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**For the attention of:** Planning Services Cherwell District Council

**Site:** Land On The North East Side Of, Gavray Drive, Bicester

**Proposal:** Residential development for up to 250 dwellings including affordable housing and ancillary uses including retained Local Wildlife Site, public open space, play areas, localised land remodelling, compensatory flood storage, structural planting and access.

**Application Number:** 21/03558/OUT

**Our Reference:** 92871

Dear Sir/Madam,

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In the case of this development proposal, our interest is in the M40 Junction 9. It is acknowledged that the development is a site allocation within the adopted Cherwell District Council Local Plan.

We have reviewed the supplied Transport Assessment as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment (September 2021) and consider that there will unlikely be a significant impact from the proposal to the safe and efficient operation of the SRN.

Please find our formal response within the attached NHPR.

Kind Regards

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