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Dear Clerk

Norwich Western Link

Norfolk County Council have supported the development of a Norwich Western Link (NWL) for a number of years and County Council members agreed in 2016 to include the NWL as one of the County's top three major infrastructure priorities, alongside the Great Yarmouth Third River Crossing and the Long Stratton Bypass.

The development of this link looks to connect the new Norwich Northern Distributor Road (NDR) from the A1067 to the A47 west of Norwich and since construction commenced on the NDR, there have been sustained calls to complete this 'missing link'.

The Norwich Western Link will provide a circular route around Norwich giving residents and businesses a number of important benefits, including:

- ✓ Removing additional traffic from our congested suburban city streets and outer ring road west of the city
- ✓ Adding to the benefits that dualling the A47 will bring
- ✓ Reducing rat-running in villages to the west of Norwich, improving quality of life
- ✓ Improving people's living environment
- ✓ Improving links and journey time reliability to the west and north of the County
- ✓ Improving transport links to the A47 and beyond to the Midlands (including better connectivity to Norwich airport)
- ✓ Supporting economic growth
- ✓ Helping to encourage investment into Norfolk and encouraging further economic growth

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We are keen to see a Norwich Western Link delivered and technical work is continuing on developing a set of preferred options ready for public consultation in autumn 2018. Prior to this we will also be carrying out a public consultation on the projects strategic objectives in spring 2018.

We would like to take this opportunity to ask for your ongoing support for the Norwich Western Link project as a priority for Norfolk residents and businesses. We would also like to hear your thoughts on how a Norwich Western Link may impact directly or indirectly on your parish or town council area.

If you would like further details or background a good place to start is the new website: www.norfolk.gov.uk/nwl

Please do contact the Norwich Western Link team and they will be happy to set up a meeting or provide you any further information on the project:

norwichwesternlink@norfolk.gov.uk

Yours faithfully

The Norwich Western Link Member Working Group



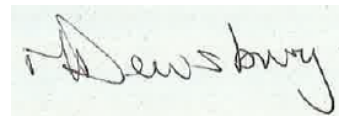
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