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To:  
**National Highways Limited,  
South Norfolk District Council,  
Big Sky Developments Ltd  
Network Rail  
Interested Parties**

Date: 19 August 2022

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Dear Sir/Madam

## **Planning Act 2008 (as amended) and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010**

### **Application by National Highways Limited ("the Applicant") for an Order granting Development Consent for the A47/ A11 Thickthorn Junction**

#### **REQUEST FOR COMMENTS**

The Examining Authority submitted on 20 June 2022 a Report and Recommendation in respect of its findings and conclusions 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 20 September 2022 to make a decision on the application. The Secretary of State invites comments in relation to the following matters which were outstanding at the end of the Examination

#### **1 Proposed delivery of public open space**

The Secretary of State understands that an application has been submitted by **Big Sky Developments Limited** to **South Norfolk District Council** which seeks to vary the proposed delivery of public open space as part of the Cringleford residential development. The Secretary of State requests that the parties provide an update on the status of that application, together with an update on the proposal to vary the associated section 106 Agreement.



## **2 Protective Provisions**

The Secretary of State notes that at the end of the examination Protective Provisions had not been agreed between the **Applicant** and **Network Rail**. Can both parties update the Secretary of State on the current position and confirm whether agreement has been reached.

## **3 The Applicant's response to Secretary of State's consultation letter dated 26 July 2022**

The Secretary of State invites comments from Interested Parties on the Applicant's [response](#) to Question 1 (climate change) to the Secretary of State's consultation letter of 26 July 2022

### **The deadline for any response is 5 September 2022**

Responses to the matters outlined in this letter should be submitted by email to A47-A11 Thickthorn [A47A11Thickthorn@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:A47A11Thickthorn@planninginspectorate.gov.uk)

If you will have difficulty in submitting a response by the consultation deadline, or difficulty in submitting a response by email, please inform the Case Team.

The responses will be published on the project page for the A47/A11Thickthorn Junction Project on the Planning Inspectorate website as soon as possible after the above deadline for response at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction/>

This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's decision whether to grant development consent for the A47/ A11 Thickthorn Junction Project and nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what that decision might be.

Yours faithfully

Colin Dunn