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Section 55

Acceptance of Applications Checklist

Appendix 3 of [Advice Note Six: Preparation and submission of application documents](#)

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<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2008/29/section/55>

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| Section 55(2) Acceptance of Applications | | | | |
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| 1 | Within 28 days (starting day after receipt) the Planning Inspectorate must decide whether or not to accept the application for Examination. | Date received | 28 day due date | Date of decision |
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| Section 55(3) – the Planning Inspectorate may only accept an application if it concludes that: | | | Planning Inspectorate comments | |
| Section 55(3)(a) and s55(3)(c): It is an application for an order granting development consent | | | | |
| 2 | Is the development a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project ¹ (NSIP) (or does it form part of an NSIP); and does the application state on the face of it that it is an application for a Development Consent Order ² (DCO) under the Planning Act 2008 (the PA2008), or equivalent words? Does the application specify the development to which it relates (i.e. which category or categories in ss14 to 30 does the Proposed Development fall)? | <p>Yes.</p> <p>The Helios Renewable Energy Project (the Proposed Development) is set out in Schedule 1 of the draft Development Consent Order (DCO) [EN010140/APP/3.1] and is a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project under sections 14(1)(a) and 15(2) of the Planning Act 2008, as an onshore generation station in England with a capacity exceeding 50 megawatts (MW). This is set out in the Application form [EN010140/APP/1.3] in section 4. The Covering Letter [EN010140/APP/1.1] states that this application (the Application) is for a development consent order under the Planning Act 2008.</p> | | |

¹ NSIP is defined generally in s14 with the detailed thresholds for each of the specified categories being set out in ss15 to 30

² Development consent is required for development to the extent that the development is or forms part of an NSIP (s31 of the PA2008)

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| | If the development does not fall within the categories in ss14 to 30, has a direction been given by the Secretary of State under s35 of the PA2008 for the development to be treated as development for which development consent is required? | A non-technical description of the Proposed Development is included within the Planning Statement [EN010140/APP/7.1] and a more detailed explanation of the Proposed Development is included in Chapter 3 [EN010140/APP/6.1.3] of the Environmental Statement (ES) |
| 3 | Summary: Section 55(3)(a) and s55(3)(c) | |
| Section 55(3)(e): The Applicant in relation to the application made has complied with Chapter 2 of Part 5 (pre-application procedure) | | |
| 4 | In accordance with the EIA Regulations ³ , did the Applicant (prior to carrying out consultation in accordance with s42) either (a) request the Planning Inspectorate adopt a Screening Opinion in respect of the development to which the application relates, or (b) notify the Planning Inspectorate in writing that it proposed to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of that development? | <p>Yes.</p> <p>As set out in Chapter 1: Introduction [EN010140/APP/6.1.1] of the ES, the Applicant notified the Planning Inspectorate on 6th June 2022 in writing, by way of submission of Appendix 2.1 Scoping Report [EN010140/APP/6.3.2.1] of the ES, under Regulation 8(1)(b) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 that an ES will be provided with the DCO application for the Proposed Development.</p> <p>The Planning Inspectorates Scoping Opinion dated 14 July 2022 Appendix 2.2 [EN010140/APP/6.3.2.2] of the ES acknowledges the Applicant's request. Therefore, by virtue of Regulation 6(2)(a), the Proposed Development is 'EIA development'.</p> <p>Notice of the Applicant's proposal to provide an ES was given prior to carrying out consultation under s42 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008) as can be seen in Chapter 1: Introduction [EN010140/APP/6.1.1] of the ES.</p> |
| 5 | Have any Adequacy of Consultation Representations ⁴ been received from 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D' local authorities; and if so, do they confirm that the | The adequacy of consultation representations will be requested by the Planning Inspectorate upon submission of the Application. NOT FOR APPLICANT |

³ Regulation 8 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (2017 EIA Regulations), or where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies, Regulation 6 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 (2009 EIA Regulations)

⁴ Section 55(4) of the PA2008 provides that the Planning Inspectorate must have regard to the Consultation Report, and any Adequacy of Consultation Representations received

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| | Applicant has complied with the duties under s42, s47 and s48? | |
| Section 42: Duty to consult | | |
| Did the Applicant consult the applicable persons set out in s42 of the PA2008 about the proposed application? | | |
| 6 | Section 42(1)(a) persons prescribed ⁵ ? | <p>Yes. The Applicant has provided a list of persons Consulted under Section 42(1)(a) on 24 October 2023 at Appendix 10.1 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.2.10.1]</p> <p>A copy of the Section 48 notice was enclosed with the letters. The letters contained a link to the project website, which hosted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The PEIR; ▪ A non-technical summary (“NTS“) of the PEIR; ▪ Plans showing the location of the Helios Renewable Energy Project; ▪ Community Consultation Leaflet; ▪ Feedback Form; and ▪ Additional documents including a Consultation Summary Document and the Statement of Community Consultation (which are included for information purposes). <p>The letters were also issued via email on 24 October 2023. A copy of the Section 42 letter and email is included in Appendix 10.6 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.2.10.6] Documents including proof of postage and mailing confirmation are included in Appendix 11.8 [EN010140/APP/5.2.11.8]</p> |

⁵ Statutory consultees set out in Schedule 1 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (APFP Regulations)

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| 7 | Section 42(1)(aa) the Marine Management Organisation ⁶ ? | No. The Proposed Development does not affect any of the area specified in s42(2) and therefore it was not necessary to consult the Marine Management Organisation. |
| 8 | Section 42(1)(b) each local authority within s43 ⁷ ? | <p>Yes. The Applicant has provided a list the relevant local authorities that were consulted under Section 43 and Section 42(1)(a) of the PA2008 at Appendix 10.1 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.2.10.1]</p> <p>The 14 'A' authorities consulted were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Yorkshire Council • East Riding of Yorkshire • York • Doncaster • Wakefield • Leeds • Bradford • Pendle • Ribble Valley • Lancaster • Westmorland and Furness • County Durham • Darlington |

⁶ In any case where the Proposed Development would affect, or would be likely to affect, any of the areas specified in s42(2) of the PA2008

⁷ Definition of 'local authority' in s43(3) of the PA2008: The 'B' authority where the application land is in the authority's area; the 'A' authority where any part of the boundary of A's area is also a part of the boundary of B's area; the 'C' authority (upper tier) where the application land is in that authority's area; the 'D' authority (upper tier) where such an authority shares a boundary with a 'C' authority

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stockton-on-Tees • Middlesbrough • Redcar and Cleveland <p>The 1 'B' authority is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Yorkshire Council <p>The 2 'D' authorities are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yorkshire Dales National Park • North York Moors National Park |
| 9 | Section 42(1)c) the Greater London Authority (if in Greater London area)? | N/A. The Greater London Authority (GLA) was not consulted as the Proposed Development is not in the GLA area. |
| 10 | Section 42(1)(d) each person in one or more of s44 categories ⁸ ? | Yes. The Applicant has provided a list of relevant interested parties under Section 42(d), a person is within Section 44 of the 2008 Act at Appendix 10.1 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.2.10.1] . |
| Section 45: Timetable for s42 consultation | | |
| 11 | Did the Applicant notify s42 consultees of the deadline for receipt of consultation responses; and if so was the deadline notified by the Applicant 28 days or more starting with the day after receipt of the consultation documents? | <p>Yes. The Applicant wrote formally to all consultees identified under s42 of the PA 2008 to notify them of the consultation. The letters issued to Section 42 consultees clearly stated a deadline for the receipt of consultation responses.</p> <p>Each of the letters were issued on 24 October 2023, the letters set out clearly that the consultation would run from 6 October to 7 December 2023, a period of in excess of the</p> |

⁸ Category 1: owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of land; Category 2: person interested in the land or has power to sell and convey the land or to release the land; Category 3: persons who would or might be entitled to make a relevant claim. There is no requirement on the Planning Inspectorate to check the accuracy of the list(s) provided or whether the Applicant has made diligent inquiry

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| | | required 28 days. A copy of this letter can be found in Appendix 10.6 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.2.10.6] . |
| Section 46: Duty to notify the Planning Inspectorate of proposed application | | |
| 12 | Did the Applicant supply information to notify the Planning Inspectorate of the proposed application; and if so, was the information supplied to the Planning Inspectorate on or before the date it was sent to the s42 consultees? Was this done on or before commencing consultation under s42? | <p>Yes. Prior to commencing Section 42 consultation, the Applicant notified the Secretary of State of its intention to submit an application for development consent.</p> <p>The letter was sent electronically to the Planning Inspectorate on 24 October 2023. A copy of the letter can be found at Appendix 10.4 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.2.10.4], with a copy of the acknowledgement of receipt from PINS at Appendix 10.5 [EN010140/APP/5.2.10.5].</p> |
| Section 47: Duty to consult local community | | |
| 13 | Did the Applicant prepare a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) on how it intended to consult people living in the vicinity of the land? | <p>Yes.</p> <p>The Applicant prepared a draft Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) [EN010140/APP/5.2.11.3] setting out how it proposed to consult about the proposed application with people living in the vicinity of the land of the Proposed Development. The Applicant consulted with the host local planning authorities (Selby District Council and North Yorkshire County Council) in draft, to obtain their formal feedback ahead of the formal 28-day consultation taking place.</p> <p>Note: Between the point of informal consultation and formal consultation on the SoCC, Selby District Council, along with its neighbouring district authorities in the administrative area of North Yorkshire County Council were amalgamated into a single unitary authority, North Yorkshire Council. This occurred on 1st April 2023 and therefore the relevant host local authority for the purposes of the PA 2008 is North Yorkshire Council.</p> |
| 14 | Were 'B' and (where relevant) 'C' authorities consulted about the content of the SoCC; and if so, was the deadline for receipt of responses 28 days beginning with the day after the day that 'B' and | <p>Yes.</p> <p>The SoCC document has previously been issued to the relevant local councils: Selby District Council and North Yorkshire County Council ('the host local authorities') in</p> |

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| | (where applicable) 'C' authorities received the consultation documents? | draft, to obtain their informal feedback ahead of the formal 28-day consultation taking place. |
| 15 | Has the Applicant had regard to any responses received when preparing the SoCC? | <p>Yes.</p> <p>As shown in Table 11.1 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.1] the draft SoCC was provided to the required local authority on 17 May 2023. NYC provided comments in a formal response on 15 June 2023 which can be found in Appendix 11.1 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.2.11.1]. The Applicant responded to each comment received from NYC on 11 October 2023 and updated the SoCC accordingly. Table 11.2 in the Consultation Report outlines the feedback provided and the changes made to the SoCC following informal and formal consultation on the draft document.</p> |
| 16 | Has the SoCC been made available for inspection in a way that is reasonably convenient for people living in the vicinity of the land; and has a notice been published in a newspaper circulating in the vicinity of the land which states where and when the SoCC can be inspected? | <p>Yes. As stated in Chapter 11.6 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.1] the SoCC has been made publicly available for inspection in a way that is reasonably convenient for people living in the vicinity of the land. Hard copies of the SoCC were placed on deposit and made available to view free of charge on the 12th October 2023 in the following locations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selby Library, 52 Micklegate, Selby YO8 4EQ • Snaith Library, 27 Market Place, Snaith, Goole DN14 9HE • Goole Library, Carlisle Street, Goole DN14 5DS <p>A press release was issued on 12 October 2023 to highlight the publication of the SoCC. The press release was issued to the Selby Times, The Pontefract and Castleford Express, The Yorkshire Post as well as other relevant local business and trade press. This press release states where and when the SoCC can be inspected. A copy of the press release can be found in Appendix 11.11 of the Consultation Report ([EN010140/APP/5.2.11.11]).</p> <p>The SoCC was also made available to view or download via the project website from 12 October 2023.</p> <p>Chapter 11.6 of the Consultation Report details the remaining locations and formats from which the SoCC consultation material could be accessed.</p> |

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| 17 | Does the SoCC set out whether the development is EIA development ⁹ ; and does it set out how the Applicant intends to publicise and consult on the Preliminary Environmental Information? | Yes. Section 4 of the final SoCC [EN010140/APP/5.2.11.3] confirms that the Proposed Development is EIA development and sets out how the Applicant intended to share the preliminary results of the EIA in a document called a PIER. |
| 18 | Has the Applicant carried out the consultation in accordance with the SoCC? | Yes. The Applicant's consultation process was carried out in accordance with the SoCC, as explained in Chapter 11 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.1] |
| Section 48: Duty to publicise the proposed application | | |
| 19 | Did the Applicant publicise the proposed application in the prescribed manner set out in Regulation 4(2) of the APFP Regulations? | Yes. A Section 48 Notice for the Proposed Development was published in The London Gazette on 26 October 2023, The Times on 26 October 2023, Goole Times on 26 October 2023 and Selby Times on 26 October 2023 and 2 November 2023. A copy of the Section 48 as published in the newspapers is provided at Appendix 12.2 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.2.12.2] . |
| Newspaper(s) | | |
| Date | | |
| a) | for at least two successive weeks in one or more local newspapers circulating in the vicinity in which the Proposed Development would be situated; | Selby Times 26 October 2023 and 2 November 2023 |
| b) | once in a national newspaper; | The Times 26 October 2023 |
| c) | once in the London Gazette and, if land in Scotland is affected, the Edinburgh Gazette; and | London Gazette 26 October 2023 No land in Scotland is affected by the Proposed Development, therefore there was no requirement to publish in the Edinburgh Gazette. |

⁹ Regulation 12 of the 2017 EIA Regulations, or where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies, Regulation 10 of the 2009 EIA Regulations

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| d) | (i) where the proposed application relates to offshore development) once in Lloyds List; and (ii) once in an appropriate fishing trade journal? | N/A – the Proposed Development does not relate to offshore development. | N/A |
| 20 | Did the s48 notice include the required information set out in Regulation 4(3) of APFP Regulations? | Yes. The published Section 48 Notice is provided at Appendix 12.1 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.2.12.1] . Alongside this, copies of the published newspaper notices are provided at Appendix 12.2 [EN010140/APP/5.2.12.2] of the same document. The published S48 notices contain the required information as set out below. | |
| Information | | Paragraph | |
| a) | the name and address of the Applicant. | b) | a statement that the Applicant intends to make an application for development consent to the Secretary of State |
| | Yes. Paragraph 1 of the Section 48 Notice states: <i>“Notice is hereby given that Enso Green Holdings D Limited, (the “Applicant”) of Ropemaker Place, 28 Ropemaker Street, London, EC27 9HD”</i> | | Yes. Paragraph 1 of the Section 48 Notice states: <i>“Notice is hereby given that Enso Green Holdings D Limited, (the “Applicant”) of Ropemaker Place, 28 Ropemaker Street, London, EC27 9HD, intends to apply to the Secretary of State under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 for a Development Consent order (“DCO)”</i> |
| c) | a statement as to whether the application is EIA development | d) | a summary of the main proposals, specifying the location or route of the Proposed Development |
| | Yes. Paragraph 4 of the Section 48 Notice states: <i>“The Proposed Development is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations) 2017.”</i> | | Yes. Paragraph 3 of the Section 48 Notice states: <i>“The Proposed Development includes the installation of ground mounted solar arrays, battery energy storage and associated development comprising grid connection infrastructure and other infrastructure integral to the construction, operation and maintenance of the development for the delivery of over 50 megawatts (MW) of electricity. The Proposed Development will occupy approximately 476 hectares</i> |

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| | | <p><i>(approximately 1175 acres) of land located to the west of the village of Camblesforth and to the north of the village of Hirst Courtney in North Yorkshire, within the administrative area of North Yorkshire Council.</i></p> <p><i>The DCO will authorise, amongst other things:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• Solar PV modules and mounting structures;</i> <i>• Field stations including invertors, transformers and switchgears;</i> <i>• On-Site substation;</i> <i>• Battery energy storage system;</i> <i>• Underground cables connecting the areas of solar PV modules to the on-site substation; • Underground grid connection cable which will connect the Proposed Development to the national grid at Drax Power Station;</i> <i>• Compounds, fencing, security and ancillary infrastructure;</i> <p><i>Access works;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• Environmental mitigation and enhancement measures, such as archaeological mitigation, and landscape and ecological mitigation and enhancements;</i> <i>• Temporary construction areas together with works to secure construction access for the Proposed Development;</i> <i>• The temporary and permanent compulsory acquisition of land and/or rights which are required for the Proposed Development and/or are required to</i> |
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| | | | | <p><i>facilitate or are incidental to the Proposed Development;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Overriding easements and other rights over or affecting the land for the Proposed Development;</i> • <i>The application and or disapplication of legislation relevant to the Proposed Development including legislation relating to compulsory acquisition; and</i> • <i>Such ancillary, incidental and consequential provisions, permits and consents as are necessary and convenient.”</i> | |
| e) | <p>a statement that the documents, plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Proposed Development are available for inspection free of charge on a website maintained by or on behalf of the Applicant, including the address of the website; the place on the website where the documents, plans and maps may be inspected; and a telephone number which can be used to contact the Applicant for enquiries in relation to the documents, plans and maps</p> | <p>Yes. Paragraph 6 of the Section 48 Notice states:</p> <p><i>“The consultation documents, plans and maps detailing the consultation process and showing the nature and location of the Proposed Development, including the PEIR, non-technical summary and Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) can be accessed free of charge from 26 October 2023 to 7 December 2023 from the Applicant’s website: https://www.helios-renewable-energy-project.co.uk/”</i></p> <p>Paragraph 10 of the Section 48 Notice states:</p> | f) | <p>the latest date on which those documents, plans and maps will be available for inspection on the website</p> | <p>Yes. Paragraph 6 of the Section 48 Notice states that the documents can be accessed:</p> <p><i>“free of charge from 26 October 2023 to 7 December 2023 from the Applicant’s website: https://www.helios-renewable-energy-project.co.uk/”</i></p> |

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| | <p><i>“Any person may comment on the Proposed Development or otherwise respond to this notice. Any responses to, or other representation in respect of, the Proposed Development should be sent to the Applicant using the following methods:</i></p> <p><i>Email to info@helios-renewable-energy-project.co.uk</i></p> <p><i>Project website www.helios-renewable-energy-project.co.uk/get-in-touch/</i></p> <p><i>Post to FREEPOST TC CONSULTATION (no further address or stamp required).”</i></p> <p>Paragraph 13 of the Section 48 Notice states:</p> <p><i>“If you have any questions about this notice, the consultation, the consultation documents or the Proposed Development please contact the project team using the email or postal addresses listed above or by calling 0800 699 0081. “</i></p> | | | |
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| g) | <p>whether a charge will be made for copies of any of the documents, plans or maps and the amount of any charge</p> | <p>Yes. Paragraph 9 of the Section 48 Notice states:</p> <p><i>“The following documents can be made available in hard copy format on request at a cost of:</i></p> <p><i>Non-Technical Summary of PEIR - Free;</i></p> <p><i>Full PEIR with annexes - £1,000;</i></p> <p><i>• Site Location Plans – Free”</i></p> | h) | <p>details of how to respond to the publicity</p> | <p>Yes. Paragraph 10,11 and 12 of the Section 48 Notice states:</p> <p><i>“Any person may comment on the Proposed Development or otherwise respond to this notice. Any responses to, or other representation in respect of, the Proposed Development should be sent to the Applicant using the following methods:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• Email to info@helios-renewable-energy-project.co.uk</i> <p><i>Project website www.helios-renewable-energy-project.co.uk/get-in-touch/</i></p> <p><i>Post to FREEPOST TC CONSULTATION (no further address or stamp required).</i></p> <p><i>Responses and representations must be received by the Applicant no later than 11.59pm on Thursday 7 December 2023.</i></p> <p><i>When making a response or representation in respect of the Proposed Development, please include your name and an address where further correspondence can be sent.”</i></p> |
| i) | <p>a deadline for receipt of those responses by the Applicant, being not less than 28 days following the date when the notice is last published</p> | <p>Yes. Paragraph 10 of the Section 48 Notice states:</p> <p><i>“Responses and representations must be received by the Applicant no later than 11:59pm on Thursday 7 December 2023.”</i></p> | | | |

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| 21 | Are there any observations in respect of the s48 notice provided above? | |
| 22 | Has a copy of the s48 notice been sent to the EIA consultation bodies and to any person notified to the Applicant in accordance with the EIA Regulations ¹⁰ ? | <p>Yes. Paragraph 12.7.1 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.1] states:</p> <p><i>“The statutory consultees were supplied with a copy of the Section 48 notice in accordance with Regulation 11(1)(c) and Regulation 13 of the 2017 EIA Regulations. A copy of the Section 48 notice was enclosed within letters sent to statutory consultees under Section 42.”</i></p> <p>A full list of statutory consultees under Section 42 can be found at Appendix 10.1 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.2.10.1].</p> |
| s49: Duty to take account of responses to consultation and publicity | | |
| 23 | Has the Applicant had regard to any relevant responses to the s42, s47 and s48 consultation? | <p>Yes. Chapter 13 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.1] covers a summary of the responses received from Section 42 consultees and the regard that has been had to the responses in finalising the application.</p> <p>Chapter 14 covers a summary of responses received from Sections 47 and 48 consultees and the regard that has been had to the responses in finalising the application. Table 14.1 details each issue/query raised and addresses the specific regard has by the Applicant.</p> |
| Guidance about pre-application procedure | | |
| 24 | To what extent has the Applicant had regard to statutory guidance ‘Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process’ ¹¹ ? | Paragraph 4.2 of the Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.1] sets out how the Applicant has taken into considerations all relevant statutory and other guidance. |
| 25 | Summary: Section 55(3)(e) | NOT FOR APPLICANT |

¹⁰ Regulation 13 of the 2017 EIA Regulations, or where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies, Regulation 11 of the 2009 EIA Regulations

¹¹ The Planning Inspectorate must have regard to the extent to which the Applicant has had regard to guidance issued under s50

s55(3)(f) and s55(5A): The application (including accompaniments) achieves a satisfactory standard having regard to the extent to which it complies with section 37(3) (form and contents of application) and with any standards set under section 37(5) and follows any applicable guidance under section 37(4)

| 26 | Is it made in the prescribed form as set out in Schedule 2 of the APFP Regulations, and does it include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a brief statement which explains why it falls within the remit of the Planning Inspectorate; and a brief statement that clearly identifies the location of the application site, or the route if it is a linear scheme? | <p>Yes.</p> <p>See the Application Cover Letter for the Planning Inspectorate [EN010140/APP/1.1] and Box 4 of the Application Form [EN010140/APP/1.3] which explains why the project falls within the remit of the Secretary of State. Boxes 5 and 6 of the Application Form [EN010140/APP/1.3] provide a brief non-technical description of the location of the Proposed Development. A Location and Order Limits Plan [EN010140/APP/2.1] has also been provided.</p> | | | | | | | | | |
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| 27 | Is it accompanied by a Consultation Report? | <p>Yes</p> <p>The application is accompanied by a Consultation Report [EN010140/APP/5.1] and accompanying appendices, all of which start with document reference 5.2</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| 28 | Where a plan comprises three or more separate sheets, has a key plan been provided showing the relationship between the different sheets? ¹² | <p>Yes.</p> <p>A key plan has been provided at the start of any relevant plans that include three or more separate sheets. Relevant plans are plans which fall under the following regulations, 5(2)(o), 5(2)(i), 5(2)(j), 5(2)(l) and 5(2)(m).</p> | | | | | | | | | |
| 29 | Is it accompanied by the documents and information set out in APFP Regulation 5(2)? | The documents and information required by APFP Regulation 5(2) are set out in the documents and locations within the application as listed below. | | | | | | | | | |
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| b) The draft Development Consent Order (DCO) | [EN010140/APP/3.1] | | | | | | | | | | |

¹² Regulation 5(4) of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009

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| | Regulations ¹³ and any scoping or screening opinions or directions | Environmental Statement Volume 2 – Figures [EN010140/APP/6.2] Environmental Statement Volume 3 – Appendices [EN010140/APP/6.3] Scoping Report [EN010140/APP/6.3.2.1] Scoping Opinion [EN010140/APP/6.3.2.2] | | |
| | Is this of a satisfactory standard? | | | |
| c) | An Explanatory Memorandum explaining the purpose and effect of provisions in the draft DCO | [EN010140/APP/3.2] | d) | Where applicable, a Book of Reference (where the application involves any Compulsory Acquisition) [EN010140/APP/4.1] |
| | Is this of a satisfactory standard? | | | |
| e) | A copy of any Flood Risk Assessment | [EN010140/APP/7.5] | f) | A statement whether the proposal engages one or more of the matters set out in section 79(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (statutory nuisances) and if so how the Applicant proposes to mitigate or limit them [EN010140/APP/7.7] |
| | Is this of a satisfactory standard? | | | |

¹³ The 2017 EIA Regulations, or where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies, the 2009 EIA Regulations

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| h) | A Statement of Reasons and a Funding Statement (where the application involves any Compulsory Acquisition) | Statement of Reason [EN010140/APP/4.2] Funding Statement [EN010140/APP/4.4] | i) | A Land Plan identifying:- (i) the land required for, or affected by, the Proposed Development; (ii) where applicable, any land over which it is proposed to exercise powers of Compulsory Acquisition or any rights to use land; (iii) any land in relation to which it is proposed to extinguish easements, servitudes and other private rights; and (iv) any special category land and replacement land | Yes. The Application includes a Land Plan showing the land required/affected by the Proposed Development [EN010140/APP/2.2] Plots and descriptions within the Book of Reference [EN010140/APP/4.1] are consistent with the plots shown on Land Plans. |
| Is this of a satisfactory standard? | | | Is this of a satisfactory standard? | | |
| j) | A Works Plan showing, in relation to existing features:- (i) the proposed location or (for a linear scheme) the proposed route and alignment of the | Yes. The Application includes a Works Plan [EN010140/APP/2.3] | k) | Where applicable, a plan identifying any new or altered means of access, stopping up of streets or roads or any diversions, extinguishments or creation of rights of way or public rights of navigation | Yes. The Application includes a Access/Rights of Way Plans [EN010140/APP/2.4] |

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| | development and works; and (ii) the limits within which the development and works may be carried out and any limits of deviation provided for in the draft DCO | | | |
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| l) | Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying:- (i) any statutory/ non-statutory sites or features of nature conservation eg sites of geological/ landscape importance; (ii) habitats of protected species, important habitats or other diversity features; and (iii) water bodies in a river basin management plan, together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features, habitats or bodies likely to be caused by the Proposed Development | Yes. A Statutory and Non-Statutory Nature Conservation Designations Plan [EN010140/APP/2.5] is provided as part of the Application. | m) | Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying any statutory/ non-statutory sites or features of the historic environment, (eg scheduled monuments, World Heritage sites, listed buildings, archaeological sites and registered battlefields) together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features or structures likely to be caused by the Proposed Development |
| | | | | Yes. A Statutory and Non-Statutory Historic Environment Designations Plan [EN010140/APP/2.6] is provided as part of the Application |

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| n) | Is this of a satisfactory standard? | | o) | Is this of a satisfactory standard? | |
| | Where applicable, a plan with any accompanying information identifying any Crown land | N/A for this Proposed Development as there is no Crown land within the Order limits. | | Any other plans, drawings and sections necessary to describe the development consent proposal showing details of design, external appearance, and the preferred layout of buildings/ structures, drainage, surface water management, means of vehicular and pedestrian access, any car parking and landscaping | Yes. The DCO is accompanied by the following plans and drawings which are provided under Regulation 5(2)(o) of the APFP Regulations: Location and Order Limits Plan [EN010140/APP/2.1] |
| p) | Is this of a satisfactory standard? | | q) | Are they of a satisfactory standard? | |
| | Any of the documents prescribed by Regulation 6 of the APFP Regulations: | Yes. The Application includes a Grid Connection Statement [EN010140/APP/7.3] . | | Any other documents considered necessary to support the application | The following documents have been included in support of the Application: Application Cover Letter [EN010140/APP/1.1] Section 55 Checklist [EN010140/APP/1.2] Guide to the Application [EN010140/APP/1.4] Planning Statement [EN010140/APP/7.1] Design and Access Statement [EN010140/APP/7.2] |

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| | | | | Site Specific Risk Engagement Document [EN010140/APP/7.4] Transport Assessment [EN010140/APP/7.6] Statement of Common Ground Status [EN010140/APP/7.8] |
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| 30 | Are there any observations in respect of the documents provided at Box 29 (a) to (q) above? | | | |
| | NOT FOR APPLICANT | | | |
| 31 | Is the application accompanied by a report identifying any European site(s) to which Regulation 48 of The Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 applies; or any Ramsar site(s), which may be affected by the Proposed Development, together with sufficient information that will enable the Secretary of State to make an appropriate assessment of the implications for the site if required by Regulation 48(1)? ¹⁴ | Yes. Information to inform HRA [EN010140/APP/6.3.8.9] is provided as part of the Application. This document identifies any relevant European sites and the likely effects on those sites. It provides sufficient information for the Secretary of State to undertake an appropriate assessment to determine whether the Proposed Development would have an adverse effect on the integrity of any European site. | | |
| 32 | If requested by the Planning Inspectorate, two paper copies of the application form and other supporting documents and plans ¹⁵ | N/A | | |
| 33 | Has the Applicant had regard to statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance', and has this regard led to the application being prepared | Yes. The guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance' has been used to prepare the Application. The Applicant considers that the Application has | | |

¹⁴ Regulation 5(2)(g) of the APFP Regulations

¹⁵ Regulation 5(2)(r) of the APFP Regulations

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| | to a standard that the Planning Inspectorate considers satisfactory? | been prepared to the standards that the Planning Inspectorate considers satisfactory. |
| 34 | Summary – s55(3)(f) and s55(5A) | NOT FOR APPLICANT |
| The Infrastructure Planning (Fees) Regulations 2010 (as amended) | | |
| Fees to accompany an application | | |
| 35 | Was the fee paid at the same time that the application was made ¹⁶ ? | Payment can and probably should be made before you submit this application. |

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| Case Manager | N/A | N/A |
| Acceptance Inspector | N/A | N/A |

¹⁶ The Planning Inspectorate must charge the Applicant a fee in respect of the decision by the Planning Inspectorate under section 55 of the PA2008. If the Applicant fails to pay the fee, the Planning Inspectorate need not consider the application until payment is received. The fee must be paid at the same time that the application is made

