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Response to Section 51 Advice

Application Ref: EN01027

Dear Mr Johansson,

Thank you for your letter of the 21 December 2022 setting out the Planning Inspectorate's advice regarding the application for Development Consent made by Mallard Pass Solar Farm (the Applicant). I set out the Applicant's response to this advice, below. In addition, the Applicant has prepared a Schedule of Errata which is attached as an Appendix to this letter. The errata does not seek to amend minor errors or formatting but addresses matters which will assist the reader's clear understanding of the Application.

Response to s.51 advice

Document	s.51 advice	Applicant response
Book of Reference, Part 2 [Ref EN010127/APP/4.3]	Explanation of methodology used for identification of Category 3 persons	The methodology used is set out in the attachment 'Land Referencing Methodology' [Ref EN010127/PREEX/1]
Draft Development Consent Order (DCO) [Ref EN010127/APP/3.1]	Protective Provisions required to be updated at earliest opportunity within pre-examination period	The Applicant is engaging with the relevant Statutory Undertakers regarding Protective Provisions. An updated draft DCO will be issued to the Planning Inspectorate in line with the closing of period for Relevant Representations (02/03/2023)



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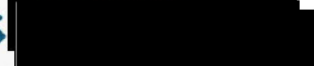


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Environmental Statement (ES) [Ref EN010127/APP/6.1], Chapter 5 and Appendix 5.1 [Ref EN010127/APP/6.2]	Consistency check between parameters set out in Chapter 5 of the Environmental Statement and Appendix 5.1 to the Environmental Statement	Clean and track change versions of Chapter 5 [Ref EN010127/APP/6.1 Revision P01], and Appendix 5.1 [Ref EN010127/APP/6.2 Revision P01], are appended to this letter
Access and Rights of Way Plans [Ref EN010127/APP/2.4] and Traffic Regulation Measures Plans [Ref EN010127/APP/2.7]	Existing public footpaths to be marked and more clearly notated	Updated plans are attached to this letter. Plans [Ref EN010127/APP/2.4 Revision P1] [Ref EN010127/APP/2.7 Revision P1]
Works Plans [Ref EN010127/APP/2.2], Hedgerows Plans [Ref EN010127/APP/2.5], Location Plan, Order Limits and Grid Coordinates Plans [Ref EN010127/APP/2.6]	Sheets 1 and 3 are missing areas which, although outside Order Limits, are close enough to the Order Limits to warrant inclusion	Updated plans are attached to this letter that also incorporates changes to Sheets 5 and 6 to deal with the same point. [Ref EN010127/APP/2.2 Revision P1] [Ref EN010127/APP/2.5 Revision P1] [Ref EN010127/APP/2.6 Revision P1]
ES Non-Technical Summary [Ref EN010127/APP/6.4]	Paragraph 2.8.1 should refer to Figure 4 rather than Figure 3	This is captured in the Schedule of Errata at Appendix 1 to this letter.
ES Landscape and Visual [Ref EN010127/APP/6.3]	Representative Viewpoint 9 (Figure 6.8.9) is missing	Figure issued alongside this letter.

The Applicant has also noted that the submitted version of the Statement of Reasons had a number of formatting issues. As such, the Applicant has submitted an updated version of this document. This is submitted in clean only, as showing the formatting changes would create an untidy document. The only other textual changes to this document are listed below:

- paragraph 1.3.1 and 3.1.3 – inserted ‘approximately’ before ‘852 ha’;
- paragraph 1.3.1 – amended ‘556 ha’ with ‘524.7 ha’ and ‘296 ha’ with ‘327.4 ha’; and
- para 11.2.1 – deleted reference to ‘Booklet No.5 – Reducing the Adverse Effects of Public Development: Mitigation Works’.

I trust this is clear, however, if there any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.



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05 Project Description (Clean) **[Ref EN010127/APP/6.1 Revision P01]**
05 Project Description (Track Changes) **[Ref EN010127/APP/6.1 Revision P01]**
2.2_Works Plans **[Ref EN010127/APP/2.2 Revision P1]**
2.4_Access and Rights of Way Plans **[Ref EN010127/APP/2.4 Revision P1]**
2.5_Hedgerows Plans **[Ref EN010127/APP/2.5 Revision P1]**
2.6_Location_Order Limits and Grid Coordinates Plans **[Ref EN010127/APP/2.6 Revision P1]**
2.7_Traffic Regulation Measures – Temporary Measures **[Ref EN010127/APP/2.7 Revision P1]**
2.7_Traffic Regulation Measures – Temporary Road Closures **[Ref EN010127/APP/2.7 Revision P1]**
4.1_Statement of Reasons **[EN010127/APP/4.1]**
Appendix 05.1 – Proposed Development Parameters (Clean) **[Ref EN010127/APP/6.2 Revision P01]**
Appendix 05.1 – Proposed Development Parameters (Track Changes) **[Ref EN010127/APP/6.2 Revision P01]**
Figure 06.8.9_Representative Viewpoint **[Ref EN010127/APP/6.3]**
PREEX-1 – Land Referencing Methodology **[Ref EN010127/PREEX/1]**



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Appendix 1 – Schedule of Errata

Document	Detail
Environmental Statement	
Items to be corrected throughout document	Site boundary' to be replaced by 'Order limits' Primary to be deleted from 'Primary Onsite Substation' 'Site' to be replaced by 'Order Limits' 'Project Boundary' to be replaced by 'Order Limits' 'Project' to be replaced by 'Order Limits' 'Proposed Development' to be replaced by 'Order Limits' 'Solar Farm Site' to be replaced with 'Solar PV Site' 'Grid Connection Route' to be replaced with 'Grid Connection Corridor'
Chapter 0 – Glossary	Figure 9.2 in Figures list corrected
Chapter 4 – Alternatives and Design Development	- para 4.3.11 - x2 corrections from 'Access' to 'Axis' (Single Axis Tracking)
Chapter 5 – Project Description	para 5.4.26 - 3m height amended to 3.2 m para 5.13.3 (b) - corrected 'Onsite Construction Compound' to 'Primary Construction Compound' para 5.7.1 - Works No 4 - differing cable duct width between chapter 5 (1.5m width) and Appendix 5.1 (1m width)
Chapter 6 – Landscape and Visual	para 6.3.26 (c) - 'east' amended to 'south' para 6.3.47 - 'eastern' amended to 'central' para 6.3.65 - 'north-west' amended to 'north-east' para 6.3.2 - 906ha amended to 852ha para 6.3.30 and 6.3.33 - 'site' amended to 'Solar PV Site'
Chapter 9 – Highways and Access	para 9.2.10 - 'site' amended to 'Solar PV site' para 9.3.8. - 'internal site roads' amended to 'internal access tracks'
Chapter 10 - Noise and Vibration	para 10.8.20, 10.8.29 - 'Onshore' amended to 'Onsite' - para 10.8.20 - 'site' amended to 'solar PV site'
Chapter 11 – Water Resources and Ground Conditions	para 11.2.58 (b) & (c) - 'east' amended to 'west' Table 11-4 - 'east' amended to 'west' and north deleted to align with para 11.2.58 Table 11-5 - 'south' amended to 'south-west' for Great Casterton Road Banks SSSI
Chapter 12 – Land Use	para 12.4.19 and Table 12-6, 12.4.102 (ii), 12.9.2 - 'access' added to 'tracks' para 12.4.10 - 'tracks' added to 'access'
Chapter 17 – Summary of Effects	Section 17.3 - Agri and soils - add 'could be implemented to further ameliorate adverse effects.' after No additional mitigation.
Non Technical Summary	para 2.8.1 -Figure 3 corrected to Figure 4 (as per s51 advice) Figures list corrected (page 70) para 2.216 - Figure 1 ref corrected to Figure 2 para 2.2.9 - 'Single Access Tracking' amended to 'Single Axis Tracking'



<p>Appendix 5.1 - Project Parameters</p>	<p>Works No. 5 - added areas to primary and secondary Construction Compounds in line with Chapter 5 Works No. 6 - added "Each access track leading to a secondary compound will be 6.5m wide" to align with chapter 5 fencing and CCTV parameter added to Works No.5 Parameters for String Inverters and string transformers Inverters added to Works No. 1 - '(Containing Central Container Inverters, Central Transformers and Switchgear)' to 'Solar Station' parameters</p>
<p>Appendix 6.4 - RVAA</p>	<p>Table 1 - 'east' amended to 'west' Table 1 - 'Field 18' added Table 1 - 'eastern' amended to 'western',</p>
<p>Appendix 6.5 - A&R</p>	<p>para 1.3.- 3rd bullet - 'internal tracks' amended to 'internal access tracks'</p>
<p>Appendix 8.3 - Consultation</p>	<p>electronic file name corrected</p>
<p>Nuisance statement</p>	<p>para 4.1.17 - 'Grid Connection Route' amended to 'Grid Connection Corridor' para 4.4.8 - delete 'the Works extents and'</p>
<p>Design and Access Statement</p>	<p>para 1.7 - PV Arrays to Solar PV Arrays. Page 10 caption from 'Solar' to 'Solar PV Arrays' Page 12 caption add word 'panels' at end of sentence. Page 14 caption - add 'limits' at end of the sentence. para 3.33 replace 'two' with 'three' Page 30 legend 'Proposed DCO Order limits' to 'Order limits' Page 62 Caption add 'limits' to end of the sentence.</p>

