

The Planning Inspectorate National Infrastructure Planning Temple Quay House 2 The Square Bristol, BS1 6PN

Date 4th April 2023

FAO: Mr Richard Allen, Lead Member of the Examining Authority (ExA)

Dear Mr Allen,

NATIONAL HIGHWAYS' (the Applicant) A66 NORTHERN TRANS PENNINE (NTP) PROJECT (the Project)

SUBMISSION OF WESTMORLAND AND FURNESS COUNCIL FOR EXAMINATION DEADLINE 6 (4^{TH} APRIL 2023)

In further response to your ('Rule 8') letter dated 8th December 2022 (reference TRO10062) setting out the Examination timetable, I am writing to set out the Council's response to Examination Deadline 6.

Westmorland and Furness Council is the statutory successor to Cumbria County Council (CCC) and Eden District Council (EDC) and came into force on 1st April 2023. It is therefore now the sole host local authority for the western part of the Project (Schemes 1 to 6). Westmorland and Furness Council is a unitary local authority providing all council services in the geographical area of the former Eden, South Lakeland and Barrow districts.

The Council's submission for Deadline 6 has been uploaded to the project website and comprises this letter, plus the following:

- Response to the ExA's Further Written Questions and requests for information
- Response to the Applicant's Deadline 5 post-hearing submissions (including written submissions of oral case) relating to ISH3

For the avoidance of doubt the Council has made no comments on the Applicant's post hearing note for CAH2, nor has it commented on the draft DCO save for the matters raised in its response to the ExA's Further Written Questions.

The Council is working collaboratively with the Applicant to resolve issues through the Statement of Common Ground and through legal side agreements.

Your sincerely,



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