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# The Norfolk County Council (Norwich Northern Distributor Road (A1067 to A47(T))) Order

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## 5.1 Pre-application Consultation Report Appendix R1

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Planning Act 2008

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The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure)  
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## Section 47 Consultations – Exhibition Boards Part 1





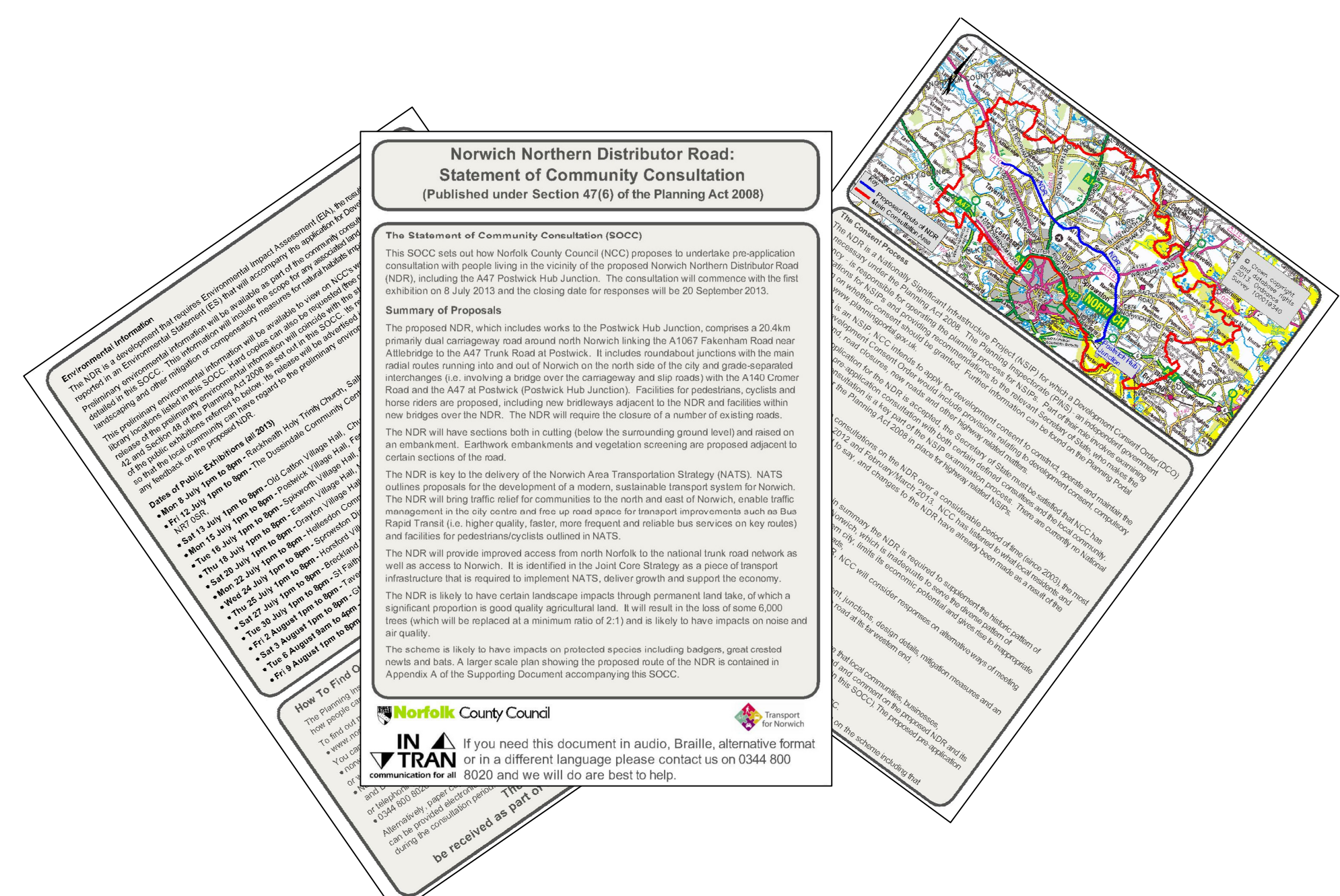
The NDR is classed as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under the Planning Act 2008. Under this Act, any proposal for an NSIP must apply to the relevant Secretary of State for a Development Consent Order (DCO) which permits the construction and operation of the NSIP.

The Planning Inspectorate (PINS) - an independent government agency - is responsible for operating the planning process for NSIPs. Part of its role involves examining applications for NSIPs and providing recommendations to the relevant Secretary of State, who makes the decision on whether the DCO should be granted.

As an NSIP, Norfolk County Council intends to apply for development consent to construct, operate and maintain the NDR. However, before an NSIP application is accepted, the Secretary of State must be satisfied that Norfolk County Council has carried out effective pre-application consultation with certain defined bodies and the local community.

A Statement of Community Consultation has been produced, which outlines how the County Council intends to undertake its pre-application consultations with the local community. **Copies of this are available to view at this exhibition.**

This exhibition forms a part of these consultations.



The purpose of this exhibition is to advise on the latest proposals for the NDR and seek your views on them. Please spend some time viewing the information on display. Officers are available to answer any questions.

Details of how you can make comments are shown at the end of this display. In particular we welcome comments on:

- the principle of and need for the NDR, including alternative ways of meeting the need,
- the impacts of the NDR,
- the detailed proposals for the NDR including, alignment, junctions, design details and mitigation measures,
- the route of the NDR,
- the option of a single carriageway or dual carriageway section between Fakenham Road and Fir Covert Road.



## Key facts about the NSIP Application Process

- it deals with planning issues, compulsory purchase and highway modification in a single examination process,
- it is considered at a national level by an Examining Authority appointed by the Planning Inspectorate.

Norfolk County Council's NSIP application would be for the NDR between the A47 at Postwick (including the Postwick Hub junction) and the A1067.

The reasons for proceeding with an NSIP application are:

- it includes the planning application, and multiple consent applications (including compulsory purchase) into a single examination process,
- it provides a clear timetable for submission and examination.

The adjacent diagram shows the NSIP application process. A glossary of terms is provided below:

**Applicant** - the organisation making the application (i.e. Norfolk County Council).

**Application Documents** - the detailed information documents that form the application submission. These will include the Application Form, Compulsory Acquisition Information, Consultation Report, Environmental Impact Assessment, Draft Development Consent Order and Technical Drawings.

**Examination** - Applicant and Interested Parties may be invited to provide further written evidence about issues that have been identified. All Interested Parties have the opportunity to comment on the representation of others.

**Hearing** - whilst the examination is mainly a written process, in certain circumstances hearings may be held where Interested Parties would be invited to speak.

**Interested Parties** - after the registration deadline those who registered a valid representation with the Planning Inspectorate become known as Interested Parties.

**National Infrastructure Planning Portal** - website developed to provide information regarding planning applications for national projects.

**Planning Inspectorate** - an agency of the Government's Department for Communities and Local Government that is responsible for determining the final outcomes of applications.

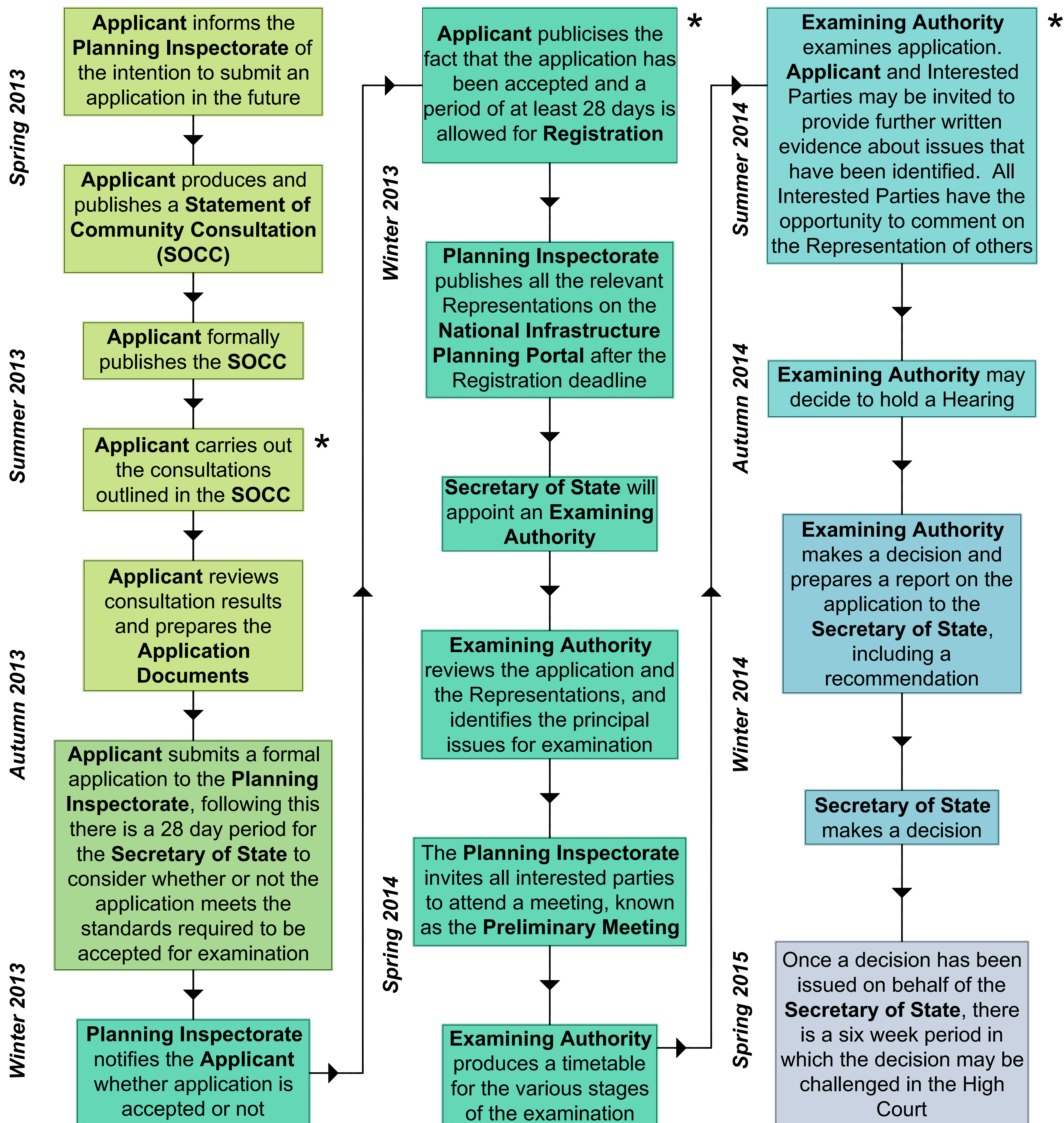
**Preliminary Meeting** - chaired by the Examining Authority, its purpose is to consider how the application will be examined. It considers the key issues to be examined, the timetable for the examination and other important organisational details.

**Registration/Representation** - the process by which people can register themselves as Interested Parties. The easiest way to register is using the National Infrastructure Planning Portal website - [www.planningportal.gov.uk](http://www.planningportal.gov.uk). During registration a form is completed that includes space to explain what the writer agrees/disagrees with. This is known as **Representation**.

**Secretary of State** - Government Cabinet Minister.

**Statement of Community Consultation (SOCC)** - this details the format of the formal pre-application consultations that an applicant will undertake.





\* At these points in the Application Process there is an opportunity to comment on the proposals or make Representation.



We would like to hear your views on the NDR proposals.

## How to respond to this exhibition

You can make comments by:

- completing a printed feedback form available at this exhibition. This can be left at the exhibitions or posted to Norwich Northern Distributor Road Team, Department of Environment, Transport and Development, Norfolk County Council, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich, NR1 2DH
- completing the on-line response form on Norfolk County Council's website - [www.norfolk.gov.uk/tfn](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/tfn)
- e-mailing [norwich.transport@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:norwich.transport@norfolk.gov.uk)
- telephoning 0344 800 8020

## For more information

You can find out more information on the NDR by:

- visiting our website at <http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/tfn>
- e-mailing [norwich.transport@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:norwich.transport@norfolk.gov.uk)
- telephoning 0344 800 8020

## How Will We Use Your Comments

As part of the NSIP application NCC will prepare a consultation report setting out the regard that has been given to relevant responses received. This report will be deposited in libraries and shown on NCC's website once the application for a Development Consent Order has been submitted.

Please note responses may be published, although personal information will be removed. **The deadline for responses is 20 September 2013.**

## Northern Distributor Road - Timeline

