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1 The Applicant's Comments on Norfolk County Council's Deadline 7 Submission

1. Norfolk County Council submitted the following documents at Deadline 7:
 - **Final Statement of Common Ground with Norfolk County Council (Revision E)** [document reference 12.17];
 - Norfolk County Council's response to the Examining Authority's (ExA) Fourth Written Questions (WQ4).
2. This document presents the Applicant's comments on Norfolk County Council's Deadline 7 submissions.

Table 1 The Applicant's Comments on Norfolk County Council's Responses to the Examining Authority's Fourth Written Questions

ID	Question	Norfolk County Council Responses	Applicant's Comment
Q4.1 General and Cross-topic Questions			
Q4.1.4 Miscellaneous			
Q4.1.4.1	<p>Statements of Common Ground</p> <p>a) Applicant, submit final signed SoCG with electronic signatures at D8.</p> <p>b) Relevant parties, submit at D8 your confirmation that the final signed SoCG submitted by the Applicant is the version agreed with you. You may do so, by attaching to your submission the copy of the SoCG that is agreed with you.</p>	<p>The County Council can confirm its agreement with the attached Statement of Common Ground, which is attached to this response.</p>	<p>Noted, no response required.</p>
Q4.11. Draft Development Consent Order			
Q4.11.2 Content			
Q4.11.2.2	<p>Discharging Requirements and Conditions</p> <p>Provide update and agreed drafting for R26.</p>	<p>The County Council can confirm its agreement with the wording of Requirement 26 as set out in the latest submitted DCO (D6); and as drafted below:</p> <p>Local skills and employment 26.—</p> <p>(1) No phase of the Sheringham Shoal Extension Project onshore works may commence until a skills and employment plan (which accords with the outline skills and employment plan) has been submitted to and approved in writing by Norfolk County Council.</p> <p>(2) No phase of the Dudgeon Extension Project onshore works may commence until a skills and employment plan (which accords with the outline skills and employment plan) has been</p>	<p>The Applicant confirms that the wording of Requirement 26, as included in the draft DCO (Revision K) [document reference 3.1], has been agreed with Norfolk County Council.</p>

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		<p>submitted to and approved in writing by Norfolk County Council.</p> <p>(3) Prior to submission of a skills and employment plan for approval in accordance with paragraph (1) or paragraph (2), the undertaker must consult North Norfolk District Council, Broadland District Council, South Norfolk District Council, Norfolk County Council and the New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership on the content of the plan.</p> <p>(4) Each skills and employment plan must be implemented as approved.</p>	
Q4.11.7 Requirements 17 and 19			
	<p>Update</p> <p>The latest draft of the SOCG with NCC and the Applicant [REP5-033] notes that the wording of R17 and R19 of the dDCO is still under discussion. Provide an update on such discussions.</p>	<p>The LLFA has not seen Requirement 17 and 19 submissions. Therefore, no comment is possible.</p>	<p>The Applicant received confirmation from the LLFA on the approved wording of Requirement 17 and 19, in a letter dated 20th June 2023.</p> <p>The Applicant refers to the Final Statement of Common Ground with Norfolk County Council (Revision E) [document reference 12.17], specifically Table 4, ID 6 and 7, which confirms the LLFA are in agreement with the wording of both Requirements.</p>
Q4.23. Traffic and Transport			
Q4.23.5 Suitability of Access Strategy			
Q4.23.5.3	<p>Access to the North of the A47</p> <p>NH has recommended [REP3-138] the Applicant considers the implications to their construction programme of a 2-year period of no access to the north of the A47 or if access from Church Lane in the east is required to</p>	<p>NCC have stated previously that Church Lane is not a suitable diversion route for any potential closure of Taverham Road, North off A47</p>	<p>The Applicant refers to the response to Q4.23.5.3 in the Applicant's Responses to the Examining Authority's Fourth Written Questions [document reference 21.5] which confirms that the Applicant does not propose to</p>

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	mitigate the risk. Are NCC content that Church Lane could be used in such an event?		take access from Church Lane and has not suggested this as an option.
Q4.23.6 Effectiveness of Proposed Mitigation Measures			
Q4.23.6.1	Monitoring and Enforcing Maximum Vehicle Trips Across the Study Area The Applicant has set out [REP5-049, Q3.6.1.1] that mitigation measures to manage traffic movements are included within the OCTMP to ensure that the assessed construction traffic parameters are not exceeded. Is it realistic for NCC to monitor and enforce the maximum daily vehicle trips set out in Annex A of the OCTMP on all links across the entire study area?	No, NCC does not have the resource to do this. As with other projects of this nature, it is for the promotor to put in place suitable monitoring/reporting measures that can be discussed with NCC at regular progress meetings.	The Applicant refers to the response to Q4.23.6.1 in the Applicant's Responses to the Examining Authority's Fourth Written Questions [document reference 21.5] which confirms how monitoring and enforcement will be undertaken and reported to NCC.
Q4.24. Water Quality and Resources			
Q4.24.1 Effects on Flood Risk and Drainage, including Adequacy of Sequential and Exception Tests			
Q4.24.1.1	Onshore Substation Hydraulic Modelling – Sensitivity Testing The ExA understand [REP5-049, Q3.24.1.2] that further clarification on one element of the sensitivity testing, namely infiltration losses has been sought by the LLFA. The Applicant has provided an updated version of the Onshore Substation Hydraulic Modelling Report (Revision C) [REP5-045]. Confirm if this has addressed your outstanding concern in this regard?	This has been addressed and the LLFA have responded in Letter ref FW2023_0513 (dated 20 June 2023).	Noted, no response required.
Q4.24.4 Effectiveness of Mitigation Measures			
Q4.24.4.1	Protective Provisions Provide an update on discussions to finalise the protective provisions still under discussion	The LLFA has received an updated version of the protective provision on 28 June 2023, which the LLFA is currently reviewing. The applicant's	The LLFA confirmed to the Applicant on 14 July 2023 that the LLFA and IDB are satisfied with the joint protective provisions for drainage

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	[REP5-049, Q3.24.4.1]. If agreement will not be reached by the end of the examination, please set out in full your reasons for any disagreements.	legal team has requested the LLFA and IDB liaise with each other to ensure agreement on the joint protective provisions. A response to the latest version of the protective provisions will be provided as soon as is reasonably practicable.	authorities. The final agreed version of the protective provisions are in Part 5 of Schedule 14 of the draft DCO (Revision K) [document reference 3.1].