



# Norfolk County Council

## Sheringham Shoal & Dudgeon Extension Projects Norfolk County Council's response to the Examining Authority's (ExA) Third Written Questions (WQ3)

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Responses have been provided by:

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<b>Q3.6. Construction Effects Onshore</b>		
<b>Q3.6.4 Effects of construction works on human health</b>		
Q3.6.4.2	Corpusty and Saxthorpe Parish Council	<p><b>Meeting Notes</b></p> <p>Provide a copy of the meetings referred to by Corpusty and Saxthorpe PC:</p> <p>a) NCC Public Health and SEP and DEP: Hearing 3 - Item 3 (iii) – Health, Date 26 April 2023, Time 1400-1500 attended by Jane Locke [JL] (NCC Public Health), Stephen Faulkner [SF] (NCC), Daniel Richards [DR] (Equinor), Ben Cave [BC] (Ben Cave Associates Ltd)</p> <p>b) NCC Planning and Highways Delegations Committee 22 October 2022.</p>
	NCC Response:	The above-mentioned documents have been attached as part of our submission for deadline 5.

<b>Q3.22.2 Effects on jobs and skills</b>		
Q3.22.2.1	Applicant Norfolk County Council	<p><b>Outline Skills and Employment Plan</b></p> <p>The draft SOCG provided between the Applicant and NCC [REP4-021] sets out that discussions on the OSEP are still being undertaken with regard to key NCC recommendations, including outcomes from the new LSIP process dialogue (Norfolk Chambers). Provide an update on such discussions and NCC confirm whether you are now content with the OSEP following its revision [REP3-072].</p>

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	NCC Response:	NCC has provided feedback on the OSEP Document Reference:9.23, we anticipate further discussion with the applicant as the document continues to evolve. NCC is aware that the applicant has engaged with Norfolk Chamber, leading on the development of the Local Skills and Improvement Plan.
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**Q3.23. Traffic and Transport**

**Q3.23.5 Suitability of Access Strategy**

Q3.23.5.2	Applicant Norfolk County Council	<p><b>Accesses ACC25 and ACC25b</b></p> <p>The most recent draft SOCG [REP4-021] with NCC notes that matters associated with access ACC25 and ACC25b and mitigation measures are still in discussion. Provide an update on these discussions.</p>
	NCC Response:	<p>Both access points require a set of lights to operate simultaneously. The two access points are some 800 metres apart, and access point 25b already has restricted working hours.</p> <p>We have held dialogue with the consultants and have agreed additional traffic control measures at AC25b for the hours of operation. In summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access from the B1149 to the Sheringham and Dudgeon Extension Projects via both accesses ACC25 and ACC25b will be controlled by traffic signals.</li> <li>• Access ACC25 will be utilised by construction traffic for a period of approximately six months and access ACC25b will be utilised for a period of approximately two months. The Applicants have also confirmed that both accesses may be operational at the same time.</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•ACC25b has a greater propensity to induce traffic queuing, therefore further controls are required for this installation to prevent conflicts.</li> <li>•NCC has previously agreed with the Applicant that controls on operating hours for the traffic signals will be required at ACC25b (i.e. not to operate during network peaks). These controls are outlined within the Applicants latest Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (OCTMP) (Revision C) but need to be extended to ACC25.</li> <li>•NCC have also requested that the Applicants include an additional commitment for the ACC25b signals to operate under manual control (manual control would allow the timing of the traffic signals to be manually adjusted on site to prevent blocking back between the signals). The Applicant has confirmed to NCC that they will include this additional commitment in a revision to the OCTMP at Deadline 5.</li> <li>•No controls on operating hours or method of signal control are proposed for ACC25</li> </ul> <p>Subject to updating the OCTMP at Deadline 5 as per the above, NCC is now content.</p>
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**Q3.23.6 Effectiveness of Proposed Mitigation Measures**

Q3.23.6.3	Norfolk County Council	<p><b>OCTMP</b></p> <p>The Applicant has provided a revised OCTMP [REP3-062]. This includes: an amended access design for the main construction compound at Attlebridge; text in relation to the ability to review routes if they become unavailable for use; restrictions of LVs through Oulton village; and the addition of a crossing schedule. Does this overcome NCC’s remaining concerns?</p>
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	NCC Response:	The amendments provided by the applicants do overcome the concerns that NCC raised.
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**Q3.24. Water quality and resources**

**Q3.24.1 Effects on Flood Risk and Drainage, including Adequacy of Sequential and Exception Tests**

Q3.24.1.1	Lead Local Flood Authority	<b>Flood Risk Assessment</b> The revised FRA addendum [REP3-097] sets out that a number of clarifications have been requested by the LLFA, in a letter dated 20 March 2023. Provide a copy of that letter.
	NCC Response:	The LLFA is attached as part of our submission, letter dated 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 LLFA Ref: FW2023_0203 (File name: FW2023_0203 LLFA Response - Final).
Q3.24.1.3	Lead Local Flood Authority	<b>Onshore Substation Drainage Study</b> The revised Onshore Substation Drainage Study [REP3-036] considers that the four sustainability pillars of SuDS and concludes that there are significant constraints to the delivery of the Amenity and Biodiversity pillars due to security. Is this accepted by the LLFA?
	NCC Response:	The LLFA and the applicant have discussed this matter. On consideration of the constraints of this site including the security matters on the limited infiltration opportunities, the LLFA is acceptant of the justification of why on this occasion the pillars of Amenity and Biodiversity are not possible to achieve on this site.

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<b>Q3.24.4 Effectiveness of Mitigation Measures</b>		
Q3.24.4.1	Applicant Environment Agency Lead Local Flood Authority Internal Drainage Board	<b>Protective Provisions</b> Provide an update on discussions to finalise the protective provisions still under discussion [RE3-101, Q2.24.4.2].
	NCC Response:	The LLFA have been requested to review the protective provisions for this application. The LLFA has requested the applicant covers the legal advice costs. The applicant has agreed to this request and LLFA has requested a review of the protective provisions by the NCC Legal representation. This work is ongoing at this time.