

Planning Inspectorate

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Dear Sirs

Drax Power Limited
Adequacy of Consultation pursuant to s.55 of the Planning Act 2008

Thank you for consulting North Yorkshire County Council on the above matter.

We are of the view that Drax Power Limited together with their consultants and advisors have carried out adequate consultation in accordance with the provisions of Sections 42, 47 and 48 of the Planning Act 2008.

We are of the view that the consultation summary is true reflection of matters to date.

Throughout the autumn of 2017 NYCC officers have been consulted numerous times on the content of the developing drafts of the SoCC. The County Council has not needed to make any substantial amendments to the drafts. It is felt that requests for input have been genuine and responses taken on board by the Applicant.

Engagement with the County Council has been good. Officers representing the Drax Re-power project invited officers at NYCC to Drax Power Station in the summer of 2017 to give an early overview of the project.

NYCC together with Selby District Council have entered into a Planning Performance Agreement with the Applicant. Whilst the timescales for the application have been tight the PPA has been helpful to the Local Authorities in resourcing input at the necessary times.

Since the initial meeting, site visits have been arranged for NYCC officers and further meetings specifically to consider early draft DCO documentation and to clarify points of discussion in the Local Authorities response to the Preliminary Environmental Impact Report and s42 consultation. Meetings and close engagement continue with NYCC service areas as the application progresses.

It is the view of NYCC that the statutory obligations of ss42, 47 and 48 of the Planning Act have been met.

Yours faithfully



Michael Reynolds
Senior Policy Officer (Infrastructure)

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