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A Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project

The relocation project is a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP). Anglian Water will therefore submit a Development Consent Order (DCO) application to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS).

PINS will then consider whether to accept the application for examination. To be accepted, we must satisfy PINS that our pre-application consultation, both with statutory consultees (such as the local planning authorities and Natural England) and local communities, has been undertaken in accordance with the relevant legislation (the Planning Act 2008).

Following examination, which will include considering valid representations made by stakeholders and local communities, the Secretary of State for the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) will determine whether to approve the application. If the DCO is approved, the relocation project will be given the authorisation to commence. We anticipate this would be in late 2023.

Our team is dedicated to working with communities throughout the

