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Accompanied Site Inspection itinerary – Monday 20 November 2023

The final itinerary for the Accompanied Site Inspection (ASI) can be found below.

Please note that the Examining Authority's (ExA) inspection of sites is **not** an opportunity to provide any oral representations on the project or discuss evidence. It is an opportunity for the ExA to look at the physical features that can be seen on, or from the sites. Participants may be invited by the ExA to point out specific features or sites of interest.

Joining the Accompanied Site Inspection

The ASI will commence at 1:00pm at Elm Grange, East Heckington. Participants are asked to assemble promptly as the ExA will not wait for parties who are not present at the start time.

To ensure the smooth running of the ExA's ASI, attendees may wish to provide contact details for the day, notify the Case Team if there are any changes in attendance, and ensure the Planning Inspectorate is made aware of any special access requirements.

Representatives from North Kesteven District Council and Boston Borough Council are expected to be present for the ASI at the locations within their respective local authority areas, but are welcome to attend all ASI locations if they so wish.

Clothing

Attendees are recommended to wear appropriate sturdy footwear and weather appropriate clothing. Safety clothing is not expected to be required although a fluorescent jacket/vest is advised when leaving the vehicle and walking on the highway.

Sites on Private Land

Access onto private land is at all times by permission of the person controlling it; householders, occupiers and landowners may refuse to allow some persons accompanying the ExA onto their land. Under those circumstances, the ExA will decide whether or not to proceed with that part of the inspection and may ask those refused access to wait outside.

Refreshments

Please note refreshments will not be provided.

Cancellations

Please note that in the unlikely event that the ASI is cancelled the case team shall endeavour to contact attendees beforehand, but we ask that you regularly check the project webpage on the Planning Inspectorate's website.

Yours faithfully

Susan Hunt

Examining Authority

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Detailed Itinerary for Accompanied Site Inspection (see Figure 1 for locations)

Time	Location	Approximate Grid Ref.	Details – Driving unless otherwise noted
1:00pm	Meet at A) Elm Grange, East Heckington	TF 19068 44620	Park to north of Elm Grange - what3words ref: rainbow.locator.sized View temporary construction access and Elm Grange. View location of community orchard (Work No. 9A) and construction compounds (Work No.3).
1:20pm	B) The substation and energy storage area within the centre of the Energy Park	TF 20314 45284	Turn around near the grain drier and old cottages and drive towards 'Beef Barn'. View location of Six Hundreds Farm, temporary access route, cable route, substation and energy storage area (Work No's 2 to 5) and wider views of energy park (Work No.1)
1:45pm	C) and D) The route of the existing footpath beyond viewpoint 2 at the point that the path crosses into the site, and the locations where the footpath is no longer navigable because of the missing footbridges	TF 19069 45990 TF 18846 46197	Park on the west – east track where route turns south. Walk towards B1395 to meet public right of way HECK/15/1 View the missing footbridge and the proposed permissive path (Work No.9B). Wider views of energy park (Work No.1) and proposed planting areas (Work No.9A). NB: no need to view final missing bridge as it does not form part of the proposals.
2:30pm	F) A17 site access Six Hundreds Farm and G) Area around 1-12 Council Houses East Heckington	TF 19925 43995 TF 20157 43937	Mountain's Farm Shop - optional stop for WC facilities and food/drink (only if required). View location of A17 site access (Work No.8) and dwellings at East Heckington when passing through. ExA have already viewed on USI
3:05pm	I) The south west corner of Bicker Fen Substation on Vicarage Drove – viewpoint 24 K) Viewpoints 9 and 15	TF 19337 38355 TF 18858 39678 TF 20257 39031	View Bicker Fen substation, (Work No's 5 and 6) and area of trees to be removed. View locations of other solar schemes in the vicinity, along with Bicker Fen Wind Farm and Viking Link Converter Station.

Time	Location	Approximate Grid Ref.	Details – Driving unless otherwise noted
3:35pm	L) Access routes around Timms Drove, North Drove, and Bicker Drove (public highway) M) The Triton Knoll access road from the A17 through to the existing Bicker Fen substation (partially private land)	TF 20047 41740 TF 20240 42034	View access routes and area of grid connection cable route (Work No's 5 and 10). Note: limited turning places, and roads in poor condition. ExA have already viewed most of the routes on USI
4:00pm	N) Royalty Lane at the point the underground grid connection will pass beneath South Forty Foot Drain and the railway.	TF 21393 42749	Continue and turn around in layby before reaching the gated bridleway: TF 21240 42714. View location of South Forty Foot Drain, the railway, and grid connection cable route (Work No.5). NB: Sunset is at 4:00pm on Monday 20 November 2023
4:30pm	A) Elm Grange, East Heckington	TF 19068 44620	Return to vehicles, end of ASI.

Figure 1 – Accompanied Site Inspection (originally submitted at Deadline 1 appended to the Cover Letter - REP1-001)

