

**Gatwick Northern Runway  
TR020005  
Cover Letter Deadline 6**

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Dear Mr Gleeson,

## **GATWICK NORTHERN RUNWAY PROJECT – DEADLINE 6 SUBMISSION**

Please find attached National Highways' Deadline 6 submission.

The following documents are provided:

1. Response to comments on any further information/submissions received by Deadline 5.
2. Written Summary of oral submissions for Issue Specific Hearing 8.

In addition to the above documents that have been submitted at Deadline 6, National Highways has provided the following additional updates and clarifications below.

### **Update on Surface Access Works Related Matters included in National Highways Written Representation**

Further to National Highways update at Deadline 5 **[TR020005/REP5/105]**, the Applicant has taken supplementary actions away in order to address National Highways comments. National Highways awaits this information being provided by the Applicant in order determine whether its matters raised in its Written Representation **[TR020005/REP1/088]** have been resolved.

## Update on Construction Traffic Modelling

National Highways has requested from the Applicant additional VISSIM modelling in order to fully critique the impacts to the Strategic Road Network during the construction of the surface access works.

On the 21 June 2024, the Applicant presented the initial findings of its VISSIM assessment, following which National Highways requested further clarifications from the Applicant and discussions are on-going. National Highways can confirm that both parties have a planned follow up meeting on the 27 June 2024, post Deadline 6, in order to advance these discussions on an accelerated timescale in order to seek to resolve National Highways outstanding concerns.

## Comments on the Applicant's Third Update to the Land Rights Tracker

National Highways has reviewed the latest information provided by the Applicant **[TR020005/REP5/033]** and notes that there remains a number of discrepancies in land parcels. National Highways has fed these issues back to the Applicant and is confident that these matters will be resolved within the closing stages of the examination.

## Query to the Applicant on the Biodiversity Net Gain Matters

National Highways has met with the Applicant on the 26 June 2024 to discuss further information regarding the Applicant's proposal to resolve matters in relation to woodland loss and Biodiversity Net Gain in relation to the National Highways estate. National Highways is now confident that these matters identified in the Statement of Common Ground with the Applicant will be positively resolved prior to the close of the examination subject to the formalisation of both the proposals and how this will be secured via a Framework Agreement.

National Highways notes that progress has been made with the applicant enabling a number of matters to be resolved. There remain a number of matters outstanding and we welcome the Applicants commitment to continue working to resolve these.

Yours Sincerely,



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