out below. If you require a copy of any of the application documents, or parts of them, please contact the A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction Project Team:

- **Email:** A47A11ThickthornjunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk
- **Telephone:** [REDACTED]

A USB containing these documents will be provided free of charge; a reasonable charge for printing and distribution of hard copies will be made.

VOLUME	DOCUMENT REFERENCE	DOCUMENT TITLE	FOLDER NUMBER
<b>VOLUME 1:</b> <b>Application Form / Information/ Background</b>	1.1	Application Form	Volume 1
	1.2	Covering Letter and Completed Section 55 Checklist	
	1.3	Introduction to the Application	
<b>VOLUME 2:</b> <b>Plans / Drawings / Sections</b>	2.1	Location Plan	Volume 2
	2.2	General Arrangement Plans	
	2.3	Land Plans	
	2.4	Works Plans	
	2.5	Rights of Way and Access Plans	
	2.6	Traffic Regulations Plans	
	2.7	Engineering Drawings & Sections	
	2.8	Drainage and Surface Water Plans	
	2.9	Crown Land Plans	
	2.10	Special Category Land Plans	
	2.11	Classifications of Roads Plans	
	2.12	Hedgerow Plans	
<b>VOLUME 3:</b> <b>Draft Development Consent Order</b>	3.1	Draft Development Consent Order	Volume 3
	3.2	Explanatory Memorandum	
	3.3	Consents and Agreements Position Statement	
<b>VOLUME 4:</b> <b>Compulsory Acquisition Information</b>	4.1	Statement of Reasons	Volume 4
	4.2	Funding Statement	
	4.3	Book of Reference	

VOLUME	DOCUMENT REFERENCE	DOCUMENT TITLE	FOLDER NUMBER
<b>VOLUME 5: Reports / Statements</b>	5.1	Consultation Report	Volume 5
	5.2	Consultation Report Annexes	
<b>VOLUME 6: Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Information</b>	6.1	Environmental Statement	Volume 6
	6.2	Environmental Statement – Figures	
	6.3	Environmental Statement – Appendices	
	6.4	Environmental Statement – Non-Technical Summary	
	6.5	EIA Scoping Report	
	6.6	EIA Scoping Opinion	
	6.7	Statement Relating to Statutory Nuisance	
	6.8	Environmental Masterplan	
	6.9	Report to Inform Habitats Regulations Assessment Report, incl. appendices and figures	
<b>VOLUME 7: Other Documents</b>	7.1	Case for the Scheme	Volume 7
	7.2	National Policy Statement for National Networks (NPS NN) Accordance Table	
	7.3	Scheme Design Report	
	7.4	Environmental Management Plan	
	7.5	Outline Traffic Management Plan	
	7.6	Equality Impact Assessment	

**Annex B: Section 55 Acceptance of Applications Checklist (completed by the applicant)**

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## **The Planning Act 2008**

### **Section 55 Acceptance of Applications\***

(Appendix 3 of the Planning Inspectorate's Advice Note Six: Preparation and submission of application documents)

- 1) The following provisions of this section apply where the Secretary of State receives an application that purports to be an application for an order granting development consent.
- 2) The Secretary of State must, by the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day after the day on which the Secretary of State receives the application, decide whether or not to accept the application.
- 3) The Secretary of State may accept the application only if the Secretary of State concludes –
  - (a) that it is an application for an order granting development consent;
  - (b) [deleted];
  - (c) that development consent is required for any of the development to which the application relates;
  - (d) [deleted];
  - (e) that the applicant has, in relation to a proposed application that has become the application, complied with Chapter 2 of Part 5 (pre-application procedure); and
  - (f) that the application (including accompaniments) is of a standard that the Secretary of State considers satisfactory.

4) The Secretary of State, when deciding whether the Secretary of State may reach the conclusion in subsection 3(e), must have regard to –

- (a) the consultation report received under section 37(3)(c);
- (b) any adequacy of consultation representation received by the Secretary of State from a local authority consultee; and
- (c) the extent to which the applicant has had regard to any guidance issued under section 50.

5) In subsection (4) –

“local authority consultee” means

- (a) a local authority consulted under section 42(1)(b) about a proposed application that has become an application; or
- (b) the Greater London Authority if consulted under section 42(1)(c) about that proposed application;

“adequacy of consultation representation” means a representation about whether the applicant complied, in relation to that proposed application, with the applicant’s duties under sections 42, 47 and 48.

5A) The Secretary of State when deciding whether the Secretary of State may reach the conclusion in subsection (3)(f) must have regard to the extent which –

- (a) the application complies with the requirements in section 37(3) (form and content of the application) and any standards set out under section 37(5); and
  - (b) any applicable guidance given under section 37(4) has been followed in relation to the application.
- 6) If the Secretary of State accepts the application, the Secretary of State must notify the applicant of the acceptance.
- 7) If the Secretary of State is of the view that the application cannot be accepted, the Secretary of State must –
  - (a) notify that view to the applicant; and
  - (b) notify the applicant of the Secretary of State's reasons for that view.
- 8) If in the response the applicant modifies (or further modifies) the application subsections (2) to (7) then apply in relation to the application as modified.

\*Section 55 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended) by the Localism Act 2011.



## Annex B - Section 55 Acceptance of Applications Checklist (completed by the Applicant)

Section 55(2) Acceptance of Applications				
1	Within 28 days (starting day after receipt) the Planning Inspectorate must decide whether or not to accept the application for Examination.	Date received	28 day due date	Date of decision
Section 55(3) – the Planning Inspectorate may only accept an application if it concludes that:			Planning Inspectorate comments	
Section 55(3)(a) and s55(3)(c): It is an application for an order granting development consent				
2	<p>Is the development a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project<sup>1</sup> (NSIP) (or does it form part of an NSIP); and does the application state on the face of it that it is an application for a Development Consent Order<sup>2</sup> (DCO) under the Planning Act 2008 (the PA2008), or equivalent words? Does the application specify the development to which it relates (i.e. which category or categories in ss14 to 30 does the Proposed Development fall)?</p> <p>If the development does not fall within the categories in ss14 to 30, has a direction been given by the Secretary of State under s35 of the PA2008 for the development to be treated as development for which development consent is required?</p>	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>The Scheme is a nationally significant infrastructure project (NSIP) within section 14(1)(h) and section 22(1)(b) of the PA 2008. The Scheme is an alteration within the meaning of section 22(1)(b).</p> <p>The alteration is to a highway which is wholly within England for which Highways England Company Ltd, being a strategic highway authority, is the highway authority,</p> <p>The area of development is 66.40 hectares, which is greater than the relevant limit set out in section 22(4) of PA 2008, which in this case is 12.5 hectares; and speed limits will be in excess of 50mph.</p> <p>This is consistent with the summary provided in section 4 the <b>Application Form (TR010037/APP/1.1)</b> which concludes that the application is an NSIP.</p>		
3	<b>Summary: Section 55(3)(a) and s55(3)(c)</b>			

<sup>1</sup> NSIP is defined generally in s14 with the detailed thresholds for each of the specified categories being set out in ss15 to 30

<sup>2</sup> Development consent is required for development to the extent that the development is or forms part of an NSIP (s31 of the PA2008)

**Section 55(3)(e): The Applicant in relation to the application made has complied with Chapter 2 of Part 5 (pre-application procedure)**

4	In accordance with the EIA Regulations <sup>3</sup> , did the Applicant (prior to carrying out consultation in accordance with s42) either (a) request the Planning Inspectorate adopt a Screening Opinion in respect of the development to which the application relates, or (b) notify the Planning Inspectorate in writing that it proposed to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of that development?	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>On 8 February 2018 the Applicant notified the Secretary of State in writing under Regulation 8(1)(b) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulation 2017 that it proposed to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of the development (before the start of section 42 consultation on 3 June 2019)</p> <p>A copy of the Applicant's letter requesting a scoping opinion is provided in <b>Annex B</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b>.</p>
5	Have any Adequacy of Consultation Representations <sup>4</sup> been received from 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D' local authorities; and if so, do they confirm that the Applicant has complied with the duties under s42, s47 and s48?	It is anticipated that following submission of the application for development consent the Planning Inspectorate will invite relevant local authorities to provide a statement relating to the adequacy of the consultation. This is set out in the Planning Inspectorate's Advice Note Fourteen (April 2012).

<sup>3</sup> Regulation 8 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (2017 EIA Regulations), or where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies, Regulation 6 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 (2009 EIA Regulations)

<sup>4</sup> Section 55(4) of the PA2008 provides that the Planning Inspectorate must have regard to the Consultation Report, and any Adequacy of Consultation Representations received

## Section 42: Duty to consult

Did the Applicant consult the applicable persons set out in s42 of the PA2008 about the proposed application?

6	Section 42(1)(a) persons prescribed <sup>5</sup> ?	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>The Applicant has carried out one round of statutory consultation and one targeted statutory consultation with section42(1)(a) consultees prescribed under Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations.</p> <p>The details of each statutory consultation are set out below:</p> <p><b>Statutory Consultation</b></p> <p><b>3 June 2019 to 11 July 2019</b></p> <p>The Applicant undertook the statutory consultation between 3 June 2019 and 11 July 2019, allowing a total of 39 days for responses to be received.</p> <p>The Applicant wrote formally to all consultees identified under section 42(1)(a) of the PA 2008, to notify them of the statutory consultation on the Scheme. The letters were sent on 28 May 2019 as detailed in <b>Chapter 3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b>.</p> <p><b>Targeted Statutory Consultation</b></p> <p><b>3 August 2020 to 3 September 2020</b></p> <p>Following the statutory consultation held between 3 June 2019 and 11 July 2019, the Applicant identified 40 category 1 and 2 land interests and 11 prescribed consultees who had not been previously consulted.</p> <p>The Applicant undertook a targeted statutory consultation between 3 August 2020 and 3 September 2020 allowing a total of 32 days for responses to be received.</p> <p>The Applicant issued a consultation letters on 31 July 2020. The letters provided an overview of the Scheme, the consultation including the response deadline of 3 September 2020, and</p>
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<sup>5</sup> Statutory consultees set out in Schedule 1 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (APFP Regulations)

		<p>details about further information and documents available on the Scheme's website (<a href="https://highwaysengland.co.uk/our-work/east/a47-thickthorn-junction/">https://highwaysengland.co.uk/our-work/east/a47-thickthorn-junction/</a> ).</p> <p>Further details about the statutory consultation and targeted statutory consultation can be found in <b>Chapter 3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b>.</p>
7	Section 42(1)(aa) the Marine Management Organisation <sup>6</sup> ?	<b>Not applicable</b> – the Marine Management Organisation is not a relevant consultee in respect of the Scheme.
8	Section 42(1)(b) each local authority within s43 <sup>7</sup> ?	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>The Applicant has consulted each local authority identified under section 43 of the PA 2008 between 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019 and 11<sup>th</sup> July 2019.</p> <p>The Applicant wrote formally to all consultees identified under section 42(1)(b) of the PA 2008, to notify them of the statutory consultation on the Scheme. A USB containing all the consultation documents was included with each letter to prescribed consultees. The letters were sent on 28 May 2019. The letter and consultation pack on USB were sent to the following section 43 consultees.</p> <p>'A' authorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breckland Council</li> <li>• Broadland District Council</li> <li>• The Boards Authority</li> <li>• Norwich City Council</li> <li>• Great Yarmouth Borough Council</li> <li>• East Suffolk Council</li> </ul>

<sup>6</sup> In any case where the Proposed Development would affect, or would be likely to affect, any of the areas specified in s42(2) of the PA2008

<sup>7</sup> Definition of 'local authority' in s43(3) of the PA2008: The 'B' authority where the application land is in the authority's area; the 'A' authority where any part of the boundary of A's area is also a part of the boundary of B's area; the 'C' authority (upper tier) where the application land is in that authority's area; the 'D' authority (upper tier) where such an authority shares a boundary with a 'C' authority

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mid Suffolk Council</li> </ul> <p>'B' authorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• South Norfolk Council</li> </ul> <p>'C' authorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Norfolk County Council</li> </ul> <p>'D' authorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cambridgeshire County Council</li> <li>• Lincolnshire County Council</li> <li>• Suffolk County Council</li> </ul> <p>Further details of how section 43 has been applied to identify the relevant local authorities is set out in <b>Table 3.7, Chapter 3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b></p>
9	Section 42(1)(c) the Greater London Authority (if in Greater London area)?	<b>Not applicable</b> – the Scheme does not fall within Greater London and as a result Greater London Authority is not a relevant consultee in respect of the Scheme.
10	Section 42(1)(d) each person in one or more of s44 categories <sup>8</sup> ?	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>The Applicant has consulted each person in one or more section 44(1)(d) categories as outlined in <b>Chapter 3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b> and summarised below.</p> <p><b>Statutory Consultation</b></p> <p><b>3 June 2019 to 11 July 2019</b></p> <p>The Applicant wrote formally to landowners, those with an interest in the land and those who would or might be entitled to make a relevant claim under section 42(1)(d) on 28 May 2019.</p>

<sup>8</sup> Category 1: owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of land; Category 2: person interested in the land or has power to sell and convey the land or to release the land; Category 3: persons who would or might be entitled to make a relevant claim. There is no requirement on the Planning Inspectorate to check the accuracy of the list(s) provided or whether the Applicant has made diligent inquiry



	<p>The letters provided an overview of the Scheme, summarised the consultation, explained how to provide feedback to the Applicant and stated a consultation period of 3 June 2019 and 11 July 2019. A USB containing all the consultation documents was included with each letter.</p> <p>A <b>Book of Reference (TR010037/APP/4.3)</b> of all land interests is provided as part of the DCO application; all section 42(1)(d) consultees are identified in this document.</p> <p>The <b>Statement of Reasons (TR010037/APP/4.1)</b> sets out how the Applicant has undertaken diligent inquiry to identify those consultees defined under section 44 of the PA 2008.</p> <p>Further detail on the statutory consultation can be found in <b>Chapter 3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b> and sample section 42(1)(d) letters are provided at <b>Annex H</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b>.</p> <p><b>Targeted Statutory Consultation</b></p> <p><b>3 August 2020 to 3 September 2020</b></p> <p>Following the statutory consultation held between 3 June 2019 and 11 July 2019, the Applicant identified 40 Category 1 and 2 land interests who had not been previously consulted.</p> <p>The Applicant undertook a targeted statutory consultation between 3 August 2020 and 3 September 2020 allowing a total of 32 days for responses to be received.</p> <p>The Applicant issued a consultation letters on 31 July 2020. The letters provided an overview of the Scheme, the consultation including the response deadline (3 September 2020), and details about further information and documents available on the Scheme's website (<a href="https://highwaysengland.co.uk/our-work/east/a47-thickthorn-junction/">https://highwaysengland.co.uk/our-work/east/a47-thickthorn-junction/</a>).</p> <p><b>Targeted Statutory Consultation</b></p> <p><b>27 February 2021 to 26 March 2021</b></p> <p>Following the targeted statutory consultation held between 3 August 2020 and 3 September 2020, the Applicant identified an additional category 3 land interest and 12 additional category 1 and 2 land interests who needed to be consulted as a result of refinements to the Scheme's design.</p>
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		<p>The Applicant undertook a targeted statutory consultation between 27 February 2021 and 26 March 2021 allowing a total of 28 days for responses to be received.</p> <p>Further details about the targeted statutory consultations can be found in <b>Chapter 3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b> and sample targeted consultation letters are provided at <b>Annex L</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b>.</p>
<b>Section 45: Timetable for s42 consultation</b>		
11	<p>Did the Applicant notify s42 consultees of the deadline for receipt of consultation responses; and if so was the deadline notified by the Applicant 28 days or more starting with the day after receipt of the consultation documents?</p>	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p><b>Statutory Consultation</b> <b>3 June 2019 to 11 July 2019</b></p> <p>A letter was sent to all section 42 consultees on 28 May 2019 as detailed in <b>Chapter 3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b>. The letter explained how to provide feedback to the Applicant and stated a consultation period of 3 June 2019 and 11 July 2019 for receipt of responses providing a total of 39 days.</p> <p>Sample letters are provided at <b>Annex H</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b>.</p> <p><b>Targeted Statutory Consultation</b> <b>3 August 2020 to 3 September 2020</b></p> <p>A targeted statutory consultation was undertaken between 3 August 2020 and 3 September 2020 to consult with newly identified category 1 and 2 land interests and prescribed consultees not consulted as part of the statutory consultation between 3 June 2019 and 11 July 2019. The Applicant consulted these parties under section 42(1)(a) and 42(1)(d) of the PA 2008 as detailed in <b>Chapter 3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b>. The Applicant issued a consultation letters on 31 July 2020 as well as a UBS containing the consultation pack. The consultation pack to category 1 and 2 land interest also included a land plan, setting out noting how each land interest would be affected by the Scheme.</p>

		<p>A sample letter is provided at <b>Annex L</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b>.</p> <p><b>Targeted Statutory Consultation</b></p> <p><b>27 February 2021 to 26 March 2021</b></p> <p>A targeted statutory consultation was undertaken between 27 February 2021 and 26 March 2021 to consult an additional category 3 land interest and 12 additional category 1 and 2 land interests identified as a result of refinements to the Scheme's design.</p> <p>The Applicant consulted this parties under section 42(1)(a) and 42(1)(d) of the PA 2008 as detailed in <b>Chapter 3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b>. The Applicant issued a consultation letter on 25 February 2021 including a plan setting out each consultees property would be affected by the Scheme.</p> <p>Sample letters issued by the Applicant for the targeted consultations are provided in <b>Annex L</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b>.</p>
<b>Section 46: Duty to notify the Planning Inspectorate of proposed application</b>		
12	<p>Did the Applicant supply information to notify the Planning Inspectorate of the proposed application; and if so, was the information supplied to the Planning Inspectorate on or before the date it was sent to the s42 consultees? Was this done on or before commencing consultation under s42?</p>	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>The Applicant gave notice under section 46 of the 2008 Act on 24 May 2019 prior to the start of the section 42 consultation on 3 June 2019. This is set out in Chapter 3 of the Consultation Report <b>(TR010037/APP/5.1)</b>.</p> <p>A copy of the section 46 notification is provided at <b>Annex I</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b>.</p>



Section 47: Duty to consult local community		
13	Did the Applicant prepare a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) on how it intended to consult people living in the vicinity of the land?	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>A copy of the published SoCC for the statutory consultations is provided at <b>Annex F</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b>.</p>
14	Were 'B' and (where relevant) 'C' authorities consulted about the content of the SoCC; and if so, was the deadline for receipt of responses 28 days beginning with the day after the day that 'B' and (where applicable) 'C' authorities received the consultation documents?	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>Each local authority within section 43(1) of the PA 2008 was consulted on the detail of the draft SoCC.</p> <p>The Applicant held two consultations on the draft SoCC with Norfolk County Council (NCC) and South Norfolk Council (SNC) as host 'C' and 'B' local authorities, respectively, responsible for the areas where the Scheme would be built.</p> <p>The draft SoCC was first sent to the authorities for consultation by email on 3 May 2018, requesting comments be made by 31 May 2018. This provided 28 days for responses to be received, from the day after the day the authorities received the email.</p> <p>The Applicant held a consultation on the draft SoCC with NCC and SNC in August and September 2018. The draft SoCC was sent to NCC and SNC by email on 14 August 2018, requesting comments on the draft SoCC by 12 September 2018. Therefore, a total of 29 days was provided for comments on the draft SoCC, from the day after the day they received the Applicant's email.</p> <p><b>Chapter 3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b> sets out the Applicant's engagement and consultation on the draft SoCC.</p>
15	Has the Applicant had regard to any responses received when preparing the SoCC?	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>The Applicant has set out in <b>Table 3.3, Chapter 3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b> how the responses received as a result of consultation on the draft SoCC were taken into account when finalising the SoCC.</p>
16	Has the SoCC been made available for inspection in a way that is reasonably convenient	<b>Yes</b>

	for people living in the vicinity of the land; and has a notice been published in a newspaper circulating in the vicinity of the land which states where and when the SoCC can be inspected?	<p>The Applicant made the SoCC available at locations reasonably convenient, having regard to the location of the Scheme during the statutory consultation period of 3 June 2019 to 11 July 2019. Details of the locations and dates that the SoCC was available to view is provided in <b>Table 3.5, Chapter 3 of the Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b>.</p> <p>The Applicant published notices on 3 June 2019 and 10 June 2019 in the Eastern Daily Press (a newspaper circulating in the vicinity of the land) detailing when and where the SoCC could be inspected.</p> <p>Copies of the newspaper notices are included in <b>Annex K of the Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b>.</p>
17	Does the SoCC set out whether the development is EIA development <sup>9</sup> ; and does it set out how the Applicant intends to publicise and consult on the Preliminary Environmental Information?	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>The SoCC sets out that the Scheme is EIA development and how the Applicant proposes to consult on the Preliminary Environmental Information. This is described under Section 4 'Consulting the Community' of the published SoCC provided at <b>Annex F of the Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b></p>
18	Has the Applicant carried out the consultation in accordance with the SoCC?	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>The Applicant has set out in <b>Table 3.9, Chapter 3 of the Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b> how the consultation has been carried out in accordance with the SoCC.</p>
<b>Section 48: Duty to publicise the proposed application</b>		
19	Did the Applicant publicise the proposed application in the prescribed manner set out in Regulation 4(2) of the APFP Regulations?	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>The Applicant has provided details of the newspapers and dates of section 48 publicity in <b>Chapter 3 of the Consultation Report (TR010037/APP5.1)</b> and as listed out below. Copies of all newspaper notices are included in <b>Annex K of the Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b>.</p>

<sup>9</sup> Regulation 12 of the 2017 EIA Regulations, or where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies, Regulation 10 of the 2009 EIA Regulations

Newspaper(s)		Date
a)	for at least two successive weeks in one or more local newspapers circulating in the vicinity in which the Proposed Development would be situated;	Eastern Daily Press 3 June 2019 and 10 June 2019
b)	once in a national newspaper;	The Guardian 5 June 2019
c)	once in the London Gazette and, if land in Scotland is affected, the Edinburgh Gazette; and	London Gazette 3 June 2019
d)	where the proposed application relates to offshore development – (i) once in Lloyds List; and (ii) once in an appropriate fishing trade journal?	Not Applicable– the Scheme does not include offshore development and was therefore not published in the Lloyds list or a fishing trade journal.
20	Did the s48 notice include the required information set out in Regulation 4(3) of APFP Regulations?	<b>Yes</b> The section 48 notice is provided at <b>Annex K</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b> and contains the required information as set out below.

Information	Paragraph	Information	Paragraph
a) the name and address of the Applicant.	One	b) a statement that the Applicant intends to make an application for development consent to the Secretary of State	One
c) a statement as to whether the application is EIA development	Three	d) a summary of the main proposals, specifying the location or route of the Proposed Development	Two

e)	a statement that the documents, plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Proposed Development are available for inspection free of charge at the places (including at least one address in the vicinity of the Proposed Development) and times set out in the notice	Four	f)	the latest date on which those documents, plans and maps will be available for inspection	Five
g)	whether a charge will be made for copies of any of the documents, plans or maps and the amount of any charge	Five	h)	details of how to respond to the publicity	Seven
i)	a deadline for receipt of those responses by the Applicant, being not less than 28 days following the date when the notice is last published	Eleven			
21	Are there any observations in respect of the s48 notice provided above?				
22	Has a copy of the s48 notice been sent to the EIA consultation bodies and to any person notified to the Applicant in accordance with the EIA Regulations <sup>10</sup> ?	<b>Yes</b> The notice was sent to the EIA consultation bodies and any persons notified to the Applicant in accordance with the EIA Regulations 2017 on 29 May 2019 as part of the statutory consultation. Details can be found in <b>Chapter 3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b> . A copy of the section 48 Notice is provided at <b>Annex H</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b> .			
<b>s49: Duty to take account of responses to consultation and publicity</b>					

<sup>10</sup> Regulation 13 of the 2017 EIA Regulations, or where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies, Regulation 11 of the 2009 EIA Regulations



23	Has the Applicant had regard to any relevant responses to the s42, s47 and s48 consultation?	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>The Applicant has set out in <b>Chapter 4</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b> and <b>Annex N</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b> how the Applicant has had regard to the consultation responses received to both the statutory and targeted consultation.</p> <p>It has also described, in <b>Chapter 4</b> of the <b>Consultation Report</b>, the consideration given to responses that lead to a change in the Scheme design (see <b>Table 4.6</b>) and in the consideration given to responses that did not lead to a change in the Scheme design (see <b>Table 4.7</b>).</p>
<b>Guidance about pre-application procedure</b>		
24	To what extent has the Applicant had regard to statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process' <sup>11</sup> ?	<b>Chapter 5</b> of the <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b> explains how the Applicant has had regard to the statutory guidance on the pre-application process and the Applicant's approach to consultation.
25	<b>Summary: Section 55(3)(e)</b>	
<b>s55(3)(f) and s55(5A): The application (including accompaniments) achieves a satisfactory standard having regard to the extent to which it complies with section 37(3) (form and contents of application) and with any standards set under section 37(5) and follows any applicable guidance under section 37(4)</b>		
26	<p>Is it made in the prescribed form as set out in Schedule 2 of the APFP Regulations, and does it include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a brief statement which explains why it falls within the remit of the Planning Inspectorate; and</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>The application is made in the prescribed form and explains why it falls within the remit of the Planning Inspectorate in <b>Section 4</b> of the <b>Application Form (TR010037/APP/1.1)</b>.</p> <p><b>Section 6</b> of the <b>Application Form</b> provides a brief statement that describes the location of the proposed route and a more detailed description is provided in <b>Chapter 2 The Proposed Scheme</b> of the <b>Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.1)</b>.</p>

<sup>11</sup> The Planning Inspectorate must have regard to the extent to which the Applicant has had regard to guidance issued under s50

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a brief statement that clearly identifies the location of the application site, or the route if it is a linear scheme?</li></ul>	The location of the Scheme is shown on the <b>Location Plan (TR010037/APP/2.1)</b> .
27	Is it accompanied by a Consultation Report?	<b>Yes</b> The application is accompanied by a <b>Consultation Report (TR010037/APP/5.1)</b> and <b>Consultation Report Annexes (TR010037/APP/5.2)</b> .
28	Where a plan comprises three or more separate sheets, has a key plan been provided showing the relationship between the different sheets? <sup>12</sup>	<b>Yes</b> Key Plans are provided for all plans within Volume 2 of the application which comprises three or more separate sheets. The Key Plans show the relationship between the different sheets. Key plans are also provided for figures in the <b>Environmental Statement (TR01004/APP/6.2)</b> which comprise three or more separate sheets.
29	Is it accompanied by the documents and information set out in APFP Regulation 5(2)?	<b>Yes</b> The documents and information required by the APFP Regulations 5(2) are set out within the application documentation listed below.
Information Document		
a)	Where applicable, the Environmental Statement required under the EIA Regulations <sup>13</sup> and any scoping or screening opinions or directions	<b>Yes.</b> The application is accompanied by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>an <b>Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.1)</b></li><li><b>Environmental Statement Figures (TR010037/APP/6.2)</b></li></ul>
Information Document		
b)	The draft Development Consent Order (DCO)	<b>Yes.</b> The application is accompanied by the draft <b>Development Consent Order (TR010037/APP/3.1)</b> in the validated statutory instrument template.

<sup>12</sup> Regulation 5(4) of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009

<sup>13</sup> The 2017 EIA Regulations, or where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies, the 2009 EIA Regulations

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Environmental Statement Appendices (TR010037/APP/6.3)</b></li> <li>• <b>a Non-Technical Summary (TR010037/APP/6.4)</b></li> </ul> <p>A copy of the <b>Scoping Report (TR010037/APP/6.5)</b> and <b>Scoping Opinion (TR010037/APP/6.6)</b> are provided.</p>			
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
c)	An Explanatory Memorandum explaining the purpose and effect of provisions in the draft DCO	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>The application is accompanied by the <b>Explanatory Memorandum (TR010037/APP/3.2)</b> to the draft <b>Development Consent Order (TR010037/APP/3.1)</b>.</p>	d)	Where applicable, a Book of Reference (where the application involves any Compulsory Acquisition)	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>The application is accompanied by the <b>Book of Reference (TR010037/APP/4.3)</b> which meets the requirements of the statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: guidance related to procedures for the compulsory acquisition of land'.</p>
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
e)	A copy of any Flood Risk Assessment	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>The application is accompanied by a <b>Flood Risk Assessment</b> at Appendix 13.1 of the Environmental Statement (<b>TR010037/APP/6.3</b>).</p>	f)	A statement whether the proposal engages one or more of the matters set out in section 79(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (statutory nuisances) and if so how	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>The application is accompanied by a <b>Statement Relating to Statutory Nuisances (TR010037/APP/6.7)</b>.</p>

h)			i)	the Applicant proposes to mitigate or limit them	
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
	A Statement of Reasons and a Funding Statement (where the application involves any Compulsory Acquisition)	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>The application is accompanied by a <b>Statement of Reasons (TR010037/APP/4.1)</b> and a <b>Funding Statement (TR010037/APP/4.2)</b>.</p>		<p>A Land Plan identifying:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) the land required for, or affected by, the Proposed Development;</li> <li>(ii) where applicable, any land over which it is proposed to exercise powers of Compulsory Acquisition or any rights to use land;</li> <li>(iii) any land in relation to which it is proposed to extinguish easements, servitudes and other private rights; and</li> <li>(iv) any special category land and replacement land</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p><b>Land Plans (TR010037/APP/2.3) and Special Category Land Plans (TR010037/APP/2.10)</b> are provided.</p> <p>The Land Plans accord with Regulation 5(2)(i) of APFP Regulations. The Land Plans identify:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) all land that is required for or affected by the proposed Scheme;</li> <li>(ii) any land over which it is proposed to exercise powers of compulsory acquisition or rights to use land; and</li> <li>(iii) any land in relation to which it is proposed to extinguish easements, servitudes or other private rights.</li> </ul> <p>Plots and descriptions listed within the <b>Book of Reference (TR010037/APP/4.3)</b> are consistent with the plots shown on the Land Plans.</p>
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	



j)	<p>A Works Plan showing, in relation to existing features:-</p> <p>(i) the proposed location or (for a linear scheme) the proposed route and alignment of the development and works; and</p> <p>(ii) the limits within which the development and works may be carried out and any limits of deviation provided for in the draft DCO</p>	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p><b>Works Plans (TR010037/APP/2.4)</b> are provided.</p> <p>The Works Plans accord with Regulation 5(2)(j) of the APFP Regulations, and show the proposed route and alignment of the development and the limits within which the works are proposed to be carried out.</p>	k)	<p>Where applicable, a plan identifying any new or altered means of access, stopping up of streets or roads or any diversions, extinguishments or creation of rights of way or public rights of navigation</p>	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p><b>Rights of Way and Access Plans (TR010037/APP/2.5)</b> are provided. The plans accord with Regulation 5(2)(k) of the APFP Regulations.</p>
	<p>Is this of a satisfactory standard?</p>			<p>Is this of a satisfactory standard?</p>	
l)	<p>Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying:-</p> <p>(i) any statutory/ non-statutory sites or features of nature conservation eg sites of geological/ landscape importance;</p> <p>(ii) habitats of protected species, important</p>	<p>The information in relation to Regulation 5(2)(l)(i) to (iii) is provided within <b>Figure 8.2 Designated Sites, Figure 7.2 Landscape Context and Figure 9.1 Agricultural Land Classification of the Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.2)</b>.</p> <p>The information in relation Regulation 5(2)(l)(ii) is within <b>Figure 8.3 Ecological Constraints and Figure 8.4 Phase 1 Habitat Study</b></p>	m)	<p>Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying any statutory/ non-statutory sites or features of the historic environment, (eg scheduled monuments, World Heritage sites, listed buildings, archaeological sites and registered battlefields) together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features or structures</p>	<p>The information in relation to 5(2)(m) is within following figures from the <b>Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.2)</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Figure 6.1 Cultural Heritage Designated</b></li> <li>• <b>Figure 6.2 Cultural Heritage Non-designated Assets</b></li> <li>• <b>Figure 6.3 Cultural Heritage Historic Landscape Character</b></li> </ul> <p>The assessment of any effects on such sites, features or structures likely to be</p>

	<p>habitats or other diversity features; and</p> <p>(iii) water bodies in a river basin management plan,</p> <p>together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features, habitats or bodies likely to be caused by the Proposed Development</p>	<p>of the <b>Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.2)</b>.</p> <p>The information in relation Regulation 5(2)(l)(iii) is within the following figures from the <b>Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.2)</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Figure 13.1 Surface Water Features, Abstractions and Fluvial Flood Risk</b></li> <li>• <b>Figure 13.2 Water Framework Directive (WFD) and Internal Drainage Board (IDB) Surface Waterbodies</b></li> <li>• <b>Figure 13.3 Aquifer and Environmental Designations</b></li> <li>• <b>Figure 13.4 Water Framework Directive (WFD) Groundwater Waterbodies</b></li> <li>• <b>Figure 13.5 Groundwater Abstractions, Discharges and Source Protection Zones</b></li> </ul> <p>The assessment of any effects on such sites, features, habitats or bodies likely to be caused by the Scheme is presented in the <b>Report to Inform the Habitats Regulations Assessment (TR010037/APP/6.9)</b> and <b>Chapter 5 Air Quality, Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual, Chapter 8 Biodiversity, Chapter 9 Geology</b></p>		<p>likely to be caused by the Proposed Development</p>	<p>caused by the Scheme is presented in <b>Chapter 6 Cultural Heritage and Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual</b> of the <b>Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.1)</b>.</p>
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		<b>and Soils, and Chapter 13 Road Drainage and Water Environment of the Environmental Statement (TR010037/APP/6.1).</b>			
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
n)	Where applicable, a plan with any accompanying information identifying any Crown land	<b>Yes</b> The application is accompanied by <b>Crown Land Plans (TR010037/APP/2.9).</b>	o)	Any other plans, drawings and sections necessary to describe the development consent proposal showing details of design, external appearance, and the preferred layout of buildings/ structures, drainage, surface water management, means of vehicular and pedestrian access, any car parking and landscaping	<b>Yes.</b> The application is accompanied by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>General Arrangement Plans (TR010037/APP/2.2)</b></li> <li>• <b>Traffic Regulation Plans (TR010037/APP/2.6)</b></li> <li>• <b>Engineering Drawings and Sections (TR010037/APP/2.7)</b></li> <li>• <b>Drainage and Surface Water Plans (TR010037/APP/2.8)</b></li> <li>• <b>Classification of Roads Plans (TR010037/APP/2.11)</b></li> <li>• <b>Hedgerow Plans (TR010037/APP/2.12)</b></li> <li>• <b>Environmental Masterplan (TR010037/APP/6.8)</b></li> </ul>
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Are they of a satisfactory standard?	

p)	Any of the documents prescribed by Regulation 6 of the APFP Regulations:	<p>As the Scheme is highway related development, the application is required to supply section drawings in accordance with Regulation 6(2) APFP Regulations.</p> <p>This information is provided in the <b>Engineering Drawings and Sections (TR010037/APP/2.7)</b> and the <b>Drainage and Surface Water Plans (TR010037/APP/2.8)</b>.</p>	q)	Any other documents considered necessary to support the application	<p>The application comprises other documents considered necessary to support the application, as listed in Section 23 of the Application Form <b>(TR010037/APP/1.1)</b>.</p> <p>These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Covering letter and schedule of compliance with Section 55 (TR010037/APP/1.2)</b></li> <li>• <b>Introduction to the Application (TR010037/APP/1.3)</b></li> <li>• <b>Consents and Agreements Position Statement (TR010037/APP/3.3)</b></li> <li>• <b>Case for the Scheme (TR010037/APP/7.1)</b></li> <li>• <b>National Policy Statement for National Networks Accordance Table (TR010037/APP/7.2)</b></li> <li>• <b>Scheme Design Report (TR010037/APP/7.3)</b></li> <li>• <b>Environmental Management Plan (TR010037/APP/7.4)</b></li> <li>• <b>Outline Traffic Management Plan (TR010037/APP/7.5)</b></li> <li>• <b>Equality Impact Assessment (TR010037/APP/7.6)</b></li> </ul>
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	Are they of a satisfactory standard?		Are they of a satisfactory standard?	
30	Are there any observations in respect of the documents provided at Box 29 (a) to (q) above?			
31	Is the application accompanied by a report identifying any European site(s) to which Regulation 48 of The Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 applies; or any Ramsar site(s), which may be affected by the Proposed Development, together with sufficient information that will enable the Secretary of State to make an appropriate assessment of the implications for the site if required by Regulation 48(1)? <sup>14</sup>	<b>Yes</b> <b>A Report to Inform a Habitats Regulation Assessment (TR010037/APP/6.9)</b> accompanies the application. No significant impacts on European Sites are anticipated as a result of the Scheme		
32	If requested by the Planning Inspectorate, two paper copies of the application form and other supporting documents and plans <sup>15</sup>	N/A		
33	Has the Applicant had regard to statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance', and has this regard led to the application being prepared to a standard that the Planning Inspectorate considers satisfactory?	The statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance' has been used to prepare the application form. Applicant believes that the application has been prepared to the standards that the Planning Inspectorate considers satisfactory.		
34	<b>Summary - s55(3)(f) and s55(5A)</b>			

<sup>14</sup> Regulation 5(2)(g) of the APFP Regulations

<sup>15</sup> Regulation 5(2)(r) of the APFP Regulations



### The Infrastructure Planning (Fees) Regulations 2010 (as amended)

#### Fees to accompany an application

35	Was the fee paid at the same time that the application was made <sup>16</sup> ?	Yes
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Role	Electronic signature	Date
Case Manager		
Acceptance Inspector		

<sup>16</sup> The Planning Inspectorate must charge the Applicant a fee in respect of the decision by the Planning Inspectorate under section 55 of the PA2008. If the Applicant fails to pay the fee, the Planning Inspectorate need not consider the application until payment is received. The fee must be paid at the same time that the application is made