

1. Schedule 14 Directions

1. Following on from the session at the Annual Training Week on Schedule 14 Directions, [REDACTED] has prepared a draft template for the new style 'Direction Decision'. The template has been adapted from a Schedule 14 appeal and a Commons Act Order to the registration authority.

If you have any comments to make on the template, please forward them to me by **10 April 2017**.

In his covering email, [REDACTED] noted that the new template will mean that the cases of the parties will no longer be set out. On this basis he suggested that the person making the representation (applicant) should be sent a copy of the OMA's response. At present, once the OMA's response is received, the file is sent directly to the Inspector for a decision – we do not write to the applicant again until a decision has been made.

The question I invite you to consider is should the OMA response be sent to the applicant for information only or should they be given a final right of reply in the same way as appellants in Schedule 14 appeal cases? What value might there be in comments received from an applicant at this stage? If you have a view on this, please forward it to me by **10 April 2017**.

If you have any questions with regard to this RoW Note please contact me in the first instance.



Rights of Way Section
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