

APPLICATION BY WEST BURTON SOLAR PROJECT LIMITED FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE PROPOSED WEST BURTON SOLAR PROJECT

Issue Specific Hearing 1 (ISH5): Postponed elements of Issue Specific Hearings 3 and 4

Date: Wednesday 13 March 2024

Venue: Microsoft Teams

Action Points

The table below contains a number of action points arising from ISH5. This is not intended to be a complete list and Interested Parties should rely on their own record of commitments made.

Action	By whom
Clarification of the additional information contained in REP4-076, Gate Burton Energy Park and Grid Connection Corridor, Nottinghamshire and Lincolnshire Archaeological Evaluation.	Applicant
NCC and LCC to provide further information and evidence on the area forming the Order Limits in terms of its relative sensitivity and archaeological significance.	LCC and NCC
Applicant to provide signposting within the WSI to measures in other operational and environmental management plans which provide support to and inform archaeological management and mitigation measures.	Applicant
 LCC and NCC to provide specific comments in relation to: a. If the Secretary of State were to agree that sufficient preconsent archaeological evaluation has taken place, how their other concerns could be addressed though specific amendments to the Applicant's WSI. b. With reference to the need for future monitoring of impacts on the underlying archaeological resource, for example in relation to the comment regarding ground compaction from concrete shoes, the LPAs are asked to clarify what specific provisions are being sought within the Applicants management plans. 	LCC and NCC
 Applicant/HE to provide plans within the SoCG relating to: a. the suggested extent of the medieval deer park, including the area to the North. b. HE's suggestion as to which part of the array they would like to see deleted from the Scheme. 	Applicant/HE
Historic England agreed to provide further information relating to Stow Park Medieval Bishops Place and Deer Park in terms of the	HE

significance of the relationship between the bishop's residence and the use of the park.	
Provide further information on the approach to managing impacts on the landscape through the reinforcement of the existing landscape character and the way in which this has led to the conclusion of beneficial effects overall. Also further detail as to how landscape impacts and visual impacts have been considered as distinct and separate considerations, albeit with some degree of overlap.	Applicant
Applicant to review opportunities for references to the good design principles and parameters, and also the design champion role, within the Scheme management plans.	Applicant
With particular reference to the assessment of the magnitude of change to landscape character and how this has been considered following the extension of the project from 40 to 60 years, the Applicant will clarify the approach to the application of methodology (noting the concerns raised by WLDC).	Applicant
Consideration to be given to suggested additional wording for management plans to address concerns relating to the potential need for the coordination of various elements of different projects during their delivery.	West Lindsey District Council
With reference to the extent of the geographical coverage of the solar projects proposed and under examination within West Lindsay District, clarification on the rationale and approach to the assessment of cumulative landscape and visual impacts to be provided.	Applicant
Provide a progress update on the framework for the joint CTMP	Applicant/ Local Authorities
Provide an update on, or reference to: (a) With regard to cumulative impact on agriculture, of multiple solar projects within the county, will there come a point at which the impact is not assessed as beneficial? (b) With regard to available farmland in Lincolnshire, regionally and nationally, what proportion of agricultural land may be removed from agricultural use as a result of cumulative impacts of known proposals.	Applicant