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Dear Ralph

**Installation of a solar photovoltaic array/solar park with associated infrastructure  
Aldeby landfill site, Common Road, Aldeby, Beccles, NR34 0BL**

Thank you for consulting the Highway Authority with regard to the above application.

Having considered the information submitted, it is noted that in terms of highway related considerations the main issues relate to the construction phase, as when operation traffic to / from the development will be light.

As you will be aware there is an existing, off highway, haul route from C388 linking to the site which was previously used when the site operated as a landfill site. The applicant however is proposing that all construction traffic (which is predominantly car borne) travel on public highway, during the 4 month construction phase, with a one way system proposed where possible to the north.

For information, I table the proposals are our internal development team meeting this morning for a wider consideration and the views below represent those of the group.

Whilst it would be our preference that the haul route be used, particularly for HGVs, we of course accept we have to assess the application as proposed on its own merits. Whilst the route to / from the site from the C388 would use narrow roads, which travel through residential areas, there are informal & formal passing places in place in parts.

It is our view that the short term use (as proposed) would not lead to a recommendation of refusal from the Highway Authority subject to the submission of a CTMP and a wear and tear agreement to manage this process.

I note that there are local concerns with this arrangement, and suggestions that this may lead to local amenity concerns. I will however leave this for others to comment with regard

to this aspect, as in our professional opinion the proposals are unlikely to lead to a severe highway related concern.

In light of the above, should you be minded to approve the application I would recommend the inclusion of the following conditions:

#### SHC 24A

Prior to the commencement of any works a Construction Traffic Management Plan and Access Route which shall incorporate adequate provision for addressing any abnormal wear and tear to the highway together with wheel cleaning facilities shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority together with proposals to control and manage construction traffic using the 'Construction Traffic Access Route' and to ensure no other local roads are used by construction traffic.

Reason: In the interests of maintaining highway efficiency and safety. This needs to be a pre-commencement condition as it deals with safeguards associated with the construction period of the development.

#### SHC 24B

For the duration of the construction period all traffic associated with (the construction of) the development will comply with the Construction Traffic Management Plan and use only the 'Construction Traffic Access Route' and no other local roads unless approved in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: In the interests of maintaining highway efficiency and safety.

Yours sincerely

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for Executive Director for Community and Environmental Services

Please be aware it is the applicants responsibility to clarify the boundary with the public highway. Private structures such as fences or walls will not be permitted on highway land. The highway boundary may not match the applicants title plan. Please contact the highway research team at [highway.boundaries@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:highway.boundaries@norfolk.gov.uk) for further details.