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For the attention of: Planning Services Cherwell District Council

Site: Axis J9 Phase 3 Howes Lane Bicester

**Proposal**: Full planning application for employment development (Use Classes E(g)(iii), B2 and/or B8) and associated parking and servicing, landscaping and associated works

**Application Number**: 21/03177/F

Our Reference: 92871

Dear Duncan,

National Highways 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). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such National Highways works 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.

In the case of this development proposal, our interest is in the M40 Junction 9, A34 and A43.

We have reviewed the supplied Transport Assessment as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment (September 2021) and whilst there are missing elements to the transport matters such as network diagrams fully showing the distribution development trips at the SRN, it is acknowledged the proposals shall produce a lower development trip impact than that of the previously consented residential development (ref 14/01675/OUT) which we had no objection to.

Please find our formal response within the attached NHPR.

Kind Regards

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