

As outlined in our Relevant Representation, Anglian Water (AW) and National Highways (NH) have been in discussion on the project since October 2019 regarding the diversion of AW assets and the protection of other assets including 24/7 access in the event of an emergency. We have also provided initial comments on a draft Statement of Common Ground (SoCG).

Since the submission of our Relevant Representation, we have continued to engage with NH including meetings on 29th November 2022, and 3rd January 2023 to discuss specific matters outlined in our representation, such as ground investigation work relating to the diversion of assets. We are hopeful that NH will progress these matters and provide an updated draft SoCG in due course.

We support the Examining Authority's expectation that the Preliminary Meeting and Hearings will be blended events, as we consider that this will provide a greater opportunity for participation throughout the Examination.

Item 2 The Examining Authority's remarks about the Examination process

No comment

Item 3 Initial Assessment of Principal Issues

We are content that the Principal Issues identified by the ExA provide the scope to address the matters that Anglian Water has raised in our representation.

Item 4 Draft Examination Timetable

No comment

Item 5 Procedural Decisions – Annex F to the Rule 6 Letter:

Statements of Common Ground: We note that Anglian Water is not included within the recommended list of Interested Parties that NH are requested to prepare Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) between. However, as outlined in our Relevant Representation, we have commented on an initial draft SoCG and this is with NH to progress.