ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENTION NOT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT

under (Regulation 5 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (Land Drainage Improvement Works) Regulations 1999 as amended by SI 2005/1399, SI 2006/618 and SI 2017/585

CASTLE ACRE COMMON RIVER RESTORATION PROJECT

The Norfolk Rivers Internal Drainage Board (NRIDB) gives notice of its intention to carry out a river restoration project on the River Nar (SSSI) at Castle Acre Common situated at TF 80522 15182 near Castle Acre. The proposed improvement works will involve the construction of approximately 450m of new channel through the common. The project will help reduce flood risk, by improving the connection of the river with its floodplain, allowing flood plain storage to be utilised during flooding events. The existing channel which flows by the footpath will become a back water fed primarily by springs.

The NRIDB considers that the improvement works are not likely to have significant effects on the environment and does not intend to prepare an environmental statement in respect of them. However, a non-statutory Environmental Action Plan report has been produced to document the potential environmental impacts of the scheme and any associated mitigation measures. An electronic copy of the report is available on request from the address below, or can be viewed at the same address.

Any person wishing to make representations in relation to the likely environmental effects of the proposed improvement works should do so, in writing, to the address specified below, within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice.

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