

Our ref: CRS 767305

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Email:

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Dear

M27 junctions 11 to 12

Thank you for your email to our Customer Contact Centre on 9 November 2018. I have handled your request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 for information about M27 junctions 11 to 12.

Please see below your questions and our answers:

Comparison of journey times in the peak, before and after the implementation of the climbing lanes scheme

Please find attached the One Year After (OYA) and Five Year After (FYA) Post-Opening Project Evaluation reports relating to M27 junctions 11 to 12 Climbing Lanes.

Accident data before and after the implementation of the climbing lanes scheme

Please see above.

Any comparisons undertaken on volumes / extent of congestion on this section and the surrounding network before and after implementation of the climbing lanes scheme

Please see above.

What consideration was given to the Smart Motorway scheme extending to the top of Portsdown Hill (i.e. not all the way to junction 12)

The M27 junction 4-11 was one of a number of schemes identified as part of the Spending Review 2013 National Roads Programme, see: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/investing-in-britains-future> for further

information. The scheme was subsequently confirmed in the Government's first [Road Investment Strategy](#):

“M27 Junction 4-11 – upgrading the M27 to Smart Motorway between junction 4 (M3 interchange) and junction 11 (Fareham), linking with the Smart Motorway scheme on the M3”

At the early development stages of the scheme, Highways England commissioned some work to investigate whether the scheme could be extended to junction 3 and junction 12. Please find attached a technical paper, which summarises the work done on this proposal. The proposal was considered by Highways England, however, it was determined that Highways England could not vary the extents of a scheme without the approval of the Department for Transport and the Government. The proposal was therefore not progressed by Highways England and the scheme proceeded as described in the Road Investment Strategy.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote reference number CRS 767305 in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way we have handled your request you may ask for an internal review within 2 months of the date of this response for Freedom of Information requests and within 40 days for Environmental Information Regulations requests.

Our internal review process is available at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/highways-england/about/complaints-procedure>

If you require a print copy, please phone the Information Line on 0300 123 5000; or e-mail info@highwaysengland.co.uk. You should contact me if you wish to complain.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Yours sincerely