

**TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 2008 AND THE
INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (EXAMINATION PROCEDURE)
RULES 2010**

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**Written Representations regarding the Application by Roxhill
(Junction 15) for an order for a Development Consent for the
Northampton Gateway Rail Freight Interchange
("Northampton Gateway")**

WRITTEN REPRESENTATIONS BY ANGLIAN WATER SERVICES LIMITED

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 Anglian Water Services Limited ("Anglian Water") is appointed as the water and sewerage undertaker for the Anglian region, by virtue of an appointment made under the Water Industry Act ("WIA") 1991. Anglian Water is a wholly owned subsidiary of AWG plc. The principal duties of a water and sewerage undertaker are set out in the WIA.
- 1.2 Anglian Water is considered a statutory consultee for the proposed Gas fired peaking plant and connection infrastructure under section 42 of the Planning Act (2008) and Regulation 3 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedures) Regulations 2009.
- 1.3 Anglian Water is the appointed water and sewerage undertaker for the development.
- 1.4 Anglian Water has engaged as an Interested Party in the Examination in order to ensure adequate provisions are included within any final Development Consent Order to protect Anglian Water's existing and future assets and Anglian Water's ability to perform its statutory duties.
- 1.5 Anglian Water is in principle supportive of the development.

2. Anglian Water's Interests and Assets affected

Existing Assets Affected

- 2.1 There are water mains in Anglian Water's ownership located within the boundary of the main site and associated highway works. These assets are critical to enable us to carry out Anglian Water's duty as water undertaker.
- 2.2 In relation to the water assets within the boundary of the Development Control Order, having laid the asset under statutory notice, Anglian Water would require the standard protected easement widths for these assets and for any requests for alteration or removal to be conducted in accordance with the Water Industry Act 1991 and the Protective Provisions sought by Anglian Water (outlined in section 3). Set out below is the standard easement width requirements;
- 2.3 Standard protected strips are the strip of land falling the following distances to either side of the medial line of any relevant pipe;
- 2.25 metres where the diameter of the pipe is less than 150 millimetres,
 - 3 metres where the diameter of the Pipe is between 150 and 450 millimetres,
 - 4.5 metres where the diameter of the Pipe is between 450 and 750 millimetres,
 - 6 metres where the diameter of the Pipe exceeds 750 millimetres.
- 2.4 If it is not possible to avoid any of Anglian Water's water supply assets, then the water supply asset may need to be diverted in accordance with Section 185 of the Water Industry Act 1991. Anglian Water is, pursuant to Section 185 under a duty to divert water mains if requested to do so unless it is unreasonable to do so. A formal application will need to be made to Anglian Water for a diversion to be considered. Diversionary works will be at the expense of the applicant.

Connections to the water supply/foul sewerage networks

- 2.5 A potable water supply including reinforcement of the existing network is required for the main site of the Northampton Gateway project. Anglian Water has received a water mains requisition application for the site following pre-application discussions with the applicant.
- 2.6 Anglian Water's Integrated Mains Works Team is currently in the process of preparing a detailed design for the required off-site water main that would cross the M1 Motorway. It is expected that a detailed design would be complete by 30 March 2019.
- 2.7 Similarly a connection to the public foul sewerage network is expected to be required for the above development. There are a number of applications required to deliver the necessary infrastructure. These are outlined below;

Provision of infrastructure:

Onsite Foul water	Section 104 Water Industry Act 1991
Offsite Foul water	Section 104 Water Industry Act 1991

3. Draft Development Consent Order

- 3.1 Anglian Water has had constructive dialogue with the applicant regarding the wording of protective provisions specifically for the benefit of Anglian Water to be included in the Draft Development Consent Order (DCO). The DCO as currently drafted includes protective provisions specifically for the benefit of Anglian Water (Schedule 13, Part 5) as previously requested.
- 3.2 The Examining Authority in their letter of 10 September 2018 queried whether the wording of Article 21 (discharge of water) of the Draft DCO is acceptable to both the Environment Agency and Anglian Water as water and sewerage undertaker. We can confirm that the wording of Article 21 of the Draft DCO as proposed is acceptable from Anglian Water's perspective. An updated Statement of Common Ground confirming this has submitted to the Examining Authority by Roxhill on behalf of both parties.
- 3.3 Therefore we are supportive of the wording of the Draft DCO.



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Dear Mr Asquith,

**Northampton Gateway: Examining Authority's Written Questions
(deadline 1)**

Thank you for your letter dated 17th October 2018 setting out the Examining Authority's request for further information about matters it considered relevant to the application. The following response is made on behalf of Anglian Water.

Question 1.12. 9 - The Statement of Common Ground with Anglian Water (document AS-016) refers to a water mains infrastructure design for the Northampton Gateway site.

Anglian Water's Integrated Mains Works Team is currently in the process of preparing a detailed design for the required off-site water main that would cross the M1 Motorway. It is expected that a detailed design would be complete by 30 March 2019.

The timing of the construction of the required works is dependant upon the outcome of the current DCO application.

Should you have any queries relating to this response please let me know.

Yours sincerely



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