



Application by NNB Generation Company (SZC) Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for The Sizewell C Project

Detailed Agenda

Preliminary Meeting

- Dates of meeting:** **Tuesday 23 March 2021** and **Wednesday 24 March 2021** (if required) (Preliminary Meeting: Part 1); and **Wednesday 14 April 2021** (Preliminary Meeting: Part 2)
- Arrangements conference:** **Joining from 9.15am on both days**
- Meeting begins:** **10.00am on both days**
- Venue:** **Virtual event**

The following detailed Agenda is for the Preliminary Meeting (PM) Part 1 only and builds on the Agenda provided at Annex A of the [Rule 6 letter dated 23 February 2021](#).

Following the representations submitted by Procedural Deadline A the Examining Authority is now providing this detailed Agenda. The detailed Agenda below contains further information in the light of those representations about the content and scope of each Agenda Item in order to provide further clarity about the event on the day. It is hoped that this will help in ensuring that the PM runs as smoothly and efficiently as possible.

Please note the following important points:

1. This meeting will also be available for people to observe live online via a livestream link which will be published on the [Project Page of the National Infrastructure Planning website](#) shortly before the meeting is due to start. If you no longer want to speak at the PM and are content to watch the Live Stream of the event and then, should you wish, submit any comments on the proceedings in writing by Procedural Deadline B - 7 April 2021, please let the Case Team (details below) know.
2. **Wednesday 24 March 2021** has been reserved to use for the Preliminary Meeting Part 1 in the event of any technical difficulties on the day or in the event that business is not able to be concluded by the end of the day on Tuesday 23 March 2021.
3. The joining instructions for the Preliminary Meeting Part 1 will be sent by email to all pre-registered parties on the afternoon of Monday 22 March 2021.

4. Pre-registered parties should join the Arrangements Conference promptly during the Registration Time Slot provided.
5. As explained in the Rule 6 letter, we strongly encourage groups of individuals who have similar views on PM Agenda Items to choose one representative to speak for the group. Please note that there is no need for the same point to be made by a number of different people. If an earlier speaker makes the point that you had intended to make, it will be taken into account along with any written submissions on that topic and you do not need to repeat it.
6. For guidance and to avoid video fatigue, session breaks will be provided after about 90 minutes of the session, subject to the ExA's discretion to reduce or extend a session to provide breaks at convenient points in the meeting. As many sessions will be held as required to cover the matters on the Agenda. Given the large numbers of participants who have indicated that they wish to speak on various Agenda items, it is not possible to provide timings at this stage either for individual speakers or Agenda items. Having carefully considered the Procedural Deadline A submissions, the ExA's present intention is not to change the order of any Agenda Items but to consider them in the order listed in the Agenda. The ExA will endeavour to provide an update on progress and an indication of what will be covered next at the end of each session.
7. Prior to the PM please ensure that you have read the Rule 6 letter and Annexes, the [Planning Inspectorate's Customer Privacy Notice](#) and [Advice Note 8.6: Virtual examination events](#).

Title of meeting: **The Sizewell C Project Preliminary Meeting Part 1**

Meeting Date: **Tuesday 23 March 2021**

Arrangements Conference: **Joining from 9.15am**

Meeting start time: **10.00am**

Venue: **Virtual Event (Microsoft Teams)**

Attendees: **Pre-registered parties**

Item no.	Item	Further information
Item 1	Welcome and introductions	The Examining Authority (ExA) and the Planning Inspectorate Case Team introductions. Given the large number of participants, introductions from everyone will not be invited at this stage. Instead, participants will be asked to introduce themselves at the point at which they first speak.
Item 2	The ExA's remarks about the virtual Preliminary Meeting - Annex A	The scope of this item will be limited to ensuring that participants are familiar with the PM arrangements that are set out in the Rule 6 letter, Annex A. The ExA will explain why this procedure is being adopted for the PM in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. It will invite written submissions on digital events and feedback on the virtual PM to be made by Procedural Deadline B .
Item 3	The ExA's remarks about the Examination process - Annex B	The ExA will explain the purpose of the PM and the format and nature of the Examination process.

<p>Item 4</p>	<p>Initial Assessment of Principal Issues (IAPI) – Annex C</p>	<p>The IAPI is required to be made by the ExA before the PM is held¹. In terms of timing, the relevant guidance² recommends that the ExA undertakes this within a period of 21 days after the final deadline of relevant representations.</p> <p>The dynamic nature of the assessment of Principal Issues (PIs) during the Examination will be explained and requests for topics to be considered as PIs will be heard. That includes new topics that would merit consideration as PIs should the change request be accepted which can be put forward without being taken as weakening or prejudicing your position on the acceptance of the change request.</p> <p>Following the ExA’s consideration of the written comments made to Procedural Deadline A, it will confirm at the PM that it is minded to consider both Coastal Geomorphology and Community Impacts as separate PIs for the Examination. If there are any opposing views to the consideration of those topics in that way, these should be made in writing by Procedural Deadline B, in advance of Part 2 of the PM. For that reason, it is not necessary for participants to speak at the PM on those matters but instead should make any further written representations considered necessary by Procedural Deadline B.</p>
<p>Item 5</p>	<p>The Applicant’s proposed changes to the application</p> <p>NOTE: See Annex B for further information about the scope of this Item</p>	<p>Please note that the ExA will not make any decision on the acceptance of the Applicant’s proposed changes request at the PM. This will be issued as soon as possible after the PM. For that reason, the ExA does not perceive any benefit in the reversal of the order of Agenda Items 4 and 5.</p> <p>This Item will not consider the merits of the proposed changes request and will be limited to a discussion of whether the development now being proposed is not in</p>

¹ section 89(1) and (2) PA 2008

² Paragraph 39 Guidance for the Examination of Applications for Development Consent 2015

		<p>substance that which was originally applied for; and how a changed application, if accepted, might be examined.</p> <p>In relation to those matters, the discussion will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the non-statutory consultation already undertaken by the Applicant in respect of the proposed changes; (ii) the submission by the Applicant of any outstanding information in support of the changes request; (iii) Compliance with the Infrastructure Planning (Compulsory Acquisition) Regulations 2021; and (iv) the carrying out of publicity that reflects the requirements of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017, should the proposed changes be accepted
Item 6	<p>Draft Examination Timetable – Annex D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deadlines for submissions and notifications • Dates and format for hearings • Arrangements for site inspections 	<p>This will include discussion of any proposals for timetabling amendments for evidence submissions, hearing dates and site inspections.</p> <p>The arrangements for and timing of the site inspections in the light of the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions will be discussed.</p>
Item 7	<p>Procedural Decisions taken by the ExA – Annex E</p>	<p>The ExA will outline its expectations in relation to the submission of Statements of Common Ground (SoCGs). It will propose an additional SoCG between Suffolk Coastal Friends of the Earth and the Applicant and consider any suggestions for others including between the Applicant and Suffolk Coast Destination Management Organisation.</p>
Item 8	<p>Any other matters</p>	<p>Any other relevant matters that might arise.</p>
<p>Adjournment of the Preliminary Meeting until Wednesday 14 April 2021</p>		

If you have any questions about the arrangements for the PM please contact the Case Team at:

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