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Dear Sir/Madam

Application by National Highways for an Order Granting Development Consent for the A12 Chelmsford to A120 widening scheme.

Further to the publication of the Examining Authority’s schedule of proposed changes to the draft Development Consent Order (dDCO) issued on Monday 22 May 2023, Chelmsford City Council (CCC) submits the following:

Ref No.	Provision	Proposed Change	ExA reasoning	CCC comments
DCO-PC16	R10 – Detailed design	10.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Order,.... Insert ;and at end of (b) and insert new (c) - The proposed insertion in the opening line is to correct a typographical error. In relation to the proposed insertion of paragraph (c), notwithstanding the Page 8 Ref No. Provision Proposed change ExA Reasoning (c) the design principles set out in the scheme design approach and design principles, Insert new paragraph (3) – (3)	Applicant’s response to questions during ISH4 [REP5-021] and subsequent changes to the Design Principles [REP5-012], the ExA consider that given the importance of these principles to the detailed design and the importance of delivering good design as established in the NNNPS at paragraphs 4.28 to 4.35, it is necessary that the Design Principles should be referenced in this Requirement. With regards to the proposed insertion of new paragraph (3), the ExA consider this addition is required to address concerns raised by CCC and ECC,	CCC welcomes the introduction of the amended wording to include new paragraph (3). CCC has no objection to the proposed wording.

		<p>- No part of the authorised development is to commence until, for that part, a report has been submitted to, and, following consultation with the relevant local planning authority, approved by the Secretary of State, demonstrating that— (a) the undertaker has engaged with relevant stakeholders on refinements to detailed design for that part of the authorised development; (b) the undertaker has had regard to the relevant stakeholders' comments; and (c) any refinements to the detailed design for that part of the authorised development arising as a result of that engagement should accord with the scheme design approach and design principles</p>	<p>amongst others, in relation to the final design and appearance of the proposed development and, in particular, a number of the proposed structures. The proposed change is considered to be relevant to the proposed development, to add precision to the Requirement and is necessary to ensure the delivery of good design across the whole of the proposed development</p>	
DCO-PC18	New R15 – Boreham operation phase traffic mitigation measures		<p>The ExA is aware that discussions are ongoing to agree the precise wording of the new Requirement. Therefore, the ExA does not propose to suggest any changes at this stage in advance of the</p>	<p>As stated in its draft Statement of Common Ground with National Highways, Deadline 6, reference 2.9.</p> <p>CCC welcome the proposed traffic mitigation measures in Boreham. CCC note that National Highways are not</p>

			<p>conclusion of those discussions. However, we would welcome further comments and discussions between the parties to agree a single suggested insertion by the close of the Examination.</p>	<p>proposing the associated road narrowing as proposed by Essex County Council (ECC), CCC and other interested stakeholders.</p> <p>CCC raise no objections in principle to requirement 15 but would prefer if the associated road narrowing was implemented as requested.</p> <p>However, CCC defer to the ExA and ECC on the final wording of the requirement and the provision of road narrowing measures.</p>
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Yours sincerely



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