

A47 Blofield to North Burlingham
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Planning Inspectorate
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By Email only

Dear Mr Hutson

Application by Highways England for an Order for Development Consent for the A47 Blofield to North Burlingham Scheme (TR010040)

Change of Name of Applicant to National Highways Limited

I am writing to inform you that on 8 September 2021 Highways England Company Limited changed its name to National Highways Limited.

The applicant for the A47 Blofield to North Burlingham Order was incorporated as Company no. 09346363 and when incorporated the company's name was Highways England Company Limited.

As you will see from the attached enclosure taken from the Companies House website, the company's number and registered office remains the same but, on 8 September 2021, it changed its name to National Highways Limited.

The Applicant continues to use Highways England branding where appropriate and believes that, for the purposes of the Blofield examination, it would not be in any party's interests to have all documentation re-issued and re-branded in the new company name.

That said, the draft Development Consent Order (dDCO) in Article 2 refers to the Applicant as Highways England Company Limited quoting the registered office and company number. The





explanatory note at the end of the Order also refers to Highways England. The proposed changes are shown in the enclosed dDCO, provided at this stage on an information only basis.

The Applicant proposes to amend the dDCO (and Explanatory Memorandum) at the next deadline, to reflect the change of name. All references to Highways England Company Limited in the dDCO would be changed to National Highways Limited. References to Highways England would change to National Highways. The Applicant is also considering whether the Funding Statement and Statement of Reasons should also be updated.

The Applicant, however does not intend update any other submitted documents. It is proposed that this letter can be part of the examination documentation, explaining that the Applicant remains the same legal person and references to Highways England in application documentation remain references to the same Applicant despite the change of the Applicant's name.

This letter has been sent to you now so that the matter can be considered further at the ISH4 on Tuesday 9 November, if you believe it is necessary to discuss the Applicant's proposed way forward.

It is hoped that you will allocate a short amount of the hearing time on 9 November to confirm whether you are content with the suggested approach or whether consideration is needed in terms of the Applicant providing clarification of the position.

Yours sincerely



Nikki Rowley-Todd National Highways Limited

Enclosures:

- Details of National Highways Limited's registration at Companies House.
- Tracked dDCO
- 3. Tracked Explanatory Memorandum

The dDCO and Explanatory Memorandum are provided showing proposed changes to reflect the Applicant's change of name and are currently provided on an information only basis to assist the Inspector to see the changes proposed.



