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Dear Dominic Young,

**Application by Norfolk County Council for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Great Yarmouth Third River Crossing Marine Management Organisation (MMO) response to Deadline 2**

In accordance with the deadlines specified under the Examination Timetable for the proposed Great Yarmouth Third River Crossing, I am writing to provide the MMO's response to Deadline 2.

If you would like to discuss any specific matter further or require additional clarity, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Yours sincerely,

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## By Email only

22 October 2019

Dear Dominic Young,

## Application by Norfolk County Council for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Great Yarmouth Third River Crossing

### Marine Management Organisation (MMO) response to Deadline 2

The MMO is an Interested Party (IP) for the examination of Development Consent Order (DCO) applications for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIPs) in the marine area.

The MMO has an interest in this project because the development includes the construction of a new double-leaf bascule bridge over the River Yare, with associated licensable activities occurring both over and within the marine environment. The DCO application includes a Deemed Marine Licence (DML) under Section 65 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 (MCAA 2009) and should consent be granted for the project, the MMO will be responsible for monitoring, compliance and enforcement of DML conditions.

In accordance with the deadlines specified under the Examination Timetable for the proposed Great Yarmouth Third River Crossing, I am writing to provide the MMO's response to Deadline 2.

Deadline 2 consists of:

- Comments on WRs and responses to comments on RRs
- Local Impact Reports (LIR) from any Local Authorities
- Updated Book of Reference and Negotiations Tracker from the Applicant
- Comments on SoCG and any revised/updated SoCG
- Comments on Applicant's draft ASI itinerary
- Responses to ExQ1
- Applicant's revised dDCO (if required)
- Comments on any additional information/submissions received by D1
- Responses to any further information requested by the ExA



Of these items, the MMO considers the following relevant for inclusion in this response:

## **1. Comments on Written Responses and responses to comments on Relevant Representations**

- 1.1. The applicant has provided comments on the MMO's RR in Document NCC/GY3RC/EX/008: Response to Relevant Representations, dated 8 October 2019. The MMO have reviewed these comments and are in the process of consulting our technical advisors.
- 1.2. A conference call with the applicant was held 22 October 2019 to discuss these comments. Following clarification that no dredged material will be disposed to sea, the MMO agree the chemical analysis point is no longer relevant.
- 1.3. The other comments, which were raised in the MMO's Rule 8 response, dated 4 October 2019, remain the same until they have been reviewed by our technical advisors. A summary of these points are:
  - 1.3.1. All changes to the current version of the draft DML have been agreed with the applicant, however it should be noted that it may be necessary to amend the scope of the proposed development, amend existing conditions and/or include additional conditions.
  - 1.3.2. Due to the basic information provided on the duration and nature of the pile driving and local migratory fish, the MMO do not believe there is enough information to grant a licence for the works.
  - 1.3.3. The Environmental Statement should include a discussion of a detailed scour assessment and should discuss whether the coastal process impacts (i.e. flow and sedimentation) would increase in scale under climate change.
  - 1.3.4. It is the opinion of the MMO that the evidence base to support ES conclusions in terms of underwater noise is insufficient.

## **2. Comments on Statements of Common Ground (SoCG)**

- 2.1. The MMO reviewed version 5 of the SoCG and requested, in an email dated 4 October 2019, that the applicant adds the point that *'results of the dredging chemical analysis including coordinates are required to be able to inform a full review and, depending on these results, further mitigation measures may be required.'*
- 2.2. The MMO note that this sentence has been added to the MMO SoCG in Document NCC/GY3RC/EX/010: Statement of Commonality for Statements of Common Ground at Deadline 1, dated 8 October 2019.
- 2.3. As detailed in paragraph 1.2, as no dredged material will be disposed to sea, the MMO agree the chemical analysis point is no longer relevant. This comment can therefore be removed from the SoCG.
- 2.4. As detailed in sub-paragraph 1.3.1, the MMO has highlighted that it may be necessary to include and/or amend conditions in the draft DML. If this is necessary, such changes will need to be recorded in the SoCG.

## **3. Comments on Applicant's draft ASI itinerary**

- 3.1. The MMO has reviewed Document NCC/GY3RC/EX/011: Draft Itinerary for Accompanied Site Inspection, dated 8 October 2019, and have no comments on the proposed itinerary. We have confirmed in our response to the Rule 16 letter that a representative from the MMO wishes to attend the ASI on Tuesday 19 November 2019.

#### **4. Responses to ExQ1**

4.1. The MMO has reviewed the Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ1), issued on 1 October 2019. None of the questions are to the MMO and we have no comments on the questions asked.

#### **5. Comments on any additional information/submissions received by Deadline 2**

5.1. The MMO has reviewed the written responses received by Deadline 1. It is evident that progress has been made to address and/or resolve some comments, however there are others that remain outstanding. Further to our comments in our Rule 8 response, dated 4 October 2019, we advise that conditions could be added to the DML to ensure the Applicant follows the advice of interested parties and that any agreed mitigation measures are implemented in full. To this end, the MMO would welcome engagement with relevant interested parties and the Applicant should they wish to discuss the inclusion of conditions within the DML, or any other matters within the remit of the MMO.

5.2. Any changes to the scope of the development, for example inclusion of layby berths, would need to be included in the DML and may require the inclusion of additional conditions within the DML.

5.3. The MMO wish to highlight that the operation and maintenance regime would not be conditioned on the DML as it is not within the remit on the MMO, however the ExA should have regard to relevant policies in the East Marine Plan.


#### **6. Responses to any further information requested by the ExA**

6.1. The MMO has reviewed the Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ1), issued on 1 October 2019. The MMO is not aware of any request by the ExA for further information from the MMO.

The MMO reserves the right to modify its present advice or opinion in view of any additional matters or information that may come to our attention.

If you would like to discuss any specific matter further or require additional clarity, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Yours sincerely,



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