



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

The Examining Authority's third written questions and requests for information (ExQ3)

Issued on 09 September 2021

The following table sets out the Examining Authority's (ExA's) third written questions and requests for information – ExQ3.

Questions are set out using an issues-based framework derived from the Initial Assessment of Principal Issues provided as Annex B to the Rule 6 letter dated 23 February 2021 [PD-011]. Questions have been added to the framework of issues set out there as they have arisen from representations and to address the assessment of the application against relevant policies.

Column 2 of the table indicates which Interested Parties (IPs) and other persons each question is directed to. The ExA would be grateful if all persons named could answer all questions directed to them, providing a substantive response, or indicating that the question is not relevant to them for a reason. This does not prevent an answer being provided to a question by a person to whom it is not directed, should the question be relevant to their interests.

Each question has a unique reference number which starts with a unique letter(s) defining the subject of the question followed by number 3 (indicating that it is from ExQ3) and then has a question number. For example, the first question on Agriculture and soils is identified as Ag.3.0, the second question Ag.3.1 and so on. When you are answering a question, please start your answer by quoting the unique reference number.

As all parties will be aware a further change request has been submitted by the Applicant. At the time of preparing the questions it had not been decided whether the change request would be accepted at all, in full or in part. Some of the questions may therefore have been superseded by a change in circumstances since they were written. If this is the case when responding to a question, please explain how the latest circumstances respond to the concern identified.

An editable Microsoft Word template of the questions will be sent separately by email to those parties to whom multiple questions have been addressed. It will assist the ExA if those parties could respond to the questions by entering their response in the appropriate space provided below each question. The completed template should then be submitted, by **Deadline 8**, to the Examination as a PDF copy for publication accompanied by an editable Microsoft Word version for internal use.



For other parties wishing to respond, if you are responding to a small number of questions, answers in a letter will suffice. If you are answering a larger number of questions then please request a copy of the editable Microsoft Word template of the questions from the Case Team:

Email: sizewellc@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

Telephone: 0303 444 5000.

All parties should note when responding that an answer which states that a wording or other matter has been adopted in other DCOs, or elsewhere, should also include an explanation of how that answers the ExA's concern and why it would be appropriate in this case. Previous adoption of a wording or matter is not necessarily an adequate reason.

Responses are due by Deadline 8: 24 September 2021

Abbreviations used:

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| AAWT | Annual Average Weekly Traffic | LOAEL | Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level |
| ABP | Associated British Ports | LoD | Limits of Deviation |
| AFRY | Pöyry Energy Limited | LPA | Local Planning Authority |
| AIL | Abnormal Indivisible Loads | LVSE | Low Velocity Side Entry |
| ALA 1981 | Acquisition of Land Act 1981 | MCA Act 2009 | Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 |
| AN15 | Advice Note Fifteen: Drafting Development Consent Orders | MCZ | Marine Conservation Zone |
| AOD | Above Ordnance Datum | MDS | Main Development Site |
| AONB | Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty | MDS FRA | Main Development Site Flood Risk Assessment |
| AoS | Appraisal of Sustainability | MHWS | Mean High Water Springs |
| APFP | The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 | MMO | Marine Management Organisation |
| AQA | Air Quality Assessment | MMP | Monitoring and Mitigation Plan |
| AQMA | Air Quality Management Area | MoJ | Ministry of Justice |
| Art | Article | MP | Model Provision (in the MP Order) |
| BEIS | Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy | MP Order | The Infrastructure Planning (Model Provisions) Order |
| BLF | Beach Landing Facility | NALEP | New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership |
| BMV | Best and Most Versatile | NDA | Nuclear Decommissioning Authority |
| BoR | Book of Reference | NE | Natural England |
| BPA | British Ports Association | NERC Act 2006 | Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 |
| CA | Compulsory Acquisition | NFU | National Farmers Union |
| CC | County Council | NGET | National Grid Electricity Transmission plc |
| CCC | The Climate Change Committee | NGV | National Grid Ventures |
| CCG | Ipswich and East Suffolk CCG and West Suffolk CCG | NIC | National Infrastructure Commission |
| CCR | Climate Change Resilience | NIS | National Infrastructure Strategy |
| CCRA | Climate Change Risk Assessment | NO₂ | Nitrogen Dioxide |
| CEFAS | Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science | NO_x | Nitrogen Oxide |
| CEMP | Construction Environmental Management Plan | NPS | National Policy Statement |
| CHA | Competent Harbour Authority | | |



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|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| CHP | Combined Heat and Power | NRMM | Non-Road Mobile Machinery |
| CIEEM | Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management | NSIP | Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project |
| CIR | Community Impact Report | NSL | Nuclear Site License |
| CLA | County Land and Business Association | NPSE | Noise Policy Statement for England |
| CMS | Construction Method Statement | oDMP | Outline Dust Management Plan |
| CO₂ | Carbon Dioxide | ODS | Outline Drainage Strategy |
| CoCP | Code of Construction Practice | oLEMP | Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan |
| CoS | Chamber of Shipping | ONR | Office for Nuclear Regulation |
| CPO | Compulsory Purchase Order | OSC | Operational Service Centre |
| CTMP | Construction Traffic Management Plan | P&R | Park and Ride |
| CWS | County Wildlife Sites | PA2008 | The Planning Act 2008 |
| CWTP | Construction Worker Travel Plan | PD | Procedural Decision |
| DAC | Design Acceptance Confirmation | PHE | Public Health England |
| DCO | Development Consent Order | PM | Particulate Matter |
| dDCO | Draft DCO | PNEC | Predicted No-Effect Concentration |
| DEFRA | Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs | PROW | Public Rights of Way |
| DfT | Department for Transport | R | Requirement |
| DML | Deemed Marine Licence | RAMS | Recreational Disturbance Avoidance and Mitigation |
| DMP | Dust Management Plan | RFC | Ratio of Flow to Capacity |
| DMS | Delivery Management System | RNMS | Rail Noise Mitigation Scheme |
| EA | Environment Agency | RR | Relevant Representation |
| EA1N | East Anglia ONE North | RSPB | Royal Society for the Protection of Birds |
| EA2 | East Anglia TWO | SAC | Special Areas of Conservation |
| EA3 | East Anglia THREE | SCAR | Suffolk Coastal Acting for Resilience |
| ECHR | European Convention on Human Rights | SCC | Suffolk County Council |
| ECow | Ecological Clerk of Works | SCCAS | Suffolk County Council Archaeological Service |
| EIA | Environmental Impact Assessment | SCDF | Soft Coastal Defence Feature |
| EM | Explanatory Memorandum | Sch | Schedule |
| EN-1 | Overarching National Policy Statement for Energy | SI | Statutory Instrument |
| EN-6 | National Policy Statement for Nuclear Power Generation | SLA | Special Landscape Area |
| EPR | European Pressurised Water Reactor | SLR | Sizewell Link Road |
| | | SOAEL | Significant Observed Adverse Effect Level |



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| EQS | Environmental Quality Standard | | SoCG | Statement of Common Ground |
| ES | Environmental Statement | SoR | | Statement of Reasons |
| ESC | East Suffolk Council | SoS | | Secretary of State |
| ESIDB | East Suffolk Internal Drainage Board | SPA | | Special Protection Area |
| ExA | Examining Authority | SPR | | Southern Park and Ride |
| FERN | Farnham Environment Residents & Neighbours | SSB | | Spawning Stock Biomass |
| FMF | Freight Management Facility | SSSI | | Site of Special Scientific Interest |
| FRA | Flood Risk Assessment | SWT | | Suffolk Wildlife Trust |
| FRAP | Flood Risk Activity Permit | | | |
| FREP | Flood Risk Emergency Plan | TA | | Transport Assessment |
| GDPR | General Data Protection Regulation | TASC | | Together Against Sizewell C |
| GHG | Greenhouse Gas | TCPA 1990 | | Town and Country Planning Act 1990 |
| GIL | Gas Insulated Lines | TFG | | Transport Review Group |
| GRIP | Governance for Railway Investment Projects | TIMA | | Traffic Incident Management Area |
| Ha | Hectare | TIMP | | Traffic Incident Management Plan |
| HCDF | Hard Coastal Defence Feature | TMMS | | Traffic Management Monitoring System |
| HGV | Heavy Goods Vehicle | TP | | Temporary Possession |
| HE | Highways England | | | |
| HHE | Hevingham Hall Estate | TVB | | Two Village Bypass |
| HRA | Habitats Regulation Assessment | UKCP | | UK Climate Projections |
| ICCI | In-Combination Climate Change Impact | UKMPG | | UK Major Ports Group |
| IEFs | Important Ecological Features | UXO | | Unexploded Ordnance |
| IEMA | Institute of Environmental Management & Assessment | W&C Act 1981 | | Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 |
| IPCC | Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change | WDA | | Water Discharge Activity |
| IPs | Interested Parties | WFD | | Water Framework Directive |
| IROPI | Imperative Reasons of Overriding Public Interest | WFDCA | | Water Framework Directive Compliance Assessment |
| ISH | Issue Specific Hearing | WHO | | World Health Organisation |
| IWL | Intermediate Level Waste | WSI | | Written Scheme of Investigation |



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|--------------|------------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| LCT | Landscape Charter Type | ZoI | Zone of Influence |
| LEEIE | Land East of Eastlands Industrial Estate | | |
| LGV | Light Goods Vehicle | | |
| LIR | Local Impact Report | | |
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| LLW | Low Level Waste | | |

List of Definitions:

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| Applicant | NNB Generation Company (SZC) Limited |
| Proposed Development | The authorised development as defined in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO ¹ |
| Application Site | The Order limits as defined as "Order limits" in in APP-059 ² which the ExA understands to include no more nor less than the aggregate of the land within the red line boundaries shown on the Works Plans |
| Main Development Site | The land within which Work No.1 may be constructed as shown on the Works Plans [APP-011] |
| Sizewell B Relocation Works | Work No.1D as described in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Sizewell B Relocation Works Site | The site for Work No. 1D as described on plans no.s SZ/WP/04, SZ/WP/06 and, SZ/WP/10 (Revisions 01 in all cases) (to be found in [APP-011]) |
| Accommodation Campus | Work No.3 as described in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Accommodation Campus Site | The location of the Accommodation Campus shown on Works Plans 1 and 8 (SZ/WP/03 and 10, Revision 01 in both cases) (to be found in [APP-011]) |
| Green Rail Route | Works No.s 4A and 4B as described in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Green Rail Route Site | The location of the Green Rail Route shown on Works Plans 1, 2, 3, 7 and 8 (SZ/WP/03; 04; 05; 09 and 10, Revision 01 in all cases) (to be found in [APP-011]). |
| Rail infrastructure | The Green Rail Route and Works Nos 4C and 4D as described in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |

¹ Article 2(1) - "authorised development" means the development and associated development described in Schedule 1 (Authorised development) and any other development authorised by this Order which is development within the meaning of section 32 of the 2008 Act;

² Article 2(1) - "Order limits" means the limits shown on the Works Plans within which the authorised development may be carried out.



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| Rail Infrastructure Site | The Green Rail Route Site and the location of Works No.s 4C and 4D shown on Works Plans 3, 7, 9 and 10 (SZ/WP/05; 09; 12 and 12, in all cases Rev 01) (to be found in [APP-011]). |
| Sports Facilities | Work No. 5 as described in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Sports Facilities Site | The location of the Sports Facilities shown on Works Plan 11 (SZ/WP/14 Rev 01) (to be found in [APP-011]). |
| Meadows and Harrier Habitats | Works No.s 6, 7, and 8 (Fen meadows and marsh harrier habitats) as described in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Meadows and Harrier Habitats Site | The location of the Meadows and Harrier Habitats shown on Works Plans 12, 13 and 14 (SZ/WP/15, 16 and 17, in all cases Revision 01) (to be found in [APP-011]). |
| Northern Park and Ride | Work No. 9 as described in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Northern Park and Ride Site | The location of the Northern Park and Ride and as shown on Work Plan 15 (SZC-SZ0204-XX-00-DRW-100250, Rev 01) (to be found in [APP-012]). |
| Southern Park and Ride | Work No. 10 as described in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Southern Park and Ride Site | The location of the Southern Park and Ride as shown on Work Plan 16 (SZC-SZ0204-XX-00-DRW-100251, Rev 01) (to be found in [APP-012]). |
| Two Village Bypass | Work No.s 11A, 11B and 11C as described in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Two Village Bypass Site | The location of the Two Village Bypass as shown on Work Plan 17 and 18 (SZC-SZ0204-XX-00-DRW-100252 and SZC-SZ0204-XX-00-DRW-100462 both Rev 01) (to be found in [APP-012]). |
| Sizewell Link Road | Work No.s 12A, 12B, 12C and 12D as described in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Sizewell Link Road Site | The location of the Sizewell Link Road as shown on Work Plan 19, 20, 21 and 22 (SZC-SZ0204-XX-00-DRW-100253 to SZC-SZ0204-XX-00-DRW-100255 and SZC-SZ0204-XX-00-DRW-100484 all Rev 01) (to be found in [APP-012]). |
| Freight Management Facility | Work No. 13 as described in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Freight Management Facility Site | The location of the Freight Management Facility as shown on Work Plan 23 (SZC-SZ0204-XX-00-DRW-100261, Rev 01) (to be found in [APP-012]). |
| Yoxford Roundabout | Work No. 14A and 14B as described in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Yoxford Roundabout Site | The location of the Yoxford Roundabout as shown on Work Plan 23 (SZC-SZ0204-XX-00-DRW-100256, Rev 01) (to be found in [APP-012]). |
| Saxmundham Junction Works | The A12/B1119 junction improvements described as Work No.15 in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Saxmundham Junction Site | The location of the Saxmundham Junction Works shown on Works Plan 24 (SZC-SZ0204-XX-000-DRW-100260 Rev 01) (to be found in [APP-012]). |



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| Knodishall Junction Works | The A1094/B1069 junction improvements described as Work No. 16 in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Knodishall Junction Site | The location of the Knodishall Junction works shown on Works Plan 26 (SZC-SZ0204-XX-000-DRW-100258, Rev 01) (to be found in [APP-012]). |
| Bramfield Junction Works | The A12/A144 junction improvements described as Work No.17 in APP-059 Document 3.1 Draft DCO |
| Bramfield Junction Site | The location of the Bramfield Junction works shown on Works Plan 27 (SZC-SZ0204-XX-000-DRW-100259, Rev 01) (to be found in [APP-012]). |
| Works Plans | APP-010 , APP-011 , APP-012 Document 2.3 Work Plans parts 1, 2 and 3 or the plans listed in Schedule 4 of the dDCO |
| Host Authorities | East Suffolk Council and Suffolk County Council |

The Examination Library

References in the questions set out in square brackets (eg [APP-010]) are to documents catalogued in the Examination Library. The Examination Library can be obtained from the following link:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010012/EN010012-002292-Examination%20Library%20PDF%20Version%20Sizewell%20FINAL.pdf>

It will be updated as the Examination progresses.

Citation of Questions

Questions in this table should be cited as follows:

Question reference: issue reference: question number, eg ExQ3 3.0 – refers to question 1 in this table.

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