DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT

THE PROPOSED NETWORK RAIL (NORTH DONCASTER CHORD) ORDER

THE PLANNING ACT 2008 AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2009

NOTICE OF A DECISION ON AN APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT

The Secretary of State for Transport gives notice under regulation 23 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 that a decision has been made on an application by Network Rail Infrastructure Limited of Kings Place, 90 York Way, London N1 9AG for an order granting development consent under the Planning Act 2008 ("the application").

The application was for the construction and operation of a new 3.2 kilometre railway link running partly on embankment and partly on viaduct to the north of Doncaster over the East Coast Main Line railway linking the Skellow and Askern railway lines; together with the construction of a new road bridge over the East Coast Main Line to allow the closure of Joan Croft level crossing ("the project").

The Secretary of State has decided, following consideration of the report of the Examining authority who conducted an examination into the application that development consent should be granted for the project, and therefore has decided to make an Order under section 114(1) of the Planning Act 2008.

The statement prepared under section 116(1) of the Planning Act 2008 and regulation 23(2)(d) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 containing the content of the decision, the requirements imposed in connection with the development, the main reasons and considerations on which the decision is based including relevant information about the participation of the public, the main measures to avoid, reduce and offset any major adverse effects of the development, and information regarding the right to challenge the decision and the procedures for doing so, can be viewed on the Planning Inspectorate's website (www.planningportal.gov.uk/infrastructure) and at the following locations:

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