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Your Ref: TR010043

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By email

Dear Sir

Planning Act 2008 – Section 89 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 – Rule 8(3) and 17

Application by Norfolk County Council for an order granting development consent for the Great Yarmouth third river crossing project.

We write with reference to the request for further information issued by the Examining Authority pursuant to Rule 17 of the above mentioned Act on 13 February 2020 that was forwarded to us by the Applicant on 17 February 2020 and to the Rule 8(3) and 17 letter issued on 10 March 2020.

The Environment Agency has previously raised concerns regarding the adequacy of the modelling upon which the Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) is based. Outstanding issues in relation to flood risk concerned the assessment of tidal residual (breach) risk and confirmation of the properties that would be impacted. This was set out in our letter to the ExA dated 11 February 2020.

We are able to advise that since our last letter the Applicant has undertaken breach modelling. We are able to confirm that most matters of concern have been addressed by the Applicant and with the exception of the issue outlined below the FRA is adequate.

However, the figures used in the tidal residual (breach) risk analysis to show the difference in flood depth do not provide information that matches all the flood extents identified. Until this information is analysed and presented as part of the FRA the ExA is not informed regarding the change in hazard to third parties arising from the proposed development in the event of breach.

We are reasonably confident that the Applicant should be able to provide this data by Deadline 9.

We trust that this information is of use.

Yours faithfully



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