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Good afternoon

Many thanks for the consultation which we have now received, regarding the Strensall with Towthorpe Neighbourhood Plan consultation.

Whilst gratefully received, having reviewed the documentation attached to the consultation email (and being mindful of the extensive Local Plan work we already undertake with the Council's LP team), there is little formal comment to make at this point on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport, and their primary interests.

It remains that any planned development already identified in the wider LP consultations for the City of York has been accounted for, and the council has our extant comments already. Should new development be forthcoming, that which sits outside of the existing proposed LP, we would look to review this as with any normal planning application – on its own merits, and any supporting mitigation it may require.

The current consultation shows the wider aspirations of the neighbourhood plan in a positive light, and this is welcomed. Whilst it identifies a single site (Towthorpe Lines) for employment uses, in its current format it cannot as yet be determined what the potential impact could be on the future safe operation of the strategic road network – although the GFA noted would be expected to generate circa 250 jobs, which would not cause immediate concern.

At this time therefore, I will continue my work with the Council to identify specific sites which may have a significant impact to the continued safe operation of the Strategic Road Network, and furthermore ensure the Council then formulates a methodology to ensure any financial contributions are collected from developers to provide any necessary mitigation on the SRN (A64/A1M). National Highways will remain vigilant to the aggregated impact of all local Parish aspirations, when determining our position on the Local Plan for York City Council, now, and in the future.

My kindest ongoing regards to yourself and the Council - stay safe.

Kindest regards

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