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Dear Sir/Madam

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) - Section 88 and 89 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 - Rules 4, 6, 9 and 13

Application by National Highways for an Order Granting Development Consent for the A66 Trans-Pennine Dualling Project

Pre-Examination Procedural Deadline

Durham County Council Reference No. RR-073

I write in response to the 'Rule 6' letter dated 17 October 2022 and the matters required to be addressed by the Pre-Examination Procedural Deadline.

Attendance at the Preliminary Meeting and Issue Specific Hearings

It was confirmed by PINS that the Council could provide details of the Council's proposed attendees to the Preliminary Meeting and Issue Specific Hearings in a written submission. Details of these attendees are set out in a table in Appendix 1 to this letter and if they will attend in person or virtually, although please note this is subject to change so it would be appreciated if each person listed could receive invites to the virtual events.

As it is understood that detailed agendas will be circulated prior to the event, the Council may have additional officers which it may wish to be present. A final list of attendees will be provided at that time.

Accompanied Site Inspections

Durham County Council would like there to be a visit to the Council's preferred "Blue" route junction at Rokeby. From a heritage perspective the section from Rokeby Church down to the Council's preferred junction is considered appropriate to highlight the benefits to setting and how the perceived harm to the park and garden could be mitigated.

Regeneration, Economy and Growth

Durham County Council, Planning Development (Strategic), Room 4/123-128, County Hall, Durham DH1 5UL Main Telephone: 03000 262 830

Examination Timetable and other matters

The Joint Local Authorities Group (JLAG), comprising Cumbria County Council, Eden District Council, Durham County Council, North Yorkshire County Council and Richmondshire District Council, is submitting a letter setting out observations in respect of the examination timetable. In addition, the letter sets out a number of matters which JLAG seeks assurance will be covered during consideration of the three phases of construction, operation and decommissioning. The letter from JLAG should therefore be read in conjunction with this letter from Durham County Council.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries regarding this letter.

Yours sincerely

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Principal Planning Officer

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Appendix 1 – Durham County Council attendees

Durham County Council Consultee Attendees

Durham County Council reference number: RR-073

Date	Hearing	Provisional attendees	Comments
Tuesday 29/11/2022	Preliminary Meeting	In person: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Jackson Head of Transport & Contract Services ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Claire Teasdale Principal Planning Officer ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Clare Cuskin Senior Lawyer Regulatory & Enforcement ██████████ @durham.gov.uk 	To be confirmed upon receipt of detailed agenda.
Tuesday 29/11/2022	Open Floor Hearing 1	In person: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Jackson Head of Transport & Contract Services ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Claire Teasdale Principal Planning Officer ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Clare Cuskin Senior Lawyer Regulatory & Enforcement ██████████ @durham.gov.uk 	To be confirmed upon receipt of detailed agenda.
Wednesday 30/11/2022	Issue Specific Hearing 1 – Alternative Route Options	In person but possibly virtual: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Jackson Head of Transport & Contract Services ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Claire Teasdale Principal Planning Officer ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Phil Harrison Highway Development Manager ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Bryan Harris Senior Conservation Officer ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Ged Lawson Principal Landscape Officer ██████████ @durham.gov.uk 	To be confirmed upon receipt of detailed agenda.
Thursday 01/12/2022	Issue Specific Hearing 1 – Environmental	In person but possibly virtual: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Jackson 	To be confirmed upon receipt of detailed agenda.

	<p>Management Plan, environmental matters & draft DCO</p>	<p>Head of Transport & Contract Services ██████████ @durham.gov.uk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Claire Teasdale Principal Planning Officer ██████████ @durham.gov.uk <p>Virtual</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phil Harrison Highway Development Manager ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Bob Major Street Works Permit Scheme Project Manager ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Bryan Harris Senior Conservation Officer ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Ged Lawson Principal Landscape Officer ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Stuart Priestley (Ecology) Principal Ecologist ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Mike Ogden (PROW) Access & Rights of Way Team Leader ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • David Mason Principal Archaeologist ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Brian Weatherall Drainage & Coastal Protection Manager ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • John Hayes Principal Public Protection Officer ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Stephen Pollock Team Leader Environment & Assessment ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Mick Shannon (Public Health) PH Strategic Manager ██████████ @durham.gov.uk 	
<p>Friday 02/11/2022</p>	<p>Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1</p>	<p>In person but possibly virtual:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Jackson Head of Transport & Contract Services ██████████ @durham.gov.uk • Claire Teasdale Principal Planning Officer ██████████ @durham.gov.uk 	<p>To be confirmed upon receipt of detailed agenda.</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clare Cuskin Senior Lawyer Regulatory & Enforcement ██████████@durham.gov.uk• Anna Willis Asset Management Team Leader ██████████@durham.gov.uk	
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