

Our Reference: 5234

Dear Planning Policy team,

Oxford City Council - Consultation on Summertown and St Margaret's Neighbourhood Development Plan

Thank you for inviting Highways England to comment on the Oxford City Council - Consultation on Summertown and St Margaret's Neighbourhood Development Plan.

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). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such Highways England works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.

We will therefore be concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact the safe and efficient operation of the SRN, in this case the A34.

We have reviewed the consultation and have no comments.

I hope the above information has been useful, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.