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Dear Sir/Madam

Please find attached Natural England's response to the Examining Authorities written questions and requests for information (ExQ):

If you have any questions please do get in touch.

Yours sincerely
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Great Yarmouth Third River Crossing
The Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ1)

Dear Sir Madam

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Natural England have provided further information in response to The Examining Authority's written questions. The information is presented below.

ExQ 1.2.4

Overall, Natural England is satisfied that the relevant designated sites, interest features and impact pathways have been scoped into the Habitats Regulations Assessment.

The Greater Wash SPA, Benacre to Eastern Bavents SPA, SAC and Minsmere and Walberswick SPA, SAC, Ramsar are situated approximately 12km, 17.5km and 30km outside of the development footprint. Due to distance it is unlikely that the proposal will cause significant disturbance to the designated interest features of each site, or present impacts to air quality, water quality and hydrology.

ExQ 1.2.8

Natural England accept the use of Broadland SPA objectives to inform the site assessment for Broadland Ramsar. We expect the interest features of both designated sites be screened for likely significant effect and this has been demonstrated in pages 66 – 71 of the Habitats Regulations Assessment.

ExQ 1.2.12

The Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (document 6.2) explains that amphibians and reptiles are unlikely to be within the area of works due to urban location, lack of connectivity and concludes that no further survey work is required. Natural England accept this conclusion.

Yours sincerely

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