



The Sizewell C Project

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1 OPEN FLOOR HEARING 10

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This document contains the Applicant's written summaries of the oral submissions made at Open Floor Hearing 10 (OFH10) held on 24 August 2021.

1.1.2 In attendance at OFH10 on behalf of the Applicant was:

- Carly Vince (Chief Planning Officer); and
- Tom McGarry (Head of Communications).

1.1.1 Where further information was requested or committed to by the Applicant, this is contained separately in the Applicant's **Written Submissions Responding to Actions Arising from OFH10** (Doc Ref. 9.82).

1.2 Session 1

1.2.1 All speakers were as per the published agenda apart from speaker 5 who did not attend/speak.

1.3 Session 2

1.3.1 All speakers were as per the published agenda apart from speaker 7 who did not attend/speak.

1.4 Applicant's Response

1.4.1 At the end of the two sessions, Ms Carly Vince confirmed that the Applicant had listened to each oral submission and expressed gratitude to the speakers and the level of stakeholder engagement generally. Ms Vince advised that all of the matters raised are already addressed in the DCO Application documents and that the Applicant will provide a signposting document at Deadline 7. This will identify within the suite of application documents where each matter has been addressed. *[Post Hearing Note: the Applicant has prepared a signposting document and this is contained in the **Written Submissions responding to Actions Arising from OFH10** (Doc Ref. 9.82).]*

1.4.2 Ms Vince then addressed the following specific matters:

- Cumulative impacts – whilst the Applicant acknowledges the problems cited by Russ Rainger concerning the assessment of cumulative

impacts, all three Environmental Statement (ES) documents assess cumulative impacts on the basis of all of the available information. Additionally, the Applicant intends to submit a **Fourth ES Addendum** at Deadline 7 (Doc Ref. 6.18), which will cover matters relating to the Proposed Change 19 and ensure that all up-to-date cumulative impact information is covered.

- Mitigation measures – the Applicant has committed to various funds in the **draft Deed of Obligation** (Doc Ref. 8.17(F)) and is working with different stakeholders regarding the scope and scale of those funds. Where this has not been agreed by Deadline 7, the Applicant will set out its approach to developing the scope and scale that have been included and, alongside this, will be submitting updates to all of Statements of Common Grounds, so that there is full visibility as to what is / is not agreed.
- Scheme changes – the Applicant stands by all of the changes that have been made to the Project, which have been necessary to address concerns of stakeholders, ensure a deliverable Project and minimises the impact. Regarding the temporary desalination plant, it has already been explained in the **Notification Report [AS-397]** why this has been put forward at this stage. However, the Applicant will provide further information at Deadline 7 when it formally submits this change.
- Air Quality – the Applicant has not yet monitored PM10 levels but this is a commitment within the **Code of Construction Practice** (Doc Ref. 8.11(D)). Presently there is nothing in respect to PM2.5 because no stakeholder has raised this, but the Applicant will consider this further and will provide an update at Issue Specific Hearing 8 relating to air quality, noise and vibration (ISH8 Written Summaries contained in Doc Ref. 9.79).

1.4.3 Mr Tom McGarry provided the following additional comments:

- Level of engagement – the Applicant did respond at Deadline 2 with an overview of how it has engaged with local stakeholders and does not accept the comments from some of the speakers that this has been tokenistic. In particular there has been specific engagement with the Parish Councils on the issues raised by Tony Fryatt.
- Mental health – the Applicant is aware of Sarah Whitelock's e-mail on mental health issues and is currently preparing a response.

- 1.4.4 It should also be noted that the Applicant is a member of the Aldeburgh Business Association, so Sarah Whitelock was not speaking for all members.