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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose of this document

- 1.1.1 This Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) has been prepared as part of the proposed Longfield Solar Farm Development Consent Order (the Application) made by Longfield Solar Energy Farm Ltd (The Applicant) to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (the Secretary of State) pursuant to the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008).
- 1.1.2 This SoCG does not seek to replicate information which is available elsewhere within the Application documents. All documents are available in the deposit locations and/or the Planning Inspectorate website.
- 1.1.3 This SoCG has been produced to confirm to the Examining Authority (ExA) where agreement has been reached between the parties, and where agreement has not (yet) been reached. SoCGs are an established means in the planning process of allowing all parties to identify and focus on specific issues that may need to be addressed during the examination.
- 1.1.4 The engagement between the parties across the breadth of matters is ongoing. The SoCG is an evolving document and the detailed wording within it is still being discussed in detail between the parties. This SoCG has been written in the context of the Councils' Local Impact Report and ongoing engagement. Therefore, the future iterations will evolve from this point and all parties reserve the right to supplement the matters identified as we progress the discussions to ensure it is comprehensive. There are many items within it that although not currently agreed have the potential to be resolved. We will continue to work together, seeking resolution where appropriate to ensure it is a reliable and up to date document which can inform the examination.

1.2 Parties to this Statement of Common Ground

- 1.2.1 This SoCG has been prepared by (1) Longfield Solar Energy Farm Ltd as the Applicant and (2) Essex County Council (ECC), Braintree District Council (BDC) and Chelmsford City Council (CCC) (the Host Authorities).
- 1.2.2 Collectively, Longfield Solar Energy Farm Ltd and the Host Authorities are referred to as 'the parties'.

1.3 Terminology

- 1.1.1 In the table in the Issues chapter of this SoCG:
 - “Agreed” indicates where the issue has been resolved.
 - “Not Agreed” indicates a final position, and
 - “Under discussion” indicates where these points will be the subject of ongoing discussion wherever possible to resolve, or refine, the extent of disagreement between the parties.

1.4 Structure of this Statement of Common Ground

1.4.1 The SoCG has been structured to reflect the topics of the Application that are of interest to the Councils as follows:

- principle of the development;
- cultural heritage;
- ecology and habitat regulations;
- water environment;
- landscape and visual amenity;
- noise and vibration;
- socio-economics and land use;
- transport and access;
- human health;
- glint and glare;
- other matters.

1.4.2 The tables in the subsequent sections (Sections 2 onwards) provide fuller details, identifying for each topic where matters are 'agreed' (i.e. all relevant matters agreed in their entirety), 'not agreed' (i.e. the matter is not capable of resolution between the parties) and or where there are 'discussions ongoing' (i.e. where discussions are ongoing to explore whether it could be agreed, with the related actions identified).

1.5 Position of Other Interested Parties

1.5.1 The Host Authorities will have regard to any points raised by statutory bodies and other relevant Interested Parties in respect of the matters covered in the SoCG. Therefore, this version reflects the current position of each Host Authority, but may be subject to change during the examination. A final position will be recorded in the final SoCG to be submitted prior to the close of the examination.

2. Record of Engagement

2.1 Summary of consultation

2.1.1 The parties have been engaged in consultation since the beginning of the proposed development. A summary of the meetings and correspondence that has taken place between Longfield Solar Energy Farm Ltd and the Host Authorities in relation to the Application is as follows: outlined in ~~Table 2-1~~.

- fortnightly meetings to discuss issues and track progress; and
- technical discussion on highways matters (add dates), cultural heritage (add dates) and the draft Development Consent Order and Section 106 Agreement (5 September).

Table 2.1 – Record of Engagement

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2.1.2 It is agreed that this is an accurate record of the key meetings and consultation undertaken between (1) Longfield Solar Energy Farm Ltd and (2) the Host Authorities in relation to the issues addressed in this SoCG.

3. Issues

3.1 Principle of Development

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
PD-01	Overall development	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed Discussions ongoing	The principle of the need for large scale solar projects is established in national planning policy, as detailed in the Planning Statement and Statement of Need; and the principle of delivering solar broadly supported.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed - No further actions. ECC: Discussions ongoing, as agreement is subject to there being no significant adverse environmental impacts that cannot be managed and/or mitigated.
PD-02	Project components	Agreed in part, refer to next row for details	Agreed in part, refer to next row for details	Agreed in part, refer to next row for details	The siting of the individual project components, as set out in the draft Development Consent Order (dDCO) and Design Statement, are acceptable.	Agreed in part, refer to next row for details
PD-03	Project components (PV1)	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	PV1 – The siting of PV1 is acceptable in planning terms.	Discussions ongoing

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
PD-04	Development Consent Order	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The drafting of the DCO is acceptable, including the scope and wording of the Requirements.	BDC/CCC/ECC: A meeting was held on 5 September 2022 and the status on the position between the parties on the dDCO are reflected <u>Discussions ongoing. Refer to in Appendix 1 of this document for details.</u>
PD-05	S106 Agreement / Deed of Obligation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The matters identified in the Planning Statement to be captured within the legal agreement(s) are agreed, albeit the detail needs to be developed and agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: A meeting was held on 5 September 2022 and the Discussions ongoing status on the position between the parties on the dDCO are reflected <u>Refer to in Appendix 1 of this document for details on the status of the discussions.</u>

3.2 Cultural Heritage

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
CC-01	Legislation and Planning Policy	Discussions ongoing	Agreed	Agreed (archaeology)	The summary of the relevant legislation and policy detailed in Section 7.2 of the chapter is up to date and complete.	<p>ECC/CCC: Agreed</p> <p>BDC: <u>Agreed, as detailed in the Planning Statement submitted at Deadline 4.</u> Discussions ongoing. The Applicant is repending to specific points raised by BDC with regards to policy considerations as the new Local Plan is now adopted. Its policies supersede previously identified policies.</p>
CC-02	Assessment Methodology	Agreed (built heritage only; defer to ECC for archaeology)	Agreed	Discussions ongoing (<u>archaeology</u>)	The impact assessment methodologies detailed in Section 7.4 of the chapter provide an appropriate approach to assessing potential impacts on receptors; and has been undertaken with consideration of the appropriate relevant guidance.	<p>BDC/CCC: Agreed in relation to built heritage, deferring to ECC on archaeology.</p> <p>ECC: Discussions ongoing.</p> <p>Following a meeting on 18.09.22, updated and additional heritage documents have been prepared and shared with the Host Authorities; and are included in this Deadline 2 submission.</p>

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
						These will form the basis of further discussions.
CC-03	Baseline Conditions	Agreed (built heritage)	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing (archaeology)	The description of the baseline characteristics in Section 7.6 of the chapter, as well as Appendix 7A: Heritage Desk Based Assessment is sufficient to inform the assessment; and Appendix 7.3: Geophysical .	<p>BDC: Agreed in relation to built heritage, deferring to ECC on archaeology.</p> <p>CCC: Discussions ongoing.</p> <p>ECC: Discussions ongoing.</p> <p>Following a meeting on 18.09.22, updated and additional heritage documents have been prepared and shared with the Host Authorities; and are included in this Deadline 2 submission. These will form the basis of further discussions.</p>
CC-04	Embedded Design Mitigation	Discussions ongoing (built heritage)	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing (archaeology)	The embedded mitigation measures detailed in Section 7.7 of the chapter are acceptable	<p>BDC: Discussions ongoing.</p> <p>CCC: Discussions ongoing.</p> <p>ECC: Discussions ongoing.</p> <p>Following a meeting on 18.09.22, updated and additional heritage</p>

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
						documents have been prepared and shared with the Host Authorities; and are included in this Deadline 2 submission. These will form the basis of further discussions.
CC-05	Assessment of Likely Impacts and Effects	Discussions ongoing (built heritage)	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing (archaeology)	The assessment conclusions detailed in Section 7.8 of the chapter are agreed.	<p>BDC: Discussions ongoing.</p> <p>CCC: Discussions ongoing.</p> <p>ECC: Discussions ongoing. Following a meeting on 18.09.22, updated and additional heritage documents have been prepared and shared with the Host Authorities; and are included in this Deadline 2 submission. These will form the basis of further discussions.</p>
CC-06	Additional Monitoring, Mitigation and Enhancement Measures	Discussions ongoing (built heritage)	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing (archaeology)	The mitigation measures identified in Section 7.9 of the chapter are acceptable.	<p>BDC: Discussions ongoing.</p> <p>CCC: Discussions ongoing.</p> <p>ECC: Discussions ongoing.</p>

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
						Following a meeting on 18.09.22, updated and additional heritage documents have been prepared and shared with the Host Authorities; and are included in this Deadline 2 submission. These will form the basis of further discussions.
CC-07	Residual Effects and Conclusions	Agreed	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing (archaeology)	The assessment residual effects and conclusions detailed in Section 7.10 of the chapter are agreed.	<p>BDC: Agreed. Level of impact agreed in terms of EIA terminology.</p> <p>CCC: Discussions ongoing.</p> <p>ECC: Discussions ongoing.</p>
						Following a meeting on 18.09.22, updated and additional heritage documents have been prepared and shared with the Host Authorities; and are included in this Deadline 2 submission. These will form the basis of further discussions.
CC-08	Cumulative Impacts	Defer to ECC as this relates to archaeology.	Agreed	Discussions ongoing (archaeology)	The assessment conclusions set out in	BDC/CCC: Agreed.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
					Section 7.11 of the chapter are agreed.	ECC: Discussions ongoing. Following a meeting on 18.09.22, updated and additional heriatge documents have been prepared and shared with the Host Authorities; and are included in this Deadline 2 submission. These will form the basis of further discussions.
CC-09	Development Consent Order – wording of Requirements	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing (<u>archaeology</u>)	The provision for the submission and approval of a written scheme of archaeological investigation, substantially in accordance with the outline set out in the Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan), prior to the commencement of the relevant phase of work is accepted as an appropriate control. The wording of Requirements 12 and	BDC/CCC/ECC: <u>Discussions ongoing. Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details.</u> Discussions ongoing. Following a meeting on 18.09.22, updated and additional heriatge documents have been prepared and shared with the Host Authorities; and are included in this Deadline 2 submission. These will form the basis of further discussions.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
					25 of the draft DCO submitted in support of the application is acceptable.	
CC-10	Additional Mitigation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing (archaeology)	No further mitigation is considered necessary from that already identified within the suite of application documents (particularly the Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan and the Outline Written Scheme of Investigation) and we consider the securing mechanisms for the measures embedded into the project proposals are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details. Discussions ongoing. Following a meeting on 18.09.22, updated and additional heritage documents have been prepared and shared with the Host Authorities; and are included in this Deadline 2 submission. These will form the basis of further discussions.

3.3 Ecology and Habitat Regulations Assessment

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
ECO-01	Legislation and Planning Policy	Discussions ongoing	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The summary of the relevant legislation and planning policy detailed in Section 8.2 of the chapter is up to date and complete.	<p>BDC: <u>Agreed, as detailed in the Planning Statement submitted at Deadline 4. Discussions ongoing.</u> The Applicant is replying to specific points raised by BDC with regards to policy considerations as the new Local Plan is now adopted. Its policies supersede previously identified policies.</p> <p>CCC: Agreed – no further actions.</p> <p>ECC: Defer <u>to BDC/CCC</u> –no further actions.</p>
ECO-02	Assessment Methodology	Agreed	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The impact assessment methodology detailed in Section 8.5 of the chapter provides an appropriate approach to assessing potential impacts on receptors; and has been undertaken with consideration of the appropriate relevant guidance.	<p>BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.</p> <p><u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC</u></p>

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
ECO-03	Baseline Conditions	Agreed	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The description of the baseline characteristics in Section 8.6 of the chapter, as well as in the supporting appendices, is sufficient to inform the assessment.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. <u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC</u>
ECO-04	Embedded Design Mitigation	Agreed	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The embedded mitigation measures detailed in Section 8.8 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. <u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC</u>
ECO-05	Assessment of Likely Impacts and Effects	Agreed	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The assessment conclusions detailed in Sections 8.9-8.10 of the chapter are agreed	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. <u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC</u>
ECO-06	Additional Monitoring, Mitigation and Enhancement Measures	Agreed	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The monitoring, mitigation and enhancement measures identified in Section 8.12 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. <u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC</u>
ECO-07	Residual Effects and Conclusions	Agreed	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The assessment residual effects and conclusions detailed in Section 8.13 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. <u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC</u>

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
ECO-08	Cumulative Impacts	Agreed	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The assessment conclusions set out in Section 8.14 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC
ECO-09	Shadow Habitat Regulations Assessment (sHRA)	Defer to Natural England	Defer to Natural England	Defer to Natural England	The scope and conclusions of the sHRA are agreed.	Defer to Natural England
ECO-10	Development Consent Order – wording of Requirement(s)	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Defer to BDC/CCC	The provision for the submission and approval of a Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (LEMP), substantially in accordance with the Outline LEMP, prior to the commencement of the relevant phase of work is accepted as an appropriate control. The wording of Requirement 9 of the dDCO submitted in support of the application is acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details. Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC
ECO-011	Additional Mitigation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Defer to BDC/CCC	No further mitigation is considered necessary from that already	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing.

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					<p>identified within the suite of application documents (particularly the Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan and the LEMP) and we consider the securing mechanisms for the measures embedded into the project proposals are acceptable.</p>	<p><u>Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details.</u> <u>Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions.</u> <u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC</u></p>

3.4 Water Environment

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
WAT-01	Legislation and Planning Policy	Discussions ongoing	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)	Agreed	The summary of the relevant legislation and planning policy detailed in Section 9.2 of the chapter is up to date and complete.	<p>BDC: <u>Agreed, as detailed in the Planning Statement submitted at Deadline 4. Discussions ongoing.</u> The Applicant is replying to specific points raised by BDC with regards to policy considerations as the new Local Plan is now adopted. Its policies supersede previously identified policies.</p> <p>CCC/ECC: Agreed; and no further actions.</p>
WAT-02	Assessment Methodology	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)	Agreed	The impact assessment methodology detailed in Section 9.5 of the chapter provides an appropriate approach to assessing potential impacts on receptors; and has been undertaken with consideration of the appropriate relevant guidance.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
WAT-03	Baseline Conditions	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory	Agreed	The description of the baseline characteristics in Section 9.6 of the	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
		bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)	bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)		chapter, as well as in the supporting appendices, is sufficient to inform the assessment.	
WAT-04	Embedded Design Mitigation	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)	Agreed	The embedded mitigation measures detailed in Section 9.7 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
WAT-05	Assessment of Likely Impacts and Effects	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)	Agreed	The assessment conclusions detailed in Sections 9.8 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions
WAT-06	Additional Monitoring, Mitigation and Enhancement Measures	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)	Agreed	The monitoring, mitigation and enhancement measures identified in Section 9.9 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
WAT-07	Residual Effects and Conclusions	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the	Agreed	The assessment residual effects and conclusions detailed in	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
		Environment Agency)	Environment Agency)		Section 9.10 of the chapter are agreed.	
WAT-08	Cumulative Impacts	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)	Defer to ECC and other relevant statutory bodies/undertakers (including the Environment Agency)	Agreed	The assessment conclusions set out in Section 9.11 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
WAT-09	Development Consent Order – wording of Requirement(s)	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Agreed Discussions on-going	The provision for the submission and approval of further details in relation to drainage and water, as set out in the dDCO Requirements 7, 11, 13, 14, 26, 29 are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details. Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions.
WAT-10	Additional Mitigation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	No further mitigation is considered necessary from that already identified within the suite of application documents (particularly the Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan) and we consider the securing mechanisms for the measures	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details. Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
					embedded into the project proposals are acceptable.	

3.5 Landscape and Visual Amenity

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
LAN-01	Legislation and Planning Policy	Discussions ongoing	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The summary of the relevant legislation and planning policy detailed in Section 10.2 of the chapter and Appendix 10A is up to date and complete.	BDC: <u>Agreed, as detailed in the Planning Statement submitted at Deadline 4.</u> Discussions ongoing. The Applicant is repending to specific points raised by BDC with regards to policy considerations as the new Local Plan is now adopted. Its policies therefore supersede previously identified policies.
LAN-02	Assessment Methodology	Agreed with the exception of LAN-02.01	Agreed with the exception of LAN-02.01	Defer to BDC/CCC	The impact assessment methodology detailed in Section 10.4 of the chapter and Appendix 10B provide an appropriate approach to assessing potential impacts on receptors; and has been undertaken with consideration of the appropriate relevant guidance.	BDC/CCC: Agreed with the exception of LAN-02.01. The Applicant has responded to the Host Authorities' position paper, which is now being considered by the Authorities. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.
LAN-02.01	Assessment Methodology – Viewpoint 45	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Defer to BDC/CCC	The categorisation of the Ter Valley (Viewpoint 45) is acceptable.	BDC/CCC: Discussions ongoing. The Applicant has responded to the Host Authorities' position paper,

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
						which is now being considered by the Authorities. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.
LAN-03	Baseline Conditions	Agreed	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The description of the baseline characteristics in Section 10.6 of the chapter and Appendices 10C and 10D are sufficient to inform the assessment.	BDC/CCC: Agreed – no further actions. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.
LAN-04	Embedded Design Mitigation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Defer to BDC/CCC	The embedded mitigation measures detailed in Section 10.7 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC: Discussions ongoing. The Applicant has responded to the Host Authorities' position paper, which is now being considered by the Authorities. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.
LAN-05	Assessment of Likely Impacts and Effects	Discussions ongoing, with the exception of PDA1	Discussions ongoing, with the exception of PDA1	Defer to BDC/CCC	The assessment conclusions detailed in Section 10.8 of the chapter and Appendices 10F and G are agreed.	BDC/CCC: Agreed, with the exception of PDA1, where discussions are ongoing. The Applicant has responded to the Host Authorities' position paper, which is now being considered by the Authorities.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
						ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.
LAN-05.01	Assessment of Likely Impacts and Effects – PDA1	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Defer to BDC/CCC	The effects of PDA1 are agreed.	BDC/CCC: Discussions ongoing. The Applicant has responded to the Host Authorities' position paper, which is now being considered by the Authorities. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.
LAN-06	Additional Monitoring, Mitigation and Enhancement Measures	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Defer to BDC/CCC	The monitoring, mitigation and enhancement measures identified in Section 10.9 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC: Discussions ongoing. The Applicant has responded to the Host Authorities' position paper, which is now being considered by the Authorities. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.
LAN-07	Residual Effects and Conclusions	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Defer to BDC/CCC	The assessment of residual effects and conclusions detailed in Section 10.10 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC: Discussions ongoing, as there is one matter that is outstanding relating to the approach to character areas. The Applicant has responded to the Host Authorities' position paper, which is now being considered by the Authorities. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
LAN-08	Cumulative Impacts	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>	The assessment conclusions set out in Section 10.11 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC: Discussions ongoing. The Applicant has responded to the Host Authorities' position paper, which is now being considered by the Authorities. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.
LAN-09	Development Consent Order – wording of Requirement(s)	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>	The provision for the submission and approval of further details in relation to a Landscape and Ecological Management Plan, as set out in Requirement 9 of the dDCO , is acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: <u>Discussions ongoing.</u> <u>Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details.</u> <u>Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions.</u> ECC: <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>
LAN-10	Additional Mitigation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>	No further mitigation is considered necessary from that already identified within the suite of application documents (particularly the Design Statement , the Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan and Permissive Paths Plan) and we consider the securing mechanisms for the	BDC/CCC/ECC: <u>Discussions ongoing.</u> <u>Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details.</u> <u>Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions.</u> ECC: <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>

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					measures embedded into the project proposals are acceptable.	

3.6 Noise and Vibration

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
N&V-01	Legislation and Planning Policy	Discussions ongoing	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The summary of the relevant legislation and planning policy detailed in Section 11.2 of the chapter is up to date and complete.	BDC: <u>Agreed, as detailed in the Planning Statement submitted at Deadline 4.</u> Discussions ongoing. The Applicant is reponding to specific points raised by BDC with regards to policy considerations as the new Local Plan is now adopted. Its policies supersede previously identified policies.
N&V-02	Assessment Methodology	Agreed	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The impact assessment methodology detailed in Section 11.5 of the chapter (and Appendix 11A) provides an appropriate approach to assessing potential impacts on receptors; and has been undertaken with consideration of the	BDC/CCC: Agreed – no further actions. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
					appropriate relevant guidance.	
N&V-03	Baseline Conditions	Agreed	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The description of the baseline characteristics in Section 11.6 of the chapter and Appendix 11B are sufficient to inform the assessment.	BDC/CCC: Agreed – no further actions. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.
N&V-04	Embedded Design Mitigation	Discussions ongoing	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The embedded mitigation measures detailed in Section 11.7 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC: Discussions ongoing. The Applicant is replying to specific points raised regards para. 11.7.9 and the use of sound barriers around the invertors. CCC: Agreed – no further actions. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.
N&V-05	Assessment of Likely Impacts and Effects	Discussions ongoing	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The assessment conclusions detailed in Section 11.8 of the chapter, underpinned by Appendices 11C and 11D , are agreed.	BDC: Discussions ongoing. The Applicant is replying to specific points raised regards an understanding whether 'hum' has been an issue on other projects. CCC: Agreed – no further actions.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.						
N&V-06	Additional Monitoring, Mitigation and Enhancement Measures	Discussions ongoing	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The monitoring, mitigation and enhancement measures identified in Section 11.9 of the chapter are acceptable.	<p>BDC: Discussions ongoing. The Applicant is replying to specific points raised regarding the bounding case and the how noise thresholds will be secured to ensure the levels assessed in the Environmental Statement would be the maximum thresholds.</p> <p>CCC: Agreed – no further actions.</p> <p>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.</p>
N&V-07	Residual Effects and Conclusions	Discussions ongoing	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The assessment residual effects and conclusions detailed in Section 11.10 of the chapter are agreed.	<p>BDC: Discussions ongoing.</p> <p>CCC: Agreed – no further actions.</p> <p>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.</p>
N&V-08	Cumulative Impacts	Agreed	Agreed	Defer to BDC/CCC	The assessment conclusions set out in Section 11.11 of the chapter are agreed.	<p>BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.</p> <p>ECC: <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u></p>
N&V-09	Development Consent Order –	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	<u>Discussions ongoing</u>	The provision for the submission and approval of further	<p>BDC/CCC/ECC: <u>Discussions ongoing.</u></p>

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
	wording of Requirement(s)			<u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>	details in relation the approval of the Construction Environmental Management Plan (Requirements 13 and 26), the Operational Environmental Management Plan (Requirements 14 and 29) and the Operational Noise Assessment (Requirement 16) are acceptable.	<u>Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details.</u> Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions. <u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC</u>
N&V-10	Additional Mitigation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>	No further mitigation is considered necessary from that already identified within the suite of application documents (Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan and Outline Operational Environmental Management Plan) and we consider the securing mechanisms for the measures embedded into the project proposals are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: <u>Discussions ongoing.</u> <u>Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details.</u> Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions. <u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC</u>

3.7 Socio-economics and Land Use

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
SE-01	Legislation and Planning Policy	Discussions ongoing	Agreed	Agreed	The summary of the relevant legislation and planning policy detailed in Section 12.2 of the chapter is up to date and complete.	<p>BDC: <u>Agreed, as detailed in the Planning Statement submitted at Deadline 4. Discussions ongoing.</u> The Applicant is repending to specific points raised by BDC with regards to policy considerations as the new Local Plan is now adopted. Its policies supersede previously idenified policies.</p> <p>CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.</p>
SE-02	Assessment Methodology	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The impact assessment methodology detailed in Section 12.5 of the chapter provides an appropriate approach to assessing potential impacts on receptors; and has been undertaken with consideration of the appropriate relevant guidance.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
SE-03	Baseline Conditions	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The description of the baseline characteristics in Section 12.6 of the	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
					chapter are sufficient to inform the assessment.	
SE-04	Embedded Design Mitigation	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The embedded mitigation measures detailed in Section 12.7 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
SE-05	Assessment of Likely Impacts and Effects	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The assessment conclusions detailed in Section 12.8 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
SE-06	Additional Monitoring, Mitigation and Enhancement Measures	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The monitoring, mitigation and enhancement measures identified in Section 12.9 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
SE-07	Residual Effects and Conclusions	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The assessment residual effects and conclusions detailed in Section 12.10 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
SE-08	Cumulative Impacts	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The assessment conclusions set out in Section 12.11 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
SE-09	Development Consent Order –	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The provision of a community liaison group	BDC/CCC/ECC: <u>Discussions ongoing.</u>

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
	wording of Requirement(s)				(Requirement 6) is acceptable.	Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details. Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions.
SE-10	Additional Mitigation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The scope of the additional mitigation identified in the Planning Statement is acceptable, subject to the detail being developed and secured through the separate legal agreement (refer to table 2.1 for further details).	-BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details. Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions.

3.8 Transport and Access

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
TRA-01	Legislation and Planning Policy	Discussions Ongoing	Defer to ECC	Agreed	The summary of the relevant legislation and planning policy detailed in Section 13.2 of the chapter is up to date and complete.	<p>BDC: <u>Agreed, as detailed in the Planning Statement submitted at Deadline 4.</u> Discussions ongoing. The Applicant is repending to specific points raised by BDC with regards to policy considerations as the new Local Plan is now adopted. Its policies supersede previously idenified policies.</p> <p>CCC: Defer to ECC.</p> <p>ECC: Agreed – no further actions.</p>
TRA-02	Assessment Methodology	Defer to ECC	Defer to ECC	Discussions ongoing	The impact assessment methodology detailed in Section 13.5 of the chapter provides an appropriate approach to assessing potential impacts on receptors; and has been undertaken with consideration of the appropriate relevant guidance.	<p>ECC: Discussions ongoing. <u>A meeting has been held and further engagement scheduled, with the intention of providing a further update at Deadline 3.</u></p> <p>CCC: Defer to ECC.</p>

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
TRA-03	Baseline Conditions	Defer to ECC	Defer to ECC	Agreed	The description of the baseline characteristics in Section 13.6 of the chapter are sufficient to inform the assessment.	BDC/CCC: Defer to ECC. ECC: Agreed – no further action.
TRA-04	Embedded Design Mitigation	Defer to ECC	Defer to ECC	Discussions ongoing	The embedded mitigation measures detailed in Section 13.7 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC: Defer to ECC. ECC: Discussions ongoing. A meeting has been held and further engagement scheduled, with the intention of providing a further update at Deadline 3.
TRA-05	Assessment of Likely Impacts and Effects	Defer to ECC	Defer to ECC	Discussions ongoing	The assessment conclusions detailed in Section 13.8 of the chapter and the Transport Assessment (ES Appendix 13A) are agreed	BDC/CCC: Defer to ECC. ECC: Discussions ongoing. A meeting has been held and further engagement scheduled, with the intention of providing a further update at Deadline 3.
TRA-06	Additional Monitoring, Mitigation and Enhancement Measures	Defer to ECC	Defer to ECC	Discussions ongoing	The monitoring, mitigation and enhancement measures identified in Section 13.9 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC: Defer to ECC. ECC: Discussions ongoing. A meeting has been held and further engagement scheduled, with the intention of

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
						providing a further update at Deadline 3.
TRA-07	Residual Effects and Conclusions	Defer to ECC	Agreed	Discussions ongoing	The assessment residual effects and conclusions detailed in Section 13.10 of the chapter are agreed.	<p>BDC: Defer to ECC.</p> <p>CCC: Agreed – no further actions.</p> <p>ECC: Discussions ongoing. A meeting has been held and further engagement scheduled, with the intention of providing a further update at Deadline 3.</p>
TRA-08	Cumulative Impacts	Defer to ECC	Defer to ECC	Discussions ongoing	The assessment conclusions set out in Section 13.11 of the chapter are agreed.	<p>BDC/CCC: Defer to ECC.</p> <p>ECC: Discussions ongoing. A meeting has been held and further engagement scheduled, with the intention of providing a further update at Deadline 3.</p>
TRA-09	Development Consent Order – wording of Requirement(s)	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The provision for the submission and approval of detailed access arrangements (Requirements 7 and 22), the commissioning and maintenance of permissive paths	<p>BDC/CCC/ECC: <u>Discussions ongoing. Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details. Discussions ongoing. A meeting has been held and further engagement scheduled, with the</u></p>

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
					(Requirement 17), the submission and approval of public rights of way diversions, at the appropriate time (Requirement 18), the completion of the identified highway improvements (Requirement 21) and a construction traffic management plan (Requirements 15 and 27) is acceptable.	intention of providing a further update at Deadline 3.
TRA-10	Additional Mitigation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	No further mitigation is considered necessary from that already identified within the suite of application documents (particularly the Framework Construction Traffic Management Plan) and we consider the securing mechanisms for the measures embedded into the project proposals are acceptable.	<u>BDC/CCC/ECC:</u> <u>Discussions ongoing. Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details.</u> Discussions ongoing. A meeting has been held and further engagement scheduled, with the intention of providing a further update at Deadline 3.

3.9 Air Quality

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
AQ-01	Legislation and Planning Policy	Discussions ongoing	Agreed	Agreed <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>	The summary of the relevant legislation and policy detailed in Section 14.2 of the chapter is up to date and complete.	BDC: Agreed, as detailed in the Planning Statement submitted at Deadline 4. Discussions ongoing. The Applicant is repending to specific points raised by BDC with regards to policy considerations as the new Local Plan is now adopted. Its policies supersede previously idenified policies. CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. <u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC</u>
AQ-02	Assessment Methodology	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>	The impact assessment methodologies detailed in Section 14.5 of the chapter provide an appropriate approach to assessing potential impacts on receptors; and has been undertaken with consideration of the appropriate relevant guidance.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. <u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC</u>

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
AQ-03	Baseline Conditions	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed Defer to BDC/CCC	The description of the baseline characteristics in Section 14.6 of the chapter are sufficient to inform the assessment.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC
AQ-04	Embedded Design Mitigation	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed Defer to BDC/CCC	The embedded mitigation measures detailed in Section 14.7 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC
AQ-05	Assessment of Likely Impacts and Effects	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed Defer to BDC/CCC	The assessment conclusions detailed in Section 14.8 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
AQ-06	Additional Monitoring, Mitigation and Enhancement Measures	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed Defer to BDC/CCC	The monitoring, mitigation and enhancement measures identified in Section 14.9 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC
AQ-07	Residual Effects and Conclusions	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed Defer to BDC/CCC	The assessment residual effects and conclusions detailed in Section 14.10 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC
AQ-08	Cumulative Impacts	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed Defer to BDC/CCC	The assessment conclusions set out in Section 14.11 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
AQ-09	Development Consent Order – wording of Requirement(s)	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>	The provision for the submission and approval of a construction environmental management plan (CEMP), substantially in accordance with the outline CEMP (Requirement 13), prior to the commencement of the relevant phase of work is accepted as an appropriate control.	BDC/CCC/ECC: <u>Discussions ongoing. Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details. Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions.</u>
AQ-10	Additional Mitigation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>	No further mitigation is considered necessary from that already identified within the suite of application documents (Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan and Outline Operational Environmental Management Plan) and we consider the securing mechanisms for the measures embedded into the project proposals are acceptable.	-BDC/CCC/ECC: <u>Discussions ongoing. Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details. Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions.</u>

3.10 Human Health

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
HH-01	Legislation and Planning Policy	Discussions Ongoing	Agreed	Agreed	The summary of the relevant legislation and planning policy detailed in Section 15.2 of the chapter is up to date and complete.	CCC/ECC - Agreed – no further actions. BDC: <u>Agreed, as detailed in the Planning Statement submitted at Deadline 4.</u> Discussions ongoing. The Applicant is replying to specific points raised by BDC with regards to policy considerations as the new Local Plan is now adopted. Its policies supersede previously identified policies.
HH-02	Assessment Methodology	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The impact assessment methodology detailed in Section 15.4 of the chapter provides an appropriate approach to assessing potential impacts on receptors; and has been undertaken with consideration of the appropriate relevant guidance.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
HH-03	Baseline Conditions	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The description of the baseline characteristics in Section 15.6 of the	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
					chapter are sufficient to inform the assessment.	
HH-04	Embedded Design Mitigation	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The embedded mitigation measures detailed in Section 15.7 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
HH-05	Assessment of Likely Impacts and Effects	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The assessment conclusions detailed in Section 15.8 of the chapter are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
HH-06	Additional Monitoring, Mitigation and Enhancement Measures	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The monitoring, mitigation and enhancement measures identified in Section 15.9 of the chapter are acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
HH-07	Residual Effects and Conclusions	Discussions ongoing Agreed	Discussions ongoing Agreed	Discussions ongoing Agreed	The assessment of residual effects and conclusions are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions. Discussions ongoing. The Applicant will provide details to the Host Authorities for consideration as this section was omitted from the original ES in error.
HH-08	Cumulative Impacts	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The assessment conclusions set out in	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
					Section 15.10 of the chapter are agreed.	
HH-09	Development Consent Order – wording of Requirement(s)	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	There are no specific requirements relating to human health, rather any relevant matters are specifically covered under the relevant environmental topic above, which is an acceptable approach.	- BDC/CCC/ECC: <u>Discussions ongoing.</u> <u>Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details.</u> Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions.
HH-10	Additional Mitigation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	There are no specific measures relating to human health, rather any relevant matters are specifically covered under the relevant environmental topic above, which is an acceptable approach.	- BDC/CCC/ECC: <u>Discussions ongoing.</u> <u>Refer to Appendix 1 of this document for details.</u> Refer to Appendix 1 for details on the status of the discussions.

3.11 Glint and Glare

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
GG-01	Legislation and Planning Policy	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The summary of the relevant legislation and planning policy detailed in Section 3 of the assessment is up to date and complete.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. Update to be provided at Deadline 5.
GG-02	Assessment Methodology	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The impact assessment methodology detailed in Section 4 of the assessment provides an appropriate approach to assessing potential impacts on receptors; and has been undertaken with consideration of the appropriate relevant guidance.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. Update to be provided at Deadline 5.
GG-03	Baseline Conditions	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The description of the baseline characteristics in Section 5 of the assessment are sufficient to inform the assessment.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. Update to be provided at Deadline 5.
GG-04	Impact Assessment	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The assessment conclusions detailed in Section 6 of the assessment are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. Update to be provided at Deadline 5.

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
GG-05	Mitigation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The measures identified in Section 7 of the assessment and the supplementary information provided in Appendix 2 of this SoCG are agreed.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. Update to be provided at Deadline 5.

3.12 Other Matters

Ref	Sub-topic	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Applicant's Response	Status
OT-01	Alternatives and Design Evolution	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The approach to and scope of the chapter (Chapter 3 of the ES) is has been considered fully.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed – no further actions.
OT-02	EIA Methodology	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The overarching methodology is acceptable, subject to the topic specific assessments covered elsewhere in this document.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. The position will be updated once technical matters (in earlier sections above) have been resolved.
OT-03	Agricultural Land / Use of Best and Most Versatile Land	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>	The assessment and its findings (Chapter 12 of the ES) are acceptable and no further mitigation identified as necessary.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. <u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC</u>
OT-04	Climate Change	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	The assessment and its findings and mitigation (Chapter 6 of the ES) are acceptable and no further mitigation identified as necessary.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed - No further action.
OT-05	Major Accidents and Disasters	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The assessment and its findings and mitigation (Chapter 16 of the ES) are acceptable and no	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Applicant to share a note in relation to battery safety.

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					further mitigation identified as necessary.	
OT-06	Minerals and Waste	Defer to ECC	Defer to ECC	<u>Discussions ongoing</u> <u>Not in agreement</u>	The assessment and its findings and mitigation (Chapter 16 of the ES) are acceptable and no further mitigation identified as necessary.	BDC/CCC: Defer to ECC ECC: <u>Discussions ongoing in relation to the quarry land.</u> ECC's position is that the proposal would sterilise mineral bearing land within Bulls Lodge Quarry that not only has planning permission to be extracted, but is also land that is intended for overburden and topsoil stockpiling such that the land in question, subject to the phasing of the two developments, is potentially significant to the working of the quarry even when it is not being extracted itself. <u>Should the land not have been subject to an extant permission, the MWPA acknowledges that prior extraction as a resource conservation measure ahead of non-mineral</u>

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						<u>development taking place, would not be practical.</u>
OT-07	Ground Conditions	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed <u>Defer to BDC/CCC</u>	The assessment and its findings and mitigation (Chapter 16 of the ES) are acceptable and no further mitigation identified as necessary.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Agreed - No further action. <u>ECC: Defer to BDC/CCC.</u>
OT-08	Telecoms, TV reception and utilities	Defer to the relevant utility providers	Defer to the relevant utility providers	Defer to the relevant utility providers	Telecommunications, TV reception and utilities - The assessment and its findings and mitigation (Chapter 16 of the ES) are acceptable and no further mitigation identified as necessary.	Defer to the relevant utility providers.
OT-09	Effect Interactions	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	The assessment (Chapter 17 of the ES) is acceptable.	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing. Host authorities continuing to review the information provided, having regard to feedback from other statutory bodies.

4. Signatories

4.1 Overview

4.1.1 The above SoCG is agreed between Longfield Solar Farm Limited (LFS Limited) (the Applicant) and the Host Authorities, as specified below.

Duly authorised for and on behalf of Longfield Solar Limited	Name
	Job Title
	Date
	Signature

Duly authorised for and on behalf of Braintree District Council	Name
	Job Title
	Date
	Signature

Duly authorised for and on behalf of Chelmsford City Council	Name
	Job Title
	Date
	Signature

Duly authorised for and on behalf of Essex County Council	Name
	Job Title
	Date
	Signature

Appendix 1: Overview of Status of Position on draft DCO and Section 106 Agreement

[A meeting was held between the parties on 1 November, where a number of matters were agreed. The Applicant is updating the draft DCO and draft S106 with a view to agreeing these ahead of their submission into the examination at Deadline 5.](#)

Document - section	BDC's Position	CCC's Position	ECC's Position	Next Steps
Draft Development Consent Order				
Part 1: Preliminary	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing -Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Part 2: Streets	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing -Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Part 4: Supplemental Powers	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing -Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Part 5: Powers of Acquisition	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing -Host

					Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Part 6: Miscellaneous and General	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 1 – Authorised Development	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 2 - Requirements	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
1	Interpretation	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.

2	Commencement of the authorised development	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
3	Phasing of the authorised development	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
4	Requirement for written approval	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
5	Approval of details and amendments to them	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
6	Community liaison group	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
7	Solar farm works and grid connection – Detailed design approval	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.

8	Solar farm works and grid connection – Battery safety management plan	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
9	Solar farm works and grid connection – Landscape and ecological management plan	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
10	Solar farm works and grid connection – Fencing and other means of enclosure	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing - Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
11	Solar farm works and grid connection – Surface water and foul water drainage	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing - Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
12	Solar farm works and grid connection - Archaeology	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
13	Solar farm works and grid connection – Construction environmental management plan	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.

14	Solar farm works and grid connection – Operational environmental management plan	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
15	Solar farm works and grid connection – Construction traffic management plan	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
16	Solar farm works and grid connection – Operational noiseL	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
17	Solar farm works and grid connection – Permissive paths	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
18	Solar farm works and grid connection – Public rights of way diversions	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
19	Solar farm works and grid connection – Soil management	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.

20	Solar farm works and grid connection – Decommissioning and restoration	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing - Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
21	Solar farm works and grid connection – Highway improvementsLL	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
22	Bulls Lodge substation works – Detailed design approvalS	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
23	Bulls Lodge substation works – Fencing and other means of enclosure	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
24	Bulls Lodge substation works – Surface foul and drainage	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
25	Bulls Lodge substation works - Arcchaeology	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities' legal teams continuing to undertake their review.

26	Bulls Lodge substation works – Construction envirometal management plan	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
27	Bulls Lodge substation works – Construction traffic management plan	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
28	Bulls Lodge substation works – Soils management	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
29	Bulls Lodge substation works – Operational environmental management plan	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 3 – Legislation to be disapplied		Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 4 – Streets subject to street works		Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams

				continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 5 – Alteration of streets	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 6 – Public rights of way	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 7 – Access to works	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 8 – Traffic Regulation measures	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.

Schedule 9 – Land which only new rights etc may be acquired	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 10 – Modification of compensation and compulsory purchase	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 11 – Land of which temporary possession may be taken	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 12 – Hedgerows to be removed	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 13 – Documents and plans to be certified	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams

				continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 14 – Arbitration rules	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Schedule 15 – Protective provisions (Part 8)	No comments	No comments	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC: No comments. ECC: Discussions ongoing – ECC’s legal team continuing to undertake their review, but note the Applicant has included the wording sought by ECC.
Schedule 16 – Procedure for discharge of requirements	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review. Applicant to propose fees to enable the discharging authority to draw down upon.
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Boilerplate	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review.
Skills, Supply Chain and Employment	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review; and discussion being scheduled between the parties to discuss further the scope and scale of the fund.
Community Fund	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	Discussions ongoing	BDC/CCC/ECC: Discussions ongoing – Host Authorities’ legal teams continuing to undertake their review; and discussion being scheduled between the parties to discuss further the scope and scale of the fund.