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Development Consent Order (DCO) application for the A12 Chelmsford to A120 widening scheme

Deadline 6 Corrected submission

This cover letter has been prepared by the Applicant to accompany the Applicant's corrected submission to the Planning Inspectorate for Deadline 6 of the Examination for the A12 Chelmsford to A120 widening scheme. It includes a corrected list of documents submitted in this letter and a description where necessary.

It also includes Crown Estate Statement of Common Ground [TR010060/EXAM/8.7], Witham Town Council Statement of Common Grounds [TR010060/EXAM/8.16] and Applicants Response to ExA commentary on the draft Development Consent Order [TR010060/EXAM/9.67], these documents were missed from the Deadline 6 submission in error.

A complete list of Deadline 6 submissions is detailed below:

Application Document Reference	Name of Document	Version Number
Volume 2. Plans, Drawings and Sections		
TR010060/APP/2.1	Location Plan	3
TR010060/APP/2.2	Work Plans	3

TR010060/APP/2.2.1	Permanent Works Plans	3
TR010060/APP/2.2.2	Works Plans Utility Diversions	2
TR010060/APP/2.2.3	Temporary Work Plans (Compressed Format)	2
TR010060/APP/2.3.1	Traffic Regulation Measures - Speed limits	2
TR010060/APP/2.3.2	Traffic Regulation Measures - Movement restrictions	2
TR010060/APP/2.3.3	Revocation of Existing Traffic Orders	2
TR010060/APP/2.4	Classification of Roads Plans (Part 1)	2
TR010060/APP/2.4	Classification of Roads Plans (Part 2)	2
TR010060/APP/2.5	Special Category Land Plans	3
TR010060/APP/2.6	Streets, rights of way and access plans (Part 1)	4
TR010060/APP/2.6	Streets, rights of way and access plans (Part 2)	4
TR010060/APP/2.7	Land Plans	4
TR010060/APP/2.8	Crown Land Plans	3
TR010060/APP/2.9	General Arrangement Plans (Part 1)	3
TR010060/APP/2.9	General Arrangement Plans (Part 2)	3
TR010060/APP/2.9	General Arrangement Plans (Part 3)	2
TR010060/APP/2.9	General Arrangement Plans (Part 4)	2
TR010060/APP/2.9	General Arrangement Plans (Part 5)	2
TR010060/APP/2.10	De-trunking and Stopping-Up Plans (Part 1)	2
TR010060/APP/2.10	De-trunking and Stopping-Up Plans (Part 2)	2
TR010060/APP/2.11	Highways Engineering Section Drawings (Part 1)	2
TR010060/APP/2.11	Highways Engineering Section Drawings (Part 2)	2
TR010060/APP/2.11	Highways Engineering Section Drawings (Part 3)	2
TR010060/APP/2.11	Highways Engineering Section Drawings (Part 4)	2
TR010060/APP/2.12	Structures Engineering Drawings and Sections (Part 1)	2
TR010060/APP/2.12	Structures Engineering Drawings and Sections (Part 2)	2
TR010060/APP/2.13	Drainage and surface water plans (Part 1)	2
TR010060/APP/2.13	Drainage and surface water plans (Part 2)	2
TR010060/APP/2.14	Retained & Removed Vegetation Plans (Part 1)	2
TR010060/APP/2.14	Retained & Removed Vegetation Plans (Part 2)	3
TR010060/APP/2.15	Construction Phase plans (Part 1)	2
TR010060/APP/2.15	Construction Phase plans (Part 2)	2
Volume 3. Draft Development Consent Order		
TR010060/APP/3.1	Draft DCO (clean)	7
TR010060/APP/3.1	Draft DCO (tracked)	n/a
TR010060/APP/3.2	Explanatory Memorandum (clean)	7
TR010060/APP/3.2	Explanatory Memorandum (tracked)	n/a
Volume 4. Compulsory Acquisition Information		
TR010060/APP/4.1	Statement of Reasons (clean)	4
TR010060/APP/4.1	Statement of Reasons (tracked)	n/a
TR010060/APP/4.3	Book of Reference	4
Volume 6. Environmental Impact Assessment Information		

TR010060/APP/6.2	Figure 2.1 - Environmental Masterplan (Part 1)	2
TR010060/APP/6.2	Figure 2.1 - Environmental Masterplan (Part 2)	2
TR010060/APP/6.2	Figure 2.1 - Environmental Masterplan (Part 3)	3
TR010060/APP/6.2	Figure 2.2 - Illustrative Cross Sections (Part 1)	2
TR010060/APP/6.2	Figure 2.2 - Illustrative Cross Sections (Part 2)	2
TR010060/APP/6.2	Figure 10.2 - Agriculture Land Classification	2
TR010060/APP/6.2	Figure 13.3 - Human Health Baseline and Impacts	2
TR010060/APP/6.3	Appendix 7.7 - Archaeological Trial Trenching Final Report (Part 1)	2
TR010060/APP/6.3	Appendix 7.7 - Archaeological Trial Trenching Final Report (Part 2)	2
TR010060/APP/6.5	Appendix A: Register of Environmental Actions and Commitments (REAC) (clean)	3
TR010060/APP/6.5	Appendix A: Register of Environmental Actions and Commitments (REAC) (tracked)	n/a
Volume 7. Other Documents		
TR010060/APP/7.7	Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (clean)	5
TR010060/APP/7.7	Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (tracked)	n/a
TR010060/APP/7.9	Replacement Land Statement (clean)	4
TR010060/APP/7.9	Replacement Land Statement (tracked)	n/a
TR010060/APP/7.10	Design Principles (clean)	4
TR010060/APP/7.10	Design Principles (tracked)	n/a
Volume 8. Statements of Common Ground		
TR010060/EXAM/8.1	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Natural England	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.2	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Environment Agency	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.3	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Historic England	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.4	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Essex Waterways Limited	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.5	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Network Rail	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.7	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Crown Estate	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.8	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Brice Aggregates Limited	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.9	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Colchester City Council	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.10	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Chelmsford City Council	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.11	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Maldon District Council	3

TR010060/EXAM/8.12	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Essex County Council	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.13	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Cadent Gas	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.14	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Braintree District Council	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.15	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Boreham Town Council	2
TR010060/EXAM/8.16	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Witham Parish Council	2
TR010060/EXAM/8.17	Statement of Commonality Deadline 6	1
TR010060/EXAM/8.18	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Anglian Water	3
TR010060/EXAM/8.19	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Hatfield Peveral	2
TR010060/EXAM/8.20	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - Essex Police	2
TR010060/EXAM/8.21	Draft Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) - NFU	2
Volume 9. Additional Submissions		
TR010060/EXAM/9.4	Additional plans requested by the ExA	2
TR010060/EXAM/9.6	Application Document Tracker	4
TR010060/EXAM/9.8	Updated Status of negotiations CA schedule	4
TR010060/EXAM/9.9	Status of negotiations with Statutory Undertakers (clean)	3
TR010060/EXAM/9.9	Status of negotiations with Statutory Undertakers (tracked)	n/a
TR010060/EXAM/9.38	Biodiversity net gain metric 3.0	2
TR010060/EXAM/9.40	9.40 Schedule of Changes to draft DCO	4
TR010060/EXAM/9.44	Schedule of changes to BOR at Deadline 6	3
TR010060/EXAM/9.45	Updated Annex A - Statement of Reasons (clean)	3
TR010060/EXAM/9.45	Updated Annex A - Statement of Reasons (tracked)	n/a
TR010060/EXAM/9.59	National Highways and Essex County Council – Draft Requirements Matrix	2
TR010060/EXAM/9.60	Applicant's Responses to ExQ3	1
TR010060/EXAM/9.61	Applicant's Comments on information received at Deadline 5	1
TR010060/EXAM/9.63	Updated Annex C - Statement of Reasons (clean)	2
TR010060/EXAM/9.63	Updated Annex C - Statement of Reasons (tracked)	n/a
TR010060/EXAM/9.65	Errata to the Environmental Statement	1
TR010060/EXAM/9.66	Gershwin Boulevard Issue Summary Note	1
TR010060/EXAM/9.67	Applicants Response to ExA commentary on the draft Development Consent Order	1
TR010060/EXAM/9.68	Culverts Position Technical Note	1

TR010060/EXAM/9.69	Paynes Lane Technical Note	1
N/A	Deadline 6: Cover letter	1

Volumes 2 to 9 provided with Deadline 6 have been updated to reflect the six changes proposed within the accepted Change Application [AS-081], as per ExA's letter dated 9th June 2023.

In terms of those documents submitted in Volume 9. Additional Submissions, which the Applicant considers require further explanation, these are explained below:

- TR010060/EXAM/9.8 - Status of negotiations CA schedule – Provides an updated way of presenting the status of negotiations with affected Interested Party's using a RAG status as requested by the ExA.
- TR010060/EXAM/9.59 – National Highways and Essex County Council Draft Requirements Matrix – The Applicant submitted the National Highways and Essex County Council – Draft Requirements Matrix [REP5-018] at Deadline 5. This Deadline 6 submission provides an update to that matrix. It follows meetings with Essex County Council on 23 May and 1 June.
- TR010060/EXAM/9.65 – Errata Log: communicates addenda and errata to the Environmental Statement for the A12 Chelmsford to A120 widening scheme (the proposed scheme), which came to light following submission of the Environmental Statement to the Planning Inspectorate on 12 August 2022. This report applies to the non-technical summary, the main chapters, technical appendices and figures, and the Habitats Regulations Assessment report.
- TR010060/EXAM/9.66 – Gershwin Boulevard Issue Summary Note: documents the matters raised during the examination period in relation to Gershwin Boulevard pedestrian bridge and outline the Applicant's position on each matter.
- TR010060/EXAM/9.68 – Culverts Position Technical Note: sets out the Applicant's approach to designing the watercourse crossings and explain the difficulties in adopting the recommendations of the EA to design and build bridges in preference to culverts and to create more natural river channel sections.
- TR010060/EXAM/9.69 - Paynes Lane Technical Note: details the design optioneering undertaken for Paynes Lane bridge and provides additional detailed design considerations.

As the ExA accepted the Applicant's Change Application on 12 June 2023, whole sets of Volume 2 plans have been submitted with Deadline 6 to supersede the map books

(AS-070, AS-073, AS-076, AS-084, AS-091, AS-094, AS-101) submitted with the Change Application.

Appendix A: Plan Amendment Matrix to this Cover Letter provides a table which details the level of change to each sheet within each plan. Below provides annotation on the amendments made to Volume 2 and the Environmental Masterplan, in addition to the modifications made to reflect the Change Application:

2.2.1 Permanent Works Plans

Sheet 7

- Errata item - A Public Right of Way label was amended from 121_95 to 121_96.

Sheets 8, 9 and 10

- Provision of new Footpath and removal of a proposed footpath in the vicinity of Colemans fisheries. Associated with question Q3.8.2 and Q3.8.3 of the Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ3)

2.2.2 Utility Diversions

Sheet 8

- Errata item - Inclusion of utility diversion WORK No. U50A.

2.2.3 Temporary Works Plans

No changes, the document has been revised to align the revision with the Permanent Works Plans and Utility Diversions.

2.3.1 Traffic Regulation Measures Speed Limits

Sheet 6, 7, 10, 14, 18 & 19

- Errata item - Start of variable speed limit order has been updated to correct extents.

2.3.2 Traffic Regulation Measures Movement Restrictions

Sheet 5

- Errata item - A no stopping except in an emergency restriction have been provided for the two lay-bys on the A12 Dual Carriageway

2.3.3 Revocation of Existing Traffic Orders

Sheet 11

- Errata item - The revocation of the speed limit on Henry Dixon Road has been extended to tie in with the existing 30 / 40 mph speed limit terminal point.

2.5 Special Category Land Plans

Sheet 1

- Updates to land ownership found through ongoing landowner engagement and a recent HMLR refresh have confirmed the need to change some plot numbers. These changes are detailed in the Schedule of Changes to the Book of Reference [TR010060/EXAM/9.44].

2.7 Land Plans

Sheet 1 and 10

- Updates to land ownership found through ongoing landowner engagement and a recent HMLR refresh have confirmed the need to change some plot numbers. These changes are detailed in the Schedule of Changes to the Book of Reference [TR010060/EXAM/9.44].

2.9 General Arrangement Plans

Sheet 5

- Errata item - Updated annotations of two instances of “Parking Lay-By” to “Emergency Area” to reflect the amendment described on 2.3.2 Traffic Regulation Measures Movement Restrictions.

Sheets 6, 7, 12, 14, 15, 18

- Errata item - amendments to address discrepancies in labelling and drawing clarity, plus one area of landscaping on sheet 18 shown outside the Order Limits has been removed.

Sheets 8, 9 and 10

- Provision of new footpath and removal of a proposed footpath in the vicinity of Colemans fisheries. Associated with question Q3.8.2 and Q3.8.3 of the Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ3).

2.14 Retained and Removed Vegetation Plans

Errata item – Updates to show additional information including:

Sheet 8

- Added Blue Mills Tree Preservation Order
- Added Proposed Blue Mill Local Wildlife Site
- Added trees identified in Supplementary Arboricultural Report [REP3-008]

Sheet 9

- Added Proposed Barn Grove Local Wildlife Site

Sheets 8 and 9:

- Added hedgerows identified in Supplementary Botanical Survey Report [REP2-027]

2.6 Streets Rights of Way and Access Plans

Sheets 2, 7, 14, 15, 18 and 19

- Errata item - amendments to address discrepancies in labelling and drawing clarity

Sheets 8, 9 and 10

- Provision of new footpath and removal of a proposed footpath in the vicinity of Colemans fisheries. Associated with question Q3.8.2 and Q3.8.3 of the Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ3)

Figure 2.1 Environmental Master Plan

Updates to the Environmental Masterplan are listed in 9.65 Errata to the Environmental Statement to the Environmental Statement.

9.4 Additional Plans - Composite Land, Highway and Work U69 Plans

Sheets 1,2 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20

- Updates to land ownership found through ongoing landowner engagement and HMLR refreshes undertaken since the initial issue of these drawings at Deadline 1 [REP1-003]

Yours sincerely,



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Appendix A: Plan Amendment Matrix

Application Document Reference	Name of Document	Legend	Drawing Sheet Number																																			
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TR010060/APP/2.11	Engineering Sections (Plan and Profiles) Mainline																																					
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- Key**
- Drawing sheet submitted to reflect change application
 - A Amendments made in addition to those made to reflect the change application
 - A Amendments made to sheets which are not affected by the change application
 - No change
 - Drawing doesn't exist

