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Caroline,

Apologies that I haven't been in touch, but having received Joy's response to the most recent submission of our latest Technical Note, we have needed some time to review the contents of that response and the associated note from Stantec.

I appreciate that we had suggested having a meeting this week, but having seen your email to Archie I understand that you have not had the opportunity to progress some of the outstanding queries, and that you will be on leave for the next couple of weeks. Can I therefore suggest that we get a meeting date in the diary for your return? We will work on the outstanding points (which I will come on to summarise) in your absence, and we can then regroup and update you. If you could provide me with some dates that would be helpful.

In terms of actions and outstanding points, Archie's email of yesterday includes the necessary updates on the position in terms of viability and the actions on both sides. The only thing that I would add to that, or emphasise is that we urgently need Bioregional's response in order to enable us to progress and finalise discussions on all of the outstanding viability points. The Bioregional response is awaited further to Archie's email of 16th August – so we have now been waiting over a month for that. On the Great Crested Newt point, I am chasing the Ecology team for a response to the draft Technical Note sent to them for review on the 5th September. I am keen to get their comments before I issue it to you formally, so will continue to press for a response from them (I chased again yesterday). And as referred to above, we have Joy's latest response on behalf of OCC Highways and we will be responding to that in the next few days.

Bearing in mind that there are still some actions on both sides, can I suggest that we agree a further extension to the determination period? Having reviewed the outstanding points above, we would propose an extension to 20th October (4 weeks). We believe that this should give us enough time to address these outstanding matters, but if when we meet we agree that more time is needed then we can discuss a further extension to the determination period if required. As you will appreciate, we are keen to keep to a tight timetable in order to get this application to Committee as soon as possible, and are committed to working as quickly as possible to achieve this.

If you could confirm your agreement to this extension and provide me with some meeting dates for your return, I'd be grateful.

Thanks in advance.

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