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Subject: DPGW Response - Consultation: Housing in the Countryside - Policy Guidance Note

Dear Alistair

Please see comments below from Transport Scotland.

Question 2 – Within Section 3.13 reference is made to shared access. We would advise that where access is proposed to be taken from the trunk road (either new or existing) design standards will require to comply with Design Manual for Roads and Bridges CD123. It is further highlighted within CD123, the use of a direct access is only appropriate for serving a single property. Therefore if proposals will result in more than a single dwelling being served by an access this will normally require to be constructed / upgraded to a priority junction.

Question 3 – Within Section 4.3 'Key Design Principles' we would advise including text to make it clear that where access is to be taken from the trunk road this will require to be designed in accordance with DMRB CD123.

Again under 5.5, within the table of Clarification, reference is made to a preference for access from existing entrance points. Section 5.8 Common Feature also makes reference to a preference for shared access. Where access is proposed from the trunk road however the advice provided above with regards to design standards and the restriction on direct access serving only a single dwelling should be noted.

Question 5 – It is recommended that within 6.0 Further Reading reference be made to DMRB CD123 for appropriate design guidance when accessing from the trunk road.

Question 7 – Consideration could be given to including a specific section relating to development accessed from the trunk road and the role of Transport Scotland, rather than addressing similar points throughout the document.

Kind regards

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