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**Subject:** A47/A11 Thickthorn - Thickthorn Junction Improvements - Agricultural Accesses off proposed Cantley Lane Link Road

Dear Sirs

In the interests of keeping the Examining Authority updated on my clients' discussions with the Highways Authority, I am providing you with this note. If it is the case that I should not be providing you with notes such as this, please do not hesitate to let me know and I shall make sure this is the last you receive of this nature.

My clients, The Mackintosh and Watt Trusts, instructed Create Consulting Engineers to undertake a high-level assessment of the proposed Highways England (now National Highways) upgrade scheme at the A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction. Create focused on the two proposed accesses off the northern section of the proposed Cantley Lane Link Road. As shown on drawing 'HE551492-GTY-HML-000-DR-CH-30028-C01' attached, the access points of interest are the eastern access into the yellow plot of land and western access into a blue plot of land.

The geometry of the two access points has been tested in the SavoyCAD vehicle tracking software to determine their suitability for use as farm access points. In the absence of AutoCAD drawing files all analysis has been undertaken using a scaled version of the Sweco drawing reference number 'HE551492-GTY-HML-000-DR-CH-30028-C01'. Therefore, all measurements are approximate. The junctions were tested using a tractor towing a hay wagon to provide a reasonable account of the future vehicles using said access points. Create drawing '1973/03/002' demonstrates that to accommodate the vehicle movements the proposed access points will require widening to both the bell mouth radii and the access road width.

In addition, Create have consulted with the farming tenant's of the land and, based on their advice, request that the two proposed access points be moved to the preferred access point locations shown on Create drawing '1973/03/003', attached.

I have sent this material to National Highways today and await their response.

Many thanks

Kind regards

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