

HECKINGTON FEN SOLAR PARK DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER
APPLICATION REFERENCE EN010123
DEADLINE 4 SUBMISSION ON BEHALF OF SCHRODERS GREENCOAT LLP

Introduction

Schroders Greencoat LLP ("SG") lodged a relevant representation on 20 April 2023 in relation to the potential impact of the proposed Heckington Fen development on the existing windfarm at Bicker Fen which is owned (in majority by SG). It is noted that the examining authority's second set of written questions at CA 2.5 request an update on the state of negotiations between the applicant and statutory undertakers, such as SG. SG wish to provide the examining authority with an update of such discussions as far as they affect SG's interests.

Update on Discussions

SG has been in discussions with the applicant regarding the negotiation of an asset protection agreement to ensure that the assets of the Bicker Fen wind farm are adequately protected during the construction and operation of the proposed development. Discussions have been productive and the parties are close to a concluded agreement, although, at time of writing, the agreement has not been finalised. SG are optimistic that the asset protection agreement will be finalised shortly. However, in the unlikely event that this is not the case then SG requires to reserve the right to make submissions in relation to any remaining matters at Deadline 5.