



Developments Affecting Trunk Roads and Special Roads

Highways England Planning Response (HEPR 16-01)

Formal Recommendation to an Application for Planning Permission

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Council's Reference: S/2017/2577/EIA

Referring to the outline planning application referenced above with all matters reserved except access, consultation dated 26 October 2017 for up to 525 dwellings, open space, children's play areas and associated infrastructure (cross boundary planning application) at Land to north of Newport Pagnell Road, Northampton, notice is hereby given that Highways England's formal recommendation is that we:

- a) offer no objection;
- ~~b) recommend that conditions should be attached to any planning permission that may be granted (see Annex A – Highways England recommended Planning Conditions);~~
- ~~c) recommend that planning permission not be granted for a specified period (see Annex A – further assessment required);~~
- ~~d) recommend that the application be refused (see Annex A – Reasons for recommending Refusal).~~

Highways Act Section 175B is not relevant to this application.

This represents Highways England's formal recommendation and is copied to the Department for Transport as per the terms of our Licence.

Should you disagree with this recommendation you should consult the Secretary of State for Transport, as per the Town and Country Planning (Development Affecting Trunk Roads) Direction 2015, via transportplanning@dft.gsi.gov.uk.

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Annex A Highways England Additional Information

HIGHWAYS ENGLAND (“we”) has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the Strategic Road Network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such Highways England works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.

This response represents our formal recommendations with regard to application reference S/2017/2577/EIA and has been prepared by Martin Seldon.

The proposed development is subject to the provisions of the A45 Northampton Growth Management Scheme (NGMS) Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). This sets out how strategic developments in the Northampton area should contribute towards the delivery of the NGMS.

The total contribution calculated as per the MoU for the whole site (1000 dwellings) is £1,233,471. This would equate to a contribution per dwelling of £1,233.47.

All contributions to the NGMS (as calculated through the Memorandum of Understanding process) from developments in South Northamptonshire should be delivered through the South Northamptonshire Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).

Therefore Highways England expects to secure a contribution towards the NGMS from South Northamptonshire Council in due course, amounting to £1,233.47 per dwelling constructed under any planning permission that may be granted at this site.