



## Meeting Note

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<b>Meeting with</b>	<b>Navitus Bay Development Ltd</b>
<b>Meeting date</b>	<b>12 July 2012</b>
<b>Attendees (Planning Inspectorate)</b>	<b>Susannah Guest (Principal Case Manager) Luke Barfoot (Lawyer) Hannah Pratt (EIA Advisor) Laura Allen (Senior EIA Advisor)</b>
<b>Attendees (non-Planning Inspectorate)</b>	<b>Helen Cassini (Navitus Bay Development Limited) Mike Unsworth (Navitus Bay Development Limited) Christophe Banos (Navitus Bay Development Limited) Richard Guyatt (Bond Pearce) Sarah Holmes (Bond Pearce)</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>Temple Quay House, Bristol BS1 6PN</b>

<b>Meeting purpose</b>	<b>Project update and overview of consultation</b>
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<b>Summary of key points discussed and advice given</b>	<p>PINS stated that a note of the meeting would be taken and would be published on National Infrastructure webpages on the Planning Portal under s51 of The Planning Act 2008 (as amended).</p> <p>Navitus Bay Development Limited (NBDL) provided a factual up-date on their recent joint venture and confirmed that the company name had changed from Eneco Round 3 Development Ltd. PINS confirmed that its website has been up-dated accordingly.</p> <p>NBDL outlined a summary of the current proposal, noting that the route of the connection corridor had been released. NBDL explained that a round of Section 42 consultation was currently underway with a deadline of 30 July 2012.</p> <p>NBDL noted that the next phase of public consultation is planned for November 2012 and it is intended to include public exhibitions. NBDL anticipated that the chosen site for the substation would form part of that phase of consultation. The next round of Section 42 consultation is planned for January 2013 and is anticipated to include the opportunity to comment on the draft DCO.</p> <p>NBDL outlined progress on their programme of environmental work including studies related to the benthic environment, fish, marine mammals, ornithology,</p>
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archaeology, hydrodynamics and geology. NBDL commented that they were on track with the survey programme.

In respect of the Rochdale envelope principle, NBDL outlined their approach to considering the appropriate parameters in the offshore design of the scheme as well as decisions regarding identifying a construction and servicing port. PINS noted that when applying the Rochdale envelope principle, the Environmental Statement (ES) should clearly state the parameters that have been assessed, and that the parameters should be applied consistently throughout the ES and the Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA). The applicant should ensure that they have assessed a viable project and that the worst case scenarios of likely impacts are considered. PINS noted that the most relevant source of information on this matter would be from reviewing 'live' offshore NSIP projects that are current at examination/pre-examination. PINS referred to its current Advice Note 9 (Rochdale Envelope – available on the PINS website).

NBDL noted that discussions were continuing with landowners and stakeholders along the line of the onshore connection corridor. NBDL indicated that they may seek to submit s52 application(s) to PINS in connection with obtaining information about interests in land along the cable corridor. NBDL agreed to up-date PINS if, or when, such applications may be expected.

NBDL outlined that many activities and meetings had occurred with a range of stakeholder groups including recreational sailing/yachting groups. NBDL also noted that conversations were on-going with bodies such as Natural England, local airports, NATS and the Marine Management Organisation (MMO). NBDL noted that permission for a met mast had recently been given and that discussions regarding marine licences were also on-going with the MMO.

PINS noted that in current examinations for NSIP offshore wind proposals, the Examining Authority had been requesting a number of Statements of Common Ground. PINS encouraged NBDL to record areas of agreement and disagreement with key statutory parties.

In respect of photomontages, NBDL also discussed their potential use of 3D 'fly through' technology as part of future public exhibition events.

NBDL noted that they believed that Planning Performance Agreements with 10 authorities are progressing to finalisation. PINS confirmed that another outreach event was scheduled with elected members from Poole and Purbeck authorities on 16 July 2012. PINS encouraged NBDL to undertake on-going conversations with local authorities and MMO about requirements in the draft Development Consent

	<p>Order.</p> <p>NBDL noted that the Examining Authorities for several NSIP projects have requested that applicants complete and submit HRA matrices; PINS confirmed that Examining Authorities are increasingly requesting these matrices from applicants to demonstrate compliance with the Habitats Directive.</p> <p>NBDL updated PINS on how they were approaching consideration of potential transboundary impacts on other EEA member states. NBDL noted that they are hoping to have discussions with the French authorities. NBDL asked for some guidance on how to interpret the requirement to consult other countries. PINS noted that some applicants have looked at foraging distances of species and connectivity between European sites. PINS confirmed that the duty on the Secretary of State under Regulation 24 of the EIA Regulations 2009 (as amended) to consider potential transboundary impacts on other EEA States continues throughout the application process and encouraged NBDL to document any consultation undertaken with other EEA States and the outcome of any such discussions during the pre-application stage.</p> <p>PINS noted the provisions of s127 of the Planning Act 2008 in respect to statutory undertakers land; PINS confirmed that DECC and DoT have delegated powers to PINS regarding determination of s127 certificates.</p>
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<b>Specific decisions/ follow up required?</b>	<p>NBDL anticipate sending the draft development consent order and associated documents to PINS later in the year. Upon receipt and review by PINS, a meeting would be scheduled.</p> <p>NBDL asked PINS to confirm whether there are any formal notification requirements following the change of name of the applicant.</p>
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<b>Circulation List</b>	All attendees