



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: 2020/91889

Referring to the planning application referenced above, dated 29th June 2020 for the discharge condition 20 on previous permission 2016/92298 for outline application for re-development of former waste water treatment works following demolition of existing structures to provide employment uses (use classes B1(c), B2 and B8) at Former North Bierley Waste Water Treatment Works, Oakenshaw, BD12 7ET, 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~~
- c) recommend that planning permission not be granted for a specified period
- ~~d) recommend that the application be refused~~

Highways Act Section 175B is not relevant to this application.¹

¹ Where relevant, further information will be provided within Annex A.

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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 2018, via transportplanning@dft.gov.uk.

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Annex A

Highways England recommend that further is assessment required

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 we work 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.

Whilst Highways England accepted the principle of the proposed works outlined in drawing 60221630 Rev 5 we have yet agree the detailed design for the improvement scheme which must also be subject to a Stage 2 Road Safety Audit before we can formally agree that condition 20 being discharged.

We will continue working with the applicant and Kirklees Highways Department to progress these matters but until they are satisfactorily concluded Highways England recommends that planning consent should not be granted in order to ensure the safe and continued operation of the SRN.

We will review this recommendation no later than 20th April 2021

This response represents our formal recommendations with regard 2020/91889