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Dear Mr Stoneman

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

Application by Highways England for an Order Granting Development Consent for the A1 in Northumberland – Morpeth to Ellingham

Examining Authority's Request for Additional Information

I am writing to you following your submission of documents at Deadline 1. As you know, immediately following the Acceptance of the application, I wrote to Highways England to emphasise the importance of documentation being provided in a way which assists those reviewing it.

Having reviewed Highway England's D1 submissions we have identified a number of apparent errors which could make reviewing documentation difficult. These are as follows:

- REP1-015: Highways England Deadline 1 Submission - 6.18 Preliminary Bat Roost Assessment Verification Survey Report - Rev 0 - **labelled 6.16 within document;**
- REP1-029: Highways England Deadline 1 Submission - 7.6C Statement of Common Ground with Natural England - Rev 0 - **labelled 7.5 within document;**
- REP1-031: Highways England Deadline 1 Submission - 7.6E Statement of Common Ground with the Forestry Commission - Rev 0 - **labelled 7.5E within document;**
- REP1-032: Highways England Deadline 1 Submission - 7.8 Applicant's Response to ExA's First Written Questions - Rev 0 - **no reference number within document;**

- REP1-034: Highways England Deadline 1 Submission - 7.8.2 Appendix GEN.2 Existing and Proposed Carriageway Area within Order Limits Plans WQ GEN 1.6 - Rev 0 - **labelled 2.10 within document;**
- REP1-038: Highways England Deadline 1 Submission - 7.8.6 Appendix CA.2 s127 Stat Undertaker Land and Rights WQ CA.1.5 - Rev 0 - **no reference number within document;**
- REP1-039: Highways England Deadline 1 Submission - 7.8.7 Appendix CA.3 s138 Stat Undertaker Apparatus Table WQ CA.1.6 - Rev 0 - **no reference number within document;**
- REP1-056: Highways England Deadline 1 Submission - 7.8.26 Appendix CA.5 Compulsory Acquisition – Affected Persons and Effects on Human Rights WQ CA.1.11- Rev 0 - **no reference number within document;**
- REP1-062: Highways England Deadline 1 Submission - 7.8.32 Appendix GEN.6 - Figure 32 WQ GEN.1.28 - Rev 0 - **no reference number within document;** and
- REP1-064: Highways England Deadline 1 Submission - 7.9 Applicant’s Response to Relevant Representations - Rev 0 - **labelled 6.7 within document.**

We would ask for your response to these matters at Deadline 2 (29 January). At this point it would be helpful if Highways England could confirm whether any changes are needed to the document references. We are not expecting Highways England to issue new reports at this stage, simply to correct any inaccurate referencing but would expect you to make such changes should you subsequently issue a revision to the document incorporating substantive changes.

Can you also please ensure that any requests from the Case Team either by phone or in writing are acknowledged or responded to expeditiously.

We would also like to remind you that, as set out in the Rule 6 Letter and Annex E of the Rule 8 Letter, the electronic portal should be used to make submissions at the relevant deadline.

Yours sincerely,

Kevin Gleeson

Lead Member of the Examining Authority

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