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Our Ref: TR040001

Dear Ms Spoor,

## **PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER FOR A NEW** RAILWAY CHORD, NORTH OF DONCASTER (NORTH DONCASTER CHORD)

Thank you for your letter dated 9 June 2011 regarding your thoughts on the consultation undertaken for the above proposal. It is helpful for the IPC to be kept notified of the progress of this application from local stakeholders. Your comments have been noted.

At the pre-application stage of the process, the developer is under a duty to consult statutory bodies and the local community. If you wish, you may send any comments on the consultation – whether positive or negative – to Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council (DMBC). The IPC will invite local authority consultees including DMBC, as the local authority within whose area the scheme is located, to submit an 'Adequacy of Consultation' Representation' once we receive the application from Network Rail. We do this as part of the checks the IPC carries out to determine whether or not we can accept the application for examination. In deciding whether or not to accept an application the IPC must, amongst other matters, have regard to any adequacy of consultation representation received by it from a local authority consultee.

Due to the nature of the issues raised in your letter, we have taken a decision in this instance to forward your correspondence to DMBC and the developer for their consideration.

Once an application is submitted and if it has been accepted to go forward to examination, the public are invited to register their interest and submit a 'Relevant Representation' to the IPC with a summary of their comments. More detailed representations can then be made during the examination stage. Further information can be found on our website on the following address: www.independent.gov.uk/infrastructure.

Please note that we had difficulty in opening your email attachment and would be grateful if any future submissions are attached in any of the following formats: .txt .rtf .doc (Word 97-2003 and 6.0/95 - RTF) .docx (Word 2007 and later)



If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact us at the address or email provided.

Yours sincerely

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