

APPLICATION BY ECOTRICITY (HECK FEN SOLAR) LTD FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE PROPOSED HECKINGTON FEN SOLAR PROJECT

Issue Specific Hearing 3 (ISH3) : Draft Development Consent Order and Environmental Matters

Date: Tuesday 21 November 2023

Venue: Doubletree by Hilton, Lincoln and MS Teams

Action Points

No	Party	Action	Deadline
Draft Development Consent Order			
ISH3 - AP1	Lincolnshire County Council (LCC) North Kesteven District Council (NKDC) Boston Borough Council (BBC)	Schedule 2 Requirement (R) 3 (<i>Phasing the authorised development and date of final commissioning</i>) With reference to the Applicant's comments at ISH3 and in REP2-012 (point 14) provide written comments in response to their view that it would be inappropriate for Relevant Planning Authorities (RPAs) to approve a phasing plan.	Deadline (D) 3
ISH3 - AP2	Applicant	R8 (<i>Landscape ecological management plan</i>) Provide examples of other Development Consent Orders that have included a minimum percentage of Biodiversity Net Gain and the Metric referred to within relevant Requirements.	D3
ISH3 - AP3	LCC NKDC BBC	R8 (<i>Landscape ecological management plan</i>) Provide written comment on the amendments made to R8.	D3
ISH3 - AP4	Applicant	R17 (<i>Permissive path</i>) Consider redrafting wording of first part of R17 to make the trigger clearer.	D3
ISH3 - AP5	LCC	R17 (<i>Permissive path</i>) Provide written comment on the wording of R17.	D3
ISH3 - AP6	Applicant	R18 (<i>Decommissioning and restoration</i>) Provide further justification or rewording to reflect comments regarding non-generation of electricity prior to the	D3

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		expected decommissioning date following discussion with the RPAs.	
ISH3 - AP7	Applicant	R8 Landscape ecological management plan and R19 Operational environmental management plan Further consider maintenance to be agreed by RPAs and further detail in respect of sheep grazing following discussion with the RPAs. (See also ISH3-AP14)	D3
ISH3 - AP8	Applicant LCC	Schedule 13 Protective Provisions Consideration of additional Protective Provisions for the Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue Service.	D3
ISH3 - AP9	Applicant	Article 37 (Trees subject to tree preservation orders) Clarify whether there are any tree preservation orders within the order limits and the need for Article 37.	D3
ISH3 - AP10	Applicant	Article 42 and Schedule 14 (Procedure for discharge) Revisit timescales for approval by RPAs, deemed discharge, fees and refund clause with reference to other DCOs both approved and emerging, following discussion with the RPAs.	D3
ISH3 – AP11	Applicant	R16 (Supply chain, employment and skills) Consideration of how funding of apprenticeships will be secured, following discussion with RPAs.	D3
Environmental Matters: Land and Soils			
ISH3 - AP12	Applicant	Provide written copies of summaries from Tony Kernon and Isobel Hollands regarding use of Best and Most Versatile (BMV) land and assessment of significance.	D3
ISH3 - AP13	LCC NKDC	Provide a response to the Applicant's summaries as above.	D4
ISH3 - AP14	Applicant	Provide further clarification as to how a contract with a grazier for sheep on the solar park site will be delivered and secured, including minimum requirements as suggested by NKDC.	D3