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To All Interested Parties

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Date: 09 August 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) – Rule 13

Application by Cleve Hill Solar Park Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Cleve Hill Solar Park Project

Notification of Hearings

We note that several requests were made for additional Issue Specific Hearings in Deadline 3 submissions and consideration has been given to those requests. The examination of applications for Development Consent is primarily a written process and the absence of a Hearing on a specific matter does not mean that the matter will not be considered during the examination. The Examining Authority can ask questions in writing on all aspects of the Proposed Development during the course of the examination. Indeed, we have today issued our Further Written Questions (which can be found in the 'documents' tab on the project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website¹) seeking information on a wide range of matters.

We write to advise you that after careful consideration we have decided to hold the following Hearings at the Hempstead House Hotel, London Road, Bapchild, Sittingbourne, ME9 9PP:

Date	Type of Hearing	Hearing Start Time
Tuesday 10 September 2019	Open Floor Hearing 3	10.00 (seating available from 09:30)
Tuesday 10 September 2019	Issue Specific Hearing 5 into the draft Development Consent Order (dDCO)	14.00 (seating available from 13:30).
Wednesday 11 September 2019	Issue Specific Hearing 6 into Environmental Matters	10:00 (seating available from 09:30)

¹ <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/south-east/cleve-hill-solar-park/>

Thursday 12 September 2019	Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 2	10:00 (seating available from 09:30)
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Open Floor Hearing 3

Please note that the purpose of this Hearing is solely to provide those who have not been able to attend previous Hearings to speak, or for parties to raise any matters which they were not able to raise previously. We have noted contributions provided at OFH 1 & OFH2 and repetition of those matters will not assist the examination of the application.

Requests to appear at Hearings

It would help with the management of these Hearings if those Interested Parties could notify the Case Manager, Hefin Jones, at the email address above **by Friday 30 August 2019** if:

- You will be attending the Hearings (confirming which ones you will be attending);
- You wish to speak at any of the Hearings;
- Notify us of any special needs to may have (e.g. disabled access, hearing loop)

Procedure at Hearings

The procedure to be followed at Hearings is set out in The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010. Any oral representations must be based on either the Relevant Representation or Written Representation made by the person by whom, or on whose behalf, the oral representations are made.

The Examining Authority (ExA) is responsible for the oral questioning of a person giving evidence and the process affords very limited scope to allow cross-questioning between parties.

Hearing agendas

We will aim to publish a draft agenda for each Hearing on the project page of the National Infrastructure Planning Website at least five working days in advance of the Hearing date. The actual agenda on the day of each Hearing may be subject to change at the discretion of the ExA.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

David M H Rose

Lead Member of the Panel of Examining Inspectors

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