

# Examination of the International Advanced Manufacturing Park (IAMP) Area Action Plan (AAP)

## IAMP LLP's Response to Matters and Questions

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#### Introduction

IAMP LLP is a limited liability partnership established by South Tyneside Council and Sunderland City Council for the purpose of promoting and delivering the International Advanced Manufacturing Park.

#### Matter 8 – Implementation, Delivery and the Policies Map

IAMP LLP has no specific response to make to Matters 8.1, 8.4 and 8.6 and supports the position of the local planning authorities.

### 8.2 Does the plan provide sufficient and appropriate guidance on land assembly to ensure its effective implementation?

IAMP LLP is engaged in discussions with landowners relating to the acquisition of land needed to deliver IAMP.

In the event that the relevant land cannot be acquired by agreement, IAMP LLP will in its DCO application seek appropriate powers of compulsory acquisition which it will need to justify by reference to section 122 and other relevant sections of the Planning Act 2008 and to Government guidance in the form of DCLG's *Planning Act 2008 Guidance related to procedures for the compulsory acquisition of land* (2013) and *Guidance on compulsory purchase process and The Crichel Down Rules* (2015).

8.3 Are the requirements of policy Del2 likely to be effective in ensuring that mitigation required in respect of development within the AAP area is secured at the appropriate time? Are the modifications to the policy proposed by the Councils (Docs PSD6/PSD7) necessary for the plan to be sound?

IAMP LLP is currently working on its preliminary environmental information (PEI) for its statutory consultation about the IAMP DCO application, and on the full environmental statement to accompany that application in due course. That exercise will identify the measures needed to mitigate the impacts of IAMP, and when those measures will need to be in place. Those mitigation measures will be secured by requirements (akin to planning conditions) in the DCO, which will be considered by the examining authority and Secretary of State. The application will be accompanied by a "mitigation routemap": a document explaining how the relevant impacts will be mitigated.

8.5 Having regard to paragraphs 173-174 of the National Planning Policy Framework is there evidence that, cumulatively, national and local policy standards/requirements would not put implementation of the AAP at serious risk?

Based on its continuing work on its DCO application, IAMP LLP is confident that IAMP is viable and deliverable. That conclusion is reinforced by Nissan's announcements in relation to the production of new models in Sunderland.

The cost of delivering the IAMP is projected to be £92m. That includes land acquisition, infrastructure, utilities and mitigation works. Funding equivalent to that amount will flow to IAMP LLP from the Councils, from a mix of their own funds, the Local Growth Fund and the Sunderland City Deal. As part of its DCO application IAMP LLP will be submitting a funding statement to the Secretary of State to demonstrate the viability and deliverability of IAMP.