

## **NEWMARKET TOWN COUNCIL (NTC)**

### **MATTER 5 DELIVERABILITY**

#### **1. ISSUE 5.2**

**Is the level and distribution of housing based on a sound assessment of infrastructure requirements and their deliverability, including expected sources of funding?**

- 1.1 NTC notes that the document acknowledges that several key junctions across the district will come under increasing pressure.
- 1.2 In particular the Fordham road is well known locally for its extreme and increasing road congestion, with the Snailwell road used as route to try to additionally avoid extreme and ever increasing congestion at A14/A142 junction.
- 1.3 Both the A14 and the A142 have considerable queues at peak travel times and the Highways Agency has confirmed the junction is within the top 10 worst junctions **in the country**.
- 1.4 There are many businesses located in the north of the town and additional traffic along the A142/A14 junction will have an adverse impact on their operation and prosperity.
- 1.5 NTC note the AECOM report dated August 2016. However, the large scale infrastructure as required at the A14 junction is untested and not costed. Accordingly, there is no evidence that a suitable design to accommodate traffic associated with growth in Newmarket can be achieved.