

PLANNING ACT 2008

THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (EXAMINATIONS PROCEDURE) RULES 2010

The Proposed London Resort Development Consent Order

Procedural Deadline A – 15 March 2022

**Submission on behalf of
PORT OF LONDON AUTHORITY
(ref: 20027810)**

1. Background - general procedural position

- 1.1. The Port of London Authority (**PLA**) is an Interested Party and has made a Relevant Representation dated March 2021 in respect of the application for a development consent order (the **Order**) made by London Resort Company Holdings (the **Applicant**).
- 1.2. The PLA has made a request to be heard orally at the Preliminary Meeting to be held on 29th and 30 March 2022 in respect of timing of the examination of the application for the Order (agenda item 3) and will say that it is firmly of the view that the examination should commence in March 2022. The purpose of this submission is to address that issue, and those matters set out below.
- 1.3. The PLA may also wish to respond to oral representations made by other Interested Parties at the Preliminary Meeting.
- 1.4. The PLA has made a provisional request to be heard at ISH1 on 4 April and CAH1 on 5 April, should the examination commence in March 2022.

2. Engagement with the Applicant

- 2.1. In its Procedural Decision of 1 February 2022 (AS-014), the Examining Authority (**ExA**) invited all Interested Parties and Affected Persons to submit a list of engagement(s) with the Applicant between 1 February and 10 March 2022. In response to this, the PLA confirms that there has been no contact at all with the Applicant during this period; the Applicant has not initiated consultation, nor any other form of contact with the PLA, whether by way of meetings, telephone calls, emails, or other means.
- 2.2. Further, the PLA confirms the position, as set out in its letter to the ExA of 7 January 2022, that there has been no engagement whatsoever with the PLA by the Applicant since June 2021.

- 2.3. Further, the PLA has reviewed the London Resort - Schedule of updated and new documents, Rev 07, submitted by the Applicant on 15 February 2022 (the **Schedule**). This revision of the Schedule includes a Marine Operations Plan, noting that it is a “[n]ew proposed document to assist examination through providing all marine related information in a single source”.
- 2.4. In light of the PLA’s functions and obligations in respect of the river Thames, and given the numerous issues raised in its Relevant Representations, the PLA would have expected in particular to have been consulted on the contents and formulation of this proposed new document.
- 2.5. The Schedule notes that this document is “<20%” complete, which is of concern to the PLA, given the document’s relevance to completion of a Navigational Risk Assessment (doc ref: 6.2.10.1) and to the relevant chapters of the Environmental Statement (doc ref: 6.1). The apparent lack of progress in producing this document over a lengthy period – alongside the fact that the PLA has not yet been asked to review and/or input into it – serves to demonstrate that the application is not likely to be ready for examination, even were a further period of delay to be allowed.

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