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Hi,

Please find attached the formal response from Highways England in relation to the above referenced document.

Please feel free to contact me should you require any further information regarding this matter.

Regards

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Dear Sir/Madam

### **Consultation on the Submission Version of the Gotham Neighbourhood Plan**

We welcome the opportunity to comment on the Submission Version of the Gotham Neighbourhood Plan which covers the period 2017-2028. The document provides a vision for the future of the area and sets out a number of key objectives and planning policies which will be used to help determine planning applications.

Highways England 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). It is our role to maintain the safe and efficient operation of the SRN whilst acting as a delivery partner to national economic growth. In relation to the Gotham Neighbourhood Plan, our principal interest is in safeguarding the A453 which lies less than 1 mile west of the Plan area and the M1 and A52 which route 3 miles west and 4 miles north of the Plan area respectively.

We understand that a Neighbourhood Plan is required to be in conformity with relevant national and Borough-wide planning policies. Accordingly, the Neighbourhood Plan for the parish of Gotham has been prepared in conformity with the adopted Rushcliffe Core Strategy (2014-2028) and emerging Local Plan (2018-2028) and this is acknowledged within the document.

We note that Gotham has a very limited number of sites that are Brownfield and all of the surrounding countryside is protected by the Green Belt. Housing proposed in the Green Belt should only meet local rather than Borough-wide need. Gotham is defined as an 'Other Village' in the emerging Local Plan and has been allocated a proportionate scale of development growth. The Neighbourhood Plan supports the proposal for 15 dwellings at Glebe Land Nottingham Road as a Rural Exception Scheme. Further housing allocations for two Green Field sites for 40 dwellings are identified for allocation in the Rushcliffe Location plan. We acknowledge that there may also be limited small scale infill development in order to meet local need. Due to the small scale

of development growth being proposed, it is not considered that there will be any impacts on the operation of the SRN.

We have no further comments to provide and trust that the above is useful in the progression of the Gotham Neighbourhood Plan.

Yours sincerely

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