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Dear Simon,

### **YORK LOCAL PLAN MODELLING 2018**

Thank you for your email received on 29 August 2018 with letter, also dated 29 August 2018, attached thereto, pertaining to the latest City of York Local Plan model forecasts. City of York Council (CYC) is pleased that although Highway England (HE) notes that whilst the trip generation for site ST15 may not be fully representative, HE has agreed a way forward to expedite consideration of any required mitigation.

### **Review of the future year forecasts**

With regard to the TEMPro-constrained and four non-TEMPro-constrained forecasting methodologies previously sent to you, please be advised that CYC has undertaken more work on another methodology (see enclosed note) that shows better convergence between the modelled trips and the number of trips generated by the development spreadsheet.

### **Junction assessments**

CYC notes that HE suggests that there are potential issues at the junctions listed below that HE requests CYC test, using appropriate local junction models, to confirm whether mitigation will be required.

- A1237 Hopgrove
- A1079 Grimston Bar
- A19 Fulford Road

CYC's proposals in response this request are set out in Table 1 (overleaf).

Table 1 CYC's proposals in response to HE's request for detailed junction modelling to be undertaken

Junction	Proposed Action	Reason
A1237 Hopgrove	None	HE is working-up an 'A64 Hopgrove Junction scheme' in the current Department For Transport's (DfT) Road Investment Strategy period (RIS1 2015-2020) for delivery in the next road period (RIS2 2020-2025). CYC believes, therefore, there is a reasonable prospect of a substantial improvement being implemented by Highways England by 2025 so modelling the current junction is not appropriate.
A1079 Grimston Bar	Further Detailed Modelling to be undertaken by CYC prior to Examination hearings <sup>a</sup>	These junctions are impacted upon by several sites, so further modelling taking account of all relevant sites will be undertaken to identify in more detail the impacts on the SRN.
A19 Fulford Road		

**Note to table**

a Exact timescale to be confirmed

**Merge / diverge assessments**

With regard to HE's request for CYC to undertake merge / diverge assessments on the A64, CYC's proposals are set out in Table 2.

Table 2 CYC's proposals in response to HE's request for merge/diverge assessments to be undertaken

Junction	Proposed Action	Reason
New Junction on A64 to access Site ST15 Land West of Elvington Lane	None	This assessment will need to be provided by the developer for that site. HE should undertake the necessary work to satisfy itself that the assessment is correct and that the developer has identified the required mitigation.

Junction	Proposed Action	Reason
A64 / A1237 Junction at Askham Bryan	None (provisonally, subject to review)	CYC is aware of a HE 'A64 Askham Bryan Congestion Relief' scheme that may have a beneficial impact on the merge/diverge at this junction, so modelling the current junction is not appropriate
Other Junctions on A64 (A1036, A19 and A1079/A166)	Further Modelling to be undertaken by CYC prior to Examination hearings <sup>a</sup>	To identify extent of potential capacity issues with the A64 mainline, merges and diverges at these locations

**Note to table**

a Exact timescale to be confirmed

**Statement of Common Ground**

City of York Council will be pleased to work with Highways England to establish an agreed Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) prior to the commencement of Examination hearings.

I look forward to further on-going engagement with you on these matters.

Yours sincerely,



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