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# THE PROPOSED NETWORK RAIL (CAMBRIDGE SOUTH INFRASTRUCTURE ENHANCEMENTS) ORDER

### WRITTEN REPRESENTATIONS

on behalf of

## COUNTRYSIDE CAMBRIDGE ONE LIMITED and COUNTRYSIDE CAMBRIDGE TWO LIMITED

7 January 2022

## Introduction

1. These are the Written Representations of Countryside Cambridge One Limited and Countryside Cambridge Two Limited ("CC") in response to the Planning Inspectors note of the Pre-Inquiry Meeting held on 21 November 2021. These follow CC's letter of objection dated 2 August 2021 ("the OL") to the proposed Network Rail (Cambridge South Infrastructure Enhancements) Order ("the Draft Order") and the Statement of Case by CC dated 15 September 2021. The Draft Order, if made, would authorise a proposed new railway station with associated works adjacent to the Cambridge Biomedical Campus ("the Scheme").

#### Update on negotiations with Network Rail

- 2. Negotiations are ongoing between CC and Network Rail with a view to entering into an agreement between the parties. That agreement is intended to address the grounds of objection identified by CC.
- 3. Draft Heads of Terms for such an agreement were provided by CC to Network Rail prior to the Christmas period and a draft agreement was received from Network Rail on 7 January 2022.
- 4. Given the ongoing discussions with Network Rail, and the progress made since the Pre-Inquiry Meeting, CC does not propose to produce proofs of evidence or to lead witnesses at the forthcoming Inquiry commencing on 1 February 2022, but until a satisfactory agreement is completed with Network Rail, CC is unable to withdraw its objections to the Draft Order. In the event that, contrary to expectations, any issues remain unresolved by the commencement of the Inquiry, the Inspector will be advised of this, and of the substance of any disagreement, by further written representation.

## Conclusion

- 5. CC remains willing to reach an agreement with Network Rail, but until a satisfactory agreement is concluded with Network Rail, the grounds of objection of CC set out in the CC letter of objection dated 2 August 2021 and the CC Statement of Case dated 15 September 2021 remain in place.
- 6. In the absence of a satisfactory agreement being completed, the Secretary of State will be asked to give full consideration to these objections when he determines the Draft Order.

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