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Dear

A428 BLACK CAT TO CAXTON GIBBET SCHEME

Highways England is currently developing proposals for improvements to the A428 from the Black Cat Roundabout to Caxton Gibbet. This forms part of Highways England's approach to taking forward the Government's Road Investment Strategy.

We are still early in the process of developing proposals and are currently identifying potential route options. As part of this process, we are gathering more detailed information on the existing conditions along the route in order to inform our work and will shortly be undertaking a series of environmental walkover surveys. In some cases these surveys will require access to private land next to or near to the existing road.

We have identified from Land Registry information that you own land in the area that we are currently investigating and that we may need access to your land to carry out surveys. We would like to make clear that we are currently investigating a study area only and receiving this letter does not mean that land which you own will need to be acquired.

We would be extremely grateful if you could provide us with your contact details so that in the event that we do require access to your land we can easily get in touch. You can either fill out the enclosed pro-forma and return it to us using the enclosed pre-paid envelope by Monday 16 May 2016 or provide the information requested by email to a428blackcattocaxtongibbet@highwaysengland.co.uk

Whilst Highways England does have powers, under Section 289 of the Highways Act 1980, to serve notice and take entry for survey purposes, we would very much prefer to make contact with you and carry out this work with your agreement.

The surveys will be non-intrusive walk over surveys carried out by our specialists in order to identify and record the environmental conditions in the area. The surveys do not require the need to drill or dig into the ground, and do not require any significant

equipment to be brought onto the land. We will do our utmost to complete the survey works as quickly as possible and avoiding any disturbance.

The contact information that you provide to us will only be shared with our consultants, Jacobs, for the purposes of contacting you regarding surveys. All personal information you provide to Highways England/Jacobs will be processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. Should you have any queries regarding the collection and use of your personal information please contact the Highways England Data Protection Officer at dataprotectionadvice@highwaysengland.co.uk.

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank you in advance for your help. If you have any general enquiries please contact the Highways England Customer Contact Centre on 0300 123 5000, or by email to: info@highwaysengland.co.uk.

Yours faithfully

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