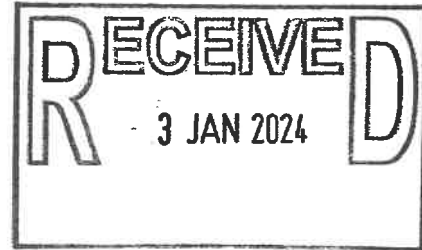


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2 January 2024



Dear Sirs

RE The Leicestershire County Council (A511 Growth Corridor) Compulsory Purchase Order 2023 (the Order)

The Highways Act 1980 and The Acquisition of Land Act 1981

Our Clients Helen Jean Measures and David William Measures of [REDACTED]

Property 40 Bardon Road, Colaville, LE67 4BH (the Property) – Plot 16 of Bardon Road Plot Plan LCC-A511-GCC-PP-BR

We act on behalf of our clients, Helen Jean Measures and David William Measures, who are the freeholders of the above Property subject to compulsory acquisition under the Order.

The Order, if made, would give powers for the permanent acquisition of land owned by our client and we hereby give notice of our client's **OBJECTION** to the Order.

Accordingly, this Objection has been made to protect our client's position, pending a decision to:

1. Remove those property interests in question from the Order, and/ or
2. Reach an acquisition by agreement, and agreement over compensation on appropriate terms.

Grounds for Objection

Our client's object to the Order for the following reasons:

- 1) Our client is concerned about the loss of their property which is held as an investment for the purposes of funding their retirement.
- 2) The use of compulsory purchase powers is premature; the Acquiring Authority has not made a meaningful attempt to acquire the interest by agreement.

The confirming authority will expect the Acquiring Authority to demonstrate that they have taken reasonable steps to acquire all of the land and rights included in the Order by agreement.

The Order Statement of Reasons, para 12.12, states that:

“The Council is complying with the requirement in paragraph 2 of the DLUHC Guidance to take reasonable steps to acquire all of the land and rights included in the CPO by agreement.”

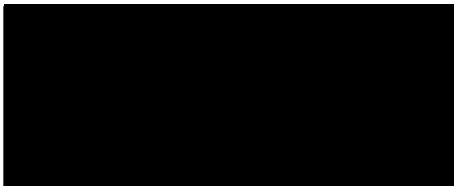
Our client has not had any meaningful discussions with the Acquiring Authority or their representatives and are unaware of any substantive efforts to make an offer on commercially appropriate terms. This is contrary to the Government Guidance referred to.

We conclude that the Acquiring Authority has not taken reasonable steps to acquire the Property by agreement nor is compulsory purchase being used as a last resort. Accordingly, the Draft Order should not be confirmed.

The Objector reserves the right to expand upon, and add to these grounds as necessary at a public inquiry.

Please acknowledge this letter as a statutory objection to the Order.

Your sincerely

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