Deadline 3A Submission - Interested Party Ref No: 20029971

## Comments on Written Representations – Deadline 3 Submissions

I have read the comments below from the Joint Councils LIR and Say No To Sunnica in respect of particularly sensitive areas, and fully support their views.

## **Joint Councils LIR**

8.144 (sic) 'all solar panels should be removed from Sunnica West B (Wo1 & Wo2)'.

## **SNTS comment on the Joint Councils LIR**

'the developable area of the scheme at Wo1-W12, W17, E05 and E12 should be removed'.

I would advise that supporting the removal of the areas listed above does not indicate that I agree any other areas should go ahead. My view remains that I do not agree with the proposed Sunnica Energy 'Farm' for the thirty four reasons detailed in my Deadline 2 submission.

In addition, I comment briefly below on specifics of the Applicants Revised draft DCO.

Deadline 3 Submissions - 4.4 Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought (tracked) – Rev 04 Deadline 3 Submission - 8.49 Objections Schedule (Clean) - Rev 01

I am alarmed to read of the percentage of the development that will be subject to Compulsory Acquisition orders. I also believe that the document 4.4 is misleading as by using the 'catch-all' phrases 'Negotiations are ongoing or continuing' or' Sunnica remain committed to negotiating a voluntary agreement' it attempts to indicate Voluntary agreement may be achieved, when the negotiations detailed clearly indicate the opposite.

Deadline 3 Submission - 6.2 Environmental Statement Appendix 13C: Framework Construction Traffic Management Plan and Travel Plan (Tracked) - Rev 02

4.1.9

Sunnica states West Site access points B on Chippenham Road and D on Fordham Road are 'existing access routes' – they are actually rarely used field (primarily pedestrian) entrances. A further access point is omitted (see red square on image below). This access will also be used within construction, operational and decommissioning phases. Although shown as a relatively straight line on the map, it is actually a blind bend when approaching from Chippenham. This is not an existing access; it is a field verge without hedging.



Sunnica states 'Grid Connection Route A crosses the Chippenham footpath 49/7 before passing approximately 20m west of the Chippenham Gravel Pit CWS and crossing the B1085. No PRoWs are situated within the boundary of Sunnica West Site A or Sunnica West Site B. Snailwell 5 bridleway (PRoW) runs along the south-west boundary of Sunnica West Site A'. The underlined is factually incorrect.

## 6.2 Environmental Statement Appendix 8M: Habitats Regulations Assessment: Report to Inform an Appropriate Assessment (Tracked) - Rev 01

1.7.9

Sunnica states 'Parcels Wo1 and Wo2 – siting the solar arrays within a small part of Wo1 and Wo2, away from Chippenham Fen, the River Snail and Snailwell Road so as to reduce the visibility of the Scheme from motorists and conserve the landscape features of woodland and the river'.

This is factually incorrect. No part of Wo1 and Wo2 is 'away from Chippenham Fen, the River Snail and Snailwell Road'. All of West Site B is an ecologically sensitive area and adjacent to or in close proximity to the above. Any solar array will be visible from all footpaths, the bridleway and highways, with inverters and weather stations also visible from far further afield.