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Dear Sir/Madam

## CONSULTATION ON THE CLAWSON, HOSE AND HARBY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Highways England welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Neighbourhood Plan for Clawson, Hose and Harby which covers the period 2017-2036 and has been produced for public consultation. It is noted that the document provides a vision for the future of the Parish of Clawson, Hose and Harby and sets out a number of key objectives and planning policies which will be used to help determine planning applications.

Highways England has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the Strategic Road Network (SRN). It is our role to maintain the safe and efficient operation of the SRN whilst acting as a delivery partner to national economic growth. In relation to the Clawson, Hose and Harby Neighbourhood Plan, Highways England's principal interest is safeguarding the operation of the A46 that routes approximately 4 miles to the west of the Neighbourhood Plan area.

We understand that a Neighbourhood Plan is required to be in conformity with relevant national and local planning policies. Accordingly, the Neighbourhood Plan for Clawson, Hose and Harby is required to be in conformity with the upcoming Melton Local Plan and this is acknowledged within the document.

We acknowledge that a minimum of 161 dwellings will be delivered across the three villages over the Plan period in accordance with the Housing and Economic Needs Assessment (January 2017). Given the small scale of development growth being proposed and the relative distance of the Neighbourhood Plan area from the A46, we do not expect there to be impacts on the operation of the A46.

We trust that the above is useful in the progression of the Clawson, Hose and Harby Neighbourhood Plan.

Yours sincerely,







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