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Dear Sirs,

Checkley Neighbourhood Development Plan - Pre-Examination consultation

National Highways welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Checkley Neighbourhood Development Plan Pre-Examination consultation.

National Highways 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). It is our role to maintain the safe and efficient operation of the SRN whilst acting as a delivery partner to national economic growth.

In respect of the consultation, National Highways have the following comments to make.

Our principal interest is safeguarding the operation of the A50, which is located within the south section of the Plan area, with the closest junctions being the A50/A521 junction and A50/A522 junction. We suggest that the Plan makes reference to the A50 being managed by National Highways. Additionally, re-surfacing or screening of the A50 to reduce noise impacts is noted within the Plan. As the A50 forms part of the SRN, we suggest that National Highways is consulted on any improvements to the network, including noise mitigation.

We have no further comments to provide and trust the above is useful.

Yours sincerely,

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