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Dear South Staffordshire Water PLC,

The Borough Council of Sandwell (Cranford Street, Smethwick) Compulsory Purchase Order 2025 (the CPO)

- 1 We act for Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council (the **Acquiring Authority**) and write in response to your letter of statutory objection dated 10 September 2025 (the **Objection**) in respect of the Acquiring Authority's proposal to bring forward residential development at Cranford Street, Smethwick (the **Site**).
- 2 We note from the Objection that South Staffordshire Water PLC (**SWW**) has operational apparatus in the vicinity of the Site and in order to remove the Objection SWW requires confirmation that the CPO will not adversely impact its operational assets.
- 3 In the process of preparing the planning application for the proposed development on the Site, the Acquiring Authority undertook searches which confirm that none of SWW's operational apparatus are located within the part of the Site where the residential development will be delivered. Please refer to the map at **Appendix 1** of this letter showing the location of SWW's apparatus.
- 4 Although SWW's apparatus fall within the land subject to the CPO, their location is limited to the public adopted highway. The highway land has been included within the CPO to facilitate the removal of the existing bridge over Cranford Street and there will be no other works to the highway which will adversely impact the operation assets of SWW.
- 5 We trust the above is satisfactory to SWW and we look forward to receiving confirmation from you that the Objection can be withdrawn.
- 6 If you have any queries in respect of this letter, please contact semerson@trowers.com.

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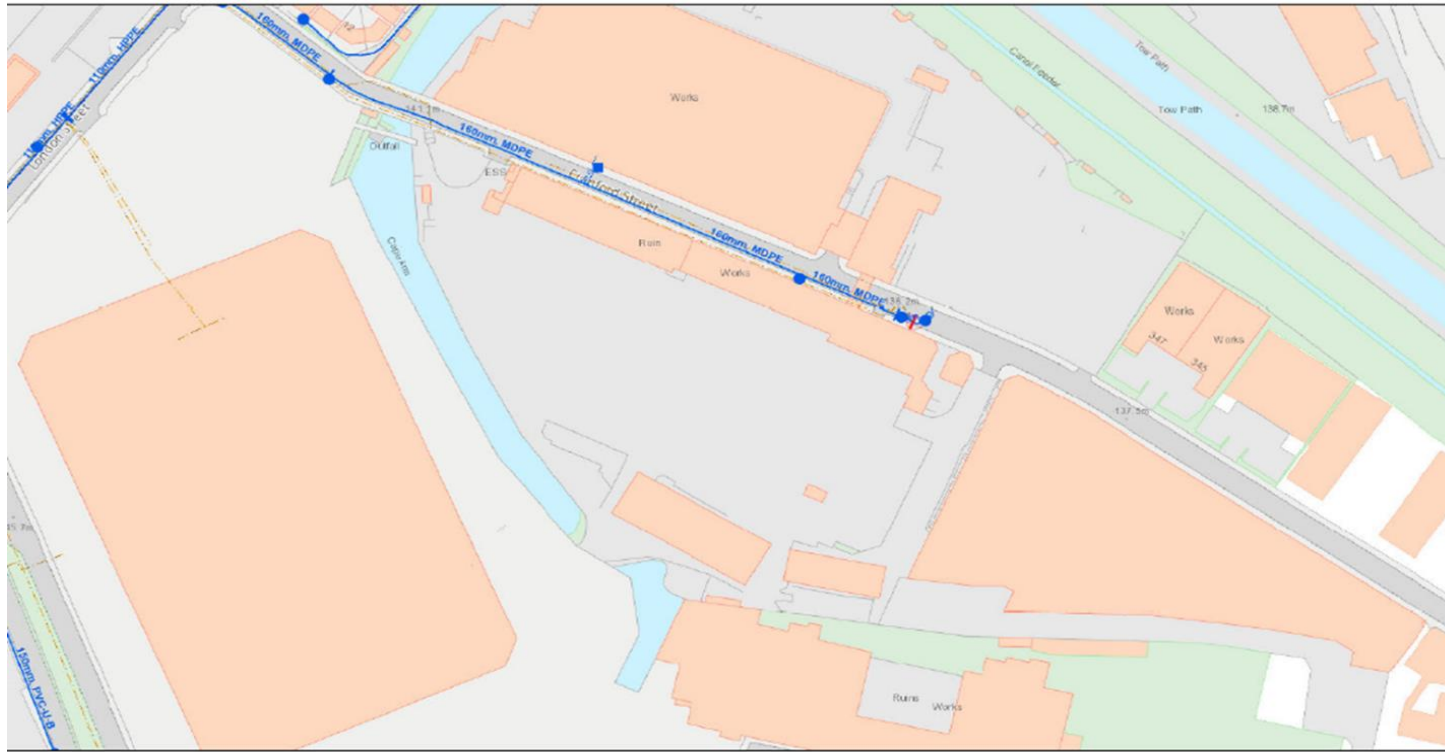
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Yours faithfully

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Appendix 1



- Supply Main
 - Service Connection
 - Hydrant
 - ⊕ Valve (open)
 - ⊖ Valve (closed)
 - ⊕ Meter
 - Decommissioned Main
 - Decommissioned Main
 - Sensitive Site
- If working within a Sensitive Site, it is STRONGLY suggested that further details be sent from South Staffs Water
- If working within a Sensitive Site, further details MUST be sent from South Staffs Water

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