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Our Ref: EN010139

Date: 30 July 2024

Dear Sir/ Madam

Planning Act 2008 – Section 89 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 – Rule 8 and 9

Application by RWE Renewables UK Solar and Storage Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Byers Gill Solar Project.

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 an additional Statement of Common Ground
- Other Procedural Decisions made by the ExA
- Information about the availability of Examination Documents
- Guidance on the use of the 'Have your say' option 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

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 '[Have your say](#)' on the project webpage on or before the applicable Deadline. **Annex D** to this letter provides further information about using the '[Have your say](#)' option.

If we 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 and any comments on the Relevant Representations already submitted. These should be submitted by **Deadline 2, Thursday 29 August 2024** in the Examination Timetable.

Written Representations can cover any relevant matter and are not restricted to the matters set out in our Initial Assessment of Principal Issues within the [Rule 6 Letter](#) 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 [Advice Note 8.4: The Examination](#) 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 Thursday, 29 Aug 2024** 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:

- Examination Timetable
- Examining Authority's Written Questions
- Statements of Common Ground
- Local Impact Reports
- Changes to land interests; and
- Locations for Site Inspections (Accompanied and/or Unaccompanied)

Hearings and Site Inspections

As explained in the ExA's [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 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).

We will also undertake site inspections. Where we are able to view the site from public land we are 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 us to undertake an Accompanied Site Inspection (ASI), if required **week commencing 14 October 2024**.

Please see Annex B of this letter for further details. 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 Inspector on an access required basis.

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 '[Have your say](#)' option 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 'Have your say' option is provided at **Annex D** to this letter.

There is also a function on the project webpage called 'Get 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 'BGSF', 'BGSF -0', 'BGSF -AFP', 'BGSF -S57' 'BGSF -APP' you are in Group A. If your reference number begins with 'BGSF -SP' you are in Group B. If your reference number begins with 'BGSF -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 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 [Privacy Notice](#).

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

Yours faithfully

Andre Pinto

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 'Have your say' option

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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>Procedural Deadline A</p> <p>Deadline for receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Written submissions on the Examination Procedure and Timetable Requests to be heard orally at the Preliminary Meeting Request to participate in the Issue Specific Hearing 1 (ISH1) Requests to be heard orally at the Open Floor Hearings (OFH) 1 or 2 Suggested locations for site inspections (Accompanied and/or Unaccompanied), including justification 	10 Jul 2024
2.	Preliminary Meeting	Tuesday, 23 Jul 2024 at 10:00
3.	<p>Issue Specific Hearing (ISH) 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview of the Proposed Development and the Development Consent Order 	Tuesday, 23 Jul 2024 at 14:00
4.	Open Floor Hearing (OFH) 1	Wednesday, 24 Jul 2024 at 10:00
5.	Open Floor Hearing (OFH) 2	Wednesday, 24 Jul 2024 at 18:00
6.	<p>Issue by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Examination Timetable <p>Publication by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The ExA's Written Questions (ExQ1) 	As soon as practicable following the Preliminary Meeting

<p>7.</p>	<p>Deadline 1</p> <p>For receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post-hearing submissions including written submissions of oral cases as heard on the ISH1, OFH1 and OFH2 • Comments on Relevant Representations (RRs) • Summaries of all RRs exceeding 1500 words • Applicant’s draft itinerary for Accompanied Site Inspection (ASI) (if required) • Local Impact Report(s) (LIRs) • Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) • Statement of Commonality (SoC) of SoCG • The Compulsory Acquisitions (CA) Schedule • Status of Negotiations with Statutory Undertakers • Guide to the Application • Notification by Statutory Parties of their wish to be considered as an Interested Party (IP) by the ExA • Requests by Interested Parties (IPs) to be heard at a subsequent Open Floor Hearing (OFH) • Requests by Affected Persons (APs) (defined in section 59(4) of the Planning Act 2008) to be heard at a Compulsory Acquisition Hearing (CAH) • Any further information requested by the ExA under Rule 17 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 • Comments on any information/submissions accepted by the ExA 	<p>Tuesday, 13 Aug 2024</p>
<p>8.</p>	<p>Deadline 2</p> <p>For receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response to the ExA’s ExQ1 • Comments on LIR(s) • Written Representations (WRs), summaries of all WRs exceeding 1500 words • Comments from APs on the Applicant’s Compulsory Acquisition Schedule • An updated version of the draft Development Consent Order (dDCO) in clean, tracked and Word versions 	<p>Thursday, 29 Aug 2024</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated Explanatory Memorandum • Updated Statement of Reasons • Updated Guide to the Application • Comments on the Applicant's draft itinerary for the ASI • Any further information requested by the ExA under Rule 17 of the Examination Rules • Comments on any further information/submissions received by Deadline 1 	
9.	<p>Deadline 3</p> <p>For receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments on WRs • Updated SoCG • Updated SoC • Updated CA Schedule (if required) • Updated Guide to the Application • Comments on responses to ExQ1 • Any further information requested by the ExA under Rule 17 of the Examination Rules • Comments on any further information/submissions received by Deadline 2 	Thursday, 19 Sept 2024
10.	<p>Publication by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ExA's final itinerary for the ASI (if held) 	Thursday, 19 Sept 2024
11.	<p>Dates reserved for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compulsory Acquisition Hearing (CAH) • Issue Specific Hearings (ISH1) • ASI (if held) 	Week commencing 14 October
12.	<p>Deadline 4</p> <p>For receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post-hearing submissions including written submissions of oral cases (if required) • Updated Statement of Reasons (if required) • Updated CA Schedule (if required) • Updated Status of negotiations with Statutory Undertakers • Updated Guide to the Application 	Thursday, 24 Oct 2024

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any further information requested by the ExA under Rule 17 of the Examination Rules <p>Comments on any further information/submissions received by Deadline 3</p>	
13.	<p>Publication by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The ExA's Written Questions (ExQ2) ExA's commentary on, or schedule of changes to, the dDCO 	Friday, 1 Nov 2024
14.	<p>Deadline 5</p> <p>For receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responses to ExQ2 Updated SoCG Updated SoC Updated Explanatory Memorandum Updated Statement of Reasons Updated CA Schedule Updated Status of negotiations with Statutory Undertakers Updated Guide to the Application Comments on the ExA's commentary on, or schedule of changes to, the draft DCO An updated version of the dDCO in clean, tracked and word versions Any further information requested by the ExA under Rule 17 of the Examination Rules Comments on any further information/submissions received by Deadline 4 	Friday, 15 Nov 2024
15.	<p>Dates reserved (if required) for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any Compulsory Acquisition Hearings Any Issue Specific Hearings Any Open Floor Hearings 	Week commencing 25 Nov 2024
16.	<p>Deadline 6</p> <p>For receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comments on responses to ExQ2 Post-hearing submissions including written submissions 	Friday, 6 Dec 2024

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated Status of negotiations with Statutory Undertakers • Updated CA Schedule (if required) • Updated Guide to the Application • Comments on the dDCO • Comments on any further information/submissions received by Deadline 5 • Any further information requested by the ExA under Rule 17 of the Examination Rules 	
17.	<p>Publication by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ExA's Further Written Questions (if required) • Report on the Implications for European Sites (RIES) and any associated questions (if required) • ExA's further commentary on, or schedule of changes to, the dDCO (if required) 	Friday, 20 Dec 2024
18.	<p>Deadline 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response to Third Written Questions (if issued) • Comments on the ExA's commentary on, or schedule of changes to, the draft DCO • Comments on any additional information/submissions received by Deadline 6 • Any further information requested by the ExA under Rule 17 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 	Friday, 10 Jan 2025
19.	<p>Deadline 8</p> <p>For receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments on the REIS (if issued) • Comments on responses to Third Written Questions (if required) • Final dDCO to be submitted by the Applicant in the SI template with the SI template validation report • Final Schedule of Changes to the dDCO • Final Explanatory Memorandum (EM) and schedule of changes to Explanatory Memorandum • Final updated BoR and schedule of changes to BoR • Final CA Schedule • Final Status of Negotiations with Statutory Undertakers 	Friday, 17 Jan 2025

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final SoCG • Final SoC • List of matters not agreed where SoCG could not be finalised • Final Guide to the Application • Comments on any further information/submissions received by Deadline 7 • Any further information requested by the ExA under Rule 17 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 	
20.	<p>Deadline 9</p> <p>For receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any further information requested by the ExA 	Thursday, 23 Jan 2025
21.	The ExA is under a duty to complete the Examination of the application by the end of the period of six months	Thursday, 23 Jan 2025

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.

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.

Other Procedural Decisions made by the Examining Authority (ExA)

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

1. Examination Timetable

We are grateful for comments made at the Preliminary Meeting and representations made at Procedural Deadline A by Bishopton Villages Action Group (BVAG), Darlington Borough Council and the Applicant in relation to the Examination Timetable. In response to the requests received and after careful consideration, the ExA has made the following amendments to the Examination Timetable:

- The ExA has decided to move the date for Deadline 1, from Thursday 8 August 2024 to Tuesday 13 August 2024. This is to allow more time for the finalisation of written post-hearing submissions following from oral cases as heard on Issue Specific Hearing 1 (ISH1), Open Floor Hearing (OFH) 1 and OFH2 as well as more time for the development of the Local Impact Reports (LIRs), the development of Statements of Common Ground (SoCG), Statements of Commonality (SoC) of SoCG and consideration of ExA's Written Questions (ExQ)1.
- The ExA has decided to move the date for Deadline 2, from Wednesday 21 August to Thursday 29 August, as to allow more time for all IP's and the Applicant to respond to ExQ1 and for all parties to consider and comment on LIRs;
- Dates reserved, if required, for Compulsory Acquisition Hearings and Issue Specific Hearings in the week commencing 2 of September 2024 have been removed as to accommodate changes made to Deadline 1 and Deadline 2.
- All other Deadlines, including Deadline 3, remain unchanged and are as included in Annex D of the [Rule 6 letter](#).

2. Examining Authority's Written Questions

Our [written questions \(ExQ1\)](#) have been published alongside this Rule 8 letter on 30 July 2024. Whilst most of our written questions are directed at specific parties, no other party should feel inhibited or restricted in responding to any question we ask, even if it is directed elsewhere.

Some of our 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 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 H** of our [Rule 6 letter](#) the SoCGs we request are submitted during the Examination of this application. Final signed versions of the SoCGs listed below are requested to be submitted **by the Applicant to Deadline 8 (Friday, 17 January 2025)**:

1. SoCG between the Applicant and **Tees Valley Combined Authority**;
2. SoCG between the Applicant and **Durham County Council**;
3. SoCG between the Applicant and **Darlington Borough Council**;
4. SoCG between the Applicant and **Stockton Borough Council**;
5. SoCG between the Applicant and **Bishopton Parish Council**;
6. SoCG between the Applicant and **Redmarshall Parish Council**;
7. SoCG between the Applicant and **Stillington and Whitton Parish Council**;
8. SoCG between the Applicant and **Great Stainton Parish Council**;
9. SoCG between the Applicant and **Bishopton Villages Action Group (BVAG)**;
10. SoCG between the Applicant and **Historic England**;
11. SoCG between the Applicant and **National Highways**;
12. SoCG between the Applicant and **Northern Powergrid**;
13. SoCG between the Applicant and **National Grid**;
14. SoCG between the Applicant and **Environment Agency**;
15. SoCG between the Applicant and **Network Rail**;
16. SoCG between the Applicant and **National Gas**.

The above list maybe added to during the Examination and should not be taken as precluding any IP not listed and the Applicant from drafting a SoCG.

For each of those areas that are in dispute, it would be beneficial if each party would put their estimation as to the likelihood that disagreement will remain by the end of the Examination. This should be done on a '**Low**', '**Medium**' and '**High**' traffic light **Red Amber and Green (RAG) model**.

All of the SoCGs listed above should cover the Articles and Requirements in the draft Development Consent Order. Any Interested Party seeking that an Article or Requirement is reworded should provide the form of words which are being sought.

The content of SoCGs will help to inform us about the need to hold any Issue Specific Hearings during the Examination, and to enable us and the Applicant to give notice of such hearings at least 21 days in advance of them taking place.

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 [Advice Note One: Local Impact Reports](#).

Local Authorities, defined in section 56A of the Planning Act 2008, are invited to submit LIRs by **Deadline 1, Tuesday 13 August**.

6. 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 notifying the Case Team via email to the [project mailbox](#). The Examination Timetable includes various Deadlines for the submission of an updated Book of Reference and schedule of changes to the Book of Reference, which should include confirmation that relevant persons have been informed of their rights under section 102A.

7. Locations for site inspections (Accompanied and/or Unaccompanied)

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

Having reviewed the suggested locations, including justification, for locations to be included in a site inspection and taken into account the locations already visited by the exA at US11, the ExA requests that the Applicant prepares a draft itinerary for an site inspection that includes, but is not necessarily limited to, the following locations:

- From [PDA-004]:
 - Playground at Bishopton located off Cobby Castle Lane;
- From [PDA-003]:
 - Viewpoint, close to Downland Farm, looking towards Bishopton and Redmarsh Road. Not public accessible land therefore not viewed by the ExA at US11;
 - Viewpoints to the back of Great Stainton looking towards Area D;
 - Walking Route, from Lodge Lane, down Salters Lane up to Newton Ketton farm and then walk northwest up to High House Lane;
 - Driving route from Great Stainton to Little Stainton past Carr House and Hazelfield Lodges towards Longpasture Farm;
 - Fir Tree Farm Viewpoint, off Salters Lane;
 - Viewpoint, off Lime Lane and close to Whinfield House;

The draft itinerary should be submitted by **Deadline 1, Tuesday 13 August**.

The ExA would also like to stress that comments on the Applicant's draft itinerary should be submitted by **Deadline 2, Thursday 29 August 2024**.

We will then review the comments received and the draft itinerary and may make changes to it. Our final itinerary for the ASI will be published on the project webpage on or before **Thursday, 19 September 2024**.

Please note that for logistical and safety reasons it may be necessary to limit the numbers of persons who accompany us 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.

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 location 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 these locations.

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

Local authority	Venue/address	Opening hours	Printing Costs
Norton Library	87 High Street, Norton, Stockton-on-Tees, TS20 1AE	Monday: 9:30-17:00 Tuesday: 9:30-17:00 Wednesday: 9:30-19:00 Thursday: 9:30-17:00 Friday: 9:30-19:00	A4 BW: 10p A4 COL: 40p

		Saturday: 9:30-13:00 Sunday: Closed	
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Information about the Make a submission tab

The '[Have your say](#)' option 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 2004 or BGSF-AFP, BGSF-ISP, BGSF-EIA. 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 'Have your say' option please contact the Case Team using the contact details at the top of this letter and they will assist.