

Application By : Highways England for M54 to M6 Link Road

Responses : South Staffordshire Water plc (SSW)

SSW's Reference : 20025357

Responses on behalf of South Staffordshire Water plc to Examining Authority's Third Set of Written Questions (ExQ3)

ExQ3: 29 January 2021 Date for responses: Friday 12 February 2021

M54 to M6 Link Road - Development Consent Order Extracted questions from the Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ3)

ExQ3	Question to:	Question:	SSW Response
3.5.8.	The Applicant South Staffordshire Water Plc	Protective Provisions/SSW Could the Applicant please confirm the latest position in respect of the Protective Provisions sought by SSW and the likelihood that any outstanding issues will be resolved.	Further to SSW's last response to this question in January SSW feel there has been no progress in the negotiations regarding the protective provisions. As stated previously the amendments sought aim to protect SSW's position as a statutory undertaker, SSW's assets and SSW's obligation to supply fresh water to vast numbers of people in the area. SSW are disappointed that they are still yet to receive a substantive response to these comments from the applicant's solicitor. Overall SSW are disappointed with the progress of these negotiations as they would have hoped to be further forward at this time.