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EN010085 - Cleve Hill Solar Park - The Applicant's Deadline 3 Submission (email 6 of 7)

Please find attached the Applicant's Deadline 3 submission.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any queries.

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CLEVE HILL SOLAR PARK

PROGRESSED STATEMENTS OF COMMON GROUND REQUESTED BY THE EXA - SOCG TRACKER

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1 INTRODUCTION

- 1. This document provides an update on Cleve Hill Solar Park Ltd's (the Applicant's) progress with addressing the Progressed Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) requirement at Deadline 3 of the Examination relating to the Development Consent Order Application (the DCO Application) for Cleve Hill Solar Park (the Development).
- 2. Table 1 lists the SoCGs requested in the Rule 6 letter and provides a status update at Deadline 3 for each one.
- 3. References to the Application documentation are provided where necessary with hyperlinks according to the reference system set out in the <u>Cleve Hill Solar Park</u> <u>Examination Library</u>.
- 4. Document references to Deadline 3 submissions are provided with references to the Guide to the Application (document 1.3, Revision D) which has been updated at Deadline 3.

2 STATUS OF STATEMENTS OF COMMON GROUND AT DEADLINE 3

Table 1 - Status of Statements of Common Ground Requested at Deadline 3

| Ref. | SoCG between the Applicant and: | Deadline 2 SoCG Status |
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| A | Relevant Local Authorities including: Kent County Council Swale Borough Council Canterbury City Council | A separate Statement of Common Ground with each Local Authority will be issued to Swale Borough Council, Kent County Council and Canterbury City Council in early August, to be progressed ahead of Deadline 4 of the Examination. A meeting is arranged for late August, in part to discuss the SoCGs. This will allow for the hearings, local impact reports and written representations to inform the SoCGs. |
| В | Natural England | An initial pre-submission SoCG was agreed and submitted with the DCO Application [APP-256]. A further SoCG has been drafted and was submitted to Natural England on 31 May 2019. This SoCG was discussed at a meeting on 18 June 2019. This SoCG is expected to be updated further following the submissions at Deadline 3 and further progress is expected to be made towards points of agreement prior to Deadline 4. A Habitat Management Steering Group meeting is arranged for 23 August 2019 which is expected to inform the SoCG. |
| В | Kent Wildlife Trust (KWT) | A SoCG has been drafted and was submitted to KWT on 5 June 2019. This SoCG was discussed at a meeting on 17 June 2019 and an unsigned, but progressed draft setting out the status of agreements has been submitted at Deadline 3 (document reference 11.2.2). A Habitat Management Steering Group meeting is arranged for 23 August 2019 which is expected to further inform the SoCG and allow progress to be made for Deadline 4. |
| В | Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) | The RSPB confirmed on 6 June that it does not intend to agree a Statement of Common Ground. |



| Ref. | SoCG between the Applicant and: | Deadline 2 SoCG Status |
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| С | The Environment Agency | A SoCG was agreed on 22 May 2019 and submitted to PINS at the Pre-examination stage [AS-017]. |
| | | Further SoCG(s) may be prepared if required to address any further requirements for agreement to be confirmed as the Examination progresses. |
| D | Marine Management Organisation | A SoCG was agreed on 11 July 2019 [AS-028]. |
| E | Historic England | A draft of the SoCG was updated on 25 June 2019 by Historic England and was submitted at Deadline 2 [REP2- 031]. |
| | | The Applicant expects to continue discussions and submit a progressed version of the SoCG by Deadline 4. |
| F | Public Health England | A SoCG has been agreed on 20 May 2019. This SoCG was submitted to PINS at the Pre-examination stage [AS-018]. |
| G | Lower Medway Internal Drainage Board | The Applicant has made progress with drafting a Statement of Common Ground for agreement with Lower Medway Internal Drainage Board and has verbally discussed the proposed matters for inclusion in the SoCG. The SoCG is expected to cover matters which have been updated for Deadline 3. |
| | | The Applicant will issue a draft SoCG to Lower Medway Internal Drainage Board accompanied by the most up to date information submitted at Deadline 3 on water management within the Development site, which is of particular relevance to Lower Medway Internal Drainage Board. |
| | | The Applicant will work towards submitting a progressed SoCG at Deadline 4. |
| Н | National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc | A SoCG has been agreed and was been submitted to the Examination reflecting the current status of negotiations at Deadline 2 [REP2-030]. |
| | | The Applicant expects to submit a progressed SoCG at Deadline 4. |