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Subject: National Highways 31/10/25 updated response (our ref NH/25/10773) re application DM/25/0590 - Little Reeds Farm London Road Hickstead Haywards Heath West Sussex
Attachments: 20251031 NH HR NH-25-10773 DM-25-0590 - Little Reeds Farm London Rd Hickstead W Sussex.pdf

For attention of:	Andrew Clarke
Your Reference:	DM/25/0590
Site:	Little Reeds Farm London Road Hickstead Haywards Heath
Proposal:	Engineering works: 5m high earth noise bund with associated landscaping
National Highways' Reference:	NH/25/10773

Dear Mr Clarke

I provided our updated Holding Recommendation with regards the above application on 1 August 2025.

Since then, disappointingly, we have had no response from the applicant/ their agent seeking to satisfactorily address all matters relevant to the safety, reliability and operational efficiency of the A23 that forms part of the Strategic Road Network.

As a consequence, please find attached our updated **Holding Recommendation** on the basis that we require further information in order to assess the application. It expires **on 30 January 2026** unless or until replaced by a further Recommendation.

We have copied this response to the applicant's agent and await their response in due course.

In the meantime, if any party has any queries regarding our response, please contact us via planningse@nationalhighways.co.uk .

Regards

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