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All Interested Parties and Statutory Parties
invited to the Preliminary Meeting

Your Ref:

Our Ref: EN010131

Date: 12 July 2023

Dear Sir/ Madam

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

Application by Gate Burton Energy Park Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Gate Burton Energy Park

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
- 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 [Documents tab](#) on the project webpage of the National Infrastructure Planning website ([project webpage](#)).

The Examination Timetable

I 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 my [Rule 6 Letter](#). In finalising the Examination Timetable, I have taken account of the oral submissions made at the Preliminary Meeting and those made in writing prior to the Preliminary Meeting. No significant changes have been made to the draft Examination Timetable.



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, I may disregard them.

I request that all Interested Parties make their submissions using the [Make a submission tab](#) on the project webpage on or before the applicable Deadline. **Annex E** to this letter provides further information about using the [Make a submission tab](#).

If I consider it necessary to vary the Examination Timetable during the Examination, notification will be sent to Interested Parties and Statutory Parties invited to the Preliminary Meeting. The changes will be published on the [project webpage](#).

Written Representations

All Interested Parties are now invited to submit Written Representations, these should be submitted by **Deadline 2, Tuesday 8 August 2023** in the Examination Timetable.

Written Representations can cover any relevant matter and are not restricted to the matters set out in my Initial Assessment of Principal Issues or to the content of my 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](#)).

I 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 [Advice Note 8.4: The Examination](#) for further information about Written Representations.

Examining Authority's First Written Questions

I 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, Tuesday 8 August 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 I made at, or following, the Preliminary Meeting. These include:

- First Written Questions, and
- Additional submissions

Hearings and Site Inspections

As explained in my [Rule 6 Letter](#) and at the Preliminary Meeting, the Examination will principally be a written process (see [Advice Note 8.4: The Examination](#)), supplemented where necessary by various types of hearings (see [Advice Note 8.5: Hearings and site inspections](#) and [Advice Note 8.6: Virtual Examination events](#)).

On this basis the Examination Timetable at **Annex A** to this letter includes periods of time reserved for any hearings to be held, and I 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).

I have already undertaken a site inspection and plan to undertake further inspections during the Examination. Where I am able to view the site from public land I am likely to do this unaccompanied and a note of the site inspection will be published on the project webpage. The Examination Timetable also reserves time for me to undertake an Accompanied Site Inspection (ASI) in the week commencing the 21 August 2023. I 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. I 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.

Annex C provides details about what Interested Parties should include in a request to be heard at a hearing, and the procedure that will be followed at hearings. It also provides important information about the Accompanied Site Inspection and attendance at the inspection.

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 [project webpage](#).

A [Make a submission tab](#) 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 E** 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?](#)

Your reference number begins with '2002 or GABE-EAI, GABE-IP, GABE-ISP, GABE-APL, GABE-S57 you are in Group A. If your reference number begins with 'GABE-SP' you are in Group B. If your reference number begins with 'GABE-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 [Awards of costs: examinations of applications for development consent orders](#).

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 D** 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 [Privacy Notice](#).

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

Yours faithfully

Kenneth Stone

Examining Authority

Annexes

- A** Examination Timetable
- B** Other Procedural decisions
- C** Requests to appear and procedure to be followed at hearings
- D** Availability of Examination Documents
- E** Information about the Make a submission tab

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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.	<p>Deadline 1</p> <p>For receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Impact Reports (see Annex G of this letter), from any local authorities • Post-Hearing Submissions, including written summaries of oral submissions and any documents requested by the ExA • Comments on any oral submissions put at the Hearings. • Comments on Relevant Representations (RR) (see Annex G of this letter) • Summaries of all RR exceeding 1500 words • Comments on any Additional Submissions • Notification by Statutory Parties of their wish to be considered as an Interested Party (IP) by the ExA. • Applicant’s draft itinerary for an Accompanied Site Inspection ASI (if required) • Request to attend any ASI (if required) • Requests to be heard at any further OFH Requests by Interested Parties to be heard at an Open Floor Hearing (OFH) • Requests to be heard at a CAH Requests by Affected Persons (defined in section 	<p>Tuesday 18 July 2023</p>

	<p>59(4) of the Planning Act 2008) to be heard at a Compulsory Acquisition Hearing (CAH)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Applicant’s updated documents - clean versions and versions showing tracked changes since the last submitted version: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ draft Development Consent Order ○ Explanatory Memorandum ○ Book of Reference ○ Statement of Reasons ○ Statements of Common Ground • Applicants reports on progress – reports requested by the ExA (see Annex G of this letter). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Report on the interrelationship with other National Infrastructure Projects ○ Statement of Commonality and additional Statements of Common Ground ○ Schedule of progress regarding objections and agreements in relation to Compulsory Acquisition, Temporary Possession, other land rights, and blight ○ Schedule of progress regarding Protective Provisions and Statutory Undertakers ○ Schedule of the latest versions of the Applicant’s submission documents and documents to be certified ○ Schedule of progress in securing other consents • Any further information requested by ExA under Rule 17 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 	
2.	<p>Deadline 2</p> <p>For receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responses to the ExA’s First Written Questions • Written Representations • Summaries of Written Representations exceeding 1500 words • Request to attend hearings being held on the w/c 22 August 2023 	<p>Tuesday 8 August 2023</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments on Local Impact Report(s) • Comments on the Applicant’s draft itinerary for the ASI • The Applicant’s updated documents - clean versions and versions showing tracked changes since the last submitted version: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Report on the interrelationship with other National Infrastructure projects ○ draft Development Consent Order ○ Explanatory Memorandum ○ Book of Reference ○ Statement of Reasons ○ Statement of commonality and Statements of Common Ground ○ Schedule of progress regarding objections and agreements in relation to Compulsory Acquisition, Temporary Possession, other land rights, and blight ○ Schedule of progress regarding Protective Provisions and Statutory Undertakers ○ Schedule of the latest versions of the Applicant’s submission documents and documents to be certified ○ Schedule of progress in securing other consents • Comments on any further information received Comments on any further information requested by the ExA and received by Deadline 1 • Any further information requested by ExA under Rule 17 of the Examination Rules 	
3.	<p>Week reserved for Hearings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accompanied Site Inspection (if required) • Issue Specific Hearing(s) (if required) • Open Floor Hearings(s) (if required) • Compulsory Acquisition Hearing(s) (if required) 	<p>W/C 21 August 2023</p>

4.	<p>Deadline 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post-Hearing Submissions, including written summaries of oral submissions and any documents requested by the ExA • Comments on any oral submissions put at the Hearings. • Comments on Written Representations • Comments on responses to the ExAs First Written Questions • The Applicant’s updated documents - clean versions and versions showing tracked changes since the last submitted version: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Report on the interrelationship with other National Infrastructure projects ○ draft Development Consent Order ○ Explanatory Memorandum ○ Book of Reference ○ Statement of Reasons ○ Statement of commonality and Statements of Common Ground ○ Schedule of progress regarding objections and agreements in relation to Compulsory Acquisition, Temporary Possession, other land rights, and blight ○ Schedule of progress regarding Protective Provisions and Statutory Undertakers ○ Schedule of the latest versions of the Applicant’s submission documents and documents to be certified ○ Schedule of progress in securing other consents • Comments on any further information received Comments on any further information requested by the ExA and received by Deadline 2 • Any further information requested by ExA under Rule 17 of the Examination Rules 	<p>Friday 1 September 2023</p>
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5.	Issue by the ExA of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Examining Authority's Further Written Questions (ExQ2) (if required) 	Tuesday 12 September
6.	Deadline 4 For Receipt by the ExA of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responses to the Examining Authority's Further Written Questions (ExQ2) (if required) • The Applicant's updated documents - clean versions and versions showing tracked changes since the last submitted version: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Report on the interrelationship with other National Infrastructure projects ○ draft Development Consent Order ○ Explanatory Memorandum ○ Book of Reference ○ Statement of Reasons ○ Statement of commonality and Statements of Common Ground ○ Schedule of progress regarding objections and agreements in relation to Compulsory Acquisition, Temporary Possession, other land rights, and blight ○ Schedule of progress regarding Protective Provisions and Statutory Undertakers ○ Schedule of the latest versions of the Applicant's submission documents and documents to be certified ○ Schedule of progress in securing other consents • Comments on any further information received Comments on any further information requested by the ExA and received by Deadline 3 • Any further information requested by ExA under Rule 17 of the Examination Rules 	Tuesday 3 October 2023
7.	Week reserved for Hearings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accompanied Site Inspection (if required) 	W/C 9 October 2023

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issue Specific Hearing(s) (if required) • Open Floor Hearings(s) (if required) • Compulsory Acquisition Hearing(s) (if required) 	
8.	<p>Issue by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Examining Authority's Further Written Questions (ExQ3) (if required) • Report on the Implications for European Sites (RIES) and any associated questions (if required) 	<p>Wednesday 25 October 2023</p>
9.	<p>Deadline 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responses to the Examining Authority's Further Written Questions (ExQ3) (if required) • Comments on the RIES and responses to any associated questions (if required) • The Applicant's updated documents - clean versions and versions showing tracked changes since the last submitted version: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Report on the interrelationship with other National Infrastructure projects ○ draft Development Consent Order ○ Explanatory Memorandum ○ Book of Reference ○ Statement of Reasons ○ Statement of commonality and Statements of Common Ground ○ Schedule of progress regarding objections and agreements in relation to Compulsory Acquisition, Temporary Possession, other land rights, and blight ○ Schedule of progress regarding Protective Provisions and Statutory Undertakers ○ Schedule of the latest versions of the Applicant's submission documents and documents to be certified ○ Schedule of progress in securing other consents • Comments on any further information received 	<p>Monday 20 November 2023</p>

	<p>Comments on any further information requested by the ExA and received by Deadline 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any further information requested by ExA under Rule 17 of the Examination Rules 	
10.	<p>Issue by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ExA's commentary on, or schedule of changes to, the draft Development Consent Order(dDCO) (if required) 	Friday 1 December 2023
11.	<p>Deadline 6</p> <p>For receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments on ExA DCO (if required) • Final DCO Final DCO to be submitted by the Applicant in the SI template with the SI template validation report (in clean and tracked changed versions) • Final updated BoR Final BoR (in clean and tracked changed versions) and schedule of changes to BoR • Final SoCGs (in clean and tracked changed versions) • Final Statement of Commonality and Statements of Common Ground (in clean and tracked changed versions) • List of matters not agreed where SoCG could not be finalised (in clean and tracked changed versions) • Final Navigation Document/Guide to the application (in clean and tracked changed versions) • Final Status of Negotiations CA Schedule (in clean and tracked changed versions) • Final Status of Negotiations with Statutory Undertakers (in clean and tracked changed versions) • Final NPS tracker (in clean and tracked changed versions) • Final signed and dated section 106 (if required) • Comments on any further information received Comments on any additional information/submissions received by Deadline 5 	Thursday 14 December 2023

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any further information requested by ExA under Rule 17 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 	
12.	<p>Deadline 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary statements from parties regarding matters that they have previously raised during the examination that have not been resolved to their satisfaction. • Comments on any further information received Comments on any additional information/submissions received by Deadline 6 • Any further information requested by ExA under Rule 17 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 	Thursday 4 January 2024
13.	The ExA is under a duty to complete the Examination of the application by the end of the period of six months	Thursday 4 January 2024

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 [project webpage](#) as 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)

I have made a number of Procedural Decisions following the Preliminary Meeting:

1. Examining Authority's Written Questions

My Written Questions (ExQ1) have been published alongside this Rule 8 letter. Whilst most of my written questions are directed at specific parties, no other party should feel inhibited or restricted in responding to any question I ask, even if it is directed elsewhere.

Some of my questions are directed to specific Statutory Parties which have not, at the time of writing, confirmed that they wish to become Interested Parties for the purposes of the Examination of the application. All relevant Statutory Parties are requested to check my 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.

2. Additional Submissions

In addition to the documentation submitted by Procedural Deadlines A, I have exercised my discretion and made a Procedural Decision to accept Additional Submissions from the following:

1. Marine Management Organisation [AS-022]

Arrangements for hearings

My Examination will be principally undertaken through the exchange of written submissions however the Examination Timetable reserves periods of time for hearings to be held (if required).

Requests to participate at hearings

Interested Parties are required to notify the Examining Authority (ExA) in writing of their wish to take part in an Open Floor Hearing (OFH) or Compulsory Acquisition Hearing (CAH) on or before **18 July 2023** (see **Deadline 1**).

Any request to participate in a hearing **should include** the following information:

- Name and unique reference number (found at the top of any letter or email from the Planning Inspectorate);
- email address (if available) and contact telephone number;
- name and unique reference number of any person/organisation that you are representing (if applicable);
- for blended events, confirmation of whether you will participate virtually or in-person;
- confirmation of the hearing(s) you wish to participate in, the agenda item(s) on which you wish to speak and/or brief details of the topic(s) that you would like to raise;
- for Compulsory Acquisition Hearings, the plot number(s) of the relevant land provided in the [Book of Reference](#) and the [Land Plans – Part 1](#) and [Land Plans – Part 2](#); and
- the [Examination Library](#) reference number (with paragraph/page number where appropriate) of any documents you wish to refer to.

The time, date and place of any confirmed hearing will be notified in writing to all Interested Parties, providing at least 21 days' notice.

Requests to participate should be made using an **Event Participation Form** which will be provided with the notification of the hearing.

Please contact the Case Team using the contact details at the top of this letter if you require any support or assistance to attend an Event, either virtually or in person.

If no written requests to take part in an OFH or CAH are received by the above Deadline, I am not required to hold such a hearing, although I may choose to do so, nonetheless.

I may also choose to hold Issue Specific Hearings (ISH) about topics that I think need to be explored orally. The decision to hold an ISH about a particular topic is not connected to how relevant or important I consider an issue or topic to be.

Hearing agendas

High-level agendas for these hearings will be published alongside this notification on the [project webpage](#) to help inform your decision about whether to register to participate.

For Issue Specific Hearings and Compulsory Acquisition Hearings the ExA will publish a detailed draft agenda on the project website at least five working days in advance of the hearing date. However, the actual agenda on the day of each hearing may be subject to change at the discretion of the ExA. For Open Floor Hearings an agenda may not be published.

Procedure at hearings

The Examination will principally be a written process (see the Planning Inspectorate's [Advice Note 8.4: The Examination](#)), supplemented where necessary by various types of hearings. Please refer to the [Advice Note 8.5: Hearings and site inspections](#) and [Advice Note 8.6: Virtual Examination events](#) as these provide important information about hearing procedures.

The procedure to be followed at hearings is set out in Rule 14 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010. The ExA is responsible for the oral questioning of a person giving evidence and the process affords very limited scope to allow cross-questioning between parties.

Hearing livestream and recording

A link to a livestream for each hearing will be made available on the [project webpage](#) shortly before any hearing is due to open. The livestream is available to anybody who wishes to observe a hearing in real time.

All hearings are recorded, and the recordings will be made available on the [project webpage](#) as soon as practicable after the close of the hearing. The recordings allow any member of the public who is interested in the application and the Examination to find out what has been discussed.

Accompanied Site Inspection (ASI) and requests to attend

Time has been reserved in the Examination Timetable to undertake an ASI in the week commencing the 21 August 2023.

As requested in **Annex E** of my [Rule 6 letter](#), suggestions, including justification, for locations to be included in the ASI were submitted by Procedural Deadline A and have been published on the [project webpage](#).

Also as requested in my [Rule 6 letter](#) the Applicant also submitted suggested locations for site inspections by Procedural Deadline A.

A draft itinerary was discussed at the Preliminary Meeting and the Applicant's draft itinerary should be submitted by **Deadline 1, Tuesday 18 July 2023**.

Comments on the Applicant's draft itinerary should be submitted by **Deadline 2, Tuesday 8 August 2023**.

I will then review the comments received and the draft itinerary and determine whether an ASI is required or may make changes to it. My final itinerary for the ASI, if one is required, will be published on the project webpage on or before **Monday 14 August 2023**.

Please note that for logistical and safety reasons it may be necessary to limit the numbers of persons who accompany me for the whole ASI, however it should be possible for arrangements to be made for Interested Parties (or their representatives) to join the inspection at specified locations within the itinerary.

Requests by Interested Parties to attend the ASI should be provided by **Deadline 1, Tuesday 18 July 2023** and should include confirmation of whether the request is to attend for the whole inspection or just specific locations. The request must be submitted separately from any other written submission.

Please select the appropriate Deadline and Submission Item under the [Make a submission tab](#). **Annex D** provides further information about the Make a submission tab.

Interested Parties should be aware that ASIs are not an opportunity to make any oral representations to me about the Proposed Development. However, I may invite participants to indicate specific features or sites of interest.

Please contact the Case Team using the contact details at the top of this letter if you require any support or assistance to attend the ASI.

Availability of Examination Documents

The application documents and Relevant Representations are available to view on the [project webpage](#).

All further documents submitted in the course of the Examination will also be published under the [Documents tab](#) of the project webpage.

The Examination Library

For ease of navigation, please refer to the [Examination Library](#) (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 may need to bring a form of identification and register as a library member in order to use a computer at these locations.

Local authority	Venue/address	Opening hours	Printing costs
Lincoln Central Library	Free School Lane Lincoln Lincolnshire LN2 1EZ	Monday: 9am - 5pm Tuesday: 9am - 5pm Wednesday: 9am - 5pm Thursday: 9am - 6pm Friday: 9am - 5pm	A4 BW COST 10p A4 COL COST 25p A3 BW COST 20p A3 COL COST 50p

		Saturday: 9am - 4pm Sunday: Closed	
Local authority	Venue/address	Opening hours	Printing Costs
Gainsborough Library	Cobden Street Gainsborough Lincs DN21 2NG	Monday: 9am - 5pm Tuesday: 9am - 5pm Wednesday: 9am - 5pm Thursday: 9am - 6pm Friday: 9am - 5pm Saturday: 9am - 1pm Sunday: Closed	A4 BW COST 10p A4 COL COST 25p A3 BW COST 20p A3 COL COST 50p
Local authority	Venue/address	Opening hours	Printing Costs
Retford Library	17 Churchgate Retford Notts DN22 6PE	Monday: 9am - 6pm Tuesday: 9am - 6pm Wednesday: 9am - 6pm Thursday: 9am - 6pm Friday: 9am - 6pm Saturday: 9am - 3:30pm Sunday: Closed	A4 BW COST 20p A4 COL COST 25p A3 BW COST 20p A3 COL COST 50p

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 '2002 or GABE-EAI, GABE-SP, GABE-ISP, GABE-APL, GABE-S57. If you are making a submission on behalf of another person or organisation, and do not have 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 [project webpage](#) as soon as practicable following the close of the relevant Deadline. For further information about publishing submissions please view our [Privacy Notice](#).

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 [Advice Note 8.4: The Examination](#) 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 [Make a submission tab](#) please contact the Case Team using the contact details at the top of this letter and they will assist.