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By email to
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Dear Mr Girt

Consultation on EIA Scoping Report – London Paramount

Thank you for your letter of 11 December 2014 regarding the above.

Further to our telephone conversation I have sought advice from colleagues in the Inspectorate's Environmental Services Team about the status of your organisation in terms of the EIA Regulations and the recent consultation carried out in respect of the scoping request made by the developers of the proposed London Paramount Project.

I had thought that land owners were prescribed consultees for the purposes of EIA scoping consultation; however, I was wrong and apologise for misleading you. As such your comments received by us on 11th December will not be included in the scoping opinion that we will send to the developer shortly. The list of prescribed consultees is set out in schedule 1 of the [Infrastructure Planning \(Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedures\) Regulations 2009](#).

Given that you have clearly spent time preparing the response I will make sure that it is published, alongside this letter on our [London Paramount](#) project page as section 51 advice. Section 51 of the planning Act 2008 requires us to publish any advice we give about making an application or making a representation about an application. In this way the correspondence that has gone between us will be made available to the developer. For the avoidance of doubt, this does not mean that your letter of 11th December will be regarded as a scoping response for the purposes of the recent scoping consultation undertaken by the Inspectorate.

Going forward, if your organisation is a landowner or has an interest in land as defined in section 44 of the Planning Act 2008, you will be a statutory prescribed consultee for

the purposes of the developer led statutory pre application consultation and examining the application. Even if this is not the case, your organisation will have the opportunity to register as an interested party by making a relevant representation at the appropriate time. Further advice about this is contained in our [Advice Note 8.1](#) (How the process works) and [Advice Note 8.3](#) (How to register and become an interested party).

Once again sincere apologies for the misleading advice I gave you over the phone. Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely

Mark Wilson

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