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## Section 55

# The Applicant's Draft Acceptance of Applications Checklist

Appendix 3 of [Advice Note Six: Preparation and submission of application documents](#)

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Section 55 of the Planning Act 2008 can be viewed at [legislation.gov.uk](http://www.legislation.gov.uk), here:

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2008/29/section/55>

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Section 55(2) Acceptance of Applications				
1	Within 28 days (starting day after receipt) the Planning Inspectorate must decide whether or not to accept the application for Examination.	Date received	28 day due date	Date of decision
Section 55(3) – the Planning Inspectorate may only accept an application if it concludes that:			Planning Inspectorate comments	
Section 55(3)(a) and s55(3)(c): It is an application for an order granting development consent				
2	Is the development a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project <sup>1</sup> (NSIP) (or does it form part of an NSIP); and does the application state on the face of it that it is an application for a Development Consent Order <sup>2</sup> (DCO) under the Planning Act 2008 (the PA2008), or equivalent words? Does the application specify the development to which it relates (i.e. which category or categories in ss14 to 30 does the Proposed	Yes, the development is an onshore generating station with a capacity in excess of 50 MW electrical and is accordingly a NSIP under sections 14(1)(a) and 15 of PA2008.		

<sup>1</sup> NSIP is defined generally in s14 with the detailed thresholds for each of the specified categories being set out in ss15 to 30

<sup>2</sup> Development consent is required for development to the extent that the development is or forms part of an NSIP (s31 of the PA2008)

	Development fall)? If the development does not fall within the categories in ss14 to 30, has a direction been given by the Secretary of State under s35 of the PA2008 for the development to be treated as development for which development consent is required?	
3	<b>Summary: Section 55(3)(a) and s55(3)(c)</b>	
<b>Section 55(3)(e): The Applicant in relation to the application made has complied with Chapter 2 of Part 5 (pre-application procedure)</b>		
4	In accordance with the EIA Regulations <sup>3</sup> , did the Applicant (prior to carrying out consultation in accordance with s42) either (a) request the Planning Inspectorate adopt a Screening Opinion in respect of the development to which the application relates, or (b) notify the Planning Inspectorate in writing that it proposed to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of that development?	Yes. The Applicant notified the Planning Inspectorate that it intended to submit an Environmental Statement in respect of the development on 9 <sup>th</sup> August 2018. A copy of that notification can be seen in application document A8.2.
5	Have any Adequacy of Consultation Representations <sup>4</sup> been received from 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D' local authorities; and if so, do they confirm that the Applicant has complied with the duties under s42, s47 and s48?	The Consultation Report (document reference A5.1) sets out how the Applicant complied with its duties under Sections 42, 47 and 48 of the PA 2008. The list of A, B, C and D authorities in respect of the Application is contained in Section 5 of the Consultation Report and in response to Question 8, below. An advance draft of the Consultation Report was submitted to the host authority (Thurrock Borough Council) and to the A authorities, on 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2020, to assist the authorities with preparation of any Adequacy of Consultation Representations they

<sup>3</sup> Regulation 8 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (2017 EIA Regulations), or where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies, Regulation 6 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 (2009 EIA Regulations)

<sup>4</sup> Section 55(4) of the PA2008 provides that the Planning Inspectorate must have regard to the Consultation Report, and any Adequacy of Consultation Representations received

are intending to prepare.

## Section 42: Duty to consult

Did the Applicant consult the applicable persons set out in s42 of the PA2008 about the proposed application?

6	Section 42(1)(a) persons prescribed <sup>5</sup> ?	Yes. The Applicant consulted all relevant persons prescribed under the Infrastructure Planning (Applications Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009, in both 2018 and 2019. A list of those consulted can be found in Appendix 4.2 to the Consultation Report (application document A5.1), and sample consultation letters sent to prescribed consultees are at Appendices 4.5(a) and (b), 7.1 and 7.2.
7	Section 42(1)(aa) the Marine Management Organisation <sup>6</sup> ?	Yes. The Marine Management Organisation was consulted in both 2018 and 2019, as required by S42(aa).
8	Section 42(1)(b) each local authority within s43 <sup>7</sup> ?	<p>Yes. Section 5 of the Consultation Report details the local authorities consulted in both 2018 and 2019.</p> <p>The host 'B' authority was consulted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thurrock Borough Council</li> </ul> <p>The boundary 'A' authorities consulted were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kent County Council</li> <li>• Medway County Council</li> <li>• Brentwood Borough Council</li> <li>• Basildon Borough Council</li> <li>• Gravesham Borough Council</li> </ul>

<sup>5</sup> Statutory consultees set out in Schedule 1 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (APFP Regulations)

<sup>6</sup> In any case where the Proposed Development would affect, or would be likely to affect, any of the areas specified in s42(2) of the PA2008

<sup>7</sup> Definition of 'local authority' in s43(3) of the PA2008: The 'B' authority where the application land is in the authority's area; the 'A' authority where any part of the boundary of A's area is also a part of the boundary of B's area; the 'C' authority (upper tier) where the application land is in that authority's area; the 'D' authority (upper tier) where such an authority shares a boundary with a 'C' authority

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dartford Borough Council</li> <li>• Castle Point Borough Council</li> <li>• London Borough of Havering</li> <li>• London Borough of Bexley</li> <li>• Essex County Council</li> </ul> <p>In 2018, local authorities were sent the consultation letter sent to all non-marine prescribed consultees, a sample of which can be seen at Appendix 4.5(a) of the Consultation Report, and the consultation letter sent to local authorities in 2019 is at Appendix 7.5.</p>
9	Section 42(1)(c) the Greater London Authority (if in Greater London area)?	Yes – the Greater London Authority was consulted in both 2018 and 2019. PINS identified in the Screening Opinion that the requirement to consult the Greater London Authority under S42(1)(c) applied to the applicant’s proposed development due to its location being within Greater London.
10	Section 42(1)(d) each person in one or more of s44 categories <sup>8</sup> ?	<p>Yes. Consultees falling within S42(1)(d) were consulted in 2018 and in 2019.</p> <p>Consultees within Category 3 were consulted in October 2018 (see sample consultation letter at Appendix 4.7 of the Consultation Report). Those falling within Categories 1 and 2 were consulted in December 2018 (consultation letter at Appendix 4.8 to the Consultation Report).</p> <p>Consultees within Categories 1, 2 and 3 were consulted on project changes in October 2019 (see sample consultation letters at Appendices 7.6, 7.7, 7.11 and 7.12 to the Consultation Report). Appendices 4.3 and 7.25 to the Consultation Report contain lists of S42(1)(d) persons consulted in 2018 and 2019, respectively.</p>
<b>Section 45: Timetable for s42 consultation</b>		
11	Did the Applicant notify s42 consultees of the	Yes. All consultees were informed of the deadline for receipt of responses in consultation letters notifying them of the dates of the formal consultation period.

<sup>8</sup> Category 1: owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of land; Category 2: person interested in the land or has power to sell and convey the land or to release the land; Category 3: persons who would or might be entitled to make a relevant claim. There is no requirement on the Planning Inspectorate to check the accuracy of the list(s) provided or whether the Applicant has made diligent inquiry

	<p>deadline for receipt of consultation responses; and if so was the deadline notified by the Applicant 28 days or more starting with the day after receipt of the consultation documents?</p>	<p>The consultation letters for the statutory consultation in 2018 were sent by Royal Mail first class post on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018. The letters stated that the consultation process would run from 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018 to 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018 and that responses should be received by that deadline in order to be guaranteed consideration. This allowed a period of 32 days for responses, starting the day after receipt of the consultation documents.</p> <p>Consultation letters to S42(1)(d) Category 3 land interest consultees, sent on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018, stated that the deadline for receipt of responses by the Applicant was 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019, thus allowing a period of 34 days for responses from the day after receipt of the consultation documents.</p> <p>Consultation letters to all S42(1)(d) consultees for the 2019 consultation on project changes were sent on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019 and stated that the consultation period would run from 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019 to 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019, thus allowing 32 days for responses from the day after receipt of the consultation documents.</p>
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#### Section 46: Duty to notify the Planning Inspectorate of proposed application

12	<p>Did the Applicant supply information to notify the Planning Inspectorate of the proposed application; and if so, was the information supplied to the Planning Inspectorate on or before the date it was sent to the s42 consultees? Was this done on or before commencing consultation under s42?</p>	<p>Yes. The Applicant gave notice under S46, on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018, that it intended to submit a DCO application. This was the same date on which consultation letters were sent to prescribed consultees and was in advance of the statutory consultation period, which ran from 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018 to 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018. A copy of the notice can be seen at Appendix 4.1 to the Consultation Report.</p> <p>In 2019, a further notice under S46 was given on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019. This was the same date on which consultation letters for the consultation on project changes were sent to prescribed consultees and was in advance of the consultation period, which ran from 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019 to 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019. Appendix 7.23 to the Consultation Report contains a copy of the notice.</p>
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#### Section 47: Duty to consult local community

13	<p>Did the Applicant prepare a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) on how it intended to consult</p>	<p>Yes. A copy of the final SoCC is provided at Appendix 2.4 of the Consultation Report.</p>
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	people living in the vicinity of the land?											
14	Were 'B' and (where relevant) 'C' authorities consulted about the content of the SoCC; and if so, was the deadline for receipt of responses 28 days beginning with the day after the day that 'B' and (where applicable) 'C' authorities received the consultation documents?	Yes. The Applicant sent the draft SoCC to Thurrock Borough Council ('B' Authority) for review and comment on 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2018. The deadline for receipt of responses was subsequently extended to 17 <sup>th</sup> August 2018, thus providing a period for responses of 52 days from the day following receipt of the draft SoCC.										
15	Has the Applicant had regard to any responses received when preparing the SoCC?	<p>Yes. Thurrock Borough Council informed the Applicant on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2018 that, having reviewed the draft SoCC and consulted with their Community Development and Equalities Manager, they had no objections to the content of the draft and the approach taken. A copy of Thurrock's response is at Appendix 2.3 to the consultation report.</p> <p>On 7<sup>th</sup> August 2018, Thurrock provided details of nine of 'hard to reach' groups within the consultation zone and advised that these organisations should be contacted by the Applicant in advance of statutory consultation. The Applicant included these groups in the S47 consultation and contacted each of them in advance of their receipt of the consultation documents, as suggested by Thurrock. The same approach was taken by the Applicant in respect of the consultation on project changes in October 2019.</p>										
16	Has the SoCC been made available for inspection in a way that is reasonably convenient for people living in the vicinity of the land; and has a notice been published in a newspaper circulating in the vicinity of the land which states where and when the SoCC can be inspected?	<p>Yes. The SoCC was made available for inspection at four local public venues within the consultation zone, from 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018 to the end of the consultation period in 2018 (14<sup>th</sup> November 2018):</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Location</th> <th>Address</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Thurrock Borough Council</td> <td>Civic Offices, New Road, Grays, RM17 6SL</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tilbury Hub</td> <td>16 Civic Square, Tilbury, RM18 8ZZ</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gravesend Library</td> <td>Windmill Street, Gravesend, DA12 1BE</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chadwell St. Mary Library</td> <td>Brentwood Road, Chadwell St. Mary, Grays, RM16 4JP</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Location	Address	Thurrock Borough Council	Civic Offices, New Road, Grays, RM17 6SL	Tilbury Hub	16 Civic Square, Tilbury, RM18 8ZZ	Gravesend Library	Windmill Street, Gravesend, DA12 1BE	Chadwell St. Mary Library	Brentwood Road, Chadwell St. Mary, Grays, RM16 4JP
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		<p>A Notice of SoCC, stating when and where the SoCC could be inspected was published in four local newspapers for two consecutive weeks, on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018 and 4<sup>th</sup> October 2018, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Thurrock Gazette</li> <li>• The Thurrock Independent</li> <li>• The Gravesend Messenger</li> <li>• The Thurrock Enquirer</li> </ul> <p>Copies of the relevant pages of each of the four local newspapers can be found in the newspaper notices submitted with the DCO application (application document: A1.5). The Notice of SoCC was also displayed at the locations in the table above from 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018 to 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018.</p>
17	Does the SoCC set out whether the development is EIA development <sup>9</sup> ; and does it set out how the Applicant intends to publicise and consult on the Preliminary Environmental Information?	Yes. Paragraph 6 of the SoCC (Appendix 2.4 to the Consultation Report) sets out that the development is EIA development and provides details of how the Applicant intended to publicise and consult on the Preliminary Environmental Information.
18	Has the Applicant carried out the consultation in accordance with the SoCC?	<p>Yes. Table G in the Consultation Report sets out how the Applicant has complied with the commitments made in the SoCC.</p> <p>Table I in the Consultation Report sets out how the Applicant has complied with consultation commitments made to Thurrock Borough Council in advance of the consultation on project changes in October 2019.</p>
<b>Section 48: Duty to publicise the proposed application</b>		
19	Did the Applicant publicise the proposed application in the prescribed manner set out in Regulation 4(2) of the	Yes. Section 7 of the Consultation Report provides information regarding publicity under S48 undertaken in 2018, and section 8 of the Report provides information

<sup>9</sup> Regulation 12 of the 2017 EIA Regulations, or where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies, Regulation 10 of the 2009 EIA Regulations



	APFP Regulations?	regarding publicity undertaken in 2019 for the consultation on project changes. Copies of the relevant pages of the newspapers in which the notices were published are provided in the newspaper notices submitted with the DCO application (application document: A1.5).	
<b>Newspaper(s)</b>			
<b>Date</b>			
a)	for at least two successive weeks in one or more local newspapers circulating in the vicinity in which the Proposed Development would be situated;	2018: The Thurrock Gazette, the Thurrock Enquirer, the Thurrock Independent and the Gravesend Messenger  2019: The Thurrock Gazette and the Gravesend Messenger	27 <sup>th</sup> September 2018 and 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2018  3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2019 and 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
b)	once in a national newspaper;	2018: The Times 2019: The Times	9 <sup>th</sup> October 2018 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
c)	once in the London Gazette and, if land in Scotland is affected, the Edinburgh Gazette; and	2018: The London Gazette 2019: The London Gazette	9 <sup>th</sup> October 2018 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
d)	where the proposed application relates to offshore development – (i) once in Lloyds List; and (ii) once in an appropriate fishing trade journal?	2018: N/A due to there being no marine element to the development 2019: Lloyd's List and Fishing News	10 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
20	Did the s48 notice include the required information set out in Regulation 4(3) of APFP Regulations?	Yes. The published S48 notices, supplied at Appendices 6.1 and 7.24 to the Consultation Report, contain the information set out below:	
<b>Information</b>		<b>Paragraph</b>	
a)	the name and address of the Applicant.	2018: Paragraph 1	b) a statement that the Applicant intends to make an application for development consent to the Secretary of State
		2018: Paragraph 1	

		2019: Paragraph 2		State	2019: Paragraph 2
c)	a statement as to whether the application is EIA development	2018: Paragraph 5 2019: Paragraph 2	d)	a summary of the main proposals, specifying the location or route of the Proposed Development	2018: Paragraph 4 2019: Paragraphs 2 and 4
e)	a statement that the documents, plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Proposed Development are available for inspection free of charge at the places (including at least one address in the vicinity of the Proposed Development) and times set out in the notice	2018: Paragraph 7 2019: Paragraph 6	f)	the latest date on which those documents, plans and maps will be available for inspection	2018: Paragraph 7 2019: Paragraph 6
g)	whether a charge will be made for copies of any of the documents, plans or maps and the amount of any charge	2018: Paragraph 9 2019: This was stated in the consultation letters.	h)	details of how to respond to the publicity	2018: Paragraph 10 2019: Paragraph 7
i)	a deadline for receipt of those responses by the Applicant, being not less than 28 days following the date when the notice is last published	2018: Paragraph 12 2019: Paragraph 9			
21	Are there any observations in respect of the s48 notice provided above? No				

22	Has a copy of the s48 notice been sent to the EIA consultation bodies and to any person notified to the Applicant in accordance with the EIA Regulations <sup>10</sup> ?	Yes. A copy of the S48 notice was provided, in both 2018 and 2019, to the relevant consultees as part of the S42 consultation (see sample consultation letters at appendices 4.5(a) and (b), 7.1, 7.2 and 7.5 to the Consultation Report).
<b>s49: Duty to take account of responses to consultation and publicity</b>		
23	Has the Applicant had regard to any relevant responses to the s42, s47 and s48 consultation?	<p>Yes. Section 9 of the consultation report details the feedback received by the Applicant under S42 and Table K sets out summaries of the responses, the regard had by the Applicant to those responses, and indicates whether the response resulted in a change to the proposed development.</p> <p>Section 10 of the consultation report sets out the feedback received by the Applicant under S47, and Table L details summaries of those responses, along with the regard had to those responses and whether the response has resulted in a change to the proposed development.</p>
<b>Guidance about pre-application procedure</b>		
24	To what extent has the Applicant had regard to statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process' <sup>11</sup> ?	The Applicant has complied with the statutory guidance set out in the DCLG Guidance on Pre-Application Process, as demonstrated in Table C in the Consultation Report.
25	<b>Summary: Section 55(3)(e)</b>	The application, as made by the Applicant, has complied with Chapter 2 of Part 5 (pre-application procedure). All relevant duties have been complied with.
<b>s55(3)(f) and s55(5A): The application (including accompaniments) achieves a satisfactory standard having regard to the extent to which it complies with section 37(3) (form and contents of application) and with any standards set under section 37(5) and follows any applicable guidance under section 37(4)</b>		
26	Is it made in the prescribed form as set out in Schedule	The Application Form (application document A1.4) is in the prescribed form as

<sup>10</sup> Regulation 13 of the 2017 EIA Regulations, or where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies, Regulation 11 of the 2009 EIA Regulations

<sup>11</sup> The Planning Inspectorate must have regard to the extent to which the Applicant has had regard to guidance issued under s50

	2 of the APFP Regulations, and does it include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a brief statement which explains why it falls within the remit of the Planning Inspectorate; and</li> <li>a brief statement that clearly identifies the location of the application site, or the route if it is a linear scheme?</li> </ul>	contained in Schedule 2 of the APFP Regulations.  The Application Form includes in Section 4 a statement which explains why the Proposed Development falls within the remit of the Planning Inspectorate.  Section 6 of the Application Form describes the location of the Proposed Development including reference to appropriate plans in application documents A2.1 and A2.3.	
27	Is it accompanied by a Consultation Report?	Yes. In accordance with Section 37(3)(c) of the PA2008, the Application is accompanied by a Consultation Report (document reference A5.1 and Appendices A5.1.1 to A5.1.8).	
28	Where a plan comprises three or more separate sheets, has a key plan been provided showing the relationship between the different sheets? <sup>12</sup>	Yes, key plans have been provided for the multi-sheet plans in application documents A2.1 to A2.14.	
29	Is it accompanied by the documents and information set out in APFP Regulation 5(2)?	Yes, the Application is accompanied by the documents and information set out in Regulation 5(2) of the APFP Regulations as listed below.	
<b>Information</b>		<b>Information</b>	
<b>Document</b>		<b>Document</b>	
a)	Where applicable, the Environmental Statement required under the EIA Regulations <sup>13</sup> and any scoping or screening opinions or directions	b)	The draft Development Consent Order (DCO)
	Environmental Statement – application document A6  Scoping Opinion – application document A8.2		A3.1
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?		Is this of a satisfactory standard?

<sup>12</sup> Regulation 5(4) of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009

<sup>13</sup> The 2017 EIA Regulations, or where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies, the 2009 EIA Regulations

c)	An Explanatory Memorandum explaining the purpose and effect of provisions in the draft DCO	A3.2	d)	Where applicable, a Book of Reference (where the application involves any Compulsory Acquisition)	A4.3
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
e)	A copy of any Flood Risk Assessment	A6 (Environmental Statement) Volume 6, Appendix 15.1	f)	A statement whether the proposal engages one or more of the matters set out in section 79(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (statutory nuisances) and if so how the Applicant proposes to mitigate or limit them	A7.1
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
h)	A Statement of Reasons and a Funding Statement (where the application involves any Compulsory Acquisition)	Statement of Reasons – A4.2 Funding Statement – A4.1	i)	A Land Plan identifying:- (i) the land required for, or affected by, the Proposed Development; (ii) where applicable, any land over which it is proposed to exercise powers of Compulsory Acquisition or any rights to use land; (iii) any land in relation to	A2.2

			which it is proposed to extinguish easements, servitudes and other private rights; and  (iv) any special category land and replacement land	
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?		Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
j)	A Works Plan showing, in relation to existing features:-  (i) the proposed location or (for a linear scheme) the proposed route and alignment of the development and works; and  (ii) the limits within which the development and works may be carried out and any limits of deviation provided for in the draft DCO	A2.3	k) Where applicable, a plan identifying any new or altered means of access, stopping up of streets or roads or any diversions, extinguishments or creation of rights of way or public rights of navigation	A2.4
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?		Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
l)	Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying:-	A2.12 Statutory and non-statutory Nature Conservation Sites  A6 Volume 3, Chapter 9: Onshore	m) Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying any	A2.11 Historic or Scheduled Monument Sites Plan  A6 Volume 3, Chapter 7: Historic

n)	<p>(i) any statutory/ non-statutory sites or features of nature conservation eg sites of geological/ landscape importance;</p> <p>(ii) habitats of protected species, important habitats or other diversity features; and</p> <p>(iii) water bodies in a river basin management plan,</p> <p>together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features, habitats or bodies likely to be caused by the Proposed Development</p>	<p>Ecology</p> <p>A6 Volume 3, Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual Resources</p> <p>A6 Volume 3, Chapter 15: Hydrology and Flood Risk</p> <p>A6 Volume 3, Chapter 16: Geology, Hydrogeology and Ground Conditions</p> <p>A6 Volume 3, Chapter 17: Marine Environment</p>	o)	<p>statutory/ non-statutory sites or features of the historic environment, (eg scheduled monuments, World Heritage sites, listed buildings, archaeological sites and registered battlefields) together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features or structures likely to be caused by the Proposed Development</p>	Environment
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
	Where applicable, a plan with any accompanying information identifying any Crown land	n/a		Any other plans, drawings and sections necessary to describe the development consent proposal showing details of design, external appearance, and the preferred layout of buildings/ structures, drainage, surface water management, means of vehicular and pedestrian	<p>A2.5 Illustrative Highway Engineering drawings</p> <p>A2.6 Illustrative General Arrangement Plans</p> <p>A2.7 Illustrative Site Layout Plans</p> <p>A2.8 Illustrative Cross Section Plans</p> <p>A2.9 Illustrative Landscaping Plans</p> <p>A2.10; A7.3 Conceptual Drainage Plans</p>

				<p>access, any car parking and landscaping</p>	<p>and Strategy</p> <p>A2.13 Tree Preservation Order and Hedgerow Plan</p> <p>A2.14 Deemed Marine License Co-ordinate Plan</p> <p>A7.4 Gas Connection Concept Design Report</p> <p>A7.5 Combined Heat and Power Report</p> <p>A7.6 Carbon Capture Readiness Report</p> <p>A7.8 Concept Design of Causeway for Delivery of AILs</p> <p>A8.1 Arboriculture Impact Assessment</p> <p>A8.3 Statement of Case and Green Belt Statement</p> <p>A8.4 Design Principles Statement</p> <p>A8.5 Flood Evacuation Plan</p> <p>A8.6 Outline Code of Construction Practice</p> <p>A8.7 Outline Ecological Management Plan</p> <p>A8.8 Construction Traffic Management Plan</p> <p>A8.9 Construction Worker Travel Plan</p> <p>A8.10 Outline Saltmarsh Enhancement and Maintenance Plan</p> <p>A8.11 Outline Written Scheme of Archaeological Investigation</p>
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p)	Is this of a satisfactory standard?		q)	Are they of a satisfactory standard?	
	Any of the documents prescribed by Regulation 6 of the APFP Regulations:	A7.2 Grid and Gas Connection Statement		Any other documents considered necessary to support the application	See electronic index in application document A1.2
	Are they of a satisfactory standard?			Are they of a satisfactory standard?	
30	Are there any observations in respect of the documents provided at Box 29 (a) to (q) above?				
31	Is the application accompanied by a report identifying any European site(s) to which Regulation 48 of The Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 applies; or any Ramsar site(s), which may be affected by the Proposed Development, together with sufficient information that will enable the Secretary of State to make an appropriate assessment of the implications for the site if required by Regulation 48(1)? <sup>14</sup>	<p>Yes, a Habitats Regulations Assessment Report (HRAR) has been submitted (application document A5.2). The HRAR covers:</p> <p>Stage 1 – Screening, undertaken in accordance with the European Court of Justice case in People Over Wind and Sweetman v Coillte Teoranta (Case 323/17). Stage 1 Screening concludes that Likely Significant Effects cannot be ruled out, and therefore a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment needs to be carried out; and</p> <p>Stage 2 – The assessment carried out concludes that there would be no adverse Effect on the integrity of European sites.</p>			
32	If requested by the Planning Inspectorate, two paper copies of the application form and other supporting documents and plans <sup>15</sup>	<p>n/a: the Applicant has been notified by the Planning Inspectorate that a printed copy of the application is not required and 6 electronic copies on DVD or USB memory stick should be submitted.</p> <p>The Applicant has subsequently been notified by the Planning Inspectorate that an electronic submission via file transfer is acceptable, provided that no password or account is required to access the transferred files.</p>			

<sup>14</sup> Regulation 5(2)(g) of the APFP Regulations

<sup>15</sup> Regulation 5(2)(r) of the APFP Regulations

33	Has the Applicant had regard to statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance', and has this regard led to the application being prepared to a standard that the Planning Inspectorate considers satisfactory?	Yes, the Applicant had regard to statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance' in preparing the Application
34	<b>Summary - s55(3)(f) and s55(5A)</b>	The submitted Application is of a satisfactory standard in accordance with Section 55(3)(f), having regard to Section 55(5A), of the PA 2008.
<b>The Infrastructure Planning (Fees) Regulations 2010 (as amended)</b>		
<b>Fees to accompany an application</b>		
35	Was the fee paid at the same time that the application was made <sup>16</sup> ?	Yes, the fee was paid by BACS on 22 May 2020.

<b>Role</b>	<b>Electronic signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
Case Manager		
Acceptance Inspector		

<sup>16</sup> The Planning Inspectorate must charge the Applicant a fee in respect of the decision by the Planning Inspectorate under section 55 of the PA2008. If the Applicant fails to pay the fee, the Planning Inspectorate need not consider the application until payment is received. The fee must be paid at the same time that the application is made.

