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Dear Sirs

Thank you for consulting Highways England on 17 January (seeking a response no later than 31 January 2020) regarding

**Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010**

**Application by RiverOak Strategic Partners Limited (“the Applicant”) for an Order granting Development Consent for the reopening and development of Manston Airport in Kent.**

**REQUEST FOR COMMENTS AND FURTHER INFORMATION**

Highways England have been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and are the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the Strategic Road Network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.

We will be concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact on the safe and efficient operation of the SRN, in this particular case in relation to the strategic network in Kent.

With regards the matters subject to the consultation:

1. We note that there are no specific matters on which the Secretary of State has stated he wishes to receive evidence or comment from Highways England
2. We have reviewed the documentation that is being consulted upon. None appear to have direct relevance to the SRN, nor Highways England assets. Consequently, we have no comments on them at this time.

I trust that this assists, but if the Case Team or others have any queries, please contact us at [planningse@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:planningse@highwaysengland.co.uk) .

Regards

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