



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 6 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 6 for each one.
3. References to the Application documentation are provided where necessary according to the reference system set out in the [Cleve Hill Solar Park Examination Library](#).
4. Document references to Deadline 6 submissions are provided with references to the Guide to the Application (document 1.3, Revision G) which has been updated at Deadline 6.

2 STATUS OF STATEMENTS OF COMMON GROUND AT DEADLINE 6

Table 1 - Status of Statements of Common Ground Requested at Deadline 6

Ref.	SoCG between the Applicant and:	Deadline 6 SoCG Status
A	Relevant Local Authorities including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kent County Council • Swale Borough Council • Canterbury City Council 	<p>Draft Statements of Common Ground with each Local Authority were issued to Swale Borough Council, Kent County Council and Canterbury City Council during week commencing 12 August 2019.</p> <p>A meeting was held 22 August 2019, which included discussion of SoCGs, the meeting notes form part of the Deadline 5 submission [REP5-027].</p> <p>SBC has agreed a SoCG [REP4-037].</p> <p>CCC has agreed a SoCG [REP5-014].</p> <p>KCC and the Applicant have continued to progress the SoCG but whilst there has been substantial progress on issues (such as the minerals assessment which is now agreed) we have been unable to agree all outstanding points in the SoCG ahead of Deadline 6. The Applicant and KCC have agreed that the SOCG will be submitted to the examination by Friday 18 October 2019.</p>
B	Natural England	<p>An initial pre-submission SoCG was agreed and submitted with the DCO Application [APP-256].</p> <p>A further SoCG has been drafted and returned to the Applicant by Natural England (unsigned) and was submitted at Deadline 4 [REP4-039] reflecting the current status of agreement.</p> <p>It is expected that this SOCG will be updated further and agreed (and signed) following Natural England's review of the updated LBMP submitted at Deadline 6 (document reference 6.4.5.2, Revision D). This will be progressed as soon as possible following Deadline 6.</p>
B	Kent Wildlife Trust (KWT)	<p>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 unsigned, but progressed draft setting out</p>

Ref.	SoCG between the Applicant and:	Deadline 6 SoCG Status
		<p>the status of agreements was submitted at Deadline 3 [REP3-019].</p> <p>Further SoCG(s) may be prepared if required to address any further requirements for agreement (likely in parallel with the NE SoCG), to be confirmed as the Examination progresses.</p>
B	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. RSPB confirmed that this remains the case at the HMSG meeting on 23 August 2019.
C	The Environment Agency	<p>A SoCG was agreed on 22 May 2019 and submitted to PINS at the Pre-examination stage [AS-017].</p> <p>Further agreements with the EA have been captured through position statements and the Applicant and the EA's responses to written questions.</p>
D	Marine Management Organisation	A SoCG was agreed on 11 July 2019 [AS-028].
E	Historic England	<p>A draft of the SoCG was updated on 25 June 2019 by Historic England and was submitted at Deadline 2 [REP2-031].</p> <p>An updated signed SoCG was submitted at Deadline 4 [REP4-039].</p>
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	An agreed SoCG has been submitted at Deadline 4 [REP4-040].
H	National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc	<p>A SoCG was agreed and submitted to the Examination reflecting the status of negotiations at Deadline 2 [REP2-030].</p> <p>The remaining points of agreement with National Grid related to protective provisions and these have now been agreed, as reflected in Schedule 7 - Protective Provisions of the Applicant's latest version of the draft DCO submitted at Deadline 5 [REP5-003].</p> <p>The Applicant now does not anticipate that a further SoCG will be required.</p>