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Dear Sirs

The Cambourne to Cambridge Order (REF DPI/E0535/25/1)

We write further to the Inspectors' Post-Pre Inquiry Meeting Note (**the Note**).

Form of the inquiry

The Applicant has carefully considered paragraphs 15 – 21 of the Note.

The Applicant is very receptive to your proposed division of overall scheme issues from site-specific issues. However, the Applicant is keen to ensure clarity where evidence will be targeted against this division.

Accordingly, we write to seek clarification on the division of topics between the sessions on “the overall scheme” (i.e. Block 1 and the first bullet point of Block 2 in paragraph 22 of the Note) and the “site specific sessions” (second bullet point of Block 2 and Block 3 in paragraph 22 of the Note).

The Applicant understands the sessions on “the overall scheme” will include (amongst other matters):

1. Main issues (i) – (iii), including consideration of the alternatives proposed by CPPF and Coton Parish Council;
2. Main issues (iv) – (vii) to the extent that the objection does not relate to a specific property (e.g. Houston Crest/Coton Orchard (Ms Gazeley), the Sadlers, and Clare Hall's concerns on these topics would be dealt with as site specific items but general complaints about the environmental impacts not directed to a specific site would be covered); and
3. Main issue (ix).

The site specific sessions will then deal with objections directed to a specific site, including any compulsory purchase matters directed to a specific site.

We would be grateful for your clarity on these matters as the Applicant continues to prepare its evidence.

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Submission of requested documents and information

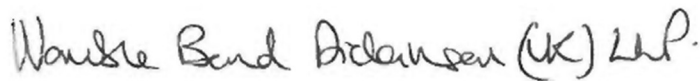
In accordance with section 90(2A) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, a request for a direction for deemed planning permission from the Secretary of State has been made for development authorised by article 5 of the Order. This includes the principal works listed in Schedule 1 to the Order and the activities listed in article 5(5) together with those works and activities set out in the relevant columns of Schedule 2 (acquisition of certain lands for ancillary works); Schedule 7 (land in which only new rights, etc. may be acquired) and Schedule 9 (land of which temporary possession may be taken). As requested in the Note, please find enclosed a description of the development for the Scheme.

The Applicant's suggestions for the site visit were submitted in advance of the Pre-Inquiry Meeting with the Applicant's letter dated 20 June 2025.

The Applicant has arranged separately for the delivery of the requested hardcopy plans via the programme officer.

A copy of this letter and the enclosure has been electronically copied to those parties listed in Appendix 1.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Womble Bond Dickinson (UK) LLP'.

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Enclosures

1. Description of Development

Copy to

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2. Rachel Dominey (DfT)
3. Dave Candlish (DfT)
4. Brenda Taplin (Gateley Plc)

APPENDIX 1:
LIST OF THOSE ELECTRONICALLY SERVED A COPY OF THIS LETTER

1. Allan Thomas Treacy
2. J Green (Queens College – University of Cambridge)
3. Coton Orchard Limited, Houston Crest Properties Limited and Anna Gazeley
4. Gough Way Residents Association (K Fry)
5. North Newnham Residents Association
6. East West Rail
7. Friends of the Cam (S Buckingham)
8. Cadent Gas Limited
9. A Davidson
10. C Postgate
11. Cambridge Busways Action Group
12. S Lucy
13. PX Farms (Land) Limited
14. SCDC and Cambridge City Council
15. J and W R Sadler
16. Clare Hall, University of Cambridge
17. CPPF & Coton Parish Council (Richard Buxton Solicitors)
18. CPRE Cambridgeshire & Peterborough
19. The Woodland Trust
20. P Singleton
21. Federation of Cambridge Residents' Associations
22. M Sullivan