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Dear Mr Stoneman,

**Proposed application by Highways England for an Order Granting
Development Consent for the A1 in Northumberland: Morpeth to Ellingham**

Acknowledgement of receipt of information concerning proposed application

Thank you for your letter dated 15 April 2020, received by the Planning Inspectorate on 16 April 2020, and the following documentation:

- Section 47 Notice
- Section 48 Notice
- Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)

It is noted that reference was made to 'Associated Plans' and I would ask for confirmation that they are in fact the annexes of the PIER and not separate documents or information.

I acknowledge that you have notified the Planning Inspectorate of the proposed application for an order granting development consent for the purposes of section 46 of the PA2008 and supplied the information for consultation under section 42. The following reference number has been given to the proposed application, which I would be grateful if you would use in subsequent communications:

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I will be your point of contact for this application – my contact details are at the end of this letter.

The role of the Planning Inspectorate in the application process is to provide independent and impartial advice about the procedures involved and to have open discussions with potential applicants, statutory bodies and others about the processes and requirements of the new regime. It is important that you keep us accurately informed of your timetable and any changes that occur.

We will publish advice we give to you or other interested parties on our website and, if relevant, direct parties to you as the applicant. We are happy to meet at key milestones and/or provide advice as the case progresses through the pre-application stage.

Once you have prepared draft documents we are able to provide technical advice, in particular on the draft development consent order, explanatory memorandum, the consultation report and any draft HRA. You may therefore wish to build this into your timetables.

In the meantime, you may wish to have regard to the guidance and legislation material provided on our website including the Infrastructure Planning (Fees) Regulations 2010 (as amended) and associated guidance, which you will need to observe closely in establishing the correct fee to be submitted at the successive stages of the application process.

When seeking to meet your pre-application obligations you should also be aware of your obligation under the current data protection legislation to process personal data fairly and lawfully.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Susannah Guest

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