



# The Planning Inspectorate

## **Application by Navitus Bay Development Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Navitus Bay Wind Park**

### **Agendas for issue-specific hearings**

This document sets out agendas for issue-specific hearings.

#### **Participation in hearings**

All interested parties are invited to attend the hearings.

Each interested party is entitled to make oral representations at the hearings. However, this is subject to the Examining Authority's power to control the hearings. The attendees listed under specific topics are invited because the Examining Authority considers that the material they have submitted raises issues that the Examining Authority would like to explore at the hearings.

#### **Conduct of the hearings**

Guidance under the Planning Act 2008 and the Examination Procedure Rules provide that at hearings it is the Examining Authority that will probe, test and assess the evidence through direct questioning of persons making oral representations. Questioning at the hearings will therefore be led by a member of the Panel, supported by other Panel members.

Cross examination of the person giving evidence by another person will only be permitted if the Examining Authority decides it is necessary to ensure representations are adequately tested or that a person has had a fair chance to put their case. For most matters the Examining Authority will conduct the hearing in a round table format.

The applicant, statutory nature conservation bodies, local authorities and other bodies seeking to present and rely on expert evidence are advised to ensure that their appropriate expert advisors are present on each day of the hearings and available to give evidence and to be questioned. All relevant experts should be available to be brought to the hearings at short notice, to ensure efficient management of the process.

A hard copy of the application documents will be available in the hearing room.

The time allocated for each of the issue-specific hearings is estimated, based on the matters identified for consideration. The Examining Authority may at any time shorten or lengthen a session, conclude a hearing early, or otherwise adjust the timings as required for each issue to be examined to their satisfaction.

## **HEARING ON THE SPECIFIC ISSUES**

### **Venue:**

Bournemouth Highcliff Marriott Hotel  
Dorchester Suite  
St Michael's Road  
West Cliff  
Bournemouth  
BH2 5DU.

**Time:** Doors open at 9.00 am.

Business commences at 10.00 am on all hearing days. Breaks will be taken during the hearing as directed from the Chair at convenient times, including at approximately 1pm for an hour each day.

**Day 1 - Wednesday 21 January 2015 10.00 am to 5.00 pm**

### **Invited attendees:**

- Applicant
- Marine Management Organisation
- Meyrick Estate Management Ltd.
- Local Authorities
- Natural England
- Environment Agency
- English Heritage
- Challenge Navitus
- MCA/Trinity House
- PCBA

### **1. Welcome and Introduction**

### **2. Questions from the Panel on matters related to the Development Consent Order (DCO) and its drafting.-**

- 2.1 Community benefits. Inclusion in articles.
- 2.2 Agreements and obligations s.106, s.278 and Planning Performance Agreements. Current status and necessity for agreement prior to Secretary of State decision on DCO.
- 2.3 Plans, schemes and protocols. Current status. Level of detail and agreement necessary for inclusion in DCO. Critical criteria. Securing the CoCP in the DCO.
- 2.4 Project Duration. Relevance of 25 year timescale and feasibility of inclusion in DCO.
- 2.5 Detailed changes to DCO. Applicant to lead on DCO version 4 and explain changes;
  - Compared with version 1 (as in Appendix 3 Written Response to Deadline V)

- Comparing the Mitigation Option with version 4 (as in Appendix 4 Written Response to Deadline V)

## **Day 2 – Thursday 22 January 2015 10.00am to 1.00pm**

### **Invited attendees:**

- Applicant
- Meyrick Estate Management Ltd.
- Dorset County Council
- PCBA

### **1. Welcome and Introduction**

### **2. Compulsory Acquisition - Matters to be examined**

- 2.6 Update from applicant on status of land acquisition
- 2.7 Update on Book of Reference.
- 2.8 Land interests sought from the Crown
- 2.9 Land interests sought from statutory undertakers and application of s127
- 2.10 Adequacy of funding
- 2.11 Article 44

### **3. Meyrick Estate Management Ltd.**

- 3.1 Book of Reference update
- 3.2 Special Category Land
- 3.3 Restrictive covenants

## **Day 2 – Thursday 22 January 2015 2.00pm to 5.00pm**

### **Invited Attendees:**

- Applicant
- Challenge Navitus
- PCBA
- Local authorities
- Natural England
- Jurassic Coast Steering Group

### **1. Welcome and Introduction**

### **2. Issues relating to Turbine Area Mitigation Option**

- 2.1 The process by which the Turbine Area Mitigation Option was developed.
- 2.2 The benefits of the Turbine Area Mitigation Option in terms of mitigation.
- 2.3 The loss of benefits from the Turbine Area Mitigation Option, output and economic.
- 2.4 Invited attendees to address the Examining Authority on other issues relating to the merits of the Turbine Area Mitigation Option.