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Dear Tracey

Re: Application by Cleve Hill Solar Park Ltd for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Cleve Hill Solar Park – Adequacy of consultation request

Thank you for your letter dated 16 November 2018, providing Kent County Council (KCC) with the opportunity to comment on whether the applicant has complied with the following duties:

- Duty to consult: Planning Act 2008 (as amended) - Section 42;
- Duty to consult the local community: Planning Act 2008 - Section 47; and
- Duty to publicise: Planning Act 2008 - Section 48.

Duty to consult - Section 42

Cleve Hill Solar Park Limited undertook a statutory consultation under Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008. KCC was invited to respond to the consultation, which took place from Thursday 31 May to Friday 13 July 2018. As part of the statutory consultation, a Preliminary Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) was submitted to help consultees understand the likely effects of the construction and operation of the Cleve Hill Solar Park. KCC provided a response to this consultation on the 10 July 2018.

The County Council has no concerns in relation to the duty to consult as set out in Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008.

Duty to consult the local community - Section 47

KCC was consulted on the draft Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) in October 2017 and was also provided with a copy of the final version in November 2017.

The County Council has no concerns in relation to the consultation process as set out in Section 47 of the Planning Act 2008.

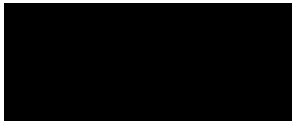
Duty to publicise - Section 48

KCC has no comments on the applicant's compliance with Section 48 of the Planning Act 2008.

Overall, KCC considers that the applicant has complied with its duties under Sections 42, 47 and 48.

If you require further information or clarification on any matter in this letter, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Katie Stewart

Director for Environment, Planning and Enforcement