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(By email only, no hard copy to follow)

Dear Rona

Reconsultation in respect of a planning proposal Land at north west Haverhill

Thank you for consulting Natural England in connection with the above application. Your letter was received in this office on 30 September 2010. We have the following comments to make regarding the reconsultation.

Natural England has no objection to the proposal subject to further clarification of the footpath proposals adjacent to Ann Suckling Way County Wildlife Site (CWS). It is unclear from Drawing no. SW5100002-515 as to whether new hedgerow planting is intended within the CWS and whether the re-routed footpath and new fence extends along the entire boundary of the CWS. The CWS is shown incorrectly on the drawing; the extent is further to the north east. New hedgerow planting within the CWS would be undesirable as the site is designated for rare grassland plants which require a more open habitat. Suffolk Wildlife Trust will have more detailed information about the CWS. Please take into account any representations made by Suffolk Wildlife Trust on this matter.

Yours sincerely

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