

Rampion 2 Wind Farm

**Category 4:** 

**Compulsory Acquisition** 

**Land Engagement Reports:** 

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### **Document revisions**

Revision	Date	Status/reason for issue	Author	Checked by	Approved by
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LANDOWER NAME:	Michael Edward Cooper & Mary Patricia Cooper	URN on LRT:	095
AGENT:	N/A	Relevant Rep Ref:	N/A
PROPERTY NAME:	149 Selden Lane, Patching, Worthing (WSX124458)	Written Rep Ref:	N/A
LAND INTEREST:	Category 1	PLOT No:	7/30, 7/31, 7/32, 7/35, 8/1
	Works 09 Cable Installation Works Works 15 Operational Access		

#### **STATUS**

The Landowner owns agricultural land impacted by the Cable Installation works and an operational access. The Applicant has engaged with the Landowner since June 2022 initially seeking to enter into a voluntary survey licence agreement for non-intrusive ecology surveys and allowing access for the surveys to be undertaken.

The Applicant has met with the Landowner and outlined the Project and discussed the impacts of the Project on the Landowner's landholding.

The Applicant issued Heads of Terms to the Landowner in April 2023, and further to detailed discussions the Heads of Terms were returned signed in April 2023.

#### **NEGOTIATIONS FOR VOLUNTARY ACQUISITION OF RIGHTS**

- Heads of Terms were issued in April 2023.
- The Landowner returned signed Heads of Terms in April 2023.
- Solicitors have been instructed and draft documents issued to the landowners Solicitor for review

#### PROGRESS OF ENGAGEMENT FOLLOWING CAH1

• The Applicant sent an email dated **10**<sup>th</sup> **July 2024** issuing **Revised Heads of Terms** including an increased easement consideration offer and an additional payment for operational access.

#### LANDOWNER ENGAGEMENT (2022 to 2024)

- The Applicant has had detailed dialogue with the Landowner from June 2022.
- Written correspondence both via emails and letters have been issued to the Landowner across this period as evidenced by the Landowner Engagement Tracker (below).
- The Applicant met with the Landowner in September 2022 whereby the Applicant provided an overview of
  the Project and explained how the Project would impact on the Landowner's landholding. The Landowner
  commented there may be land drains in the fields. The Applicant confirmed that any land drains that are
  damaged would be repaired and marked on the as built / laid drawings.
- Correspondence during 2022 and 2023, with the Landowner was primarily to seek to agree terms for a nonintrusive ecology survey licence and allow permission for ecology surveys to be undertaken.

#### ALTERNATIVES / REFINEMENTS - REVIEWED AT THE LAND INTEREST'S REQUEST

None.

#### IMPACT ON LAND INTEREST

The cable route will sever several of the Landowner's fields, but the Landowner accepts that the appropriate
accommodation works will enable all farming operations to continue.

#### PROPOSED MITIGATION

Accommodation works with the Landowner will be discussed in more detail in due course, ensuring any
crossing points, water supply issues are addressed enabling the Landowner to retain uninterrupted access to
their landholding during the construction works period.

#### **OUTSTANDING ISSUES DELAYING CONCLUSION OF VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT**

None.

CJ Negotiations/Contact Summary	Date of Contact	Method of Contact
LTR & Rfl pack issued to Mr & Mrs Cooper	22/06/2022	Letter
LTR & Rfl pack issued to Mr & Mrs Cooper	16/08/2022	Letter
MEETING Michael Cooper, Andrew Cooper (son) and Nigel Abbott (CJ)	16/09/2022	Other
EM to REDACT re Mr & Mrs Cooper - Land at Seldon	13/10/2022	Email
Lane, Patching > Understand that REDACT occupy Mr & Mrs Cooper's		
land under a Share Farming Agreement.		
> Requested to meet with REDACT to discuss the		
Project's impacts in more detail.	10/10/0000	Г m a il
EM from Howard Smith (HS) re Mr & Mrs Cooper - Land at Seldon Lane, Patching > Confirmed HS is now instructed on behalf of REDACT. > Requested dates and times for a meeting.	19/10/2022	Email
EM to Andrew Cooper re Rampion II - Survey Access	11/11/2022	Email
Request		
> Attached survey licence agreement (tenanted by REDACT).		
> Requested survey licence be signed and set out the		
position on statutory powers under Section 172 of the		
Housing & Planning Act 2016.		
EM to Andrew Cooper re Rampion II - Survey Access Request	18/11/2022	Email
> Further to email dated 11 11 22 - requested response.		
EM to Andrew Cooper re Rampion II - Survey Access	28/11/2022	Email
Request		
> Attached survey licence agreement.	00/44/0000	E
EM to Andrew Cooper re Rampion II - Survey Access Request	29/11/2022	Email
> Requested non-intrusive access for GVLA bat survey.		
> Requested non-intrusive access for Phase 1 Habitat		
and Hedgerow Assessment survey.		
> Requested non-intrusive access for Water Environment survey.		
> Requested non-intrusive access for a Tree survey.		
> In the absence of a signed survey licence - requested		
verbal consent for surveys.		
EM from Andrew Cooper re Survey Access Request > Attached signed survey licence.	30/11/2022	Email
EM from Howard Smith re Rampion II - Survey Access	02/12/2022	Email
Request - Wk c. 05 12 22  > Requested licence agreement to be revised to include		
REDACT as a Share Farmer.		
EM from Howard Smith re Rampion II - Survey Access	08/12/2022	Email
Request - Wk c. 05 12 22		
> Further to email dated 02 12 22 - requested licence agreement to be revised to include REDACT - Share		
Farmer.		
EM to Howard Smith re Rampion II - REDACT - Survey	27/01/2023	Email
Licences - Update		
> Attached survey licence for REDACT to sign - for Mr & Mrs Cooper.		
EM from Howard Smith re Rampion II - REDACT -	30/01/2023	Email
Survey Licences - Update	25, 5 1, 2520	
> Confirmed REDACT will not sign as a 'tenant' - only		
'share farmer'.		

EM to Andrew Cooper re Rampion II - Geophys - Survey Access Request > Request non-intrusive access for geophysical survey.	17/03/2023	Email
EM to Andrew Cooper, REDACT re Rampion II - Water Environment Geophys Survey - Access Request > Requested non-intrusive access for water environment geophysical survey.	21/03/2023	Email
EM from Howard Smith re Rampion II - Survey Access Request - Wk c. 27 03 23  > Confirmed access - requested licence and fee payment.	21/03/2023	Email
EM to Andrew Cooper, REDACT re Rampion II - Water Environment Geophys Survey - Access Request > Requested non-intrusive access for breeding birds survey.	27/03/2023	Email
EM to Andrew Cooper re Rampion II - Key Terms Pack > Attached Heads of Terms.	13/04/2023	Email
EM from Andrew Cooper re Rampion II - Key Terms Pack > Requested hard copy of the Key Terms Pack be posted.	13/04/2023	Email
LTR from Andrew Cooper re Rampion II - Key Terms Pack > Enclosed signed Heads of Terms.	15/04/2023	Letter
EM to Andrew Cooper, REDACT re Rampion II - Water Environment Geophys Survey - Access Request > Requested non-intrusive access for water environment geophysical survey	17/04/2023	Email
EM to Andrew Cooper, REDACT re Rampion II - Survey Access Request - from 20 04 23  > Requested non-intrusive access for bat transect and static detector survey.	17/04/2023	Email
EM to Andrew Cooper, REDACT re Rampion II - Geophys - Survey Access Request > Requested non-intrusive access for geophysical survey.	28/04/2023	Email
EM from Andrew Cooper re Rampion II - Geophys - Survey Access Request > Confirmed access.	28/04/2023	Email
EM to Andrew Cooper, REDACT re Rampion II - Breeding Birds - Survey Access Request > Requested non-intrusive access for breeding birds survey.	05/05/2023	Email
EM to Andrew Cooper, REDACT re Rampion II - Water Environment Geophys Survey - Access Request > Requested non-intrusive access for water environment geophysical survey.	12/05/2023	Email
EM to Andrew Cooper, REDACT re Rampion II - Survey Access Request - Wk c. 05 06 23 > Requested non-intrusive access for water vole, otter and badger survey.	30/05/2023	Email
EM to Andrew Cooper, REDACT re Rampion II - Survey Access Request > Requested non-intrusive survey access to continue to monitor / inspect dormice tubes.	24/07/2023	Email
EM from Andrew Cooper re Rampion II - Survey Access Request > Confirmed access.	24/07/2023	Email
EM to Andy Cooper re DCO Submission	14/08/2023	Email

EM to Andy Cooper re DCO Submission	16/08/2023	Email
EM to Andrew Cooper, REDACT re Rampion II -	19/09/2023	Email
Survey Access Request		
> Requested non-intrusive access for bat transect		
survey.		
EM to Andrew Cooper re Rampion 2 - Mr & Mrs	10/07/2024	Email
Cooper - Revised Easement Offer		
> Increased easement consideration offer.		

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.