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Dear Louise St John Howe

Joint Core Strategy for Broadland, Norwich and South Norfolk Comment on possible changes following Public Examination

The Eaton and University Forum is active in promoting community interests in the Norwich Wards of Eaton and University. The River Yare is on the southern boundary of the wards, and the Yare Valley is highly valued by local residents for its opportunities for recreation and for its role in sustaining wildlife.

At the meeting of the Forum on the 13th January 2011, the Inspectors possible changes to the JCS were discussed.

Concern was expressed at the meeting that the role of the Yare Valley Corridor had not been given sufficient recognition in the map showing the "Proposed Green Infrastructure Network for the Greater Norwich Area". The corridor is seen as an important green link for the Forum area for people and wildlife movement upriver to Bawburgh, and downriver to Whitlingham Country Park.

The Yare Valley Corridor is shown on the map, but unlike other Sub-regional Green Infrastructure Corridors, has not been given an identifying number. The feeling of the meeting was that the Yare Valley Corridor should be clearly identified e.g. with the number 14: Whitlingham Park to Bawburgh Yare Valley Corridor, or perhaps linked with the Wensum River as number 14: Norwich Rivers Network.

Please bring these comments to the attention of the Inspectors.

Yours sincerely,

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