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All Interested Parties, Statutory Parties and any Other Person invited to the Preliminary Meeting

Your Ref:

Our Ref: EN010127

Date: 23 May 2023

Dear Sir/ Madam

Planning Act 2008 – Section 89 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 – Rule 8

Application by Mallard Pass Solar Farm Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Mallard Pass Solar Farm

# **Examination Timetable and procedure**

This letter (the Rule 8 letter) provides important information about the Examination of this application. The letter includes:

- The Examination Timetable
- An invitation to submit Written Representations
- Details of the publication of the Examining Authority's (ExA) written questions
- A request for Local Impact Reports from Local Authorities
- Other Procedural Decisions made by the ExA
- Information about the availability of Examination Documents
- Guidance on the use of the 'Make a submission' tab on the project webpage

All documentation associated with this Examination, including a note of the Preliminary Meeting and the recording of that meeting, can be viewed under the <u>Documents tab</u> on the project webpage of the National Infrastructure Planning website (<u>project webpage</u>).

#### **The Examination Timetable**

We have made a Procedural Decision about the way the application will be examined. The final Examination Timetable is attached at **Annex A** to this letter.

The Examination Timetable replaces the draft timetable that was included in our Rule 6 letter. In finalising the Examination Timetable, we have sought to accommodate requests



and suggestions made orally or in writing to the Preliminary Meeting. A list of the main changes we made to the draft Examination Timetable is set out at **Annex B** to this letter.

Please note that the Examination Timetable contains a number of Deadlines for receipt of information by the Planning Inspectorate. All Deadlines are at 23:59 on the date specified. Please ensure submissions arrive by the Deadline. If you do not make your submissions by the dates specified in the timetable, we may disregard them.

We request that all Interested Parties make their submissions using the <u>Make a submission tab</u> on the project webpage on or before the applicable Deadline. **Annex E** to this letter provides further information about using the <u>Make a submission tab</u>.

If we consider it necessary to vary the Examination Timetable during the Examination, notification will be sent to Interested Parties, Statutory Parties and Other Persons invited to the Preliminary Meeting. The changes will be published on the <u>project webpage</u>.

#### Written Representations

All Interested Parties are now invited to submit Written Representations. These should be submitted by **Deadline 2 (15**<sup>th</sup> **June 2023)** in the Examination Timetable.

Written Representations can cover any relevant matter and are not restricted to the matters set out in our <u>Initial Assessment of Principal Issues</u> or to the content of our written questions (see next heading below).

Any person, other than the Applicant, who submits a Written Representation must identify those parts of the application with which they agree and those parts with which they do not agree, explaining the reasons why. Interested Parties should also provide with their Written Representations any data, methodology and assumptions used to support their submissions to avoid delays in the Examination (see paragraph 74 of Planning Act 2008: Guidance for the examination of applications for development consent).

We have requested further types of written submissions at various points in the Examination (see **Annex A**).

Any Written Representations and any further written submissions requested during the Examination, that exceed 1500 words, should also be accompanied by a summary which should not exceed 10% of the original text. The summary should set out the key facts of the written submission and must be representative of the submission made.

Representations **must not include hyperlinks** to documents/evidence hosted on third party websites. Please see the Planning Inspectorate's <u>Advice Note 8.4: The Examination</u> for further information about Written Representations.



#### **Examining Authority's Written Questions**

We have prepared written questions (ExQ1) about the application and the representations received so far. These questions are published on the project webpage and can be accessed at the following link:

#### Examining Authority's First Written Questions (ExQ1)

Responses to ExQ1 must be provided by **Deadline 2 (15<sup>th</sup> June 2023)** in the Examination Timetable.

If you require an editable Microsoft Word version of ExQ1, please contact the Case Team using the contact details at the top of this letter.

#### Other Procedural Decisions made by the Examining Authority

**Annex B** to this letter contains important details and clarifications about other Procedural Decisions we made at, or following, the Preliminary Meeting. These include the following:

- Changes to the previously published draft Examination Timetable in light of submissions received at Procedural Deadline A and the Preliminary Meeting
- Examining Authority's Written Questions
- Statements of Common Ground
- Local Impact Reports
- Changes to land interests
- Additional Submissions

#### **Hearings and Site Inspections**

As explained in our <u>Rule 6 letter</u> and at the Preliminary Meeting, the Examination will principally be a written process (see <u>Advice Note 8.4: The Examination</u>), supplemented where necessary by various types of hearings (see <u>Advice Note 8.5: Hearings and site inspections and Advice Note 8.6: Virtual Examination events).</u>

On this basis the Examination Timetable at **Annex A** to this letter includes periods of time reserved for any hearings to be held, and we will notify all Interested Parties of any hearings scheduled as part of the Examination at least 21 days in advance of them taking place. That notification will include a Deadline for Interested Parties to inform the Planning Inspectorate if they wish to participate at the notified hearing(s).

The submissions made by parties at Procedural Deadline A and at the Preliminary Meeting regarding availability for potential Issue Specific Hearings will be taken into consideration, where practicably possible, in the arrangement of any such hearings.

It is our general intention for hearings to be undertaken using a blended format, both in person at a hearing venue and with parties also being able to join the hearing virtually using Microsoft Teams.

We have already undertaken unaccompanied site inspections and plan to undertake further inspections during the Examination. Generally, where we are able to view the site



from public land we will do this unaccompanied and a note of the site inspection will be published on the project webpage. The Examination Timetable also reserves time for us to undertake an Accompanied Site Inspection (ASI) on 17 and 18 August 2023 (if required). Time is also reserved in the week commencing 25 September 2023 if further ASIs are required. We will consider each suggested site location, including those provided in the Applicant's draft itinerary, to determine if it could be viewed from public land on an unaccompanied basis or if it is necessary to view it on an accompanied basis. We will also consider if it would be appropriate to make arrangements for access only to be provided to specific sites such that they could be inspected as part of an Unaccompanied Site Inspection on an access required basis.

#### **Initial Assessment of Principal Issues**

The Examining Authority acknowledges the comments on our Initial Assessment of Principal Issues as set out in Annex C of our Rule 6 letter.

#### **Managing Examination correspondence**

Given the volume and frequency of letters the Planning Inspectorate needs to send to Interested Parties during an Examination, we aim to communicate with people by email as electronic communication is more environmentally friendly and cost effective for the taxpayer.

If you have received a letter from the Planning Inspectorate but are able to receive communications by email, please inform the Case Team using the contact details at the top of this letter as soon as possible.

As the Examination process makes substantial use of electronic documents, it will be useful for you to become familiar with the <u>project webpage</u>.

A <u>Make a submission tab</u> is available on the website which provides a portal through which parties should make written submissions at relevant deadlines during the Examination. Further information about the 'Make a submission' portal is provided at **Annex D** to this letter.

There is also a function on the right-hand side of the project webpage called 'E-mail updates'. This provides you with an opportunity to register to receive automatic e-mail updates at key stages during the Examination.

#### Your status in the Examination

You have received this letter because you fall within one of the groups described in the Planning Inspectorate's document What is My Status in the Examination?

If your reference number begins with '2003', 'MPSP-0', 'MPSP-AFP', 'MPSP-S57' 'MPSP-APL' you are in Group A. If your reference number begins with 'MPSP-SP' you are in Group B. If your reference number begins with 'MPSP-OP' you are in Group C. The meaning and purpose of those groups are explained in the document published at the link above.



If having read this document you are still unsure about your status, please contact the Case Team using the details at the top of this letter.

#### Awards of costs

All parties will normally be expected to meet their own costs. Costs can be awarded against a party who has acted unreasonably and has caused the party applying for the award of costs to incur unnecessary or wasted expense during the Examination. You should be aware of the relevant costs guidance <a href="#">Awards of costs: examinations of applications for development consent orders.</a>

#### Management of information

Information, including representations, submitted in respect of this Examination (if accepted by the Examining Authority) and a record of any advice which has been provided by the Planning Inspectorate is published on the project webpage.

Examination Documents can also be viewed electronically at the locations listed in **Annex C** to this letter.

Please note that in the interest of facilitating an effective and fair Examination, it is necessary to publish some personal information. To find out how we handle your personal information please view our <u>Privacy Notice</u>.

We look forward to working with all parties in the Examination of this application.

Yours faithfully

David Cliff

#### **Lead Member of the Examining Authority**

#### Annexes

- **A** Examination Timetable
- **B** Other Procedural Decisions made by the Examining Authority
- **C** Availability of Examination Documents
- **D** Information about the Make a submission tab

This communication does not constitute legal advice.

Please view our <u>Privacy Notice</u> before sending information to the Planning Inspectorate.



# **Examination Timetable**

The Examining Authority (ExA) is under a duty to **complete** the Examination of the application by the end of the period of six months beginning with the day after the close of the Preliminary Meeting.

The Examination of the application primarily takes the form of the consideration of written submissions. The ExA will also consider any oral representations made at hearings.

Item	Matters	Date	
1.	Procedural Deadline A	Wednesday 3 May 2023	
	Deadline for receipt by the ExA of:		
	Written submissions on the Examination Procedure		
	Requests to be heard orally at the     Preliminary Meeting		
	Request to be heard at Open Floor Hearing     (OFH) 1 or OFH 2		
	Applicant's updated draft Development Consent Order in clean and tracked versions and accompanying schedule of changes		
2.	Preliminary Meeting	Tuesday 16 May 2023 10:00am	
3.	Open Floor Hearing 1 (OFH1)	Wednesday 17 May 2023 10:00am	
4.	Open Floor Hearing 2 (OFH2)	Wednesday 17 May 2023 7:00pm	
5.	Issue by the ExA of:	Tuesday 23 May 2023	
	Examination Timetable		
	Publication of:		
	The ExA's Written Questions (ExQ1)		
6.	Deadline 1 (D1)	Tuesday 30 May 2023	
	For receipt by the ExA of:		
	Comments on Relevant Representations (RR)		
	Summaries of any RR exceeding 1500 words		

Item	Matters	Date
	<ul> <li>Written summaries of oral case at Open Floor Hearings and Applicant's post hearing responses</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Notification of wish to speak at a further Open Floor Hearing</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Notification of wish to speak at a Compulsory Acquisition Hearing (CAH)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Notification of wish to attend an Accompanied Site Inspection (ASI)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Notification of Statutory Parties of their wish to be considered an IP by the ExA</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Notification of wish to have future correspondence received electronically</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Suggested locations for site inspections, including justification</li> </ul>	
7.	Deadline 2 (D2)	Thursday 15 June 2023
	For receipt by the ExA of:	
	Written Representations	
	<ul> <li>Summaries of all Written Representations exceeding 1500 words</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Local Impact Reports from any Local Authority</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Responses to ExA's First Written Questions (ExQ1)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Comments on any other submission received at Deadline 1</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) requested by the ExA (See Annex F of Rule 6 letter)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Statement of Commonality of SoCG</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought (Compulsory Acquisition and Temporary Possession)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Applicant's updated Book of Reference (BoR) and schedule of changes to BoR</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Applicant's draft itinerary for ExA site inspection</li> </ul>	

Item	Matters	Date
	Any further information requested by the ExA for this deadline	
8.	Deadline 3 (D3)	Thursday 29 June 2023
	Comments on Written Representations	
	Comments on Local Impact Report(s)	
	<ul> <li>Comments on responses to ExA's First Written Questions</li> </ul>	
	Comments on any other submission received at Deadline 2	
	Updated draft Development Consent Order (clean and tracked versions) and accompanying schedule of changes	
	<ul> <li>Progress versions of any SoCG and an update on Statement of Commonality of SoCG</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>An updated Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought (if required) in clean and tracked versions</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Applicant's updated Guide to the Application.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Comments on the Applicant's draft itinerary for ExA site inspection</li> </ul>	
	Any further information requested by the ExA	
9.	Hearings	w/c 10 July 2023
	Dates reserved for any:	
	Issue Specific Hearing(s) to include the topics of the scope of the Proposed Development, need and alternatives, environmental effects (including during construction) and the draft Development Consent Order (if required)	
	<ul> <li>Compulsory Acquisition Hearing(s) (if required)</li> </ul>	
	Further Open Floor Hearing(s) (if required).	
10.	Deadline 4 (D4)	Tuesday 25 July 2023
	For receipt by the ExA of:	

Item	Matters	Date
	<ul> <li>Post hearing submission including written summaries of oral case put at any of the hearings during w/c 10 July 2023</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Progressed versions of any SoCG and an updated Statement of Commonality of SoCG (if required)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>An updated Guide to the Application</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>An updated version of the dDCO in clean and tracked versions and accompanying schedule of changes</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Comments on any submission received at deadline 3</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Any further information requested by the ExA</li> </ul>	
11.	Issue by the ExA of:	Tuesday 15 August
	• Further written questions (ExQ2) (if required)	2023
12.	Dates reserved for <b>Accompanied Site Inspection</b> (if required)	Thursday 17 & Friday 18 August 2023
13.	Deadline 5 (D5)	Tuesday 5 September
	For receipt by the ExA of:	2023
	<ul> <li>Response to ExA's Further Written Questions (ExQ2) (If required)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Progressed versions of any SoCG and an updated Statement of Commonality of SoCG</li> </ul>	
	updated Statement of Commonality of SoCG	
	<ul> <li>updated Statement of Commonality of SoCG</li> <li>An updated Guide to the Application</li> <li>An updated version of the dDCO in clean and tracked versions and accompanying</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>updated Statement of Commonality of SoCG</li> <li>An updated Guide to the Application</li> <li>An updated version of the dDCO in clean and tracked versions and accompanying schedule of changes</li> <li>An updated Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought (if required) in clean and</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>updated Statement of Commonality of SoCG</li> <li>An updated Guide to the Application</li> <li>An updated version of the dDCO in clean and tracked versions and accompanying schedule of changes</li> <li>An updated Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought (if required) in clean and tracked versions</li> <li>Comments on any submission received at</li> </ul>	
14.	<ul> <li>updated Statement of Commonality of SoCG</li> <li>An updated Guide to the Application</li> <li>An updated version of the dDCO in clean and tracked versions and accompanying schedule of changes</li> <li>An updated Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought (if required) in clean and tracked versions</li> <li>Comments on any submission received at deadline 4</li> <li>Any further information requested by the</li> </ul>	Tuesday 19 September

Item	Matters	Date
	<ul> <li>Comments on responses to ExA's further Written Questions (if required)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Comments on any submission received at Deadline 5</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Any further information requested by the ExA</li> </ul>	
15.	Hearings	w/c 25 September 2023
	Dates reserved for any:	
	<ul> <li>Further Issue Specific Hearing(s) (if required)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Further Open Floor Hearing(s) (if required).</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Further Compulsory Acquisition Hearing(s) (if required)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Further Accompanied Site Inspection (if required)</li> </ul>	
16.	Issue by the ExA of:	Friday 6 October 2023
	<ul> <li>The Report on the Implications for European Sites (RIES) (if required) and any associated questions</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>The Examining Authority's proposed schedule of changes to the draft Development Consent Order (if required)</li> </ul>	
17.	Deadline 7 (D7)	Tuesday 10 October
	For receipt by the ExA of:	2023
	<ul> <li>Post hearing submission including written summaries of oral case put at any of the hearings during w/c 25 September 2023</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Progressed versions of any SoCG and an updated Statement of Commonality of SoCG (if required)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Comments on any submission received at deadline 6</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Any further information requested by the ExA</li> </ul>	
18.	Deadline 8 (D8)	Tuesday 24 October
	For receipt by the ExA of:	2023

Item	Matters	Date
	<ul> <li>Comments on the ExA's proposed schedule of changes to the dDCO (if required)</li> </ul>	
	Final DCO in the SI template with the SI template validation report	
	Final BoR and schedule of changes to BoR	
	Final SoCG	
	Final Statement of Commonality of SoCG	
	Final Guide to the application	
	<ul> <li>Final Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought (if required) in clean and tracked versions</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Final status of Negotiations with Statutory Undertakers</li> </ul>	
	Final Policy Tracker	
	<ul> <li>Comments on the RIES and responses to any associated questions (if issued)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Comments on any additional information/submissions received by Deadline 7</li> </ul>	
	Any further information requested by the ExA	
19.	Deadline 9 (D9)	Friday 10 November
	For receipt by the ExA of:	2023
	Any further information requested by the ExA for this deadline	
20.	The ExA is under a duty to complete the Examination of the application by the end of the period of six months	Thursday 16 November 2023

## **Submission times for Deadlines**

The time for submission of documents at any Deadline in the timetable is 23:59 on the relevant Deadline date, unless instructed otherwise by the ExA.

## **Publication dates**

All information received will be published on the <u>project webpage</u> soon as practicable after the Deadlines for submissions.

#### Report on the Implications for European Sites (RIES)

Where an applicant has provided a No Significant Effects Report or a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Report with the application, the ExA may decide to issue a RIES during the Examination. The RIES is a factual account of the information and evidence provided to the ExA on HRA matters during the Examination up to the date of the publication of the RIES, for the purposes of enabling the Secretary of State, as competent authority, to undertake its HRA. It is not the ExA's opinion on HRA matters. Comments on the RIES will be invited by the ExA and any received will be taken into account as part of the ExA's Recommendation to the Secretary of State. The ExA may also raise questions in the RIES to confirm or clarify matters that remain outstanding.

The Secretary of State may rely on the consultation on the RIES to meet its obligations under Regulation 63(3) of The Habitats Regulations 2017 and/or Regulation 28 of The Offshore Marine Regulations.

#### Other Procedural Decisions made by the Examining Authority (ExA)

In addition to the Procedural Decisions made in our Rule 6 letter of 13 April 2023, we have made a number of Procedural Decisions following the Preliminary Meeting:

#### 1. Examination Timetable

The following changes have been made to the Examination Timetable from the Draft Timetable provided in our Rule 6 letter issued on 13 April 2023:

- For the avoidance of doubt, **Deadline 1 on 30 May 2023** now includes the Applicant's post Open Floor Hearing responses
- The deadline for the submission of Local Impact Reports (LIRs) from Local Authorities has been moved from **Deadline 1** to **Deadline 2** on **Thursday 15 June 2023**. This follows discussion at the Preliminary Meeting and is intended to provide Local Authorities with additional time to arrange any appropriate internal procedures. This deadline for LIRs is the latest that can be reasonably accommodated, taking account of the advice in the Planning Inspectorate's *Advice Note One: Local Impact Reports*.
- As a consequence of the above, the deadline for comments on LIRs have been moved from **Deadline 2** to **Deadline 3** on **Thursday 29 June 2023**.
- The submission of the Applicant's updated Book of Reference (and accompanying schedule of changes) has been added to **Deadline 2**.
- Time reserved for the Examining Authority's Accompanied Site Inspection (if required) has been moved from w/c 10 July 2023 to Thursday 17 and Friday 18 August 2023. This follows discussion at the Preliminary Meeting and will allow the w/c 10 July 2023 to be entirely focused on hearings.

The Examining Authority acknowledges the submissions of and regarding Essendine Parish Council. Whilst we still consider it likely to be necessary to hold a Compulsory Acquisition Hearing (CAH) in the **w/c 10 July 2023**, there remains an option for a further CAH to take place in the **w/c 25 September 2023** if required. The deadline for Written Representations remains at **Deadline 2** on **15 June 2023** for all Interested Parties in order that such submissions can be received at a suitably early stage in the Examination and in sufficient time to allow for the preparation of any hearings.

The second week of hearings (if required) remains as **w/c 25 September 2023** as the ExA, whilst noting the submissions from the Applicant, does not consider that there is sufficient justification for these hearings to be moved.

# 2. Examining Authority's Written Questions

Our <u>written questions (ExQ1)</u> have been published alongside this Rule 8 letter. Whilst most of our written questions are directed at specific parties, most notably the Applicant, no other party should feel inhibited or restricted in responding to any question we ask, even if it is directed elsewhere.

All relevant Statutory Parties are requested to check our Written Questions carefully in order that they may identify and respond to any questions posed to them.

For the avoidance of doubt, Statutory Parties are defined as the parties listed in Schedule 1 to The Infrastructure Planning (Interested Parties and Miscellaneous Prescribed Provisions) Regulations 2015. Statutory Parties, including relevant local authorities, that have not already registered to become an Interested Party should consider notifying the ExA of their wish to be considered as an Interested Party, under Section 89(2A)(b) of the Planning Act 2008 as soon as possible.

# 3. Statements of Common Ground (SoCG)

The Applicant is taking the lead in the preparation of SoCGs and it will aid the smooth running of the Examination if all Interested Parties who are participating in the preparation of SoCGs liaise and co-operate with the Applicant in respect of their production. We set out in **Annex F** of our <u>Rule 6 letter</u> the SoCGs we request are submitted during the Examination. Notwithstanding those already provided (with National Highways and the Environment Agency), the first deadline for SoCG is **Deadline 2 on 15 June 2023** with final signed versions to be submitted **by the Applicant** no later than **Deadline 8 on 24 October 2023**.

For Statutory Undertakers, where there is documented evidence that matters, including Protective Provisions) are agreed and no other matters of disagreement remain, then a statement from parties to this effect would suffice. In the absence of such a statement, and even is agreement is expected to be reached, then a SoCG should be progressed. Whilst a tracker document as suggested by the Applicant would also assist in presenting an overview of negotiations and positions, at this stage in the Examination before the receipt of Written Representation the ExA does not agree that this should be provided in place of an SoCG.

The ExA acknowledges the comments of the relevant parties at the Preliminary Meeting concerning a possible SoCG between the Applicant and Mallard Pass Action Group. Consequently, the ExA would expect the first SoCG between these parties to be submitted by **Deadline 3** on **29 June 2023**.

## 4. Local Impact Reports (LIR)

A LIR is a report in writing giving details of the likely impact of a Proposed Development on a local authority's area (or any part of that area). For more information about the importance and content of LIRs see our <u>Advice Note One:</u> <u>Local Impact Reports</u>.

As referred to above, Local Authorities, defined in section 56A of the Planning Act 2008, are invited to submit LIRs by **Deadline 2 on 15 June 2023.** 

# 5. Changes to land interests

When the Applicant becomes aware that there has been a change in ownership, or a new interest, in relevant land the Applicant is requested to make the relevant person aware that they can make a request to the ExA to become an Interested Party under section 102A of the PA2008 by completing the <a href="form available on the project">form available on the project</a> webpage. The Book of Reference and accompanying schedule of changes should

be updated where needed during the Examination, starting at **Deadline 2** on **15 June 2023** with the final BoR and accompanying schedule of changes being required by **Deadline 8** on **24 October 2023**. Confirmation is also required on each update that relevant persons have been informed of their rights under section 102A.

## 6. Compulsory Acquisition Tracker

Further to submissions made by the Applicant at the Preliminary Meeting and at Procedural Deadline A, the ExA agrees that a 'Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought' document can be provided in lieu of the Compulsory Acquisition and Temporary Possession Schedule.

# 7. Applicant's Additional Submissions

We have exercised our discretion and made a Procedural Decision to accept the Additional Submissions listed below from the Applicant as submitted at Procedural Deadline A. The Examination Library reference is provided for each document. For the avoidance of doubt, comments on these documents from Interested Parties can be incorporated into Written Representations and Local Impact Reports by **Deadline 2** (15 June 2023).

- Guide to the Application [PDA-002]
- Draft Development Consent Order Revision 1 (clean and tracked versions)
   [PDA-003 & PDA-004]
- Schedule of Changes Draft Development Consent Order [PDA-013]
- Updated Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan (clean and tracked versions) [PDA-005 & PDA-006]
- Updated Outline Soil Management Plan (clean and tracked versions) [PDA-007 & PDA-008]
- Statement of Commonality [PDA-009]
- Final Statement of Common Ground with National Highways [PDA-010]
- Draft Statement of Common Ground with Environment Agency [PDA-011]
- Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations [PDA-012]
- Supplementary Trial Trenching Report [PDA-014]

#### **Availability of Examination Documents**

The application documents and Relevant Representations are available to view on the <u>project webpage</u>.

All further documents submitted in the course of the Examination will also be published under the <u>Documents tab</u> of the project webpage.

#### The Examination Library

For ease of navigation, please refer to the <u>Examination Library</u> (EL) which is accessible by clicking the blue button under the Documents tab. The EL is updated regularly throughout the Examination.

The EL records and provides a hyperlink to:

- · Each application document;
- each representation and submission made to the Examination; and
- each Procedural Decision made by the Examining Authority.

Each document is given a unique reference number which will be fixed for the duration of the Examination. Please quote the unique reference number from the EL when referring to any Examination Documents in any future submissions that you make.

#### **Electronic deposit locations**

Documents can be viewed electronically, free of charge, at the electronic deposit locations listed in the table below. Please note that you will need to bring a form of identification and register as a library member in order to use a computer at Stamford Library. Oakham and Ryhall libraries can issue temporary log in details for non-library members.

The opening hours and availability of information technology set out in the table below may be subject to changes or limitations. Please check the current circumstances with the relevant locations before you attend.

Local authority	Venue/address	Opening hours	Printing Costs
Lincolnshire	Stamford Library High Street Stamford Lincolnshire PE9 2BB	Monday: 9:00am to 5:00pm Tuesday: 9:00am to 5:00pm Wednesday: 9:00am to 5:00pm Thursday: 9:00am to 6:00pm	A4 BW 10p A4 COL 25p A3 BW 20p A3 COL 50p

Local authority Rutland	Venue/address  Essendine Village	Friday: 9:00am to 5:00pm Saturday: 9:00am to 4:00pm Sunday: Closed Opening hours  By appointment	Printing Costs A4 BW 10p
	Hall Bourne Road Essendine Stamford PE9 4LQ	only	
Local authority	Venue/address	Opening hours	Printing Costs
Rutland	Oakham Library Catmos Street Oakham Rutland LE15 6HW	Monday: 9:00am to 5:00pm Tuesday: 9:00am to 5:00pm Wednesday: 9:00am to 5:00pm Thursday: 9:00am to 5:00pm Friday: 9:00am to 5:00pm Saturday: 9:00am to 1:00pm Sunday: Closed	A4 BW 20p A4 COL £1.20 A3 BW 40p A3 COL £2
Rutland	Ryhall Library Coppice Road Ryhal Rutland PE9 4HY	Monday: 9:00am to 1:00pm and 1:30pm to 5:00pm Tuesday: Closed Wednesday: Closed	Printing Costs  A4 BW 20p A4 COL £1.20  A3 BW 40p A3 COL £2

# Annex C

Thursday: 9:00am to 1:00pm and 1:30pm to 5:00pm
Friday: Closed
Saturday: 9:00am to 1:00pm
Sunday: Closed

Annex D

#### Information about the Make a submission tab

The Make a submission tab is available on the project webpage.

You will need to enter your unique reference number ('Your ref' found at the top your postcard or email from the Planning Inspectorate) beginning either 2003 or MPSP. If you are making a submission on behalf of another person or organisation, and do have not your own unique reference number, then you should enter the unique reference number of the person or organisation you are representing. If you are not a registered Interested Party then it is at the discretion of the Examining Authority whether or not your submission is accepted.

Submissions will be published on the <u>project webpage</u> as soon as practicable following the close of the relevant Deadline. For further information about publishing submissions please view our <u>Privacy Notice</u>.

You will be able to submit a document (upload file), make a text representation or both. It is possible to upload multiple files for each individual submission item. Electronic attachments should be clearly labelled with the subject title and not exceed 50MB.

Submissions **must not include hyperlinks** to documents/evidence hosted on a third party website eg technical reports, media articles etc. See the Planning Inspectorate's <u>Advice Note 8.4: The Examination</u> for further information about making written submissions. All submissions must be made in a format that can be viewed in full on the National Infrastructure Planning website. Any submissions that exceed 1500 words should also be accompanied by a summary; this summary should not exceed 10% of the original text.

You should select the relevant Deadline for your submission and then, on the next webpage, select the appropriate Submission item as described in the Examination Timetable at **Annex A** to this letter. Please ensure you make a separate submission for each Submission item and **do not duplicate your submission**. If you consider that your submission does not fit the description of any of the Submission items then please select the Submission item 'Other' and ensure that it is titled appropriately.

If you experience any issues when using the <u>Make a submission tab</u> please contact the Case Team using the contact details at the top of this letter and they will assist.