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Dear Sir/Madam

Consultation on the Wymondham & Edmondthorpe Neighbourhood Plan

Highways England welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Wymondham & Edmondthorpe Neighbourhood Development Plan which covers the period 2015-2036. It is noted that the document provides a vision for the future of the Parish of Wymondham & Edmondthorpe and sets out a number of key objectives and planning policies which will be used to help determine planning applications.

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). It is the role of Highways England to maintain the safe and efficient operation of the SRN whilst acting as a delivery partner to national economic growth. In relation to Wymondham & Edmondthorpe Neighbourhood Plan, Highways England's principal interest is safeguarding the operation of the A1 which routes approximately 6 miles to the east of the Plan area.

We note that a target of 63 dwellings is planned for Wymondham and 6-7 dwellings for Edmondthorpe. Given the small scale of development planned for the Neighbourhood Plan area and its distance from the SRN, Highways England considers that there will be no significant impacts on the operation of the A1.

Highways England has no further comments to provide, and trusts the above is useful in the progression of the Wymondham & Edmondthorpe Neighbourhood Plan.

Yours sincerely,



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