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Subject: Application by North Somerset District Council for Portishead Branch Line – MetroWest Phase 1
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Dear Sirs,

Re: The Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ1).

In response to the Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ1) (Issued 26 October 2020) in respect of the application by North Somerset Council for Portishead Branch Line – MetroWest Phase 1, I am writing to you to confirm Highways England's position, particularly in respect of question TT.1.10.

Highways England has remained in frequent dialogue with the Council since their application for Metrowest Phase 1 was submitted. On 21 October 2020, we signed a Statement of Common Ground with the Council confirming that subject to a number of Requirements, Highways England is now satisfied that the proposed development is unlikely to result in a severe or unacceptable safety impact on the Strategic Road Network as the construction phase of the scheme could be safely managed throughout its temporary period by a number of proactive management measures.

I trust the above is clear, but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further questions or queries.

Kind regards

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