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Dear Kathryn,

## **RE: International Advanced Manufacturing Park Area Action Plan Examination** Hearing Statement

This letter is provided in addition to a hearing statement, submitted by Gateshead Council to support the examination of the International Advanced Manufacturing Park (IAMP) Area Action Plan.

The January 2017 Statement of Common Ground signed between Gateshead Council, South Tyneside Council and Sunderland City Council (provided within document PSD8) makes clear that the three Councils will share information on the anticipated transport implications of the proposed IAMP. Once the relevant information has been received by Gateshead Council, we intend to provide a written response setting out our conclusions regarding the cross-boundary transport impacts of the IAMP for Gateshead.

If the Inspector considers it necessary, officers from Gateshead Council would be willing to attend the hearing session discussing Matter 6: Infrastructure Transport and Access, currently scheduled for 5 April 2017.

Yours Faithfully,

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