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Development Plan - Submission Version

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Dear Lorna

BAGINTON AND BUBBENHALL NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN - SUBMISSION VERSION

Thank you for your consultation on the above referenced Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) received on 9 June 2017.

Highways England 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). This network 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. The SRN in immediate vicinity of Baginton and Bubbenhall constitutes the A45 and A46 Trunk roads which border the north-west corner of the Neighbourhood Planning Area.

This is the second time Highways England has provided a response to the Baginton and Bubbenhall Neighbourhood Development Plan (BBNDP), having responded to the Draft NDP in November 2016.

It is acknowledged that the comments raised by Highways England in response to the draft NDP, have been addressed within the submission document of the BBNDP.

The improvements at Toll Bar End were completed in early 2017.

Proposed improvements at the Binley Woods A46/A428 junction are scheduled to begin in 2020 in line with Highways England's current programme of schemes (Roads Investment Strategy 1) timescales. Highways England is continuing to work with local





communities and Warwickshire County Council regarding minor short term improvements that could be implemented at the junction to address knock-on impacts that have been experienced at the junction following the completion of the Toll Bar End improvements.

Proposed improvements at the A46/B4082 Walsgrave junction will now not be taken forward in RIS1, but will be considered for inclusion in RIS2, as a post 2020, schemes.

The submission version of the BBNDP has been produced in accordance with the Proposed Modifications to the WDCLP, which underwent consultation in March 2016. It is noted that the Main Modifications to the WDCLP have been released and subject to consultation (April 2017). The BBNDP acknowledges that the plan may need to be updated once the WDCLP position becomes clear and this is welcomed by Highways England.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any more information or clarification.

Yours sincerely

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