

Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

THE CLEVE HILL SOLAR PARK ORDER 2020

THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2017

NOTICE OF A DECISION ON AN APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR EIA DEVELOPMENT

The Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (“the Secretary of State”) gives notice under regulation 31(2) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 that a determination has been made on an application made by Cleve Hill Solar Park Limited (“the Applicant”) for development consent under the Planning Act 2008 (“the 2008 Act”) for Environmental Impact Assessment development.

The Cleve Hill Solar Park will comprise a solar photovoltaic array with either an electrical storage facility or an extension to the solar photovoltaic array, together with connection infrastructure and other Associated Development. Both the solar photovoltaic array and the energy storage facility would have a capacity greater than 50MW.

The Secretary of State has determined, following consideration of the report of the Examining Authority which conducted an examination into the Application, that development consent should be granted and has decided, therefore, to make an Order under sections 114, 120, 122 and 123 of the 2008 Act.

The statement of reasons for deciding to make an Order granting development consent, which has been prepared by the Secretary of State under section 116 of the 2008 Act and regulation 31(2) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017, containing the content of the decision, the requirements imposed in connection with the development, the main reasons and considerations on which the decision is based including relevant information about the participation of the public, a description of the main features to avoid, reduce and offset any major adverse effects of the development and information regarding the right to challenge the decision and the procedures for doing so, is published on the Planning Inspectorate’s web-site:

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

Hard copies of the decision documentation will also be available to inspect at the Planning Inspectorate’s offices (by appointment using the contact details below).

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Copies of the Secretary of State's decision letter and the text of the Order can be obtained by writing or sending an e-mail to the Planning Inspectorate. No charge will be made for this service.

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