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Subject: Bradford Abbas and Clifton Maybank Neighbourhood Plan - National Highways comments

Dear Neighbourhood Planning team

Thank you for providing National Highways with the opportunity to comment on the submission draft of the Bradford Abbas and Clifton Maybank Neighbourhood Plan 2024-2039. As you are aware, we are the strategic highway authority responsible for operating, maintaining and improving the strategic road network (SRN) which in this case comprises the A303 which passes approximately 15 km to the north of the Plan area, and the A35 approximately 30km to the south. The local road network provides a number of potential connections to the A303, with the A37 providing a direct connection to the A35.

Having reviewed the draft Plan, we consider that the Plan's policies are unlikely to lead to a scale of development which would adversely impact on the safe and efficient operation of the SRN. We therefore have no specific comments to make.

However, this does not prejudice any future responses National Highways may make on site specific applications as they come forward through the planning process, which will be considered by us on their merits under the prevailing policy at the time, which is currently set out within DfT Circular 01/2022 *The strategic road network and the delivery of sustainable development*.

Kind regards

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