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To: Cleve Hill Solar Park

Date: 15 August 2019 20:46:25

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Dear Paige Hall

As you suggest, we have several queries, more in the way of further comments and requests for information from the Applicant. These are attached.

Please would you confirm that the Applicant will be asked to provide the necessary information and when.

Regards

David Pollock

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Vice Chairman, Faversham & Oare Heritage Harbour Group

From: Cleve Hill Solar Park

Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2019 10:17 AM

To: ; Cleve Hill Solar Park Cc: ;

Subject: RE: Proposed Cleve Hill Solar Park

Hi David,

Thank you for providing us with your submission. Apologises that the full version was not available to you.

I can confirm that your submission has been received and it will be published as soon as practicable once the deadline has passed.

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

Regards,

Paige

From:

Sent: 31 July 2019 17:49

To: Cleve Hill Solar Park <CleveHillSolarPark@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

Cc:

Subject: Re: Proposed Cleve Hill Solar Park

Dear Paige Hall

Unfortunately, I cannot wait any longer for the full transcript, so I have had to complete my summary E & OE the transcript subsequently being made available.

My written summary and 10 illustrations are now attached as requested.

Regards

David Pollock

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Vice Chairman, Faversham & Oare Heritage Harbour Group

From: Cleve Hill Solar Park

Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2019 3:57 PM
To: ; Cleve Hill Solar Park

Subject: RE: Proposed Cleve Hill Solar Park

Dear David.

Thank you for brining this to our attention, we are aware of this issue and are currently in the process of amending this.

We are due to receive the full version tomorrow and this will be published in full as soon as practicable.

I hope this has been some assistance to you.

Kind Regards,

Paige

From: Pollock

Sent: 30 July 2019 15:53

To: Cleve Hill Solar Park < <u>CleveHillSolarPark@planninginspectorate.gov.uk</u>>

Cc: Sir David Melville Sue Akhurst

Subject: Re: Proposed Cleve Hill Solar Park

Importance: High

Dear Paige Hall

I attended and spoke at the Issue Specific Hearing 3 on 23 July 2019.

I have just listened to the entire transcript of the hearing as posted by the Inspectorate yesterday 29 July. The transcript is described as being of 2 hours and 49 seconds in length.

However a significant section of the later stages of the hearing has not been included, with a speaker from the Applicant actually being cut off in mid response and with my contribution and others being excluded entirely.

Please would you let me know when the full transcript will be made available, so that I can ensure that my summary script, which is due to be submitted on Thursday 1 August, is complete and accurate.

Regards

David Pollock

David Pollock

Vice Chairman, Faversham & Oare Heritage Harbour Group

From: Cleve Hill Solar Park

Sent: Wednesday, June 26, 2019 3:35 PM

To: Cleve Hill Solar Park

Subject: RE: Proposed Cleve Hill Solar Park

Dear David,

Thank you for providing this information to the Planning Inspectorate.

I can confirm safe receipt of your submission.

Unfortunately we are unable to facilitate a presentation at the upcoming hearings. I would advise submitting all the information you wish to present to the Examining Authority in todays deadline, closing at **midnight 26 June 2019.**

This will enable the Examining Authority to have access to anything you are unable to present.

I hope this has been some assistance, please do not hesitate to get back in touch if you have any more queries.

Kind Regards,
Paige Hall
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From: Pollock

Sent: 26 June 2019 15:10

To: Cleve Hill Solar Park < <u>CleveHillSolarPark@planninginspectorate.gov.uk</u>>

Subject: Proposed Cleve Hill Solar Park

Dear Sir/Madam

Attached is a submission from me, as Vice Chairman of the Faversham & Oare Heritage Harbour Group, following my earlier submission, on 30 January 2019, as an individual respondee.

Please would you advise whether or not there will be any facilities for slide projection at the Issue Specific Hearing 3 on 23 July, at which I have applied to speak?

I look forward to your response in due course.

Regards

David Pollock

Faversham & Oare Heritage Harbour Group

National Infrastructure Planning Temple Quay House, 2 The Square Bristol BS1 6PN 15 August 2019

SENT BY EMAIL TO: <u>CleveHillSolarPark@planninginspectorate.gov.uk</u>

Dear Sir or Madam

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

Heritage Harbour response to Q ExQ2 2.6.2 and Deadline 3 document 11.4.7 [REP3 – 027]

We write in response to the Examining Authority's Further Written Questions, posted on 9 August 2019, specifically Q ExQ2 2.6.2 and to Deadline 3 document 11.4.7 [REP3 – 027] and in reference to our verbal submission made to the Specific Hearing 3, confirmed by our Deadline 3 submission posted on 2 August 2019.

We wish to request further clarification by the Applicant of specific issues we raised.

The cross sections now presented by the Applicant represent a welcome start towards clarification but, in our view, do not present as complete a picture as required.

We note the further detail already requested by the Examining Authority. This too is a start, but will not fully address some aspects of the important points we raised.

- 1. The implications of the issues we raised are:
- The principal concern we expressed was over the visual impact of the Applicant's proposals on the land and seascape as a whole; not just on the close-up views affected, but also on landmarks, the overall background and setting, with much wider consequential effects.
- It is clear, from the photographic panoramas taken by us from afloat (on a Thames Sailing Barge) in the Swale, as included in our Deadline 3 submission, that the existing Cleve Hill Substation and farm buildings are clearly and substantially visible above the existing sea wall along the Northern boundary of the proposal site.
- Equally, Graveney Church and neighbouring farm and residential buildings are also clearly visible.
- The approximate height of all of these buildings had been assumed, for the purposes of our assessment of the visual impact of the Solar Park proposals. These assumptions had had to be made without reference to empirical data on levels and heights, which was not available to us.
- Our assessment was (and provisionally still is) that the proposed solar panel arrays would project
 visually substantially above the level of the sea wall, along both the Northern and Western
 boundaries of the proposal site. We made no assessment of the possible visual impact of the
 battery containment bund, nor of the proposed 'tallest structure'.
- In order to validate or to contradict our assessment, it would be necessary to establish the base
 levels and actual heights of all the existing buildings, referred to above, as well as of the proposed
 Solar Park structures, including the solar panel arrays, the battery containment bund and the 'tallest
 structure', AOD in all cases.
- Consequently we welcomed the Applicant's undertaking, at Specific Hearing 3, to provide cross sections of the Application Site. But, in our view, those cross sections now provided do not make the full necessary data available.

- 2. Our comments on the Applicant's subsequent submission of cross sections, in Deadline 3 document 11.4.7 [REP3 027] are as follows:
- The drawings are described as Not To Scale @ A1. However, it would be helpful if both horizontal and vertical scales (if different) were indicated for each section cut.
- It would also be helpful if the existing ground level/ contours throughout the proposal site were specified, on plan as well as section, particularly compared to the assumed 'finished' ground level on each cross section.
- Section A AA. It would be helpful if the section view were facing towards the East and showed the Cleve Hill Substation, Graveney Church and other buildings in the background, together with their base and highest levels AOD.
- Sections B BB and C CC. It would be helpful if both sections were extended to the South to show existing buildings and levels, similarly.
- Section D DD. The solar panel arrays have been described as approximately 3.9m high, presumably above their 'finished' ground level. However they are shown in this cross section as being lower than the battery containment bund at 3.42m above its (apparently the same) assumed ground level. This apparent discrepancy should be clarified.
- Key Plan. It would be helpful to align cross sections to provide full coverage of the Application Site, combining base data on the Applicant's proposals, as well as of the existing landscape, buildings and features.
- 3. In our view, to enable a full and proper assessment of the visual impact of the Applicant's proposals, full cross sections should be drawn across the entire proposal site along (at least) four axes:
- Approximately from 'Sand End' Buoy (or from Shell Ness on Sheppey), to the East side of the existing Cleve Hill Substation and of Graveney Church, facing approximately South-Westwards.
- Approximately from the 'Receptive' (former Wreck) Buoy (or from Harty Church on Sheppey) to the West side of Graveney Church, facing approximately North-Eastwards.
- From the bird watchers' hide building on the West side of the entrance to Faversham Creek to the North side of the existing Cleve Hill Substation, facing approximately Southwards.
- From the Sewage Works on the South side of Faversham Creek to the Southside of the existing Cleve Hill Substation, facing approximately Northwards.
- 4. Each cross section should show actual (existing) and proposed levels AOD across the entire site, particularly through the proposed solar panel arrays, the proposed battery containment bund and the proposed 'tallest structure', as well as of the existing buildings referred to above and of the existing sea wall and bund.

We would welcome the comments of the Examining Authority and request that the Applicant be required to provide the necessary analyses to allow resolution of the issues raised.

Regard	S
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Vice Chairman, Faversham & Oare Heritage Harbour Group