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Dear Sir or Madam

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

Provision for non-motorised users

I write in response to the Secretary of State's letter dated 11 October 2023 in which Northumberland County Council was invited to comment on whether there has been any further agreement or in relation to the provision for non-motorised users (NMUs).

The position with regard to provision for non-motorised users has not changed since Northumberland County Council's response to the Secretary of State's consultation of 29 October 2021, and no further agreement has been reached.

As noted in the response by the Applicant (National Highways) to the Secretary of State's consultation of 29 October 2021, the Applicant established a joint working group with Northumberland County Council in relation to a prospective application for an alternative means of funding. The joint working group met on a bi-monthly basis to review the requirements of National Highways' Designated Funds, with these meetings starting in March 2021 and the most recent having been held in March 2022. Given the reliance on the de-trunking of the A1 on any provision for non-motorised users, the working group meetings were then paused due to the extension of the deadline on the decision on whether to grant the Development Consent Order.

Yours faithfully

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