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Subject: Re Historic England statement dated 27/102023
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Sir/Madam

Query from IP 20032016

In the letter posted on the Examination website on Nov 1st from Historic England dated 27th October 2023 it states:

“In the letter dated 18 October 2023, published on the A66 PINS website, Historic England were invited by the Secretary of State to provide any further comments with reference to the Lake District World Heritage Site and the level of assessment of impact on it that has been provided

We have no additional comments to make on this issue, but would highlight that we were provided with an additional document by the Applicant on 2 May 2023, and our response to the information it contained is set out in in our final statement to the examination (paragraphs 2.3-2.4 [REP9-042]).”

The paragraph in question in the Statement from Historic England (linked below)

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/TR010062/TR010062-002147-DL9%20-%20Historic%20England%20-%20Other-%20Historic%20England%20Final%20Statement%20Submission.pdf>

“2.4 **We have now been provided with a note by the Applicant to explain its approach to this issue.** We have reviewed this note in relation to the Guidance and Toolkit for Impact Assessment in a World Heritage Context published by UNESCO (2022). We are satisfied that the note adequately explains the approach taken by the Applicant in relation to the Lake District WHS. In particular, we are satisfied that the Applicant’s decision not to undertake a full heritage impact assessment is appropriate given the distance of the Project from the WHS and the negligible nature of any indirect impacts. The explanation provided by the Applicant resolves our concern on this point.”

There is no record of this note in the Examination Library. Without the note being available, it is impossible for others involved in this DCO process to see that due procedure has been followed.

Please could you ask National Highways to provide a copy of the advice note provided to Historic England and also post it onto the Examination library.

Yours faithfully

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