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Via email: [REDACTED]

Dear Sir or Madam,

Reg 16 Consultation – Wythall Neighbourhood Plan

Thank you for providing National Highways with the opportunity to consult on the draft Neighbourhood Plan for Wythall.

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

In responding to development plan consultations, we have regard to DfT Circular 01/2022: The Strategic Road Network and the Delivery of Sustainable Development ('the Circular'). This sets out how interactions with the Strategic Road Network should be considered in the making of plans and development management considerations. In addition to the Circular, the response set out below is also in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and other relevant policies.

The SRN closest to the NDP area is the M42 junction 3 motorway, which is outside the boundary of the plan area.

We have considered the contents of the Neighbourhood Plan and as the plan does not introduce any new development sites or transport related policies that are likely to impact the safety and operation of the SRN, we have no other comments to make.

If I can be of any further assistance on this matter, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Yours sincerely,

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