

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION SMART MOTORWAYS PROGRAMME: M6 JUNCTIONS 2 TO 4 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT DETERMINATION UNDER SECTION 105 A (3) OF THE HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 (AS AMENDED)

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Highways England gives notice that it has been determined that the Smart Motorways Programme: M6 Junctions 2 to 4 proposal which is a relevant project within the meaning of section 105A (1) of the Highways Act 1980 is not subject to environmental impact assessment in accordance with Part VA of the Highways Act 1980 implementing Directive 2011/92/EU as amended.

The Proposed Scheme was classified

The Proposed Scheme was classified as a relevant EIA Directive Annex II project due to the area of permanent works exceeding the one hectare threshold. In accordance with the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges (DMRB) Volume 11 further assessment work was undertaken to establish whether significant environmental effects were likely to arise during the construction and operation of the Proposed Scheme, comprising a non-statutory environmental assessment in the form of an Environmental Study Report (ESR).

The environmental assessment work undertaken as part of the ESR concluded that there are not likely to be any significant long-term adverse effects arising from this Project. Consequently an environmental impact assessment is not required in accordance with the Part VA of the Highways Act 1980 implementing Directive 2011/92/EU as amended. Further information on the project and

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