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Dear Sir/Madam

Consultation on Central Lincolnshire Local Plan proposed Main Modifications

Highways England welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Main Modifications to the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan (CLLP) which will cover the period 2012-2036. We are aware that the Local Plan was submitted to the Secretary of State in June 2016 for independent examination and then was subject to Public Hearing Sessions in November-December 2016 which forms part of the examination. During the examination, a number of proposed changes ('Main Modifications') to the Local Plan have been identified which form the basis of this consultation.

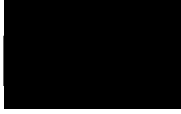
Highways England has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as a strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the Strategic Road Network (SRN). It is the role of Highways England to maintain the safe and efficient operation of the SRN whilst acting as a delivery partner to national economic growth. In relation to the CLLP, Highways England's principal interest is safeguarding the operation of the A46 which routes through the Plan area.

Highways England notes that there has been a reduction in the proposed number of dwellings in the Lincoln Urban area from 13,233 dwellings to 13,167 dwellings. However employment provision at the Lincoln Western Growth Corridor SUE has increased from 11 hectares to 20 hectares increasing the total employment land provision across the CLLP area to 51 hectares.

Highways England has previously agreed in principle for a new A46 junction to come forward in association with the development. We anticipate that this will be subject to future master planning for the site and preparation of a Transport Assessment which will include any required mitigation on the A46. Highways England notes that the requirement for Transport Assessments in support of development proposals is set out in Policy LP13: Accessibility and Transport of the Local Plan.

Highways England has no further comments to provide and trusts the above is useful.

Yours sincerely,



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