

Helios Renewable Energy Project

Statement of Common Ground Status

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1. Introduction and Purpose

1.1. Purpose of the Statement of Common Ground Status

- 1.1.1. This Statement of Common Ground Status has been prepared in respect of the application for the proposed Helios Renewable Energy Project (the 'Proposed Development') Development Consent Order (the 'DOC Application').
- 1.1.2. The purpose of this document is to summarise the status and progress of the Statements of Common Ground ('SoCG'), which will be recorded in this document.
- 1.1.3. Within Table 2.1:
 - "Final and Signed" indicates where issues are resolved;
 - "Final" indicates where issues are resolved but not yet signed;
 - "Under discussion" indicates that there are points still under discission between the parties;
 - "Draft shared" indicates that the Applicant is yet to receive a response from the other party;

2. Statements of Common Ground

2.1. Structure of SoCGs

- 2.1.1. The aim of a SoCG is to agree factual information and to inform the ExA and all other parties by identifying where there is agreement and where the differences lie at an early stage in the Examination process. The SoCGs will provide focus and save time by identifying matters which are not in dispute or need not be the subject of further evidence. They can also usefully state where and why there may be disagreement about the interpretation and relevance of the information.
- 2.1.2. Each SoCG adopts a standard format to ensure consistency in the approach taken to documenting those matters agreed, matters subject to ongoing discussion or matters not agreed. Each SoCG is structed as follows:

- Section 1 provides an introduction to the SoCG;
- Section 2 summarises the correspondence undertaken to date between the parties; and
- Section 3 provides a schedule that details the position on relevant matter on a topic by topic basis, including any matter where discussions are ongoing.

2.2. Statement of Common Ground Overview

Table 2.1 Status of Statements of Common Ground

PINS Ref.	Party	Status
	North Yorkshire Council	Draft prepared and will be shared with North Yorkshire Council.
	Natural England	Draft prepared and will be shared with Natural England.
	The Environment Agency	Draft prepared and will be shared with the Environment Agency.
	National Highways	Final.
	Historic England	Draft prepared and will be shared with Historic England.
	North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service	Draft prepared and will be shared with North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service.

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