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1. Introduction

1.1. Overview

- 1.1.1. This Statement of Commonality ('SoC') has been prepared by Enso Green Holdings D Limited (the 'Applicant') in respect of the Helios Renewable Energy Project Development Consent Order (DCO) (the 'Proposed Development').
- 1.1.2. The purpose of this document is to summarise the status and progress of the Statements of Common Ground (SoCGs) and to provide a Statement of Commonality, setting out matters that are common to more than one SoCG.
- 1.1.3. Section 2 summarises the status of each SoCG at each Examination Deadline.
- 1.1.4. Section 3 shows the status of matters that are common to several interested parties which span over multiple SoCGs.
- 1.1.5. Section 4 provides a summary of the current position between the Applicant and other parties. The individual SoCGs provide full detail on specific matters.

2. Statement of Common Ground Status

2.1. Summary of Current Position

2.1.1. This section provides an update on each SoCG, with Table 2.1 providing a high-level position on the status of each SoCG. Within Table 2.1:

- **SoCG in draft** – the draft has been drafted by the Applicant and discussion is ongoing prior to reaching a signed SoCG;
- **Final signed SoCG with all matters agreed** – the final SoCG has been signed by both parties and all matters are agreed; and
- **Final signed SoCG with matters outstanding** – the final SoCG has been signed by both parties are there remain matters outstanding that the Applicant and other party agreed will not be resolved during Examination.

Table 2.1 Status of SoCGs

Doc. Ref.	SoCG Party	Procedural Deadline A	Deadline 1	Deadline 2	Deadline 3	Deadline 4	Deadline 5	Deadline 6	Deadline 7	Deadline 8	Deadline 9	Deadline 10
PDA-005	North Yorkshire Council	SoCG in draft	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.								
PDA-004	Natural England	SoCG in draft	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	SoCG in draft								
PDA-007	The Environment Agency	SoCG in draft	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	SoCG in draft								
PDA-003	National Highways	SoCG in draft	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	Final signed SoCG with all matters agreed								
PDA-002	Historic England	SoCG in draft	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.								

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PDA-006	North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service	SoCG in draft	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.									
	Burn Gliding Club	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	SoCG in draft									
	Carlton Parish Council	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	SoCG in draft									
	Hirst Courtney and West Bank Parish Council	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	SoCG in draft									
	Camblesforth Parish Council	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	N/A – no SoCG submitted at this time.	SoCG in draft									

3. Commonality

3.1. Introduction to Commonality

3.1.1. This section of the SoC provides an overview of the topics covered in the SoCGs. **Table 3.2** sets out where there is commonality in the topics discussed between the Applicant and the parties, where matters have ongoing discussions, or where the matters have reached a final position with no agreement.

3.1.2. The figure below shows the status of each topic based on the colour provided.

Table 3.1 – Key

Cell	Status
	Matter agreed
	Matter subject to ongoing discussion
	Matter not agreed
	Matter not relevant / raised by party

3.1.3. **Table 3.2** is a live table and will be updated at each deadline.

Table 3.2 – Statement of Commonality

Document Reference	SoCG Party	Topics Considered																		
		Principle	Alternatives	Cultural Heritage	Archaeology	Landscape & Views	Biodiversity	Water Environment	Transport & Access	Noise & Vibration	Climate Change	Socio-Economics	Soils & Agricultural Land	Cumulative Effects	Air Quality	Ground Conditions	Safety	Glint and Glare	Gliding	Draft DCO / Requirements
PDA-005	North Yorkshire Council	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Grey	Yellow
PDA-004	Natural England	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Grey	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey
PDA-007	The Environment Agency	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Yellow
PDA-003	National Highways	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Green	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey
PDA-002	Historic England	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Green	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey
PDA-006	North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Grey
	Burn Gliding Club	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Yellow	Grey
	Carlton Parish Council	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Yellow	Grey	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey
	Hirst Courtney and West Bank Parish Council	Grey	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Yellow	Grey	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey
	Camblesforth Parish Council	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Yellow	Yellow	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey

4. Current Position

4.1. Overview

4.1.1. This section of the SoC provides a summary of the current position between the Applicant and other parties. The individual SoCGs provide full detail on specific matters.

4.2. North Yorkshire Council

4.2.1. The Applicant submitted a draft SoCG with North Yorkshire Council (NYC) at Procedural Deadline A and subsequently shared it with NYC directly on 26th November 2024. The draft is based upon the Relevant Representations from NYC **[RR-277 and RR-278]**.

4.2.2. The Applicant notes the intention of NYC that “a more detailed assessment of the application will be presented as part of the Local Impact Report” **[RR-278]**. In the meantime, the Applicant and NYC have continued to liaise on the matters raised in the SoCG.

4.3. Natural England

4.3.1. The Applicant submitted a draft SoCG with Natural England at Procedural Deadline A and subsequently shared it with Natural England directly on 26th November 2024. The draft is based upon the Relevant Representation from Natural England **[RR-268]**. The SoCG submitted at Procedural Deadline A has been updated with clarification of timescales for the additional documentation to be submitted by the Applicant. The Applicant has submitted this version of the draft SoCG at Deadline 2.

4.3.2. The Applicant intends to meet with Natural England following Deadline 2 to progress the SoCG based on the Supplementary Ecological Information and the Updated Information to Inform HRA.

4.4. The Environment Agency

4.4.1. The Applicant submitted a draft SoCG with the Environment Agency at Procedural Deadline A and subsequently shared it with the Environment Agency directly on 26th November 2024. The draft is based upon the Relevant Representation from the Environment Agency **[RR-117]**. The Environment Agency confirmed on 27th

November that they were satisfied with the SoCG at this stage and had no comments or feedback.

4.4.2. The SoCG submitted at Procedural Deadline A has been updated with details of the additional assessment work and information prepared by the Applicant and shared with the Environment Agency on 9th January 2025 (the 'Water Environment Supplementary Assessment').

4.4.3. The Applicant intends to meet with the Environment Agency following Deadline 2 to progress the SoCG and reach agreement on these matters. Once the Environment Agency has reviewed this document and the Applicant and the Environment Agency have reached a point of agreement, a copy will be submitted to the Examination.

4.5. National Highways

4.5.1. The Applicant shared a draft SoCG with National Highways on 21st November 2024 which was based upon the Relevant Representation from National Highways [RR-267]. Comments received from National Highways on 22nd November were incorporated into the draft SoCG which was submitted at Procedural Deadline A.

4.5.2. The Applicant shared the draft SoCG directly with National Highways on 26th November 2024. The Applicant has been liaising with National Highways to resolve to comments which were raised, regarding how the construction route and consultation with National Highways on the Decommissioning Traffic Management Plan (DTMP) would be secured by the DCO.

4.5.3. The SoCG was updated to reflect discussions between the parties. National Highways confirmed on 7th January 2025 that an updated draft was agreed. National Highways and the Applicant signed the agreed SoCG on 7th January 2025 and the final version has been submitted at Deadline 2.

4.6. Historic England

4.6.1. The Applicant submitted a draft SoCG with Historic England at Procedural Deadline A and subsequently shared it with Historic England directly on 26th November 2024. The draft is based upon the Relevant Representation from Historic England [RR-143].

4.6.2. Historic England advised on 16th December 2024 that they would not progress the SoCG until after the Written Representations stage. The Applicant will continue to

liaise with Historic England to progress the SoCG following the publication of their Written Representation.

4.7. North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service

4.7.1. The Applicant submitted a draft SoCG with North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service (NYFRS) at Procedural Deadline A and subsequently shared it with NYFRS directly on 26th November 2024. The Applicant has continued to liaise with NYFRS, although no substantial updates have been made to the draft SoCG, so the SoCG will not be submitted at Deadline 2. The Applicant will continue to liaise with NYFRS to progress the SoCG and intends to submit an updated draft at Deadline 3.

4.8. Burn Gliding Club

4.8.1. The Examining Authority (ExA) requested a SoCG be prepared between the Applicant and Burn Gliding Club (BGC) in the Rule 8 letter dated 11th December 2024. The Applicant has prepared a draft SoCG based on BGC's Relevant Representation **[RR-043]** and additional documentation and consultation as set out in the SoCG. This draft version has been submitted at Deadline 2 and was shared with Burn Gliding Club on 9th January 2025.

4.9. Carlton Parish Council

4.9.1. The Examining Authority (ExA) requested a SoCG be prepared between the Applicant and Carlton Parish Council in the Rule 8 letter dated 11th December 2024. The Applicant has prepared a draft SoCG based on Carlton Parish Council's Relevant Representation **[RR-050]**. This draft version has been submitted at Deadline 2 and was shared with Carlton Parish Council on 10th January 2025.

4.10. Hirst Courtney and West Bank Parish Council

4.10.1. The Examining Authority (ExA) requested a SoCG be prepared between the Applicant and Hirst Courtney and West Bank Parish Council in the Rule 8 letter dated 11th December 2024. The Applicant has prepared a draft SoCG based on their Relevant Representation **[RR-142]**. This draft version has been submitted at Deadline 2 and was shared with Hirst Courtney and West Bank Parish Council on 10th January 2025.

4.11. Camblesforth Parish Council

4.11.1. The Examining Authority (ExA) requested a SoCG be prepared between the Applicant and Camblesforth Parish Council in the Rule 8 letter dated 11th December 2024. The Applicant has prepared a draft SoCG based on their Additional Submission **[AS-004]**. This draft version has been submitted at Deadline 2 and was shared with Camblesforth Parish Council on 10th January 2025.