

Rampion 2 Wind Farm **Category 4:** **Compulsory Acquisition** **Land Engagement Reports:** **Richard Anthony Hewson**

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LANDOWNER/ LAND INTEREST NAME:	Richard Anthony Hewson	URN on LRT:	143
AGENT:	N/A	Relevant Rep Ref:	N/A
PROPERTY NAME:	Walnut Tree Cottage 0.04 acres potentially affected by cable route	Written Rep Ref:	N/A
LAND INTEREST:	Category 1 and Category 2 Works 09 – Cable Installation Works	PLOT No:	22/23, 22/24
STATUS			
<p>The Applicant has consulted with the Landowner since July 2021. The Landowner owns a residential dwelling which is accessed via a private driveway which is affected by the proposed cable route (Plot 22/24). In addition, the Landowner has rights over neighbouring agricultural land and hedgerow which is potentially affected by the proposed cable route (Plot 22/23).</p> <p>The proposed construction methodology in this area is horizontal directional drilling (HDD) meaning there is not intended to be any above ground impacts on the Property.</p> <p>The Applicant has discussed the scheme at length with the Landowner, issuing Heads of Terms on 28 July 2023 and reissuing them in February 2024.</p> <p>The Applicant responded on a number of points following the latest site meeting in April 2024.</p> <p>In June 2024 the Applicant issued revised Heads of Terms with the updated financial offer and the Applicant is awaiting feedback.</p>			
NEGOTIATIONS FOR VOLUNTARY ACQUISITION OF RIGHTS			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heads of Terms were issued in July 2023. • The Applicant reissued Heads of Terms in February 2024 via email and requested feedback. • The Applicant sent the Landowner a Letter in March 2024 regarding feedback on the Heads of Terms. • In April 2024, the Applicant met with the Landowner at a site meeting, which was followed up with an email providing clarification on a number of points in May 2024. • The Applicant sent over revised Heads of Terms in June 2024 with an updated financial offer and is awaiting a response. 			
PROGRESS OF NEGOTIATIONS TO ACQUIRE LAND RIGHTS FOLLOWING CAH 1			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Applicant sent a letter on 6 June 2024 to the Landowner to clarify the position in respect of fees for professional advice on the project. • The Applicant issued revised Heads of Terms on 28 June 2024 via post. • On 29 July 2024 the Applicant sent a chaser email to the Landowner regarding the Heads of Terms and confirming that the Applicant will revert on some concerns raised at the latest site meeting. 			
LANDOWNER ENGAGEMENT (2021 to 2024)			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Applicant has been in regular correspondence with the Landowner since July 2021. • An initial site meeting was held in October 2022, where the project's proposals were explained to the Landowner. • The Applicant held a second site meeting in April 2024 to explain a number of points including the HDD methodology. The Landowner expressed concerns over hedgerows and the crossing of utilities. • The Applicant responded to a number of these points via email on 10 May 2024, there are two matters outstanding that the Applicant will respond to the Landowner on shortly, being fencing, and details of construction works along the roadside adjacent to the property. 			
IMPACT ON LAND INTEREST			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Landowner's private driveway, which provides access to their residential dwelling, is on the proposed cable route. 			
IMPLICATIONS OF IMPACT			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to the use of HDD construction methodology under the Property the impact of the scheme on the surface is minimal for this Landowner [and should not affect the current use of the land]. 			
PROPOSED MITIGATION			

- Mitigation to be provided through the maintenance of access to the residential dwelling throughout the works.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES DELAYING CONCLUSION OF VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT

- The Applicant is due to respond to the Landowner on a number of points, including fencing and details of construction works along the roadside adjacent to their property.

CJ Negotiations/Contact Summary	Date of Contact	Method of Contact
Introductory letter sent by Carter Jonas (CJ)	24/11/2020	Letter
Request for Information (RFI) reminder letter sent	10/06/2021	Letter
Statutory letter - section 42	14/07/2021	Letter
SITE MEETING – Lucy Tebbutt (LT) & Will Gullett (WG) door knocked and Richard Hewson (RH) and Kaye Gabriel (KG) answered - Walnut tree cottage	06/10/2022	Site Meeting
Statutory letter issued - section 42	14/10/2022	Letter
LT emails RH and KG with points from meeting	18/10/2022	Email
LT issued Key terms to RH	28/07/2023	Email
Email notifying the RH that the DCO has been submitted	14/08/2023	Email
Statutory letter - section 56	25/09/2023	Letter
LT sent chaser to RH re HoT	16/02/2024	Email
Chaser letter sent by LT	22/03/2024	Letter
Email sent to RH requesting feedback on HoTs and suggesting Teams call	25/04/2024	Email
KG proposed meeting to LT	26/04/2024	Email
LT sent further meeting details	29/04/2024	Email
SITE MEETING- LT & George Dillon-Robinson (GDR) organised site meeting to discuss plans, concerns over hedgerows and utilities and outline project requirements	30/04/2024	Site Meeting
Email to RH from LT attaching engagement form, Key Terms, Draft Deed of Easement, Draft Option Agreement	10/05/2024	Email
Agent's Fees Clarification Letter Sent	06/06/2024	Letter
Revised Key Terms Letter Sent by LT to RH	28/06/2024	Letter

All engagement correspondence referred to within this Land Engagement Report can be provided upon request. Please note: there may have to be redactions in order to comply with confidentiality between parties and GDPR legislation.