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**Dear Sirs** 

## Examination for the Joint Core Strategy for Broadland, Norwich and South Norfolk

We do not believe that the proposals are sound because the existing HGV route which links the A1067 to A47 is outside the Joint Core Strategy Area as shown on the key diagram at page 29 although a greater part of the link road is within the Broadland and South Norfolk District Council areas.

Norfolk County Council are now addressing the need for traffic calming measures in Weston Longville but the additional works that were agreed were required to upgrade the HGV route have now been down graded to "enhanced maintenance" only and we therefore enclose our response to the Inspector's list of matters and key questions:

#### Matter 3 – Strategy and locations for major growth in the NPA

- Q: B4 "Is the Northern Distributor Road (NDR) justified and effective as the means of providing the necessary access to key strategic employment and growth locations".
- A: No, because there is no policy on the improvement of the existing HGV route (Lenwade to A47) to Principal Route Standard.

## Matter 4 – Infrastructure Delivery

- Q:A Is the Joint Core Strategy effective in what it conveys about the infrastructure necessary for its successful implementation?
- A: No there is no mention of the improvement of the HGV Link Road to Principal Route Standard.

### Matter 5 – Other issues concerning access and transportation

- Q:C If the Joint Core Strategy is unsound in relation to aspects of access and transportation, are there any specific changes that would render it sound?
- A: Yes development to bring the existing HGV route up to Principal Route Standard.

# Matter 6 – Norwich City Centre (policy 11) and the Remainder of the Norwich Urban Area Parishes (policy 12)

- Q: C Does the Joint Core Strategy 12 provide sound core strategic guidance for the future planning of the remainder of the Norwich Urban Area Parishes?
- A: No because Weston Longville and Morton on the Hill are outside the Joint Core Strategy area and have not been considered in the report.
- Q: D If the Joint Core Strategy is unsound in relation to the City Centre and/or the Urban Parishes are there any specific changes that would render it sound?
- A: Yes, if there was a commitment by the Norfolk County Council to upgrade the existing HGV route to Principal Route Standard.

Yours faithfully

Ruth Goodall Chairman Weston Longville Parish Council