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To: Norfolk County Council,  
Environment Agency, Great  
Yarmouth Port Authority, Great  
Yarmouth Port Company

Date: 21 July 2020

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Dear Sir/Madam

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

**Application by Norfolk County Council (“the Applicant”) for an Order granting development consent** to construct a new crossing of the River Yare in Great Yarmouth. The scheme would consist of new dual carriageway road, including a road bridge across the river, linking the A47 at Harfrey’s Roundabout on the western side of the river to the A1243 South Denes Road on the eastern side (“the Proposed Development”).

### **REQUEST FOR COMMENTS FROM THE APPLICANT, ENVIRONMENT AGENCY, GREAT YARMOUTH PORT AUTHORITY (“GYPA”) AND GREAT YARMOUTH PORT COMPANY (“GYPC”)**

The Examining Authority submitted on 24 June 2020 a Report and Recommendation in respect of its findings 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 24 September 2020 to make a decision on the application. The Secretary of State would be grateful if the Applicant and other affected parties where highlighted in bold could provide comments on the matters set out below.

## **Environment Agency**

The Secretary of State notes that the Environment Agency has confirmed in their post examination correspondence attached in Appendix A that the protective provisions are now agreed.

Please could the **Applicant** and the **Environment Agency** provide the Secretary of State with the final agreed version of the protective provisions?

## **GYPA / GYPC**

From the late representation attached in Appendix B, the Secretary of State notes that the side agreement between the **Applicant** and **GYPA/GYPC** is now complete. The Secretary of State further notes at paragraph 2.2.2 of the Applicant's Addendum to Closing Statement [\[AS-026\]](#) that once the agreement has been completed, the Applicant will provide further amendments to the draft DCO.

Please would the **Applicant, GYPA and GYPC** confirm whether, in the light the conclusion of the legal agreement, the parties still intend to provide amended DCO drafting. If revisions to the DCO are being sought, please would the Applicant provide the relevant amendments that relate to the protective provisions in Part 6 of Schedule 14, and to article 3 of the proposed DCO. Confirmation that both GYPA and GYPC agree with the revisions sought should be provided along with any drafting submitted.

**The deadline for any response is 4 August 2020.**

Responses to the matters outlined in this letter should be submitted by email to [GYTRC@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:GYTRC@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 speak to the Project Team

Your response will be published on the Great Yarmouth Third River Crossing project page on the Planning Inspectorate website as soon as possible after the above deadline for response at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/great-yarmouth-third-river-crossing/>

This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's decision whether or not to grant development consent for the Great Yarmouth Third River Crossing scheme, and nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what that decision might be.

Yours faithfully

Kevin O'Hanlon

## Appendix A



The Planning Inspectorate  
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**Our ref:** AE/2019/124219  
**Your ref:** TR010043  
**Date:** 02 June 2020

Via email:

Dear Sir/Madam

**APPLICATION BY NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL FOR AN ORDER GRANTING  
DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE GREAT YARMOUTH THIRD RIVER CROSSING  
PROJECT: PROTECTIVE PROVISIONS**

We write with reference to the Update on Protective Provisions (document reference NCC/GY3RC/EX/066) published at Deadline 6.

We can advise that the Environment Agency has now agreed Protective Provisions with the Applicant and, as such we are able to consent to the disapplication of the relevant consents under the provisions of section 150 of the Planning Act 2008 and as set out in article 3 of the draft Development Consent Order.

I trust that this information is of assistance

Yours faithfully



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## Appendix B



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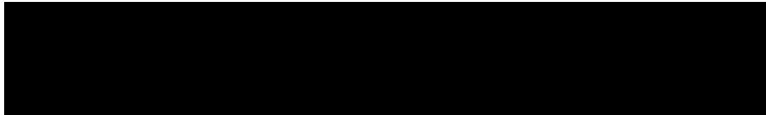
Dear Sirs

### Great Yarmouth Third River Crossing Development Consent Order

We act for the Great Yarmouth Port Authority and the Great Yarmouth Port Company. As both organisations have entered into legal agreements with Norfolk County Council, the Applicant, their original objections can be taken as, and are, withdrawn.

We shall be grateful if you will kindly acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully



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