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2<sup>nd</sup> August 2019

Dear Mr Singleton

Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project West Midlands Interchange, land west of Junction 12 of the M6 motorway, immediately south of the A5 trunk road, Staffordshire.

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) – Rule 17 Request for Further Information

Thank you for your consultation of all interested parties regarding the Schedule of Third Written Questions (ExQ3) for the above development. Public Health England (PHE) welcomes the opportunity to comment, although none of the questions are specifically addressed to PHE.

PHE chose not to register an interest with the Planning Inspectorate in our response of 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2018 during the Registration of Interest stage of the consultation for this project. However, we note that Section 3.2.1 on the Air Quality Assessment states "With the exception of Receptor 7a, there appears to have been no reassessment of the modelling results for receptor locations in Walsall and Wolverhampton, both of which include Air Quality Management Areas. Given the degree of variation between the original and revised modelled results for receptors in South Staffordshire, the ExA considers it necessary that a full revision of ES Chapter 7, with revised results for all receptor locations, is submitted to the examination". We consider that a full revision of the Environmental Statement (ES) Air Quality Chapter is a substantive change and therefore represents the potential for significant change in public health outcomes, especially in existing Air Quality Management Areas. We therefore request the opportunity to review any revised information submitted by the applicant at Deadline 7 in response to Question 3.2.1.

We look forward to receiving the revised information in due course. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely

On behalf of Public Health England nsipconsultations@phe.gov.uk

Please mark any correspondence for the attention of National Infrastructure Planning Administration.