From : Mr M Thomas (Local Resident)

To : Melissa Whitlock (Case Officer)

Date : Wednesday 11th September 2024 Ref: TR010064 - M60/M62/M66/Simister Island Project Start : 2pm Open Question Time Venue : Peel Meeting Room, Bury Town Hall, Bury

Hello Melissa,

Firstly, thank you for allowing me to speak this afternoon at the above meeting.

My main points of concern and consideration are as follows:-

- O I am challenging the decision of the project around the Simister Island Junction area. As a local resident we travel the M60/M62/M66 motorways daily and see at first hand the impact of the volume of traffic. Clearly this has to be improved for all parties. For myself there is greater concern of the traffic volumes and congestion at the Worsley Junction (Junction 15) more than the Sinister Junction. Surely this Junction needs the necessary changes and not the Sinister Junction?
- Also from our home we do experience a lot of traffic noise pollution from the Motorways and our major concern is that the increase to 5 lanes on both sides will have an exponential increase in noise and pollution?
- Is this proposed project part of other future plans to improve the local motorway network or a stand alone project?
- Should this project go a head, I'm concerned on the impact it will have on local arterial roads and cause huge traffic issues and grid lock.
- As one of the other speaks pointed out today about the impact on localised animals, we are also aware that crested newts are quite prevalent in the local area and these to are a protected species.

i would ask that all concerns raised are evaluated to give an overall view of the impact of this project to all aspects of our local eco systems.

Many thanks

Mark Thomas Local Resident