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Dear Mr Wheadon

PLANNING ACT 2008 AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (EXAMINATION PROCEDURE) RULES 2010

APPLICATION BY SUNNICA LIMITED FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE PROPOSED SUNNICA ENERGY FARM

RESPONSE TO RESPONSES RECEIVED IN RESPECT OF A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Pinsent Masons LLP is instructed by Sunnica Limited (“**Sunnica**”) in respect of its application for an order granting development consent for the Sunnica Energy Farm (“**SEF**”). Sunnica responded to the information request dated 23 August 2023. The Planning Inspectorate has published responses from other interested parties and has asked for comments on these by 13 September 2023. This letter is Sunnica’s response to those responses.

1. RESPONSE BY HISTORIC ENGLAND

- 1.1 Sunnica has considered the response by Historic England and is content that the Historic Environmental Management Plan Method Statement (“**HEMPS**”) that relates to APA W09 Scheduled Monument NHLE 1015246 Chippenham Barrow Group be subject to the approval of Historic England.
- 1.2 Sunnica has submitted revision 5 of the Outline Landscape Environmental Management Plan with this submission. The only update is in Appendix E, the outline Historic Environmental Management Plan, which has been updated and is enclosed to reflect the need for Historic England to approve the HEMPS for W09. This document is submitted in tracked and clean versions. Sunnica has also provided the document in redacted and unredacted format as we did at Deadline 10. The redaction relation to Appendix F – Offsetting Habitat Provision for Stone Curlew Specification.

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- 1.3 There is also a consequential amendment in Table 3.2 of the outline Construction Environmental Management Plan. That is shown in revision 8 of that document which is also enclosed. This document is also submitted in tracked and clean versions.
- 1.4 If the above amendments are accepted by the Secretary of State then there would need to be consequential amendments to Schedule 10 of the DCO to reflect the latest versions of these documents. For ease, an extract of the table in Schedule 10 is shown below with changes shown in track in respect of the rows identifying the framework construction environmental management plan and the outline landscape and ecology management plan:

<i>(1)</i> <i>Document name</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Document reference</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Revision number</i>	<i>(4)</i> <i>Date</i>
framework construction environmental management plan	Appendix 16C contained in volume 2 of the environmental statement (document reference 6.2)	7-8	24/03/2023 13/09/2023
outline landscape and ecology management plan	Appendix 10I contained in volume 2 of the environmental statement (document reference 6.2)	4-5	24/03/2023 13/09/2023

2. **RESPONSE BY CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

Sunnica responded to the Secretary of State's question in respect of plots 09-07, 11-05 and 11-06 in its letter dated 30 August 2023. It was stated that Sunnica did need to seek the freehold acquisition of these plots to enable additional planting. Therefore, Sunnica agrees with Cambridgeshire County Council that it requires compulsory acquisition powers (freehold) over these plots.

3. **RESPONSE BY SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL**

Sunnica responded to the Secretary of State's question in respect of plots 01-02, 01-03 and 05-11 in its letter dated 30 August 2023. It was stated that Sunnica required these plots for the purposes of vegetation management to improve access and it was content that it could undertake these activities by acquisition of rights rather than obtain the freehold ownership of these plots. It made the necessary amendments to the application document as enclosed with the letter dated 30 August 2023.

Yours faithfully



This letter is sent electronically and so is unsigned

Enclosure:

- 1) Outline Landscape Environmental Management Plan (Revision 5) (Clean) (Redacted)
- 2) Outline Landscape Environmental Management Plan (Revision 5) (Tracked) (Un-redacted)
- 3) Outline Landscape Environmental Management Plan (Revision 5) (Tracked) (Redacted)
- 4) Outline Landscape Environmental Management Plan (Revision 5) (Tracked) (Un-redacted)
- 5) Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan (Revision 8) (Clean)
- 6) Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan (Revision 8) (Tracked)