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Okay.

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Thank you all. Thank you for that. Uh, sure. Adjournment.

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Um, just to check in at the rear of the room

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of the case team, we're back and we're live streaming again,

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and you are all happy to proceed.

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Thank you. Great. Um, on item, oh, sorry sir.

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Thanks sir. Neil McBride thinks you can council, so,

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so it's just a, a progress sort of check-in really,

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because, uh, unfortunately I need to leave at quarter

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to five this evening,

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and if we're sort of getting quite close to the conclusion,

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I can hang around, but if we're still a fair way away,

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then uh, um, I'll, I'll have to leave.

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So it's just really to let you know if I step away.

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Understood. Thank you. Uh,

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I think hopefully the next section should be fairly brief.

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I'm expecting wouldn't like to hazard a guess,

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but half an half an hour, 45 minutes perhaps just to, just

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to finish off and perhaps the last bits

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of any other business, but it depends

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how much we elaborate on questioning.

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But, um, I'm gonna start on item, uh,

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agenda item number five, the, uh,

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draft development consent order.

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Um, I'm gonna take a look at some of the specific articles

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and schedules that are in that, uh, draft DC CO.

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It might help if you have your copies to hand

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and also perhaps if you could try

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and follow us as we go through the relevant schedules

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and articles on the screen.

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Um, I'm gonna start with part two, uh,

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and just a fore born, uh, Mr.

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Catlow Environment Agency. I'm coming to you if I can.

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Uh, part two, article six, uh, and the application

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and modification of statutory provisions, which is in the,

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uh, draft DCO

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and you are looking there within the DC 02, remove some

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of the statutory provisions principally for, uh,

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the water bodies being the environment agency

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and the internal drainage boards

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and their powers in relation to the Land Drainage Act

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and Water Resources Act, and also the Environmental

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Permitting regulations.

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I just wondered if it was possible, please,

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00:01:47.915 --> 00:01:51.175

to understand the requirements for you having that, uh,

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power within the DCO

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and also if I can then come

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to the water bodies for their views.

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Thank you, sir. Alexis, common for the applicant.

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Um, so starting with, um, article 6 1 4,

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which is section 23 of Land Drainage Act 1991.

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So this section prohibits, um, for example, the obstruction

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and other works in watercourse without the consent

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of the lead local flood authority

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or relevant internal drainage board,

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the applicant is seeking to dply this prohibition, uh,

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to ensure the scheme can be delivered

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and protection for drainage authorities is secured in the

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protected provisions at part three of Schedule 15

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of the draft ECO.

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The, this application has been agreed to date

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with scunthorpe and gain spread drainage board

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and upper with them drainage board.

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Um, and we're in the process of agreeing this

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with the final relevant drainage authority

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for the site being Trent fairly drainage board.

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And so the approach with most of these is that

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by having the agreed protected provisions in place,

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as I'm sure you're aware, um, there's, that's the sort

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of alternate process by which we would, um, agree any, um,

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activity near those parties assets or the,

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or the features for which they're responsible rather than,

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um, under these acts that we're disciplining.

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That's, that's the general approach.

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Um, did you want me to keep going through the,

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Uh, no, I, I mean, thank you.

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You explained there that the, uh, two

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of the three ID bs Yes.

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Uh, meeting with you and or reaching consent.

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Uh, if I could just come back to, uh, the water bodies

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that are joining us virtually, uh, the, um,

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environment Agency please first.

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Um, I think, so I, those that, um, article, um,

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section was just in relation

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to the drainage boards, the, it's

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00:03:37.405 --> 00:03:40.985
You, sorry, you're looking to remove, um, 6 1 1

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00:03:41.805 --> 00:03:43.505
of a Land Drainage Act 1991

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and the TED Resources Act 1991,

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which are the environment agency's the lead

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organization. Yes. Sorry.

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So I had just covered the, um, which one have I just done?

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So I've just mentioned section 23 of Land Drainage Act,

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but I can, do you want me to go through the others or do

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Ask? Well, what I'm interested

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in is, is the, the views

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of the water bodies and also the lead

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local flood authority, of course.

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Uh, and, and whether you're, whether those removal

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of those powers they consent

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00:04:07.845 --> 00:04:09.905
or whether there's, uh, disagreements still in place.

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00:04:10.205 --> 00:04:13.825
Thanks. Okay. So yes, if I could come

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to the Environment Agency first

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please, Mr.

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00:04:19.805 --> 00:04:24.265
Cat online, so you're not with us any longer.

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00:04:28.145 --> 00:04:31.315
Can you not hear me Well, just about, sorry.

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00:04:32.025 --> 00:04:33.395
Yeah. Okay. I'll, um, hold on.

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00:04:36.655 --> 00:04:39.065
Yeah. Yep, yep. Thank you.

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Yeah. Okay. Yeah, I mean, what, what our position

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with this is basically, um, we are looking to agree things

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with, with the company, but I need to get, um,

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some national protective provisions

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from our, from our national team.

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Agreed. But when I originally wrote about this application,

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we anticipated it would be the end of August, so I hoped

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by the time we came to a session like this,

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it'd be a bit closer, but I'm told it's another three

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or four weeks before we get the National Protective

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Provisions and then, then hopefully this will be resolved.

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Thank you. Thank you for that.

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Okay. But there you are, you

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and the applicant are working towards agreeing protective

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provisions in those proceeds?

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Definitely, yes. Thank you.

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Um, does the LLSA

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want to make a comment all

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Neil McBride, Lisa County Council?

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I don't think we do, sir. Um,

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obviously we've consulted internally on this project

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and, uh, I've not received any comments back in relation to

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that, so I assume on that basis we're content

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as lead local looking forward.

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Thank you. Forward.

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Thank you. Um, right,

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00:05:53.545 --> 00:05:54.545
Uh, moving on.

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Is there, uh, sorry, I think, yes.

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Yeah, I think I've covered all the water bodies.

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I was gonna move to part four, article 18.

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Now the section of the DCO, which looks

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to the removal of human remains.

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Um, I wanted to understand the necessity for this provision.

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Um, most recent made D Cs have had it removed

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by the Secretary of State is deemed

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to be adequate legislation to deal with the, uh,

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encountering of existing human remains on site

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and their reinterment and movement.

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Um, I wanted to know why you felt you needed the provision

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for it, and also is there any evidence to suggest

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that there is the likelihood

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of encountering human remains on the site?

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Thank you, sir. Um, yes, so we've had a review

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of the recent, um, orders on Cotton and Gate Burton,

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and, um, we're proposing, um, that

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because we don't have any known cemeteries

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or burial sites that we're going

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to remove this article at Deadline One.

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Thank you. Um, moving on to part four,

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article 19

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and Protective Works to building, uh, similarly, um,

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that there is no indication in, in your works

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or the, uh, environmental statement

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or planning statement that you are proposing to, uh,

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protect other people's property.

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What is the necessity for you to be able

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to undertake Protective Works to buildings outside

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of your, uh, ownership?

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Thank you, sir. Alexis Coleman for the applicant?

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Um, yes, that's correct. Um,

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the main reason is precautionary,

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but with, um, based on, on the potential for there

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to be buildings, um, the best example I can give is a, um,

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planning permission that has been sought within the cable

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route, um, in relation to some barn, which would, um,

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understand be within the order limits for the cable route.

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So it's really anticipation of, um, buildings like that

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that may be, um, constructed ahead of us doing, um,

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construction of that cable and needing

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to do protective works to, to protect those buildings.

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Have those buildings

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and their owners been notified

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that you may undertake Protective works to them?

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Um, Alexis, the applicant, I'm,

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I'm aware we're in discussions with them in terms

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of the compatibility of how the two, um, developments,

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um, co-exist.

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Um, as to the specifics in terms of protective works, um,

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I am not sure on that one.

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I need to confirm that

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I, I just remain a little bit concerned that it gives you,

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you know, extensive powers

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to work on any buildings within the order limits

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and protect them, uh,

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or undertake work to them in a precautionary

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manner as you suggest.

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And that's, uh hmm. Okay.

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I think if you could perhaps clarify the, the,

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the buildings you're indicating may fall foul of that.

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Um, thank you. So yes, I would just add it's only the only

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powers that we can use within the order limits, obviously,

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and then OB and then within certain timeframes, um,

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with various, um, controls on those in the subsequent, um,

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sub paragraphs and compensation paper, that sort of thing.

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I take what I, I appreciate what you say,

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but if we set out a bit more detail around

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how we might envisage using those, um, in, in,

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in writing at Deadline one, maybe that will assist.

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Thank you, Ms. Gar, 7,000 acres.

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Thank you, sir. Liz Gilbert, 7,000 acres,

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just referring back to the barn that was referred to.

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I have specific information regards to this.

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This, um, planning application was approved

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by local authorities some time ago,

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and the applicant, the, um, owner of

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that land bought the land without the, um,

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without any knowledge that these schemes were going ahead.

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So basically they're farmer, local farmer,

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fifth generation farmer in that area

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where they're developing their farm business

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and it's a legitimate business farm business

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for the local community which they wish to develop

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and obviously find themselves in this situation.

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Um, so obviously I think if they were here, um,

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and I know they're, they're against any sort of, um,

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development and compulsory acquisition of their,

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of their land or effect on their buildings

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as they will be spending a lot, lot of investment, um,

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in, in this, uh, development of their business.

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Thank you.

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The applicant would like to come back on that.

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Alexis Common, the applicant? Uh, yes.

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As I've said, we're in discussions with that landowner, um,

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to, to make sure that, you know, to work out

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how those two developments can coexist in that location,

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and that's one of the reasons why we would seek the powers

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in this article, um, in order to protect

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that building if we need to do works in the vicinity.

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Does anybody else want to come in on that?

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Okay, thank you. Okay.

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If you could guess come back

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to this for that, that'd be lovely.

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Um, moving on now to part five and Article 26,

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and this is to do with the acquisition of sub soil

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and airspace rights, uh, for the site for the proposal,

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and I was trying to understand the,

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and explore the definition of why

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you may require the airspace rights, uh,

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to particularly the cable route site

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Alexis com for the applicant.

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Uh, good question

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and um, we are going to remove that deadline one.

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Yeah, good. Sorry, can I just clarify on

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that you're removing the airspace rights or, yes,

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We reference the air space, yes, we need subsoil rights

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for cabling, et cetera,

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but um, yes, no pedestrian overhead bridges

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or overhead lines, anything like that.

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Okay, thank you.

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Uh, any further comments on that?

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Uh, next article I was looking at is, uh, part six, uh,

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article 36, the consent

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to transfer the benefit of the Order.

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Uh, and I'm trying to understand

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and explore the potential scenarios

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where you may have to do this.

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You did talk earlier about potential liquidation issues

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or, uh, how the, uh, decommissioning

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of the site might take place if there was, uh, a failure

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for the company to go forward.

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But if you could perhaps explain to us why

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there was a specific article proposed in the DCA, uh,

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draft DCO for transferring the benefit of this, um, DCO.

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Thank you sir. Alexis, common, the applicant, um, it's a,

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um, article that appears in, again, I I'd say every, um,

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energy DCO

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because the, um, DCO is, um,

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unlike a planning permission is specific

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to a named undertaker.

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So, um, and that's

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because it has, you know, power such

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as compulsory acquisition, which rightly should be limited

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to, um, a specific named, um, person or company.

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Um, so that's why there are those provisions in there in

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case there is a need to, in case for example, a developer,

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um, fold the development

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to a different undertaker in the future.

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Um, in that respect, the applicant's intention is very much

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to build out and operate the scheme.

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So I don't have any, it's not in there for any particular,

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um, because there is something like that envisage,

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but it is the type of, um, article that is included in dcos,

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especially given the 60 year lifetime of the scheme.

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Obviously there is the potential

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for unforeseen things to happen.

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There's one aspect in there in relation to work number four,

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which is the cable route

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and the ability to transfer, um, the, um, benefit

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of the order between or to, um, gate burden,

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energy Park Cotton or West Burton.

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And that's really, um, a mitigation measure really, so

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that if one of those parties, if it's in order

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to minimize the impacts of that shared cable route, one

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of those parties constructs those cable routes

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for all the schemes, for example, um,

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they can have the benefit of the order for that, for

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that part of the corridor.

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I would also just note that deadline one, um,

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there's reference in at the moment to, um, holding companies

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or subsidiary companies,

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and we're going to remove that at deadline one in line

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with the other made orders to date.

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Sorry, just going back on the, the point of the,

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00:14:28.615 --> 00:14:31.035
the cable route and, um, the other

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Yes. Massive significant

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infrastructure projects

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that had their orders made.

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Mm-Hmm. Uh,

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00:14:36.525 --> 00:14:38.905
and I'm aware obviously on site at the moment there are

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compulsory acquisition undertakings for some

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00:14:40.865 --> 00:14:41.905
of those projects going on.

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00:14:42.865 --> 00:14:44.525
Can you just go through that again about how,

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how that would play out in this scenario?

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Because you, you have a, have a situation

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where you are looking to compulsory acquire some of

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that land, which is already under an order, a made order

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with compulsory acquisition.

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Yeah, so I, I should add, I suppose separately we do,

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we are in discussions with those parties

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and we already have a corporation agreement in place,

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which has covered the, um, examination, um, processes

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for those other projects.

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And we are now talking in order

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to minimize impacts on landowners specifically.

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And, um, in terms of collaborating around detail design,

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that sort of thing, we're, um,

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discussing a further cooperation agreement at the moment

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that will put in place the measures of how we, um, deal

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with those overlapping powers in that area.

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Um, but essentially under this, if the, if

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between those parties, I suppose it was decided that one

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of those other parties would construct that

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and have those powers, then you can,

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we would be transferring the power to, um,

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to do those works potentially, I suppose,

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false acquisition powers as well, um, under the order.

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Um, obviously the intention is

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that we would be reaching agreement

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instead of being able to do that.

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Sorry, said, I mean, I think probably on the ground

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as I, do you mean literally how does that play out or, well,

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You, you, you forgive me,

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but you know, we, we got an existing organization

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that is compulsory acquiring land for a cable route,

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and you were saying you are seeking powers

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to compulsory acquire that land also,

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or would you withdrawing those parcels of land

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from the compulsory acquisition

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and only seeking rights to lay your cable within

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that site owned by,

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Well, I imagine there's probably quite, um,

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small easements of land sitting next to each other

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in reality, so

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where those cables sit alongside each other.

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It's, it's the cable portal, Isn't it?

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Yes. But you're only compuls acquiring the permanent rights

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for the extent

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of the permanent easement you'd need for your cable.

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Um, so yes, the right sort probably do overlap,

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but in terms of, um,

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in practice you would probably be using your temporary

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possession powers to go on and do the construction

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and then actually only end up

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with the permanent rights just for your easement.

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So then there's probably four different easements,

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I suppose in some cases of the permanent

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rights for each cable.

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Um, yes,

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00:17:10.805 --> 00:17:12.515

Sorry, uh, 7,000 acres.

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Thank you, sir. Let's, let's go 7,000 acres.

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Um, what you're discussing here relates

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to the site we're referring to earlier where the barn, uh,

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um, buildings come together.

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There's a, a farm there that where the four cables

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will go across one area of land.

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I'm sure you're aware. And it's the same owner of that, um,

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the land and his farm yard.

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So he's currently negotiating with four,

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um, applicants.

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Um, obviously some with consent and others without,

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and um, obviously find that exception difficult,

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but they are in most cases, um, easement

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that they, they're after.

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But the, um, gentleman in question isn't happy about that,

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but obviously he can obviously let you

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know about that at a later date.

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Um, but it is highly confusing for

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00:18:02.715 --> 00:18:04.605
that gentleman in question.

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00:18:06.315 --> 00:18:07.965
Just coming back to the applicant on that, I mean, I,

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00:18:08.085 --> 00:18:10.165
I noticed you said you were looking at setting up a new

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cooperation agreement, but could you

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00:18:11.745 --> 00:18:12.965
answer, could you reply to that please?

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Um, thank you. It is difficult.

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00:18:16.485 --> 00:18:18.845
I can't really talk, speak to the discussions that

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that individual is having with, um, with other parties,

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but definitely there is a strong intention from the parties

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to minimize the impacts on those landowners

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appreciate at this moment in time.

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It sounds like it's complicated from a legal perspective

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'cause they're likely to have to have a separate agreement

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with each developer,

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but certainly the intention is that in the implementation of

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that, that, um,

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and that is one of the principles set out in the

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existing corporation agreement is

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to minimize impacts on landowners.

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Thank you. Um, if that individual would request

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that we hold a compulsory acquisition hearing,

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that's something that they could, um, bring to us at

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that time and we could raise

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and have a bit more of a discussion about it Alps?

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Yes, thank you sir. I think you

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would like that very much. Thank you.

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Are there any other questions on, on that article?

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Okay, thank you. Um, I'd like to move on now if that's okay

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to, uh, part six articles 39 and 40, uh, uh, the felling

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and lopping of trees and removal of hedges

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and trees subject to, uh, tree preservation orders.

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And I just wanted, again, to understand the necessity for,

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um, that provision.

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You know, firstly, are there trees

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with preservation orders on them within the order limits

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that require that permission

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or is it something that you are, uh, is there is a catchall

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or is it something that you

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00:19:37.035 --> 00:19:38.155
specifically need at certain locations?

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00:19:39.445 --> 00:19:41.435
Thank you sir. Alexis comment for the applicant.

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I would first just note that deadline one, we are going

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to amend subparagraph one just to limit this.

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Power currently refers to, um, being available near any part

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00:19:50.815 --> 00:19:51.995
of the authorized development.

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Um, but we will be limiting that to within the order limits

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or in relation to trees overhanging, um, the order limits,

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um, to bring it in line with recent made dcos.

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Um, there are a couple of, um,

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trees within the order limits at the moment that are subject

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to tree preservation orders.

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We don't intend to, um, cut down any of them.

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Um, it's a, um, uh, power that we've included, um,

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largely on a precautionary basis

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because there will be some tree removal

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and so it's to guard against, um, any

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of those trees becoming the subject

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of a tree preservation order.

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Um, by the time we come around to, I mean largely I suppose

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during construction is the main, um,

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the main time at which there would be sort

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of vegetation removal and that's obviously, um, provided for

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and managed within the, um, framework

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landscape ecology management plan.

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But, um, that's the, the reason for the, um, the power.

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Okay, Thank you. So, and,

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and I think, um, we have talked about having some drafting,

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which I have seen in some other orders which anticipates

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basically it's from any, it's not to do

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with those existing TPOs,

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but any, um, orders may made from basically the point

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of the application onwards really.

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So, um, it may be we can look at drafting just to, um, make

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that a bit clearer as well.

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We have had some discussions I know

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with the local authorities earlier today

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on this as well. Okay,

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Thank you. Um, would

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any parties in the room

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or virtually like to come in on that?

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00:21:17.105 --> 00:21:18.405
Uh, west Lindsay? Sorry?

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00:21:18.555 --> 00:21:19.605
West Lindsay District Council?

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Yes, so it's just in relation to Article 40,

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which is three subject to TPAs.

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Uh, and, and we note that the advice given advice note 15

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specifically, paragraph 22.3, uh, indicates

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that generally a blanket power, uh,

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shouldn't be adopted.

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It should be that trees are specifically identified.

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Now we note there are only two protected trees

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and so essentially the applicant's using it

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for on a precautionary basis,

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but that is also dealt with in Advice Note 15,

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which says it's not appropriate for this power

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to be included on a precautionary basis.

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So as currently drafted, we do say it's in conflict

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with advice note 15, uh,

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and would suggest that it shouldn't be a unrestricted power.

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Thank you. Can applicant come back please?

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Thank you sir Alexis comment, the applicant, um, yes,

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so we've had a good discussion about that early in the day

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as I've mentioned and we've taken that point away.

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So we will pick up a couple of the points I've mentioned

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and, and, um, take a look at that drafting

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for deadline one. Okay,

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Uh, any other parties in room?

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Uh, yes, 7,000 acres.

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Thank you sir. Liz Gar, 7,000 acres,

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and correct me if I'm wrong here,

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but it's also refers to the fact that, um, the replacement

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of TPO trees within um, 42 B,

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it's saying, um, that, um, will not need to apply.

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So therefore, um, we would obviously seek

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to have any TPO trees that are removed to then be replaced,

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if I read that correctly. Thank you.

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Thank you,

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Alexis.

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We can, um, take a look at the detail of it.

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Um, yeah, and we'll confirm the position at Deadline one.

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Thank you. Okay.

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Um, and finally, for articles now, just wanted to move on

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to part six, article 15, crown Rights.

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Uh, and, and I just wanted to seek an understanding of

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where the applicant is with regarding, uh,

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the appropriate consents from Crown Estate

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and the timescales with that regards to Crown Land.

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Thank you sir. Alexis comment for the applicant, um,

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I do just have an agreed update with the crown of state,

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so I'm just trying to find it.

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Um, but basically we've um, we're in discussions with them.

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We've recently provided them with the costs undertaking

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to deal with the, um, section 1 3 5 consent.

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Um, the parties are cognizant of the dates,

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set out the examination timetable

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and will aim to reach agreement in a timely fashion.

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And before the close of the examination,

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that's an agreed position

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with the solicitors acting for the Crown State.

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Any parties wish to comment on that? No. Okay, thank you.

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Uh, oh, sorry. I'm sorry, Mr. McBride?

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00:24:07.635 --> 00:24:09.125
Yeah, sorry sir. I dunno whether you'd finished

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that particular article.

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I was gonna mention some

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that you haven't actually

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mentioned yet. So whether it's appropriate,

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Yes, yes, that's the

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appropriate time now, thank you. Okay,

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Thank you. Yeah, so it's no McBride

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thinks you can to council.

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Um, yeah, it's just in relation to some of the, uh,

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the Street Works articles, so articles 9, 10, 11 and 16

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and I think the, the concern of the council is that, uh,

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what we want to make sure to, uh, basically

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have some control over the, the works in the highway.

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So what we'll be looking to try

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and mirror a sort of section 2 7 8 agreement

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that you would normally have under the

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Town of Country Plan Act.

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So, um, you know, that's, that's basically our intention.

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Uh, and there's may be a few detail points, um, relevant

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to each article that, uh, we just feel that, you know, needs

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to be addressed to give us that, uh, assurance.

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So I dunno whether you want me to go through those now

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or whether I could put those, pick those up in,

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in in writing if,

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If you could please, uh,

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put 'em in writing to the applicant.

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And you know, what we'd like to do is,

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is seek resolution parties, but um,

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and the applicant would like to come back on it.

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Alexis comment for the applicant. Thank you.

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We had a, um, discussion about, um, this earlier as well.

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Um, I think the point is that obviously we've got, um,

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detailed schedules that set out the streets works

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and highway works that we need to do,

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and so they've got the principle of those.

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If the order is made in the, in the, um,

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way we've set it up, then there

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would be approval for those works.

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But I understand that, um, there may be a need around that,

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um, some sort of framework

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or requirement for the local highways authority

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to approve the detail of what those works look like.

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Um, I, when we spoke, I did just mention the cotton, um, uh,

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construction traffic management plan,

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which includes some detail around, um, getting the local,

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the county, um, approval as part of the ct mps,

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the detailed design of what those works would look like.

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So we might look at some of that drafting

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and to see whether that might, um, address the point, um,

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it relates to detailed design

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of those articles you've mentioned

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and also around the traffic

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management and regulation measures.

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So, um, we'll take that away and we'll,

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but we'll keep talking with the county just

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to reach agreement on that point.

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Yes. Do you have any reply for Mr.

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Uh, I know prior the can, uh, links to can council?

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No, it was just to sort of flag it up for your information

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to say those discussions are ongoing

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and hopefully we can come to, uh, some sort of, uh,

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agreement, uh, as, as the examination progresses.

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Thank you. Were there any other articles

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and any other parties wish to raise in the DCO?

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Yes sir.

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Good afternoon. Yes, Tony Court for 7,000 acres.

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I have a concern with regard to, um, discharge

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of chemicals.

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Um, I notice in the applicant's documentation they talk

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about cleaning of the solar panels

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and I would like confirmation that only

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potable water is used for that method.

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Um, and if that's the case, what I would like is for the DCO

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to actually identify that only potable water can be used

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to clean the panels in future,

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uh, the applicant,

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Alexis Coleman for the applicant.

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Um, I can confirm it would be clean water

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use to clean the panels.

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Um, we're just checking to see if that's covered in the, um,

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it looks like we've got something about operational cleaning

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in the, um, framework, um,

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operational environmental management plan.

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Um, yes, sorry, paragraph,

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um, ten seven sixty eight.

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Oh, what's this document? Okay, thank you. Um, thank you.

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And so that says that there'll be, yeah,

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it confirms using clean water

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with no added chemicals. Thank

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You. Um, I

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would just, not for the subject

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of the today, but thank you Sarah.

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I would pick up on that later that we have noticed that we,

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we, we were gonna, we got a question coming in later

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hearings of, whilst that is potable water,

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once it washes down the panels,

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it's no longer clean unfortunately.

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So we would be interested in what happens with that effort

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and once it comes off the panels also.

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Um, any other articles anyone wishes to raise?

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No, thank you. So I'm gonna,

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I'm gonna move on to the schedules now.

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Uh, conscious of time for some people.

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Please feel free if you have to go.

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And then I appreciate, um, we're gonna go through some

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of the schedules now in the draft DCRI believe you asked

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me to include some others as well.

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So apologies if I, I'll get to

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that point in a moment when I get to the end if I can.

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Um, to begin with, I was looking at, um,

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the schedule two requirements, uh,

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and uh, an overview of those requirements.

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But, um, I think looking at requirement four, which relates

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to the community liaison group, I was interested from

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to hear from the applicant about the details of perhaps the,

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perhaps the likely nature and frequency and means

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and communication of that, uh, community liaison group

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and how effective it might be with the community.

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Thank you sir. Alexis Coleman for the applicant.

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Um, yes, we've had some discussions, um, yesterday

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with the councils around this article

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and have discussed perhaps making a bit clearer

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what the terms of reference would actually cover.

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The sorts of things you've mentioned here in terms of, um,

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fre, uh, that it would set up the frequency

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and makeup of the group and that sort of thing.

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I'm just going to invite, um, uh, Scott

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Harker, who's a, um, head

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of projects at tribes clean energy.

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Um, you can just talk

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to the sorts of, of what it might look like.

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I think we very much think it should be requirement should

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be kept at sort of not overly prescriptive at this stage

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to allow for those terms of reference of that group

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to reflect the situation at the time.

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And obviously they're subject to the approval of the,

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um, planning authority.

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And I, I don't understand the, um,

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planning authority have an issue, planning authorities have

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an issue with that, but I mean, if we can give you an idea

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of what that might look like, um, that might be helpful.

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Yeah, Scott Harker, Mr.

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Harker, the applicants, um,

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so typically these groups have being constituted on other

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large scale infrastructure projects.

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They've typically, um, been formed of a membership of say,

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community representatives, people living locally, um,

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subject topic experts from sort of interest groups.

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The groups frequency tends to what varies as, as needed

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but say quarterly, for example, is how, how some have met,

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um, in terms of reference Agreed, say

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with the group beforehand, you would meet prior

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to construction activity commencing

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and then the going forward, I mean the group would be able

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to amend it in terms of reference to meet us as required

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in terms of how, I mean we, the group could actually,

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you know, split into specialized depend on how, how the,

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the sort of elements that, um, they're discussing.

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So say for a scheme of this kind, you could have a,

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a community liaison group relat into the principal sites

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and you could have a community liaison

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group relating into the cable corridor.

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So differing, I mean there's, there's a sort of flavor is

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that sort of flavor you were looking

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for in your question? Yep,

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That's, yeah, but obviously you'll be

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developing that going forward.

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So is there anything for, um,

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any other parties in the room

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to come back on? Yes, 7,000 acres.

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Thank you. Liz Gar, 7,000 acres.

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Yes, I note that requirement for one, um, the terms

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of reference to be agreed by the local planning

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authority and the undertaker.

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So there's no mention of the terms of reference to be,

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um, referred to ourselves

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or any other community liaison group.

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Um, so moving forward,

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if we're not included in the first instance,

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it seems a bit bizarre. Thank you.

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Can I come back to the applicant on that please?

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Alexis? The applicant?

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Well, the intention is that the terms

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of reference would be agreed by with the local authority

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and that's, um, an order that, an requirement

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that is in all the other, um, neighboring, um,

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And then with the local authority who obviously are,

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are aware of, you know, the local community

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and who they want to get involved, they will then help, um,

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influence the, the terms of reference of that group

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and then when we need to implement it as as approved.

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So I, and as, as Mr.

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Harker set out, that's where the community, um, is involved.

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I I'm sure as part of the, that group then they then decide,

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you know, would have some influence in terms of how

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that's then run and used.

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Um, but I think it's appropriate that the terms

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of reference are agreed with the, with the authorities

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as the host authorities for that, for the area

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with the interests of the community in mind.

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Is the liaison group's purpose

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to brief the local authority or to brief the community?

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Uh, no, it's, I it's to, it's not for to use the authority

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as the briefer, but the, it's the author's role

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and then we would be liaising with the authority

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to set the terms of reference for the group.

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Yeah. I'm sorry, just going back is, is the purpose

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of the group to liaise with the community

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or to liaise with the local authority?

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Um, well to, to liaise with the local, uh, sorry,

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the community so that people are aware

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of construction impacts and, um,

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and upcoming, um, activity, that sort of thing.

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I'm just conscious that I think you would need

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to seek the views of community in that.

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Um, and equally you, you don't, it needs to be reasonable,

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but yeah, um, I think, uh,

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I think we might need to revisit

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that community liaison group.

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Okay.

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Yes sir.

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Only court 7,000 acres.

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Are there any existing terms of reference

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that can be referred to,

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Um, Alexis comment, the applicant?

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If you mean with respect to this,

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what we're the proposed community, um, liaison group here?

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No, but what we've, what I've said that we'll propose is

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to set out what sort of things that would cover,

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but I do think it's right that it's left open at this stage

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and not overly prescriptive.

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So it responds to the situation at the time

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and it can be tailored to what's, what's needed.

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Um, as, as discussed with the local authority, who

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represents the people who live in the area

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Only court 7,000 acres, if I may respond to that.

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Um, there have been I think seven

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or eight significant nsip approvals already,

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which have same wording in about establishing community, um,

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liaison groups, but I've not

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yet seen any documentation about the role

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and responsibilities of any of those established groups

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because I don't believe any have been established.

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So I'm questioning what is the requirement of this phrase,

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of this documentation

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because at the minute it does not exist.

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So the, the local representations are not being heard

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and don't have any voice to be heard. Okay,

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Thank you sir. Um,

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I think we'll revisit that at a later date just to take

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that on board please as the applicant

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and, um, something that we'll be perhaps addressing

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as a specific issue later.

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Um, moving on now to requirement six.

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Uh, I'm look interested in the status

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of the battery safety management plan

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and in particular the local authorities views on the

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adequacy of that, so it'll be coming later if that's okay.

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Firstly to the applicant please.

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Thank you sir. Alexis, common, the applicant, um,

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so the applicant has engaged with Lincoln Share Fire

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and Rescue Service or LFR on the

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framework Battery Management Plan.

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Um, the LFI have confirmed that they content that the, um,

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framework plan captures the requirements

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of the National Fire Chief's Council guidance.

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There is an update happening to that guidance at the moment

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as part of a consultation.

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So we have agreed that we will be updating the framework,

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um, plan when that becomes available,

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which I believe is in later in this later this year.

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Um, so we'll update that during examination

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and then further engage with the, um, fire

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and rescue service at that time.

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But it, as it stands at the moment, they've, um, they've,

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they're content with the requirements in it.

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Sorry, can I just clarify, you are meeting the National

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Fire Council's guidance

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and you are satisfying Lincoln,

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she fire and rescue also?

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Um, yes, it's the National Fire Chief's Council guidance

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that relates to all batteries.

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Yes. And that's the one that's been updated? Yes.

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So we will, yes. So we,

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So which you, which are you, which are you meeting?

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Are you meeting that the, the,

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the well you're meeting the current guidance

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and also when the guidance gets revised? Yes. Shortly

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We're planning to then update the plan

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to reflect the new guidance. But

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Are you going to meet Lincoln Sfar and rescues guidance

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and satisfaction also bearing in mind they may be,

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they may have over and above expectation.

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Um, yes. Well, I understand that's the position

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because they're, they've already, we've already engaged

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with them on the current plan,

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um, which they're content with.

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Okay. And so would Lincoln should

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like to come in at all on that?

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Yeah. Thank you sir. Neil McBride, county Council.

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Yeah, I mean, I think, um, in the, the previous, uh,

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examinations, we spent quite a lot

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of time talking about battery safety

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and, um, the, the, the fire council's,

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uh, letter was, um, emerged about, uh, about a year ago.

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Uh, and basically the county council's fire

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and rescue service have developed their own sort

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of guidance based on the, the fire coun, uh,

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the Chief Fire Council's, uh, sort of, um, criteria.

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And I suspect then that, um, if

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that guidance is being updated at a national level,

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then a local level guidance will be updated as well.

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Um, I have no doubt that there's a good dialogue going on

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between the developer and the fire and rescue service.

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I've had, uh, regular contact with, uh,

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my colleagues in fire and rescue

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and they haven't raised any, any concerns.

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So I'm comfortable that everything's going as it should be.

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Um, and, uh, yeah,

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I I I don't think there's any issues at this stage.

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Thank you. Uh, does any other party want to come in on

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that, uh, schedule requirement?

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Sorry. Okay, thank you.

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I'm gonna move on to requirement eight,

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which is the biodiversity, uh, net gain strategy.

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Um, I wanted to hear really from the applicant whether

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how your engagement with that is going

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with the statutory consultees

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and authorities that are responsible for that, uh, delivery.

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So

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Alexis, common for the applicant, um,

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we've had comments back from, um, the Environment Agency,

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um, in their relevant rep.

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So at Deadline one we'll be including the Environment agency

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as a consultee on the biodiversity net gain requirement.

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And we have had some discussions earlier today with the, um,

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authorities as to the approach taken with the requirement,

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um, which I can explain if, if that would be helpful.

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Um, Or are you more interested in

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the, if the views just

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Progress on that and also obviously natural angle as well

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as the relevant statutory party.

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Um, I'll just check that position.

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Um, Alexis comment for the applicant, the, um,

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relevant rep we've had from Natural England indicates that,

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um, they're required that 10%,

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which I think they have said they wanted

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secured in the order.

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We've obviously secured that by the, um,

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framework landscape ecological management plan instead,

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but it's still minimum 10% that's secured in that way.

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Um, yeah, so it satisfies their general require

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just maybe secured in slightly different way.

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Yes, sir. Thank you.

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Neil McBride links to county council, it's, um, a request

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and we, um, have discussed this with the,

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with the applicant, uh, earlier that, uh, for, um,

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for this particular requirement

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and some of their landscaping

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and ecological ones that, uh, basically

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that the county council becomes a consultee within that, uh,

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within those requirements.

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I mean, what, uh, what we've progressed to do now, um,

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as we've, um, had more and more nips, we've developed a team

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and we've now got a infrastructure

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ecologist within our team.

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So we've now got a resource to provide some response,

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which we didn't have the previous, um, solar

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and sips in this area, so we hadn't had

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that included previously.

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And this is, you know, a step forward from our perspective.

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So that's, that's something we

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we're, we're going to ask for.

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Thank you. Do any other parties want to come in at all?

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Uh, yes. Seven hasn't acres.

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Thank you sir. Liz Gar, 7,000 acres, is it just maybe,

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I don't know, a simple or logical point really in that

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obviously to gain to, to gaining biodiversity.

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One first of all needs

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to understand the loss in the first instance.

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So with removal of hedges, removal of trees, removal of

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The, The mass land, the margins

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of the fields which have come obviously

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by be diverse in terms of grassland, um, um,

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some flowers that we have in this area.

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Um, there's a, there's a loss there with the removal

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of those, uh, things already.

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So therefore to understand any gain that will be achieved,

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this needs to be added into the equation also.

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Thank you.

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Thank you applicant.

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Alex com, the applicant, um, yes,

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and that's exactly how the metric works.

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So it calculates how much loss there will be

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of different types of, um, habitat units

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and then calculates in terms of what we're planning

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to deliver on the, um,

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increase taking into account that loss.

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So that's very much factored into the, um, the assessment

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and the way in which the natural

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and the metric works in order

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to calculate the biodiversity net gain.

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Um, if we get any more in deeper into it, it might need

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to be an issue specific hearing with our, um,

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who can explain it much better.

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But definitely, um, the loss is very much a big part of that

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and which is why we try to minimize that

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because it does, I mean, for many reasons we try

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and minimize it, but um,

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it does factor into those calculations

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of the biodiversity net gain.

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Okay, thank you. Just moving on now to the requirement 11,

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which is the, um, setting up an archeological

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mitigation strategy.

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Uh, and again, I'd like to understand the progress

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that you have with the relevant statutory consultee on that

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to date and potentially be at the Consultee

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Alexis comment for the applicant.

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Uh, so the applicant is proposing

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to submit its archeological

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mitigation strategy at Deadline One.

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Um, the applicant has been engaging with Lincoln,

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she county council, Nottinghamshire County Council in

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Historic England on the contents of that strategy.

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And, um, we will be, um, tracking the agreement on that

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and the, and closing that out of outstanding comments

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through the statements of common ground, also

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to be submitted at Deadline one.

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Thank you. There any comments from

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the parties in the room?

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Yes, sir. Mr. McBride?

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Thanks Neil McBride thinks you can to council?

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Yeah, it's to, um, to say that we sort

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of reserve our position on, on the wording

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of this requirement, uh, as you just heard from the, um,

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from the applicant, uh, there is ongoing discussions, uh,

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with our, uh, archeological advisor

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and the anticipation is that the wording

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of the requirement will be amended once those, um, once

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that dialogue is reached a conclusion.

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So at that, at that stage, um, we'll, we'll give a view as

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to whether we think that's an acceptable,

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uh, uh, wording or not.

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So it's, it's work in progress.

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So that, I think the point is

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this won't be the final version.

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Thank you. Any other parties wish

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to come in on the archeological mitigation strategy?

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Okay, thank you. Um, uh, uh,

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finally, sorry.

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So you reached to raise requirement 20, you were saying

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that the decommissioning of the, um, site,

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if there was no production of the site, uh,

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west Lindsay District Council, please.

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Sorry. West Lindsay District Council. Uh, yes.

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So just a couple of points in relation to requirement 20.

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So the first is, as currently drafted,

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it obviously requires decommissioning

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after six year, 60 year period.

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It doesn't currently require decommissioning if energy

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ceases to be generated from the project, uh,

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which is commonplace for other made dcos.

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So we, we've had discussions,

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I understand the applicant's going to take that point away.

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It's a relatively simple drafting point.

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Um, another simple drafting point is just consistency in

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reference to what the decommissioning plan

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or the decommissioning environmental management plan, um,

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and the drafting within the requirement itself.

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Uh, and the only other point I have is in relation

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to the timeframe for the decommissioning requirement.

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Um, this is probably one to review

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and I, I'll come to in due course the Schedule 17

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discharge periods.

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Uh, but we, we just make the, um, suggestion

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that this should be whatever period we end up

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00:45:42.125 --> 00:45:44.685

with a discharging, uh, under Schedule 17.

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00:45:44.685 --> 00:45:46.045

It should be consistent with that period.

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00:45:46.345 --> 00:45:47.445

Uh, but I'll come to the,

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00:45:47.505 --> 00:45:49.525

the substance of that in due course. Okay.

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00:45:49.915 --> 00:45:52.005

Does applicant wish to reply to that

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00:45:52.945 --> 00:45:54.245

Alexis Con for the applicant?

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00:45:54.665 --> 00:45:56.165

Um, yes, we've had those discussions.

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We've taken those points away. Thank you.

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00:46:00.995 --> 00:46:03.215

Is there another set of requirements you want to raise?

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00:46:06.185 --> 00:46:09.485

Uh, Luke Simpson, EXA panel member.

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00:46:09.955 --> 00:46:13.175

I've just got a a general point about the requirements.

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00:46:13.635 --> 00:46:17.775

So obviously there are a couple of recently made

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00:46:18.765 --> 00:46:21.295

dcos, I think you've alluded to those.

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00:46:21.595 --> 00:46:23.655

Um, and I understand you're updating the DCO

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00:46:23.995 --> 00:46:26.975

and presumably the explanatory memorandum.

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00:46:27.595 --> 00:46:31.255

And I would just ask that the requirements,

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00:46:31.385 --> 00:46:36.035

draft requirements are brought in line with, well,

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00:46:36.305 --> 00:46:39.835

it's up to you, but it would make sense to

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00:46:40.475 --> 00:46:42.195

consider them in the explanatory memorandum and,

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00:46:42.495 --> 00:46:43.755

and do with them what you will.

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00:46:44.095 --> 00:46:45.995

Um, um,

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00:46:46.135 --> 00:46:49.525

but they're obviously relevant, so that's something I,

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00:46:49.645 --> 00:46:51.765

I was just wondering what your position on that was.

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00:46:53.065 --> 00:46:55.245

Alexis, the applicant. Thank you. Yes.

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00:46:55.345 --> 00:46:56.765

Um, so we've done the exercise

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00:46:56.765 --> 00:46:58.645

of reviewing those recently made orders

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00:46:58.825 --> 00:47:01.205

and we've made amendments throughout the order, um,

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00:47:01.235 --> 00:47:03.125

that we'll be submitting at Deadline one to reflect

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00:47:03.125 --> 00:47:06.965

that including to the requirements, for example, um,

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I think the approach and one,

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00:47:09.005 --> 00:47:12.205

or if not both of those, um, neighboring schemes is

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00:47:12.215 --> 00:47:14.765

where there's a management plan, for example, that is then

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00:47:15.065 --> 00:47:17.765

to be, um, in operat for, for operation.

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00:47:18.105 --> 00:47:19.845

Um, a lot of them say and maintained throughout the

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00:47:19.845 --> 00:47:21.965

operation of the relevant part of the authorized development

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00:47:21.965 --> 00:47:22.965

to which the plan relates.

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00:47:23.105 --> 00:47:25.245

So we've gone through and reviewed our requirements

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00:47:25.265 --> 00:47:27.725

and we plan to, um, pick up that sort of amendment.

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00:47:27.945 --> 00:47:29.525

Um, but yes, we've done that exercise.

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00:47:29.695 --> 00:47:32.085

We'll also be updating the explanatory memorandum at

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00:47:32.245 --> 00:47:35.645

Deadline one to pick up, um, amendments generally,

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00:47:35.645 --> 00:47:37.925

but also, um, 'cause at the time it was submitted, a lot

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of those, possibly all of those orders were a draft

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so we can update the, um, precedents

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00:47:42.405 --> 00:47:44.565

for the various articles at that time. Great.

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00:47:44.735 --> 00:47:45.485

Thank you very much.

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00:47:50.225 --> 00:47:52.515

Okay, thank you. Uh, moving on to schedule three now,

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00:47:52.515 --> 00:47:54.395

which is your list of legislation that you wish

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to be disassembled in the draft DC0.

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00:47:57.055 --> 00:48:01.025

Um, it's a long list of, uh, existing legislation

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that you're looking to remove, uh,

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00:48:02.525 --> 00:48:03.785

the powers and provisions of that.

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00:48:05.505 --> 00:48:06.705

I dunno how you wish to do that.

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Probably be best to do it by writing,

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00:48:08.205 --> 00:48:10.305

but it would be useful for us as the XA

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to understand the reason for the removal of each

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00:48:12.125 --> 00:48:15.185

and every one of those, uh, existing pieces of legislation.

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00:48:16.015 --> 00:48:17.825

Alex, comment to the applicant, um,

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00:48:17.985 --> 00:48:20.385

I suspect it will largely, it'll be a good exercise

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00:48:20.385 --> 00:48:22.105

to do in writing 'cause it might be a bit tedious,

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00:48:22.125 --> 00:48:24.825

but, um, the process we go through is basically to identify,

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um, areas, um, like watercourse

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00:48:28.645 --> 00:48:32.345

and just, um, place names in the, within the area in order

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00:48:32.345 --> 00:48:35.425

to do a quite, um, onerous search of old,

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00:48:35.425 --> 00:48:37.185

quite old local legislation to ensure

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that there aren't powers that would be inconsistent

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00:48:39.265 --> 00:48:40.985

with the scheme if exercised in relation

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00:48:40.985 --> 00:48:43.305

to compulsive acquisition or, um, powers

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00:48:43.305 --> 00:48:45.785

to construct infrastructure schemes like railways,

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00:48:45.825 --> 00:48:47.265

for example, or, um,

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water infrastructure, that sort of thing.

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So, um, because of the age of the legislation,

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often they don't have plans attached to them.

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They're sort of quite old PDFs of old documents,

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so it's not always easy for us to be able

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00:48:58.945 --> 00:49:00.185

to tell whether they do apply.

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00:49:00.645 --> 00:49:03.585

Um, so it's, um, done on a slightly precautionary basis

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and that's why we, um, in the article say

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that they're just supplied just to the extent

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00:49:08.305 --> 00:49:09.505

of any inconsistency.

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So we're not, it's, it's only if there is an actual, um,

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inconsistency with the scheme,

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00:49:14.925 --> 00:49:17.225
but we can go through, um, a deadline one

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00:49:17.285 --> 00:49:18.785
and set out just line

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00:49:18.785 --> 00:49:20.305
or two against each one just to explain.

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00:49:20.605 --> 00:49:23.465
Um, the reason we have it is also fairly well aligned

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00:49:23.495 --> 00:49:27.385
with the, um, co corresponding schedules in the Gate Burton

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00:49:27.385 --> 00:49:28.585
and Cotton dcos,

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00:49:28.845 --> 00:49:31.025
but we have looked at it afresh in the

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00:49:31.025 --> 00:49:32.305
context of, of the scheme.

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00:49:33.285 --> 00:49:34.115
Thank you. That would be helpful

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00:49:34.115 --> 00:49:34.795
if you could do that, please.

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00:49:34.815 --> 00:49:39.775
Yes. Does any other parties

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00:49:39.775 --> 00:49:42.095
have any views on the existing legislation?

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00:49:45.885 --> 00:49:50.355
Um, schedule 15 relates to your protective provisions.

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00:49:50.395 --> 00:49:52.235

I think you've done some updates with some

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00:49:52.235 --> 00:49:53.995

of the various statutory parties already,

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00:49:54.495 --> 00:49:56.435

but, uh, just wondered if you could briefly run

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00:49:56.435 --> 00:49:59.195

through your positions with the protective provisions

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00:49:59.195 --> 00:50:00.195

that you are making in the order

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00:50:00.495 --> 00:50:02.355

and where you currently stand with those parties.

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00:50:03.305 --> 00:50:05.895

Thank you, sir. I'm going to ask my colleague Mr.

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Tom Atkins to provide the update. Thank you

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00:50:10.445 --> 00:50:11.825

Tom Atkins for the applicant.

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00:50:12.045 --> 00:50:14.305

Uh, so to run through it at a relatively high level,

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00:50:14.405 --> 00:50:17.985

the Canal River Trust agreed a standard set

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00:50:17.985 --> 00:50:20.505

of protective provisions across the four solar and sips.

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So till Bridge Cotton gave Burton

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and West Burton, those who agreed in August of last year,

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00:50:26.325 --> 00:50:29.285

and that agreed version was included in the draft DCO

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included in the application Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue.

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We also have agreed protected provisions agreed in

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00:50:35.525 --> 00:50:39.425

that application version of the draft DCO, Scunthorpe

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00:50:39.445 --> 00:50:40.985

and Gainsborough Drainage Board

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00:50:41.165 --> 00:50:42.945

and Upper with Drainage Board.

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00:50:43.125 --> 00:50:45.025

Um, as has been mentioned in relation

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00:50:45.025 --> 00:50:47.065

to previous agenda items, the applicant met

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00:50:47.065 --> 00:50:49.105

with both drainage boards in August of this year.

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00:50:49.685 --> 00:50:51.825

Um, and both have confirmed that the standard suite

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of protected provisions included in the DCO in relation

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to drainage authorities are sufficient

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and they don't need any additional, uh,

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00:50:59.365 --> 00:51:04.065

or bespoke provisions, uh, for their assets in respect

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00:51:04.125 --> 00:51:07.625
of the other solar dcos in the area.

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So Gate Burton Energy Park, cotton Solar Project,

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00:51:10.205 --> 00:51:12.745
and West Burton Solar Project as part of the

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cooperation agreement that my, um,

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00:51:15.095 --> 00:51:17.215
colleague Ms. Coleman referred to earlier

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00:51:17.555 --> 00:51:19.895
and agreed of reciprocal protective provisions

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00:51:19.895 --> 00:51:21.015
was included there.

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00:51:21.435 --> 00:51:24.975
Um, and basically they are equivalent provisions protecting

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00:51:25.245 --> 00:51:27.735
each of the four developments that are included across, um,

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00:51:27.765 --> 00:51:29.855
each of the, the draft development consent orders.

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00:51:30.265 --> 00:51:34.225
There are a couple of minor drafting matters, uh, in respect

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00:51:34.225 --> 00:51:36.705
of the gate burden and cotton, uh, versions

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00:51:36.705 --> 00:51:38.025
of those protected provisions

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00:51:38.025 --> 00:51:40.105

that will be included in our draft DC0

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00:51:40.105 --> 00:51:42.265

that we're just ironing up the last few points

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00:51:42.365 --> 00:51:45.785

and we will, we're hoping to include the agreed set at the,

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00:51:45.845 --> 00:51:49.575

uh, deadline one submission network rail.

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00:51:49.915 --> 00:51:53.255

We are still in discussions with Network Rail in relation

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00:51:53.255 --> 00:51:55.735

to the property and asset protection agreements,

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00:51:55.795 --> 00:51:58.255

but protective provisions have been agreed in principles

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00:51:58.255 --> 00:52:00.575

subject to the resolution of those additional matters.

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00:52:02.145 --> 00:52:05.925

Um, Anglia mortar, Caden gas, Juniper,

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00:52:05.925 --> 00:52:08.925

and Northern Power grid discussions between the applicant

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00:52:08.985 --> 00:52:11.965

and these undertakers are progressing well with

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00:52:12.625 --> 00:52:15.125

the protected provisions for inclusion in the DC0

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00:52:15.125 --> 00:52:16.725

substantively agreed with the exception

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00:52:16.725 --> 00:52:18.445

of a few outstanding matters.

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00:52:19.105 --> 00:52:20.405

Um, and we're working to refine

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00:52:20.405 --> 00:52:21.805

and resolve those with a view

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00:52:21.805 --> 00:52:24.565

to submitting an agreed set at the, uh,

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00:52:25.195 --> 00:52:26.405

soonest available deadline.

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Um, but we have, in speaking with all of those developers,

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we're confident that agreement can certainly be reached

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00:52:31.985 --> 00:52:33.165

within the timescales

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00:52:33.165 --> 00:52:35.165

of the examination, but preferably sooner.

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00:52:36.135 --> 00:52:39.035

Uh, EDF we have been

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00:52:39.435 --> 00:52:41.475

provided with a copy of their standard protective

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00:52:41.475 --> 00:52:43.515

provisions, which we have reviewed and

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00:52:43.715 --> 00:52:44.635

provided comments, so we're just

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00:52:44.635 --> 00:52:45.795

awaiting their further response.

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00:52:46.175 --> 00:52:47.835

But from the applicant's perspective, the bulk

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00:52:47.835 --> 00:52:50.115

of those provisions are, uh, agreed

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00:52:50.215 --> 00:52:51.995

and there are only a handful that require further

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00:52:51.995 --> 00:52:53.675

discussion and resolution.

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00:52:54.665 --> 00:52:56.855

Again, can't provide exact timescales

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00:52:56.855 --> 00:52:59.575

but confident that that could be resolved within the

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00:52:59.575 --> 00:53:00.935

timeframe of the examination.

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00:53:02.275 --> 00:53:04.375

The Environment Agency, as you heard, uh,

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00:53:04.375 --> 00:53:05.575

earlier on in the hearing,

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00:53:05.885 --> 00:53:07.695

they're currently updating their standard

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00:53:07.755 --> 00:53:08.815

set of protected provisions.

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00:53:08.875 --> 00:53:11.215

We have provided comments on the previous

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00:53:11.215 --> 00:53:12.615

iteration of those provisions.

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00:53:13.115 --> 00:53:16.175

Um, and once those have been circulated internally at the

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00:53:16.175 --> 00:53:18.095

Environment Agency, they'll provide us with those

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00:53:18.115 --> 00:53:20.775

and any further comments they have on our suggested

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00:53:20.775 --> 00:53:21.935

changes to the previous version.

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00:53:22.195 --> 00:53:24.935

But we're confident that we can progress those quickly once

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00:53:24.965 --> 00:53:27.005

we receive the updated provisions.

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00:53:28.615 --> 00:53:31.185

Exum, uh, is in a similar position to EDF.

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00:53:31.185 --> 00:53:33.345

We've reviewed their standard protected provisions and

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00:53:33.505 --> 00:53:35.105

provided comments from the applicant's perspective.

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00:53:35.715 --> 00:53:37.985

Again, they're substantively agreed from our side

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with only a number of a handful

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00:53:39.965 --> 00:53:41.945

of further aspects requiring discussion.

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00:53:42.405 --> 00:53:45.625

Um, but we are waiting further responses from from them.

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National Grid is in the, the same position with received

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00:53:51.195 --> 00:53:52.235

a copy of their provisions,

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00:53:52.235 --> 00:53:53.435

which we are currently reviewing,

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00:53:53.615 --> 00:53:55.635

and we're looking to provide them with our feedback as soon

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00:53:55.635 --> 00:53:58.475

as possible and reaching, uh, resolution

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00:53:58.495 --> 00:54:00.195

and providing agreed provisions at

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00:54:00.195 --> 00:54:01.555

the earliest available deadline.

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00:54:02.835 --> 00:54:05.705

Trent Valley Drainage Board, we've, uh,

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provided them with a copy of our standard provisions,

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uh, for them to review.

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That's included in the draft DCO

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and we're waiting for review and comment.

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We understand from meetings held between the applicant

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00:54:16.265 --> 00:54:20.105

and the drainage board in August of this year that uh,

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00:54:20.535 --> 00:54:22.585

generally they're moving in a positive direction,

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00:54:22.585 --> 00:54:23.985

but we haven't received, uh,

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00:54:24.055 --> 00:54:25.865

substantive confirmation from them yet.

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00:54:26.885 --> 00:54:30.265

The Ministry of Defense National Gas, which we referred

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to earlier and Vodafone, we've reached out to all

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of those undertakes

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00:54:34.385 --> 00:54:35.905

and they've all confirmed they have no assets

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00:54:35.905 --> 00:54:38.105

or apparatus impacted by the scheme such

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00:54:38.175 --> 00:54:40.785

that no protective provisions would be required.

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00:54:43.035 --> 00:54:46.175

Eon, we have had some correspondence with them to date.

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We initially reached out to them in September of last year.

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Um, and we're just working with them

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00:54:50.635 --> 00:54:51.975

and our land referencing team

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00:54:51.975 --> 00:54:54.015

to confirm whether they do in fact have any assets

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00:54:54.015 --> 00:54:56.175
that would be impacted such the protected

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00:54:56.175 --> 00:54:57.295
provisions would be required.

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00:54:57.955 --> 00:55:02.265
And there are a number of other statutory undertakers, um,

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00:55:02.365 --> 00:55:04.465
who through our land referencing searches came up

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00:55:04.465 --> 00:55:07.105
as having assets that may be affected, who we reached out to

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00:55:07.645 --> 00:55:08.865
in September of last year

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00:55:08.885 --> 00:55:10.305
and followed up with in May

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00:55:10.305 --> 00:55:12.945
of this year following acceptance, the application

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00:55:13.045 --> 00:55:14.385
to ask if they wanted

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00:55:14.385 --> 00:55:16.385
to enter into discussions on protective provisions.

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00:55:16.765 --> 00:55:19.905
But we haven't yet received responses from those bodies.

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00:55:20.785 --> 00:55:24.895
Thank you. Um, would any of the statutory undertakers, uh,

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00:55:25.275 --> 00:55:28.735
in the room or on the, um, on the virtual call, like

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00:55:28.755 --> 00:55:30.735

to come back and comment on that?

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00:55:34.005 --> 00:55:36.015

Okay. Any other parties in the room want

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00:55:36.015 --> 00:55:37.135

to comment on protective provisions?

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00:55:39.475 --> 00:55:41.455

No. Okay. Thank you. Uh,

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00:55:41.635 --> 00:55:43.015

and then finally, just moving on

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00:55:43.015 --> 00:55:44.935

to Schedule 16, the DeMar license.

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00:55:45.185 --> 00:55:47.535

Appreciate we haven't got the MMO on the call,

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but I just wanted to know what your current position

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with coming to an agreement with the MMO is

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Alexis the applicant.

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Thank you. We've reviewed the, um,

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00:55:55.885 --> 00:55:57.485

recently made orders from Gate Beton and Cotton

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00:55:57.585 --> 00:56:01.365

and, um, have decided in response to the MMOs comments

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00:56:01.385 --> 00:56:04.005

to remove, um, the Dean Marine license from the order

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00:56:04.145 --> 00:56:07.205

and make the Subsequential amendments throughout the DE0.

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00:56:07.545 --> 00:56:09.525

Um, we've let the MMO know that, which is,

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00:56:09.605 --> 00:56:11.045

I suspect is why they haven't come today.

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00:56:15.665 --> 00:56:18.095

Sorry, just from my understanding, how will you get the,

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00:56:18.155 --> 00:56:21.095

uh, relevant permission from the MMO then

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00:56:21.115 --> 00:56:23.980

to undertake the works that you're proposing to do? Well,

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00:56:23.980 --> 00:56:26.685

The issue with the, the license was always sought

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00:56:26.745 --> 00:56:27.925

on a fairly precautionary basis.

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00:56:28.125 --> 00:56:29.525

'cause there is currently an exclusion,

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00:56:29.745 --> 00:56:31.045

um, for needing the license.

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00:56:31.225 --> 00:56:35.125

So it was really just in future, if that exclusion ceased

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to operate, which, um, the MMO have said,

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there's no intention of, um, withdrawing that.

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00:56:44.495 --> 00:56:46.475

So just again, for clarity, sorry, for the works

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00:56:46.475 --> 00:56:48.355

that you're proposing to do under the Trent,

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00:56:48.375 --> 00:56:49.915

you do not require a marine license?

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00:56:50.495 --> 00:56:52.175

That's correct. Yeah. Okay.

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00:56:54.835 --> 00:56:57.045

Okay. Uh, I think that concludes there.

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00:56:57.045 --> 00:56:58.405

Anyone wishing to come back on any

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00:56:58.405 --> 00:56:59.605

of the items that we've just raised there?

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00:57:02.195 --> 00:57:05.045

Okay, thank you. Sorry, west Lindsay

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00:57:05.295 --> 00:57:06.685

Shall me say Westland District Council.

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00:57:06.785 --> 00:57:09.325

So I have a couple of comments in relation to Schedule 17

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with their notes not in the agenda.

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00:57:11.505 --> 00:57:13.725

Um, are happy to deal with that in writing

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00:57:14.265 --> 00:57:16.845

or now, whichever your preference is. Um,

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00:57:17.715 --> 00:57:19.225

Which It depends relatively quick.

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00:57:19.345 --> 00:57:21.065

Straightforward. Yes. Feel free. I'm, I'm grateful.

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00:57:21.525 --> 00:57:24.345

Uh, schedule 17, this deals with the PRO procedure

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00:57:24.365 --> 00:57:25.665

for discharge of requirements.

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00:57:25.665 --> 00:57:29.385

There are a couple of points that, uh, we wanted to raise.

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00:57:29.485 --> 00:57:31.745

The first is in relation to the discharge period,

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which currently is drafted as eight weeks.

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00:57:34.445 --> 00:57:36.185

Uh, and, and I'm sure you'll be aware

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00:57:36.185 --> 00:57:39.225

that Cotton recently made DC0 extended

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00:57:39.925 --> 00:57:42.105

the applicant's original draft version

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00:57:42.185 --> 00:57:45.025

of the DCA from 10 weeks to 13 weeks.

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And that was based on Thea's recommendation

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that it should be increased primarily on the basis

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00:57:50.405 --> 00:57:54.345

of submissions that West Lindsay, uh, district council made.

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00:57:55.645 --> 00:57:58.705

Uh, and that was made on the basis that given the number of

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00:58:00.335 --> 00:58:03.225

nips, uh, and potential dcos

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00:58:03.365 --> 00:58:05.865

and discharge applications that would be forthcoming

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00:58:06.435 --> 00:58:10.825

given the number of applications generally,

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00:58:10.855 --> 00:58:14.065

that may, uh, come, come in at one particular time

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00:58:14.065 --> 00:58:15.465

that 13 weeks was appropriate.

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00:58:15.465 --> 00:58:18.225

And that's what the XA agreed

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00:58:18.925 --> 00:58:21.545

and indeed the secretary of state in his decision letter.

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00:58:21.565 --> 00:58:26.535

Agreed. So, uh, I, in, in, in our, our, our position

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to put it straightforwardly is that this

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00:58:30.015 --> 00:58:31.935

DCO should also provide for 13 weeks.

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00:58:32.395 --> 00:58:34.575

Um, I also just ought to indicate that our, we,

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00:58:34.635 --> 00:58:36.655

we are reserving our position to some extent

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00:58:36.655 --> 00:58:39.175

because that's based on this being third in the queue

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00:58:39.325 --> 00:58:40.615

because there are two made.

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00:58:40.875 --> 00:58:42.175

If West Burton is made.

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00:58:42.675 --> 00:58:45.175

Um, if the order is made throughout this examination,

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00:58:45.195 --> 00:58:46.495

we may need to revisit that

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00:58:46.495 --> 00:58:48.015

because of course at that stage we'll be dealing

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00:58:48.015 --> 00:58:49.375

with this as the fourth in the queue.

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00:58:49.755 --> 00:58:51.095

Uh, and that increases the number

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00:58:51.095 --> 00:58:52.535

of potential discharge applications.

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00:58:52.555 --> 00:58:56.295

We are discharging authority for 10 slash 11,

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00:58:56.295 --> 00:58:58.015

including the decommissioning requirement.

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00:58:58.355 --> 00:58:59.375

So that's the first point.

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00:58:59.715 --> 00:59:01.815

Um, the second point is the further information

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00:59:01.815 --> 00:59:04.855

and consultation, um,

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00:59:05.275 --> 00:59:08.775

the current timeframes are significantly lower than

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00:59:08.775 --> 00:59:10.535

those in cotton.

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00:59:11.435 --> 00:59:14.095

So for instance, where there is, uh, a number

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00:59:14.095 --> 00:59:16.255

of working days required for further information

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00:59:16.255 --> 00:59:18.935

to be sought, they currently sit at half that

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00:59:19.255 --> 00:59:21.805

provided for in cotton, and I should say all

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00:59:21.805 --> 00:59:23.645

of these points we have discussed with the applicant.

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00:59:23.725 --> 00:59:25.085

I understand some are being taken away.

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00:59:25.225 --> 00:59:26.845

One of these, uh, one of those

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00:59:26.845 --> 00:59:28.405

that is being taken away at this point,

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00:59:28.425 --> 00:59:29.565

so that may be updated.

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00:59:30.185 --> 00:59:33.645

Uh, the other point I understand is going to be updated is

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that this DC0 currently doesn't have a fee provision, uh,

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which all of the others do.

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00:59:38.945 --> 00:59:40.445

And, and we've asked

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00:59:40.475 --> 00:59:42.805

that the cotton fees provision is the one

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00:59:42.805 --> 00:59:45.205

that's, uh, adopted.

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Uh, and I understand that that is also being taken away.

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00:59:48.145 --> 00:59:52.445

Um, so that, that's a summary position. Thank you. Uh,

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00:59:52.545 --> 00:59:53.605

The applicant like to reply.

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00:59:54.265 --> 00:59:56.175

Thank you sir. Alexis, common for the applicant?

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00:59:56.715 --> 01:00:00.765

Uh, so in terms of the discharge period, um, uh, we,

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we think that the eight weeks should be maintained.

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That's for or retained. Um, that's for several reasons.

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Obviously it's a, um,

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01:00:08.125 --> 01:00:09.965

national significant infrastructure scheme

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01:00:09.985 --> 01:00:11.725

for which has a critical national priority.

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Um, this one has an earlier grid connection date than the,

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01:00:14.705 --> 01:00:16.005
um, other schemes deferred to.

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01:00:16.005 --> 01:00:18.765
So it has a connection date of August, 2028.

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01:00:18.865 --> 01:00:21.325
So, um, time is very much of the essence.

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Should the order be made in terms of discharge

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01:00:23.405 --> 01:00:25.565
of requirements, um, it's,

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01:00:26.275 --> 01:00:28.555
I appreciate it doesn't necessarily align with gate birth

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01:00:28.555 --> 01:00:31.755
and cotton, but in terms of energy dcos, it is the same

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01:00:31.755 --> 01:00:35.835
as little Crow Cleve Hill, net zero T side drag specs,

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01:00:35.985 --> 01:00:38.555
hornsey for offshore wind, um,

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01:00:38.655 --> 01:00:40.515
and in excess of the, um,

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01:00:40.725 --> 01:00:43.595
42 day decision making period in Article 15

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01:00:44.015 --> 01:00:45.355
for this, um, schedule.

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01:00:46.215 --> 01:00:47.315
Um, I would also add

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that the way it's drafted doesn't preclude a longer period,

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01:00:49.455 --> 01:00:51.115

so it says eight weeks or such further

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period as is, as is agreed.

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01:00:52.855 --> 01:00:57.315

Um, so in practice, if the applicant, if the council comes

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to the applicant and says we need more time, um,

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I highly doubt that till bridge will turn around and say no

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01:01:03.775 --> 01:01:05.635

and then have the application refuse.

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01:01:05.635 --> 01:01:08.315

We're more likely to, you know, agree the additional time so

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01:01:08.315 --> 01:01:10.435

that we can get the requirements discharged,

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01:01:10.455 --> 01:01:13.235

but we would prefer the default to be a shorter period

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01:01:13.315 --> 01:01:15.155

of time with the ability to agree a longer period

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01:01:15.155 --> 01:01:16.235

of time should that be needed.

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01:01:16.655 --> 01:01:18.795

Um, we appreciate there may be requirements

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01:01:18.795 --> 01:01:20.555

that are more detailed and require more time,

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01:01:20.615 --> 01:01:21.955

but some of them, especially

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as they can be discharged in parts,

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01:01:23.285 --> 01:01:25.635

could actually be much smaller and, and simpler

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01:01:25.735 --> 01:01:26.955

and actually be done in eight weeks.

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01:01:27.575 --> 01:01:30.715

Um, so we would prefer to retain that wording, as I said,

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01:01:30.715 --> 01:01:33.155

with the ability to agree the longer timeframe.

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01:01:33.735 --> 01:01:36.595

Um, on the middle point in terms of, um, further information

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and consultation timeframes, we've agreed to take that away

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01:01:38.955 --> 01:01:40.995

and we'll, and we'll have a look at the cotton, um,

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01:01:41.565 --> 01:01:42.795

timeframes around that.

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01:01:43.215 --> 01:01:46.875

And in terms of fees, um, we've agreed to include the, um,

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01:01:47.415 --> 01:01:48.675

the provisions

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01:01:48.675 --> 01:01:52.435

that the count the council have requested. Okay. Uh,

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01:01:52.435 --> 01:01:55.355

Yes, with Zi Westland District Council.

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01:01:55.615 --> 01:01:56.835

Yes. So just, just in relation

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01:01:56.835 --> 01:01:59.115

to the points made about the discharge periods,

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01:01:59.115 --> 01:02:01.795

the first point is that the cotton, uh, DCA,

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which provides 13 weeks, also has a provision which allows

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for longer periods to be agreed.

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So there's no distinction there.

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We don't suggest that that means

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that eight weeks is appropriate in this instance.

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The other point is in relation to a grid connection date,

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01:02:13.775 --> 01:02:15.195

and we understand the point being made,

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01:02:15.215 --> 01:02:16.915

but for us, the sequence

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01:02:16.915 --> 01:02:18.395

of events taking place is not the point.

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01:02:18.395 --> 01:02:20.405

It's the fact that that there are a cumulative number

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01:02:20.465 --> 01:02:24.245

of potentially made if this is made, uh, dcas

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01:02:24.345 --> 01:02:26.605

and it's the number of discharge applications being

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01:02:26.605 --> 01:02:28.045

increased as opposed to

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01:02:28.645 --> 01:02:30.965

specifically when particular discharge applications are

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01:02:30.965 --> 01:02:31.965

gonna land on our desks.

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01:02:31.965 --> 01:02:32.965

That's the point.

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01:02:33.815 --> 01:02:35.185

Thank you. Um,

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01:02:36.205 --> 01:02:38.425

Alexis comp, the applicant, I understand the points.

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01:02:38.625 --> 01:02:40.425

I mean, our position is as I've set out, so,

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01:02:40.525 --> 01:02:41.705

um, I'd have nothing more to say.

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01:02:41.705 --> 01:02:43.745

Can I ask then that, uh, going forward the, the statement

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01:02:43.745 --> 01:02:45.345

of common ground that you bring, if you could highlight this

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01:02:46.375 --> 01:02:48.345

area of disagreement for want of a better word, um,

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01:02:48.405 --> 01:02:51.555

and then we can make a judgment on that. Thank

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01:02:51.555 --> 01:02:52.555

You.

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01:02:53.765 --> 01:02:55.785

Are there any other schedules that anyone would, um,

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01:02:56.195 --> 01:02:57.945

would wish to raise at this time?

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01:02:59.325 --> 01:03:00.775

Okay, thank you. Um,

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01:03:12.075 --> 01:03:16.035

So, uh, moving on briefly now, just as a review

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01:03:16.035 --> 01:03:17.955

of the discussion we've just had at this hearing.

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01:03:18.135 --> 01:03:21.275

Um, we have a number of, um, actions arising

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01:03:21.275 --> 01:03:22.315

that we've just noted down.

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01:03:22.375 --> 01:03:25.075

We will put them, uh, in, I think clarified 'em in writing

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01:03:25.095 --> 01:03:27.955

and put them out as a follow up to this hearing.

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01:03:28.175 --> 01:03:31.035

But, um, just the ones that immediately come to mind,

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01:03:31.055 --> 01:03:33.275

we were seeing some clarity from the applicant

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01:03:33.275 --> 01:03:34.875

around the grid connection statement

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01:03:34.875 --> 01:03:37.475

and confirmation of outputs of power, various,

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01:03:38.265 --> 01:03:41.435

most locally on site with the, uh, DC storage,

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01:03:41.455 --> 01:03:44.235

but also with the offline AC component.

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01:03:44.495 --> 01:03:46.595

So if we could have some clarification with that please.

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01:03:47.495 --> 01:03:49.995

Um, uh, and also in that a statement

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01:03:49.995 --> 01:03:54.195

of the lifetime output calculations for the site, uh,

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01:03:55.145 --> 01:03:58.065

a bit of a better, uh, um, clarity around the degree

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01:03:58.065 --> 01:03:59.665

of over plant requirements, how much

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01:03:59.665 --> 01:04:04.305

of the over plant is due to, um, your peak production, uh,

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01:04:04.365 --> 01:04:06.865

at, at high output times of the year,

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01:04:06.865 --> 01:04:09.425

and how much of that is related to, we're really looking

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01:04:09.425 --> 01:04:11.625

to see whether this is associated development or not.

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01:04:12.765 --> 01:04:13.765

Um,

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01:04:16.515 --> 01:04:19.095

So just to clarify, the over planting point we'll justify

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01:04:19.095 --> 01:04:21.575

in terms of the, um, generation in store generation capacity

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01:04:21.575 --> 01:04:22.655

with the panels, but um,

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01:04:22.955 --> 01:04:24.495

and then also the separate point I think

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01:04:25.245 --> 01:04:26.975

when you mentioned associate development on the

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Aspect. Yes. Yeah.

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01:04:28.675 --> 01:04:30.615

Because in this particular system you're looking

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01:04:30.615 --> 01:04:34.055

with, um, using, uh, DC coupled battery storage, aren't you?

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01:04:34.055 --> 01:04:37.955

And we're just interested in that, that, um, interface

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01:04:37.955 --> 01:04:39.835

between what you're capturing locally on site

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01:04:39.835 --> 01:04:41.115

and storing locally in the batteries.

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01:04:41.215 --> 01:04:43.755

Yes. And the potential for, for, for the, the grid

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01:04:43.775 --> 01:04:45.035

to go the other way and, and,

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01:04:45.035 --> 01:04:47.395

and albeit with the losses that you discussed,

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01:04:47.415 --> 01:04:48.635

but coming back from off

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01:04:48.655 --> 01:04:49.915

The grid. Yes. Understood. Thank you.

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01:04:50.255 --> 01:04:52.475

Uh, and similarly, you know, an idea of how

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01:04:52.475 --> 01:04:54.945

that performs throughout the lifetime

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and development, the, the seasons, the year

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01:04:57.605 --> 01:05:00.305

and, uh, the life, the whole life of the site, please.

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01:05:00.635 --> 01:05:02.785

Sorry sir. Can I just, uh, ask to clarify,

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01:05:03.285 --> 01:05:05.465

are you seeking, um, with the DC system

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to understand the benefits that it provides in terms of

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01:05:10.415 --> 01:05:13.305

load shifting, the, um, the supply that's created,

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01:05:13.325 --> 01:05:17.615

the generation's created during peak times of the year? Is

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01:05:17.615 --> 01:05:18.855

That what you're seeking to understand?

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01:05:19.135 --> 01:05:20.735

I think what we're seeking to understand is the,

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01:05:20.835 --> 01:05:24.375

is the necessity of the storage for your local

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01:05:25.575 --> 01:05:28.085

panel capacity and the fact that you are, you're,

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01:05:28.085 --> 01:05:30.845

you're collecting DC directly from the panels

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01:05:31.265 --> 01:05:33.205

and then the ability and

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01:05:33.635 --> 01:05:36.855

how frequently you would be taking back feed off the grid

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01:05:36.965 --> 01:05:38.935

from the grid into those batteries.

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01:05:39.235 --> 01:05:41.415

So we're, we're seeking to understand that relationship

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01:05:45.605 --> 01:05:48.265

and how that might vary over the year

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01:05:48.325 --> 01:05:50.545

and how that might vary over the life of the project it has.

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01:05:50.645 --> 01:05:52.185

And when your panels degrade

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01:05:52.285 --> 01:05:53.865

or perhaps increasing efficiently,

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01:05:58.825 --> 01:06:02.475

what are the batteries for that help?

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01:06:07.235 --> 01:06:09.415

Um, we've got DC

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01:06:10.755 --> 01:06:13.845

West Iny District Council was, uh, asking for issues about,

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01:06:13.845 --> 01:06:16.005

you know, likely annual maintenance requirements, number

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01:06:16.005 --> 01:06:19.565

of visits to site to replace these panels, uh, some sort

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01:06:19.565 --> 01:06:22.565

of elaboration on a maintenance annual maintenance basis.

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01:06:22.725 --> 01:06:24.605

I know you said that there was, uh, an ability there

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01:06:24.605 --> 01:06:26.965

for you'd produce, produce that annually to them,

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01:06:26.985 --> 01:06:30.285

but just to get some sense of how, how much does annual

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01:06:30.915 --> 01:06:34.005

maintenance work look like one-off development work?

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01:06:35.915 --> 01:06:36.935

Uh, and similarly,

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01:06:36.935 --> 01:06:40.055

Lincolnshire County Council was asking questions around, uh,

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01:06:40.075 --> 01:06:41.295

the waste management strategy

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01:06:42.035 --> 01:06:45.735

and if you are coming, uh, significant replacement annually

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01:06:45.735 --> 01:06:47.535

of these panels, what happens to them?

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01:06:50.915 --> 01:06:51.935

Any points you picked up?

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01:06:51.935 --> 01:06:54.255
Any ve got some from that last part?

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01:06:57.195 --> 01:07:01.225
Um, No, just progression

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01:07:01.325 --> 01:07:02.385
and progressive provisions.

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01:07:02.485 --> 01:07:03.825
Yep. That was everything for me,

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01:07:05.245 --> 01:07:06.425
but I think that's, uh, all it,

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01:07:06.425 --> 01:07:08.345
but like I said, we will, we'll summarize that ourselves

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01:07:08.345 --> 01:07:10.745
and put that to you there.

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01:07:10.745 --> 01:07:12.985
Any other points there that someone wants to clarify

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01:07:13.485 --> 01:07:15.265
or actions I feel I may have missed?

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01:07:15.405 --> 01:07:16.405
Yes,

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01:07:16.875 --> 01:07:17.875
Sorry, let's go. Seven.

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01:07:17.875 --> 01:07:19.385
Was there something in relation

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01:07:19.385 --> 01:07:22.545
to the community liaison, uh, group in relation to how

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that's the terms of reference set up in the first instance?

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How we're excluded from that?

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Yeah, just the point you picked up on,

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I think, yeah, we were gonna say going forward this,

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it's very likely that we're gonna have to bring that up

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as an issue, uh, unless you can seek to reassure us that it,

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it meets the needs of the community.

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So, um, that would be something we'd be exploring further in

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more detail anyway, unless there is some

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document coming from the applicant to explain

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that it meets the needs

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of the community at an earlier stage.

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Uh, Right.

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Thank you. Um,

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Moving on to agenda item seven.

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Is there any other business for the issue specific hearing

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we're holding today that anyone would like to raise

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or any parties would like to raise in the room?

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Anyone online? Okay. Thank you.

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Um, move on to the close of the hearing then.

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Uh, thank you firstly for attending today.

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Uh, your contribution has been very beneficial to us

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as the examining authority and thank you for your input

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and for what you presented to us.

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Um, we look forward to seeing some

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of you I assume tomorrow as well.

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Uh, and with no, nothing else to add to that, I now declare

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that this issue specific hearing is closed at

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five o'clock on the dot.

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How about that? Thank you all.