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To: Interested Parties, Mr Hawes and Mr Davidson

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Date: 16 November 2021

Application by National Highways ("the Applicant") for an Order granting Development Consent to authorise the widening of an approximately 20.6km stretch of the existing A1 between Morpeth to Ellingham, with approximately 14.5km of online widening and approximately 6.1km of new offline highway.

## REQUEST FOR COMMENTS FROM ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

## 1. Update to the Environmental Information

In response to question 1 to the Secretary of State's <u>letter</u> of 29 October 2021, the Applicant provided a <u>response</u> and this has been published on the project page on the Planning Inspectorates website.

The Secretary of State would like to invite comments on the information contained in section 2.1 of that response from all interested parties.

## 2. Schedule 1 Work No 5B

In response to question 5 of the Secretary of State's <u>letter</u> of 29 October 2021, the Applicant provided updated specifications of the grid references and track lengths in <u>paragraph 2.5.6 of the Applicant's response</u>.

The Secretary of State invites confirmation from **Mr Hawes** (on behalf of residents of Northgate Farm) and **Mr Davidson** on whether they are satisfied that the specifications of the grid references and track lengths provided by the Applicant accurately reflect the three options under consideration during the examination?

The Deadline for responses is 23 November 2021

Responses to the matters outlined in this letter should be submitted by email to <a href="mailto:A1inNorthumberland@planninginspectorate.gov.uk">A1inNorthumberland@planninginspectorate.gov.uk</a>. Given the coronavirus (COVID19) emergency, the Planning Inspectorate is currently unable to accept hard copies of consultation responses.

Your response will be published on the project page for the A1 in Northumberland: Morpeth to Ellingham on the Planning Inspectorate website as soon as possible after the above deadline for response at:

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/north-east/a1-in-northumberland-morpeth-to-ellingham/

This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's decision whether or not to grant development consent for the A1 in Northumberland: Morpeth to Ellingham and nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what that decision might be. Yours faithfully

Kevin O'Hanlon