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Dear

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) & The Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017

Land between the A1270 Broadland Northway near Ringland and the A47 near Honningham

Development of approximately 6km of the Norwich Western Link Road connecting the A1067 (Fakenham Road) with the new A47 North Tuddenham to Easton scheme (being developed by National Highways), including the construction of a new roundabout junction with the A1067 Fakenham Road, improvements to the A1067 Fakenham Road and the roundabout junction with the A1270 Broadland Northway. Structures include a new viaduct carrying the Norwich Western Link over the River Wensum, a new underpass at Ringland Lane, the provision of a green bridge carrying the Broadway over the Norwich Western Link, three further green bridges, wildlife crossings, and culverting of a tributary to the River Tud. Related works include the stopping up, diversion, improvement and provision of side roads, new walking cycling and horse-riding provision, the stopping up, replacement and provision of new private means of access, and ancillary landscaping, ecological mitigation, surface water drainage system, flood compensation, bunds, other environmental mitigation, diversion and protection of apparatus and temporary works to facilitate construction, and the change of use of the premises known as Low Farm as offices (Class E), and other ancillary works.

Thank you for your letter of 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025, regarding the Norwich Western Link Planning Application, in which you indicate that it is not yet possible to make a decision on how to proceed with the planning application, but you have advised that you hope to be in a position to do so in the next two weeks.

As you will be aware that the current agreed deadline for determining the application is the 31 January 2025. Given the administrative deadlines associated with publishing a committee

report, it would not be possible to await your substantive response and produce a report in time for the scheduled January meeting of the County Council's Planning (Regulatory) Committee. That being the case, we would need to extend the time to determine the application until the 31st of March 2025, and I would ask that you accordingly confirm by return your agreement to an extension of time to that date, with the scheduled March Committee due towards the end of the month.

Given your request for an extended period to provide the Planning Authority with details as to how you propose to progress the application, I trust you'll find that this is acceptable.

Yours sincerely

Nick Johnson

Head of Planning