

Our ref: Ipswich Main Modifications Your ref:

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Dear Sir,

Ipswich Local Plan Main Modification consultation

Thank you for your consultation.

We have previously commented on the local plan, we welcome policies which promote walking cycling and public transport. The Covid 19 pandemic has resulted in more people choosing to work from home, policies which support this are welcomed by National Highways.

We have the following specific comments on the proposed modifications

We note the slight reduction in overall housing numbers proposed during the plan period, this is likely to have little impact on the transport implications of the local plan growth.

We welcome the policy ISPA 2 reference to improvements to the A12 and A14 however, these are not described or defined in any detail.

Should the policies be reordered to reflect national policy ie put walking, cycling and public transport in front of physical highway improvements.

The proposed expansion of the travellers site at Water Meadow, should be acceptable, however a transport assessment will be required by National Highways and this may identify an impact that may require mitigation.

Yours faithfully

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