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Dear Sirs

We have set out below our response to EXQ1: 20 January 2023, as follows:

2. Air Quality

Our response is based upon the Chapter 6 Air Quality document and figure 6.9 of the environmental statement.

- 2.01 The Dust Management plan complies with guidance and CoCC is satisfied with the proposed control measures.
- 2.03 Figure 6.9 identifies modelled receptors points along the A120 (R162, R163, R165, R166 and R168). However, Figure 6.9 and Chapter 6 Air Quality neglect to provide modelled concentrations either in tabular or graphical representation for the base 2019, do minimum or do something scenarios. It is not clear what local features have been input for these locations: For R162 & R163 it is reasonable to consider the use of a partial street canyon within the model which could affect modelled outcomes significantly. With this fundamental information missing, CoCC cannot determine that air quality in Marks Tey will not be affected.
- 2.04 Table 6.5 of ES Chapter 6 Generally identifies the key relevant local policies that relate to air quality. These are SP6 Infrastructure and Connectivity of the adopted Section 1 Local Plan and Adopted Section 2 policies ENV5 Pollution and Contaminated Land, together with DM1 Health and Well Being.
- 2.05 No mitigation of air pollution has been proposed for R189 Lucy Lane North (within AQMA 4), R193 Halstead Road or acknowledgement that an AQMA may be required for R193. Note, from 2023, CoCC has commenced monitoring air quality at this location.

3. Biodiversity, Ecology and Natural Environment

Questions 30.1, 30.2, 30.3 and 30.4 Colchester City wishes to defer to the opinion of ECC on these matters.

8. Geology and Soils

8.01 Colchester City is satisfied with the approach and conclusions taken by the application with regards unsurveyed land.

15. Noise

- 15.0.1 Noise and Vibration Table 12.4 - The relevant adopted Colchester Local Plan policies are: SP6 Infrastructure and Connectivity of the adopted Section 1 Local Plan and Adopted Section 2 policies ENV5 Pollution and Contaminated Land, together with DM1 Health and Well Being and DM15 Design and Amenity.
- 15.0.2 Yes, we are happy with the applicant's identified methodology as set out in 12.5 of ES Chapter 12. The use of LOAEL and SOAEL appear correct. The methodology follows DMRB LA 111 with operational noise calculated from CTRN methodology, which we understand is the relevant methodology for such a scheme.
- 15.0.3 Yes, we are satisfied with the approach set out, which is in accordance with DMRB LA 111, paragraph 3.19.

18. Water Environment

Questions 18.01 and 18.02 Colchester City defers to the opinion of ECC in these matters.

I trust that this clarifies the City Council's position for the examiners. Please let us know if we can be of further assistance in this regard.

Yours faithfully

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