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**For the attention of:** Tom Webster, Cherwell District Council

**Planning Application:** 23/02399/REM

**Site:** Land North Of Bicester Avenue Garden Centre Oxford Road Bicester

**Proposal:** Reserved Matters approval for 23/01080/OUT - Details of access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale relating to the proposed development of Class E(g)(i) (formerly B1(a)) office/commercial building and Class E(g)(ii) (formerly B1(b)) Research and Development Units, plus associated car parking

**Our Reference:** NH/23/02983

Dear Tom,

Thank you for your email dated 3 October 2023 in respect of the above proposal.

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 A34 and M40.

We have reviewed the details of this application and we are satisfied that this proposal will not materially impact the safe and efficient operation of the SRN as the reserved matters do not interact with the SRN and the size of the development has not changed.

Please continue to consult us on relevant planning applications via our inbox:  
[PlanningSE@nationalhighways.co.uk](mailto:PlanningSE@nationalhighways.co.uk).

Regards

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