



**Transboundary screening undertaken by the Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) on behalf of the Secretary of State (SoS) for the purposes of Regulation 32 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the 2017 EIA Regulations)**

<b>Project name:</b>	A428 Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet Road Improvement Scheme
<b>Address/Location:</b>	The road network from west of the A421/A1 Black Cat junction through to east of the A428/A1198 Caxton Gibbet junction, between St Neots and Cambourne, Cambridgeshire.
<b>Planning Inspectorate Ref:</b>	TR010044

**TRANSBOUNDARY SCREENING**

<b>Document(s) used for transboundary screening:</b>	A428 Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet Environmental Scoping Report ('the Scoping Report')
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The Inspectorate on behalf of the SoS has considered the Proposed Development which comprises a new 18.6km long offline dual two lane carriageway between the Black Cat junction and Caxton Gibbet junction, with a grade separated interchange at Black Cat and grade separated junctions at Cambridge Road and Caxton Gibbet.

The Inspectorate concludes that the Proposed Development **is unlikely to have a significant effect either alone or cumulatively on the environment in a European Economic Area State**. In reaching this conclusion the Inspectorate has identified and considered the Proposed Development's likely impacts including consideration of potential pathways and the extent, magnitude, probability, duration, frequency and reversibility of the impacts.

The Inspectorate considers that the likelihood of transboundary effects resulting from the Proposed Development is so low that it does not warrant the issue of a detailed transboundary screening. However, this position will remain under review and will have regard to any new or materially different information coming to light which may alter that decision.

**Action:** No further action required at this stage.

**Date:** 15 April 2020

**Note:** The SoS' duty under Regulation 32 of the 2017 EIA Regulations continues throughout the application process.

## TRANSBOUNDARY RE-SCREENING

**Document(s) used for transboundary screening:**

The Environmental Statement Appendix 4.1: Transboundary Effects Screening (Document Reference APP-155)

The Inspectorate has re-considered the likelihood of transboundary effects resulting from the Proposed Development, taking into account any changes that have been made to the Proposed Development since the previous transboundary screening process was undertaken.

The Inspectorate considers that the Proposed Development is **unlikely to have a significant effect either alone or cumulatively on the environment in a European Economic Area State**. This position will remain under review and will have regard to any new or materially different information coming to light which may alter that decision.

**Action:** No further action required at this stage.

**Date:** 29/04/21

**Note:** The SoS' duty under Regulation 32 of the 2017 EIA Regulations continues throughout the application process.

**Note:**

The Inspectorate's screening of transboundary issues is based on the relevant considerations specified in the Annex to its Advice Note Twelve, available on our website at <http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/>