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Statement of Common Ground

Signatures FINAL VERSION TO BE SIGNED

This Statement of Common Ground has been prepared and agreed by East Yorkshire Solar Farm Limited and East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

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1. Introduction and Purpose

1.1 Purpose of this Statement of Common Ground

- 1.1.1 This Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) has been prepared to support an application (the Application) made to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero for a Development Consent Order (DCO) under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008) for the proposed East Yorkshire Solar Farm (the Scheme). The Application has been submitted by East Yorkshire Solar Farm Limited (the Applicant).
- 1.1.2 This SoCG has been prepared between (1) the Applicant and (2) East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC) (jointly referred to as the Parties).
- 1.1.3 ERYC is a host local authority. The Solar PV Area of the Scheme is located within ERYC's boundary. ERYC is listed as a prescribed consultee in Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 and so has been consulted during the preparation of the Application and following its acceptance.
- 1.1.4 The Examining Authority has requested that the SoCG include the following matters as set out in the Rule 6 Letter **[PD-002]**:
- a. An assessment of impacts within the Council's area, including (as relevant) matters relating to:
 - i. air quality;
 - ii. biodiversity, ecology and the natural environment including the effect on habitats, species and nationally designated sites;
 - iii. ground conditions and land contamination;
 - iv. historic environment including archaeology;
 - v. landscape and visual receptors;
 - vi. the living conditions of residents of the area;
 - vii. noise;
 - viii. employment and other socioeconomic factors;
 - ix. traffic, transport and public rights of way;
 - x. glint and glare;
 - xi. water environment, flooding and drainage;
 - xii. human health;
 - xiii. agricultural land and soils;
 - xiv. effect on trees, woodland and hedgerows;
 - xv. waste and minerals, including potential sterilisation of mineral extraction sites and decommissioning;
 - xvi. safety and fire risk.
 - b. The effect on European sites and features relevant to Habitat Regulations Assessment; assessment methodology and conclusions;

- c. An assessment of the Proposed Development's cumulative and in-combination effects with other nearby major developments;
 - d. An assessment of compliance with national and local planning policy relevant to the Proposed Development including the approach to consideration of alternatives;
 - e. Mitigation measures; including an assessment of their likely effectiveness, ongoing monitoring procedures and how mitigation will be secured within the DCO;
 - f. The Articles and Requirements of the draft DCO; and
 - g. Any other relevant matters.
- 1.1.5 It can be taken that any matters not specifically referred to in sections 2 and 3 of this SoCG are not of material interest or relevance to ERYC's representations and therefore have not been considered in this document.
- 1.1.6 This SoCG has been produced to confirm to the Examining Authority where agreement has been reached between the Parties, where agreement has not been reached (and that is the parties' final position) and where discussions are still ongoing. This SoCG will be revised and updated as discussions between the Parties progress during the Examination.

1.2 Description of the Scheme

- 1.2.1 The Scheme comprises the construction, operation (including maintenance) and decommissioning of a solar photovoltaic electricity generating facility with a total capacity exceeding 50 megawatts and export connection to the national grid, at National Grid's Drax Substation. A detailed description of the Scheme is included in Chapter 2: The Scheme, Environmental Statement Volume 1 which was submitted with the DCO Application [APP-054] and a description of the development to be authorised is set out in Schedule 1 of the draft DCO [AS-008].

1.3 Format of Document and Terminology

- 1.3.1 Section 2 of this SoCG summarises the issues that are 'agreed', 'not agreed' or are 'under discussion'. 'Not agreed' indicates a final position where the Parties have agreed to disagree, whilst 'Agreed' indicates where the issue has been resolved. The Parties have also indicated the likelihood that agreement will be reached on each item.
- 1.3.2 Appendix A sets out a summary of the meetings and correspondence between the Parties in relation to the Scheme.
- 1.3.3 Abbreviations used within the SoCG are provided in Table 1-1 below.

Abbreviation/Term	Definition
CEMP	Construction Environmental Management Plan
CTMP	Construction Traffic Management Plan
CRT	Canals and River Trust
dB	Decibels
DCO	Development Consent Order

DEMP	Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan
ES	Environmental Statement
FRA	Flood Risk Assessment
HDD	Horizontal Directional Drilling
LEMP	Landscape and Ecological Management Plan
LVIA	Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment
mms ⁻¹	Movement Magnitude Scale
OEMP	Operational Environmental Management Plan
OWSI	Overarching Written Scheme of Investigation
PA	Planning Act 2008
PEI Report	Preliminary Environmental Information Report
PINS	Planning Inspectorate
PPV	Peak Particle Velocity
SoCG	Statement of Common Ground
SuD _s	Sustainable Urban Drainage System
ZOI	Zone of Influence

2. Areas of Discussion between the Parties

2.1 Planning Policy

Table 2-1 Planning policy

Ref	Relevant Application Document	Description of Matter	ERYC Current Position	Applicant's Current Position	Status
2.1.1	-	National Planning Policy	ERYC has not made any comments in relation to national planning policy so far.	The Applicant sets out the Scheme's compliance with the National Policy Statements for Energy at the time of writing the Planning Statement. Compliance with the updated NPS for Energy, EN1, EN3 and EN5, which came into force in January 2024, is provided as part of the deadline 1 submission for examination.	Agreed
2.1.2	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Local Planning Policy	ERYC state that Policy S2 from the East Riding of Yorkshire Local Plan sets out the sustainable development context for the consideration of all developments whilst policy EC5 specifically relates to supporting the energy sector. This policy sets out specific support for energy	The Applicant notes Policy S2 and EC5's support for energy developments and provides an assessment of the Scheme against the policies set out in adopted and emerging Local Plan Policies in Appendix B of the Planning Statement [APP-233] , including how the Scheme meets the sustainable criteria set out in Policy S2.	Agreed

Ref	Relevant Application Document	Description of Matter	ERYC Current Position	Applicant's Current Position	Status
2.1.3	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Local Planning Policy	<p>ERYC state that Policy S4 is also clear on the type of developments acceptable in the open countryside; this includes (C9) energy development and associated infrastructure where proposals respect the intrinsic character of their surroundings.</p>	<p>Appendix B of the Planning Statement [APP-233] provides an assessment of the Scheme against this policy. The contribution the Scheme would make to meeting the established urgent need for renewable energy generation infrastructure warrants its location in the countryside. It is considered that the Scheme is supported development within the countryside as it would be a development for 'Energy development and associated infrastructure' and would fall under exception 9, Part C of Policy S4.</p>	Agreed

2.2 Need for and Principle of the Proposed Scheme and the Examination of Alternatives

Table 2-2 Principle of development

Ref	Relevant document	Description of Matter	ERYC Current Position	Applicant Current Position	Status
2.2.1	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Principle of development	ERYC support the principle of the proposed development with regards to planning policy on this application site provided there are no unacceptable impacts.	The Applicant notes ERYC's support in principle for the Scheme, provided there are no unacceptable impacts. The Applicant considers that there is a clear need for the Scheme as set out in the Statement of Need [APP-232] and Planning Statement [APP-233] .	Agreed
2.2.2	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	The Proposals	ERYC state that Solar PV panels absorb energy from sunlight. This energy creates electrical charges that move in response to an internal electrical field in the cell, causing electricity to flow.	The Applicant notes that ERYC acknowledge the description of the Scheme which is set out in Chapter 2: The Scheme, ES Volume 1 [APP-054] and the Outline Design Principles Statement [APP-235] .	Agreed
2.2.4	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	The Proposals	ERYC acknowledge that the scheme comprises of 3 phases, namely construction, operation (including		Agreed

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			maintenance and repair) and decommissioning.		
2.2.5	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	The Proposals	<p>ERYC acknowledge that during the operational phase:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activity within the site is proposed to be restricted principally to sheep grazing, • vegetation management, equipment maintenance/cleaning and the servicing/ replacement of any components that fail or reach the end of their lifespan. • A monthly visit to the Scheme will be made to inspect and monitor the fences and operational equipment. • The solar farm will also be monitored remotely. <p>ERYC acknowledge that a Framework Operational Environmental Management Plan (OEMP) [APP-239] will be prepared and submitted for</p>	<p>The Applicant notes that ERYC acknowledge that the management of the operational phase of the Scheme, as set out in the Framework OEMP [APP-239] which will inform a detailed OEMP to be approved by the local authority prior to the commencement of the Scheme as secured by Requirement 12 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008].</p>	Agreed

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			approval with the DCO application.		
2.2.6	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	The Proposals	ERYC acknowledge that the Scheme is expected to have a life of at least 40 years. They acknowledge that the decommissioning phase effects are likely to be similar to those of the construction phase (with the - exception of HDD) and a Framework Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan (DEMP) [APP-240] has been submitted as part of the Environmental Statement in the DCO application.	The Applicant notes that ERYC acknowledge that the Scheme's lifetime is 40 years, and the management of the decommissioning phase of the Scheme is set out in the Framework DEMP [APP-240] which will inform a detailed DEMP to be approved by the local authority prior to the commencement of the Scheme as secured by requirement 18 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	Agreed

2.3 Climate Change

Table 2-3 Climate change

Ref	Relevant document	Description of Matter	ERYC Current Position	Applicant Current Position	Status
2.3.1	-	Climate Change Impacts	ERYC are satisfied with the climate change assessment set out in Chapter 6: Climate Change, ES Volume 1 [APP-058].	Chapter 6: Climate Change, ES Volume 1 [APP-058] provides an assessment of the likely significant effects on climate change. No significant adverse effects have been identified in this assessment therefore no additional mitigation or enhancement measures are proposed.	Agreed

2.4 Cultural Heritage and Archaeology

Table 2-4 Cultural Heritage and Archaeology

Ref	Relevant document	Description of Matter	ERYC Current Position	Applicant Current Position	Status
2.4.1	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Cumulative impact on heritage assets	ERYC state that while assets need to be assessed individually, any assessment will also need to take care that this does not produce a	The Applicant welcomes ERYC's comments, which are addressed in Chapter 7: Cultural Heritage, Environmental Statement,	Agreed

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			<p>fractured and uncoordinated assessment of impact. In particular, the development will cumulatively span a considerable area of countryside- land which provides the open, agricultural and verdant setting of many historic buildings and settlements. An assessment will therefore need to consider the potentially larger cumulative impact of the parcels of development when taken together. It will also need to consider the interrelationship between heritage assets, and therefore the potentially larger impact on the group when taken as a whole, rather than as the sum of their parts. In this regard it will also be important to ensure that there is cross reference between the cultural heritage and landscape chapters, as there is considerable potential overlap of impact.</p>	<p>ES Volume 1 [APP-059]. This assesses potential impacts to heritage assets arising from the construction of specific components of the Scheme, as well as potential impacts arising from the operation and decommissioning of the entire Scheme, i.e., the operational presence of all the Solar PV Panels and accompanying infrastructure. It also provides a cumulative assessment of the Scheme on heritage assets, which is also summarised in Chapter 17: Cumulative Effects and Interactions, ES Volume 1 [APP-069]. No significant adverse effects are anticipated.</p>	

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2.4.2	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Assessment methodology	ERYC state that while the individual areas allocated to be developed do not include any designated and non-designated heritage assets, the wider landscape in which the full extent of the development will be experienced does contain several heritage assets. It is therefore positive to see that an assessment of cultural heritage has been carried out. ERYC is content that scope and extent of the area covered is sufficient to understand the full extent of the landscape in which the impact of the solar farm may be felt.	The Applicant notes that ERYC is content that the scope and extent of the area covered Chapter 7: Cultural Heritage, ES Volume 1 [APP-059] is sufficient to understand the full extent of the landscape in which the impact of the Scheme may be felt.	Agreed
2.4.3	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Assessment methodology	ERYC state that it will be important that any assessment recognises that any methodology is, to a certain extent, a blunt tool. A nuanced, professional, judgement will therefore be needed in order to ensure that the assessment is robust. In particular, the grading of heritage assets as	The Applicant acknowledges ERYC's comments. This matter was discussed during a consultation meeting with East Riding of Yorkshire Council dated 26 July 2023. A distinction is made between Grades of listed building (LB) which follows	Agreed

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			'high', 'medium' or 'low' value can present a distortedly low value of grade II listed assets	the NPPF (para 200). It is recognised that Historic England is the consultee for Grade I and Grade II* and the local authority is the consultee for Grade II. As stated in section 7.4 Methodology of Chapter 7: Cultural Heritage, ES Volume 1 [APP-059] , potential impacts to heritage assets assesses the level of change to their heritage interests, including change to their setting. It was agreed during the meeting that as potential impacts to the heritage interests of assets were to be articulated within the ES, including impacts through change to setting, the separation of the listed building grades would not preclude a significant effect being assessed for a Grade II listed building.	

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2.4.4	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Assessment methodology	ERYC has no principal concerns with the methodology and scope of the supporting evidence set out in the documents provided in relation to heritage assets. However, state that it will be important to ensure that sufficient detail is provided when considering the impact of development, ensuring that the assessment builds on the methodology proposed, rather than being constrained by it.	The assessment in Chapter 7: Cultural Heritage, ES Volume 1 [APP-059] has been updated in accordance with current Scheme design information and the results of archaeological fieldwork carried out for the Scheme. Chapter 7: Cultural Heritage ES Volume 1 [APP-059] describes the assessment on Cultural Heritage based on the maximum parameters set out in Chapter 2 Scheme Description, ES Volume 1 [APP-054] and the Outline Design Principles Statement [APP-235] , which describe the parameters of the Scheme for which consent is being applied.	Agreed
2.4.5	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Archaeology	ERYC recommend that a staged programme of evaluation will allow for the	The Applicant acknowledges ERYC's comments. Geophysical survey (magnetometry) of	Agreed

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			<p>archaeological potential of the site to be assessed. This should begin with a scheme of geophysical survey and be followed by trial trenching confirm the results.</p>	<p>the Solar PV Site and Grid Connection Corridor has been undertaken for the Scheme. The results of the geophysical survey are discussed in section 4.7 of Appendix 7-2: Cultural Heritage Desk-Based Assessment, ES Volume 2 [APP-080] and reported in detail within Appendix 7-3: Geophysical Survey Report, ES Volume 2 [APP-081]. Archaeological evaluation trenching has been undertaken across the Solar PV Site, the results of which are presented in Appendix 7-4: Archaeological Trial Trenching Evaluation Report ES Volume 2 [APP-082].</p>	
2.4.6	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Archaeology	ERYC state that the preservation of the archaeological remains could take two forms; physical/in-situ	The Overarching Written Scheme of Investigation (OWSI), to be submitted at Deadline 1, details the archaeological mitigation	Under Discussion

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			<p>preservation (to preserve the archaeological remains below the development or by leaving the site un-developed), or preservation by record where destruction is unavoidable (to include full and detailed excavation followed by post excavation analysis and publication of results).</p>	<p>proposed to evaluate the presence and significance of previously unrecorded remains and reduce the effect of the Scheme on the archaeological resource. Additional evaluation will be undertaken post consent, to support the detailed design, on areas of planned intrusive activities, where no archaeological trial trenching has yet been possible, and the mitigation will comprise either the protection/preservation of archaeological remains, where possible, or, where remains cannot be preserved, a structured programme of archaeological investigation to mitigate the loss.</p>	
2.4.7	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Archaeology	ERYC state that all archaeological site work must be undertaken by a	The Applicant acknowledges and agrees with ERYC's comments.	Agreed

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			professionally qualified archaeological organisation or archaeologist.	This requirement is secured in the Framework CEMP [APP-238] and the Framework OEMP [APP-239].	

2.5 Biodiversity, Ecology and the Natural Environment

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Ref	Relevant document	Description of Matter	ERYC Current Position	Applicant Current Position	Status
2.5.1	Email from Jennifer Woollin (Trees and Nature Conservation, ERYC), dated 17/08/23	Cumulative effects construction and operation impacts	ERYC state that for mobile species, associated with the Humber Estuary SPA/Ramsar and Lower Derwent, foraging ranges extend up to 12km from site boundaries for Lapwing and Golden Plover for these species the cumulative/in combination assessment should be expanded in relation to assessing to loss of functionally linked land.	The Applicant concludes that extending the Zone of Influence (ZOI) considered for the cumulative effects assessment as suggested (i.e. from 5km to 12km) would include areas well beyond 10km from either designated sites and therefore can reasonably be expected to not include functionally linked land on which a significant cumulative effect could occur. The Applicant therefore does not think it	Under discussion

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				<p>is necessary or proportionate to undertake the considerable additional assessment work required to extend the ZOI for the cumulative effects assessment to 12km from the Solar PV Site and Grid Connection Corridor and therefore we do not propose to extend the ZOI for ecological receptors beyond the 5km already agreed following Statutory Consultation.</p>	
2.5.2	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Nature conservation-survey work	<p>ERYC has appraised the submitted ecological information and broadly welcome and support the outlined approach. ERYC acknowledge that significant survey effort has been undertaken and continues to be undertake with regards habitats and species. ERYC supports the outlined biodiversity enhancement targets.</p>	<p>The Applicant notes that ERYC welcome the submitted ecological information set out in Chapter 8: Ecology, ES Volume 1 [APP-060] and the level of survey work that has been undertaken.</p>	Agreed

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2.5.3	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Biodiversity and Wildlife	<p>ERYC notes Breeding Curlew territory: this species is a qualifying feature of the Lower Derwent SSSI.</p> <p>ERYC state that given that the significant declines in curlew have been attributed to breeding failures; consideration for maintaining extent of territories post development is important in a county context.</p>	<p>The Applicant acknowledges ERYC's comments. The loss of arable habitat within the Scheme will lead to a reduction in the available habitat used during the breeding season by curlew. However, this will be mitigated through the creation of the area of habitat enhancement, which will be used as an undeveloped mitigation area as set out in section 8.6 of Chapter 8: Ecology, ES Volume 1 [APP-060] and the Framework Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (LEMP) [APP-246] which will inform a detailed LEMP and be secured by requirement 6 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008].</p>	Agreed
2.5.4	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation		<p>ERYC state that the PEI Report provides a good summary of the ecological</p>	<p>The Applicant notes that ERYC generally agree with the assessment within the</p>	Agreed

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			<p>survey work undertaken to date and highlights the key sites, habitats and species that could be impacted by the proposals. ERYC note that the scheme remains in development with ecological surveys and assessments on going.</p> <p>ERYC support the approach to ecological assessment set out in the PEI Report chapter as it follows current best practice guidance.</p> <p>ERYC acknowledge that whilst the PEI Report is only preliminary at this stage ERYC generally agree with the assessment which appears reasonable in terms of the location, type and scale of the proposed works. ERYC will consider the detailed impacts and specific mitigation proposals once the final assessment has been undertaken and submitted as part of the ES.</p>	<p>PEI Report in relation to ecology.</p>	

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2.6 Water Environment

Table 2-6 Water Environment

Ref	Relevant document	Description of Matter	ERYC Current Position	Applicant Current Position	Status
2.6.1	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Flood Risk and Drainage	ERYC acknowledge that the Scheme is located within low, medium and high-risk flood zones 1, 2 and 3 and that it also exceeds 1ha in site area.	The Applicant notes that ERYC agrees that the proposed development is located across a number of flood zones as set out in Chapter 9: Flood Risk, Drainage and Water Environment, ES Volume 1 [APP-061] , and Appendix 9-3: Flood Risk Assessment, ES Volume 2 [APP-097] .	Agreed
2.6.2	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Flood Risk- Sequential Test and Exception Test	ERYC acknowledge that it would be classified as 'essential infrastructure' and is therefore a suitable form of development in Flood Zones 1 and 2. ERYC state that the Sequential test should be applied first to guide development to Flood Zone 1	The Applicant notes that ERYC agrees that the proposed development would be 'essential infrastructure'. A Flood Risk Assessment has been produced for the Scheme, which considers impact on flood risk from	Agreed

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			<p>and then Zone 2 and then Zone 3, and that the need to avoid flood risk from sources other than rivers and sea should be considered. Within Flood Zone 3a and 3b the Exception test is required.</p>	<p>all sources (Appendix 9-3, ES Volume 2 [APP-097]. As the solar PV panels will be raised, floodwater will be able to move freely beneath as per the existing situation. Floodplain compensation areas will be provided to account for the small loss of floodplain Volume due to the solar PV panels located within Flood Zone 3 to prevent an increase in flood risk to third party land. The Sequential and Exception Tests are covered in Chapter 6 of the Planning Statement [APP-233].</p>	
2.6.3	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Development in Flood Zone 3	<p>ERYC state that in Flood Zone 3a, essential infrastructure should be designed and constructed to remain operational and safe in times of flood. In Flood Zone 3b (functional floodplain) essential infrastructure that has to be there and has passed the Exception Test, and water-</p>	<p>The Applicant notes ERYC's comments. A Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) is provided (Appendix 9-3, ES Volume 2 [APP-097]) which confirms that the Scheme:</p>	Agreed

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			<p>compatible uses, should be designed and constructed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remain operational and safe for users in times of flood, • Result in no net loss of floodplain storage, • Not impede water flows and not increase flood risk elsewhere. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remains operational and safe for users in times of flood, • Results in no net loss of floodplain storage, • Does not impede water flows and not increase flood risk elsewhere. 	
	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultatio	Engagement	ERYC note that the Applicant is engaging with the Environment Agency, several Internal Drainage Boards, Yorkshire Water and the Canal and River Trust.	The FRA (Appendix 9-3, ES Volume 2 [APP-097]) and Chapter 9: Flood Risk, Drainage and Water Environment, ES Volume 1 [APP-061] confirms that the Applicant has engaged with the Environment Agency, several Internal Drainage Boards (Ouse and Derwent IDB, Ouse and Humber DB, Selby Area IDB), Yorkshire Water and the Canal and River Trust.	Agreed
2.6.4	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Drainage Details	In terms of drainage, ERYC recommend that details of drainage are provided with any	The details of drainage are set out in the Framework Surface Water Drainage	Agreed

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			<p>future application. Due to the large size of the site a comprehensive SuDS drainage plan for the site may be of some benefit. ERYC also require a Drainage Impact Assessment with any future application. The proposal should not increase surface water runoff. Should foul water be created Yorkshire Water have their own pre application enquire service with details provided in their consultation response.</p>	<p>Strategy [APP-098] which sets out Sustainable Urban Drainage System (SuDS) provision. Given the implementation of the Framework Surface Water Drainage Strategy [APP-098] which will inform a detailed Framework Surface Water Drainage Strategy and be secured by requirement 9 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008], including SuDS provision, there would be negligible impact to the receiving groundwater from operational surface water runoff, as stated in paragraph 9.7.98 of Chapter 9: Flood Risk, Drainage and Water Environment ES Volume 1 [APP-061].</p>	

2.7 Landscape and Amenity

Table 2-7 Landscape and Amenity

Ref	Relevant document	Description of Matter	ERYC Current Position	Applicant Current Position	Status
2.7.1	Email from Matthew M Sunman (PP Officer, ERYC), dated 02/02/23	LVIA	ERYC agree with the proposed LVIA viewpoint locations.	The Applicant notes that ERYC accepts the proposed LVIA viewpoint locations which are set out in Figure 10-8 Representative Viewpoint Locations and detailed in Chapter 10: Landscape and Visual Amenity, ES Volume 1 [APP-163] .	Agreed
2.7.2	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Lighting proposals	ERYC acknowledge that it is stated that working hours will be shortened in the winter months to negate the use of artificial lighting during the construction and demolition phases of the Scheme. If however lighting is found to be required during the construction or demolition phases or it is required to be installed for use during the operational phase of the Scheme further information in the form of a lighting	The Applicant notes that ERYC acknowledges the lighting strategy for the construction, operational and decommissioning phases as set out in the Framework CEMP [APP-238] , Framework OEMP [APP-239] and Framework DEMP [APP-240] . A detailed CEMP, OEMP and DEMP (which will be substantially in accordance with the framework plans) will need to be agreed with	Agreed

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			assessment should be submitted as part of the DCO application.	the local authority and are secured by requirements 11, 12 and 18 (respectively) in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] . The lighting strategy will be sensitive to its surroundings and best practice guidelines will be developed, ensuring inward distribution of light and avoiding light spill on to sensitive receptors.	
2.7.3	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment methodology	ERYC state that the application should be accompanied by an LVIA.	A LVIA is set out in Chapter 10: Landscape and Visual Amenity, ES Volume 1 [AS-014] .	Agreed
2.7.4	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Landscape proposals	ERYC state that where possible existing hedgerows and trees should be retained and enhanced with new additional tree, hedgerow, and shrub planting. Other beneficial factors of a good landscaping scheme include ecological and preventing glare. Details of tree and hedgerow management should also be provided to	The proposed landscape design will be implemented in line with the Framework LEMP [APP-246] , which will inform a detailed LEMP to be secured by requirement 6 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] . The Framework LEMP [APP-246] confirms that the layout of the Scheme has been designed	Agreed

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			ensure their success long term.	to minimise the loss of and avoid significant impacts on existing landscape features including hedgerows and trees, where practicable. The Framework LEMP [APP-246] sets out details of tree and hedgerow management to ensure their long term success.	

2.8 Noise and Vibration

Table 2-8 Noise and vibration

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2.8.1	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Construction Management- Public Protection	ERYC acknowledge that it is proposed that construction and deliveries will be governed by a Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) and a CEMP which will be submitted with the DCO application and agreed with the local authority prior to the commencement of works. Core working hours are	A Framework Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) [APP-113] and Framework CEMP [APP-238] have been produced and provide details of how construction and deliveries will be managed. A detailed CTMP and CEMP, which will be substantially in accordance with the	Agreed

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			<p>Monday to Friday 07.00 to 19.00 and Saturday 07.00 to 13.00. No construction work or deliveries will take place on Sundays, Bank Holidays or through the night unless crucial to construction, namely where horizontal direct drilling is required to pass cables under the river Derwent, river Ouse, the Hull to Selby railway and Featherbed Lane footpath and prior notification will be given, or in an emergency.</p>	<p>framework plans, will need to be agreed with the local authority prior to construction, and will be secured by requirements 11 and 13 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008]. The Framework CTMP [APP-113] and Framework CEMP [APP-238] confirm that noise generating activities near residential properties, such as use of power tools or piling, would be limited to the hours between 08:00 and 18:00 from Monday to Friday and between 08:00 and 13:00 on Saturday. Core working hours onsite will be 07:00 to 19:00 Monday to Friday and 07:00 to 13:00 on Saturday but will be shortened if working would necessitate artificial lighting and therefore the working day may be shorter in the winter months (with the exception</p>	

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				<p>of activities such as HDD which require continuous working for a limited period of time). There will be no work on a Sunday or Bank Holiday unless crucial to construction (e.g., HDD which must be a continuous activity etc.) or in an emergency.</p>	
2.8.2	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Construction Period	<p>ERYC acknowledge that this phase is likely to take 24 months. Activities will be carried out in a sequential manner with construction teams responsible for a specific type of work moving from one solar PV area to the next. The works would start with fencing, followed by the driving of steel piles into the ground, frame installation, PV panel installation, cabling, and connection. The installation of the cables, field stations and substations would be undertaken separately to the PV panels.</p>	<p>The Applicant notes that ERYC acknowledges the proposed construction period as set out in the Framework CEMP [APP-238].</p>	Agreed

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2.8.3	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Noise and vibration during construction from machinery	ERYC acknowledge that the potential significant effect of noise and vibration during the construction phase is to be mitigated by the positioning of noisy machinery away from residential properties, regular noise monitoring, notifying residents of any noisy works and adhering to the agreed core working hours. Baseline noise monitoring has been undertaken and sensitive receptors which have the potential to be affected by the scheme have been identified.	The Applicant notes that ERYC recognises and welcomes the proposed mitigation in relation to noise from machinery during construction which is set out in the Framework CEMP [APP-238] . A detailed CEMP, which will be substantially in accordance with the Framework CEMP [APP-238] will need to be approved by the local authority prior to construction, and will be secured by requirement 11 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	Agreed
2.8.4	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Impacts from decommissioning	ERYC acknowledge that the Scheme is expected to have a life of at least 40 years. The decommissioning phase effects are likely to be similar to those of the construction phase (with the exception of HDD) and that a Framework DEMP [APP-240] is proposed	The Applicant notes that ERYC recognises and welcomes the provision of the Framework DEMP [APP-240] which sets out measures that will be taken to manage of the decommissioning of the Scheme. A detailed DEMP will be agreed with the	Agreed

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			to be submitted as part of the DCO application.	local authority and be secured by requirement 18 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	
2.8.5	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Operational impacts- Noise and vibration	ERYC acknowledge that there are no sources of operation vibration.	The Applicant notes that ERYC agree that there are no sources of operational vibration, and that operational vibration is scoped out of any further assessment (as agreed with the Planning Inspectorate in the Scoping Opinion (Appendix 1-2, ES Volume 2 [APP-074]). There are no sources of vibration during operation with the potential to cause significant effects.	Agreed
2.8.6	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Operational impacts- Noise and vibration	ERYC state that further consideration should be given to the use of 30 dB as a minimum where baseline noise monitoring results have been found to be very low. It is noted that further	A commitment to further consideration on low frequency noise has been included in the Framework OEMP [APP-239] , which will inform a detailed OEMP and be secured by requirement 12 in	Agreed

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			consideration is be given to low frequency noise.	Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	
2.8.7	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Operational impacts- Noise and vibration	ERYC state that during the operational phase, activity within the site is proposed to be restricted principally to sheep grazing, vegetation management, equipment maintenance / cleaning and the servicing / replacement of any components that fail or reach the end of their lifespan.	The Applicant notes that ERYC acknowledges that during the operational phase, activity within the site is proposed to be restricted principally to sheep grazing, vegetation management, equipment maintenance / cleaning and the servicing / replacement of any components that fail or reach the end of their lifespan, as set out in the Framework OEMP [APP-239] , which will inform a detailed OEMP and be secured by requirement 12 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	Agreed

2.9 Socio-economics and Land Use

Table 2-9 Socio-economics and Land use

Ref	Relevant document	Description of Matter	ERYC Current Position	Applicant Current Position	Status
2.9.1	-	Socio-Economic Impacts	The Socio-Economic Impacts set out in Chapter 12: Socio Economics and Land Use, ES Volume 1 [APP-064] are considered acceptable.	Chapter 12: Socio Economics and Land Use, ES Volume 1 [APP-064] sets out the Socio-Economic impacts associated with the Scheme on Employment, Public Rights of Way and Private and Community Assets. There are no significant effects expected on socio-economic and land use matters during the construction, operational and decommissioning phases of the Scheme.	Agreed.

2.10 Transport and Access

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2.10.1	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Principle	ERYC Highway Development Management support this proposed development in principle.	The Applicant notes that ERYC Highway Development Management support this proposed development in principle.	Agreed
2.10.2	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Assessment methodology	ERYC state that the distribution method seems reasonable approach.	The Applicant notes that ERYC agree with the distribution method approach set out in the Transport Assessment (Appendix 13-4, ES Volume 2 [APP-112]) which provides a full assessment of the impacts of traffic on local roads during the construction phase, including trip distribution.	Agreed
2.10.3	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Assessment impacts.	ERYC acknowledge that Personal Injury Collision (PIC) data has been studied for the medium sensitive areas which is considered an acceptable approach with no significant increase to the risk of further collisions and no pattern to suggest the highway is unsafe.	The Applicant notes that ERYC consider the Personal Injury Collision data which has been studied for the medium sensitive areas within the Transport Assessment (Appendix 13-4, ES Volume 2 [APP-112]) to be an acceptable approach.	Agreed

2.10.4	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Operational impacts.	<p>ERYC acknowledge that once operational the Scheme would produce minimal traffic and have a negligible impact on the local highway network.</p>	<p>The Applicant notes that ERYC acknowledge that once operational, the Scheme would produce minimal traffic and would have a negligible impact on the local highway network as set out in Chapter 13: Transport and Access, ES Volume 1 [APP-065].</p>
2.10.5	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Construction impacts.	<p>ERYC acknowledge that the construction programme would have circa 400 staff per day (with circa 350 two-way movements) working hours of 0700-1900 with staff movements mainly between the hours of 6-7 and 19-20. They also acknowledge that there would be approx. 50 two-way HGV movements per day which would be reduced during the hours of 0600-0900 and 1700-2000, and distributed as 50% of HGVs would approach from the M62 J37, 25% from the A614 and 25% from the A63 ERYC Highway Management accept that this would be mainly</p>	<p>As set out in the Framework CEMP [APP-238], which will inform a detailed CEMP and be secured by requirement 11 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008], construction worker shifts are planned to be between 07:00-19:00 during the week in summer months and 07:00-13:00 on Saturdays. Therefore, construction workers are anticipated to travel between 06:00-07:00 and 19:00-20:00 during the week and between 06.00-07.00 and 13.00-14.00 on Saturdays. HGVs will be</p>

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acceptable but would note that the PM hours of reduced HGVS should be between 1600-1800.

limited to deliver between 09:00-16:00 (therefore avoiding the 1600-1800 period mentioned by ERYC) and tractor-trailers will deliver around the site between 09:00-17:00.

The Scheme is predicted to create a maximum of 178 two-way vehicle trips during the AM development peak hour (06:00-07:00) and PM development peak hour (19:00-20:00) respectively. These construction vehicles will be spread across the four compounds. To reduce the potential impact of HGV deliveries, the arrival and departure times will be managed to minimise the number of HGVs travelling to the Site during the network peak hours for the local highway network; as 08:00-09:00 and 17:00-18:00. This is secured within the CTMP [APP-113]. .

2.10.6	-	Access design and passing places strategy	No comment to date.	The Applicant have proposed an access design and passing place strategy and have consulted with ERYC Highways on this throughout the application. A meeting was held on 21 st April 2024 to agree the access design and passing place strategy. The Applicant is awaiting agreement from NYC Highways.	Under Discussion
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2.11 Human Health

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Ref	Relevant document	Description of Matter	ERYC Current Position	Applicant Current Position	Status
2.11.1	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Management of contamination risk	ERYC envisage that an additional investigation and risk assessment will be undertaken as part of the subsequent ES for the DCO application. ERYC acknowledge that embedded best-practice mitigation measures are also	A Phase 1 Preliminary Risk Assessment (PRA) (Appendix 16-2, ES Volume 2 [APP-123]) has been carried out for the Scheme. The Phase 1 PRA [APP-123] identifies and evaluates potential land quality risks and	Agreed

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			<p>proposed for dealing with contamination and managing soil and made ground during the project, as part of the site construction management plan.</p>	<p>development constraints associated with the Scheme and provides an initial Conceptual Site Model (CSM) that can be used to inform future decision making and the design of future ground investigation which may be required. The implementation of the recommendations of the Generic Quantitative Risk Assessment (to be completed post-consent), as set out in the Framework CEMP [APP-238] will be included in the detailed CEMP, along with environmental design and management measures. This will be secured by requirement 11 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008].</p>	
2.11.2	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Mitigation Measures	ERYC Public Protections Specialist Team have no objections to the proposed development based on the	The Applicant notes that ERYC's Public Protection Specialist Team have no objections to the Scheme	Agreed

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			information available, providing appropriate mitigation measures (both embedded and additional, as discussed in the PRA) are implemented, to manage potential risks from land contamination.	subject to appropriate mitigation which is set out in the Framework CEMP [APP-238] which will inform a detailed CEMP and will be secured by requirement 11 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	

2.12 Soils and Agricultural Land

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Ref	Relevant document	Description of Matter	ERYC Current Position	Applicant Current Position	Status
2.12.1	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Best and most versatile land.	ERYC state that the BMV assessment should: (i) ensure that the proposed use of any agricultural land has been shown to be necessary and poorer quality land has been used in preference to higher quality land; and (ii) ensure that the proposal allows for continued agricultural use where applicable and/ or	Chapter 15: Soils and Agricultural Land, ES Volume 1 [APP-067] assess the impact of the Scheme on agricultural land. BMV land has been considered throughout the design process as described in Chapter 3: Alternatives and Design Evolution, ES Volume 1 [APP-055] ,	Agreed

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			<p>encourages biodiversity improvements around arrays.</p>	<p>including focusing the initial site selection on areas of Grade 4 land (based on the Provisional ALC data), solar infrastructure (apart from panels) being located away from areas of BMV wherever practicable, and consideration of the use of ground screw (minimally invasive foundations relative to concrete plinths) to support infrastructure within Field Stations in areas of BMV land.</p> <p>During operation, the long-term, reversible conversion of arable to grassland within the Solar PV Site has the potential to accrue improvements to soil function relating to improvements to soil structure and consequent increased permeability and increased resilience to erosion, as well as</p>	

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				<p>increases to soil carbon content.</p> <p>The Applicant has commissioned an independent consultant to review the feasibility of sheep grazing on the grassland beneath solar panels, this has shown it is feasible for sheep to graze on the land. More detail is contained within the Grazing Feasibility Study, Appendix 2-1, ES Volume 2 [APP-071]. The panels would be at a minimum height above ground level of approximately 1 m at maximum tilt with greater clearance during the rest of the day. Therefore, grazing will not be limited by the panels themselves.</p>	
2.12.2	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Best and most versatile land.	ERYC state that an Agricultural Land Classification Assessment should be undertaken.	Table 15-15 of Chapter 15: Soils and Agricultural Land, ES Volume 1 [APP-067] sets out the percentage (%) of	Agreed

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				agricultural land within the Order limits, based on reconnaissance soil surveys undertaken during 30 November 2022 to January 2023; a more detailed investigation between May 2023 and September 2023; and Predictive Agricultural Land Classification (ALC) mapping data commissioned by Cranfield University.	

2.13 Other Environmental Topics

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Biodiversity Net Gain					
2.13.1	Email from Jennifer Woollin (Trees and Nature Conservation, ERYC), dated 17/08/23	BNG	ERYC welcome proposals for Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG).	The Applicant notes that ERYC welcome the proposed BNG proposals as set out in the Biodiversity Net Gain	Agreed

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2.13.2	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation		<p>ERYC are fully supportive of the intention of this project to provide a minimum of 10% BNG in line with current guidance set out in the Environment Act 2021. ERYC support use of the most up to date version of the Defra Biodiversity Metric in presenting data on biodiversity losses and gains. The proposals for BNG should sit within a wider landscape and biodiversity strategy which has clear objectives and sets out how monitoring and management will be delivered in the long term.</p>	<p>Assessment [APP-243] which concludes that based on the current plans for the Site, the Scheme is predicted to result in a net gain of 80.42% for area-based habitat units, a net gain of 3.99% for hedgerow units, and a net gain of 10.09% for watercourse units.</p> <p>This is likely to underestimate the actual BNG that will be achieved by the Scheme, as the assessment has been carried out based on maximum design principles. The Applicant therefore commits to achieving a minimum 10% BNG for all units and will demonstrate this via an updated BNG assessment prior to construction which is secured by a requirement</p>	Agreed

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				in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	
Mineral Safeguarding					
2.13.3	Email from Matthew M Sunman (PP Officer, ERYC) dated 10/11/22	Mineral Safeguarding	ERYC state that Mineral Safeguarding can be scoped out of the ES and instead be covered under a separate document submitted as part of the DCO submission.	The Applicant notes that ERYC agree that Mineral Safeguarding could be scoped out of the ES. An assessment of the Scheme's impact on Mineral Safeguarding Areas and policies is set out in section 6.14 of the Planning Statement [APP-233] .	Agreed
2.13.4	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Mineral Safeguarding	ERYC acknowledge that the application site is situated within a Mineral Safeguarding Area (in this case large areas of sand and gravel deposits). ERYC state that due to the fact the proposed development is non mineral related any future application would need to comply with policy EC6 of the East Riding of Yorkshire Council Local Plan that confirms non-	Section 6.14 of the Planning Statement [APP-233] states that the Scheme complies with Policy EC6 of the East Riding of Yorkshire Minerals Plan as the Scheme can be constructed, operated and decommissioned without preventing the mineral resource from being extracted in the future.	Agreed

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			<p>mineral development, which would adversely affect the viability of exploiting the underlying or adjacent deposit in the future, will only be supported where it can demonstrate certain criteria.</p>	<p>The construction of the Scheme is also minimally invasive and would not therefore impact the underlying geology. In addition, due to the flat topography of the proposed site no significant earthworks are proposed.</p> <p>In addition, the mineral deposits affected by the Scheme in the Solar PV Areas will not be permanently sterilised by the Scheme and can be extracted, if required, after its decommissioning. Decommissioning will commence 40 years after the Scheme's final commissioning as secured by requirement 18 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008].</p>	

PRoW

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2.13.5	Minutes of meeting with Shane Mullen (ERYC) 28/02/2023	PRoW	ERYC query if there could be scope for a permissive bridleway within the western part of Solar PV Area 2g (orientated north to south) to create a circular route linking existing bridleways. Current bridleways in that area terminate at a main road (A614). ERYC note that such a route might require a bridge and ERYC may be able to contribute to the costs for this	The design of the Scheme allows for the provision of Permissive Paths, which are routes available to the public during the operational life of the Scheme. Two Permissive Paths are shown on the indicative site layout plan (Figure 2-3, ES Volume 3 [APP-138]). The first proposed Permissive Path is a continuation of Bridleway SPALB08 which currently terminates at Johnson's Farm (the site of the Operations and Maintenance Hub). The second Permissive Path runs eastwards from footpath SPALF14 (to the north of Spaldington) parallel with Londesborough Drain, connecting with the first Permissive Path and continuing eastwards to the edge of the grassland	Under Discussion

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				habitat created in the east of Solar PV Area 1e adjacent to the River Foulness.	
2.13.6	Minutes of meeting with Shane Mullen (Public Health Specialist, ERYC) 11/01/2022	PRoWs	ERYC welcome PRoW improvements, and state that accessibility to open space could be improved for local people and the Scheme will have a net benefit in this regard from health perspective. ERYC welcome maintaining of existing PRoW and level of space around existing PRoW.	The Applicant notes that ERYC welcomes improvements to accessibility of existing PRoW. The maintenance of existing PRoW and buffers between PRoW and the Scheme are set out in the Framework PRoW Management Plan [APP-245] . The Framework PRoW Management Plan [APP-245] will inform a detailed PRoW Management Plan and will be secured by requirement 17 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	Agreed

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2.13.7	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Pedestrian, cyclist and horse-riding provision	ERYC PRow Team request to see each PRow route assessed individually in relation to hedging of fenced boundaries, rather than a blanket decision covering all fenced boundaries. ERYC PRow acknowledge that the Scheme will impact a number of PRowS and each will be unique in terms of boundary properties and land use, views, length etc and the impacts of planting, both positive and negative, should be assessed for each section of PRow.	The Framework PRow Management Plan [APP-245] outlines how PRow will be managed by the Applicant for the Scheme to ensure they have been suitably considered and able to operate as well as possible, in terms of both user safety and accessibility. Each PRow route has been assessed individually in terms of boundary properties, land use, views, length and the impacts of planting, as set out in the relevant chapters of the ES.	Agreed
2.13.8	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation		ERYC PRow seek awareness that the maintenance of any planted boundary along a ProW is the responsibility of the landowner/tenant. Regular vegetation cutting would need to be undertaken to prevent trees/hedgerow encroaching into any ProW.	Details of the responsibility of maintenance of PRow and planting around them is set out in the Framework PRow Management Plan [APP-245] which will inform a detailed PRow Management Plan, to be	Agreed

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				secured by requirement 17 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	
2.13.9	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	ProW- Boundary Treatment	ERYC ProW prefer the proposed fencing type (open mesh) due to the height of the fencing required, to retain maximum openness along public rights of way (ProW).	The Applicant notes that ERYC prefer open mesh fencing to retain maximum openness along ProW. The Applicant has committed to using a stock proof mesh-type security fence with wooden posts up to 2.2 m in height around the Solar Array, as set out in the Outline Design Principles Statement [APP-235] . A detailed Design Principles Statement will need to be agreed with the local authority prior to construction and will be secured by requirement 5 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	Agreed
2.13.10	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	ProW Buffer	ERYC ProW state that the 15m-20m buffer area between the centre line of	The Applicant notes that ERYC agree with the proposed buffer for ProW	Agreed

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			each ProW and the fencing of any adjacent solar fields is acceptable.	and fencing as set out in the Framework ProW Management Plan [APP-245]. The Framework ProW Management Plan [APP-245] will inform a detailed ProW Management Plan that will be secured by requirement 17 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008].	
2.13.11	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	ProW Maintenance	ERYC ProW state maintenance vehicles use along or across ProW, of a similar level to existing farm traffic is acceptable and to be expected. Consideration should be given however to ensuring the safety of ProW users, during the busier construction period of any approved scheme.	The Framework ProW Management Plan [APP-245] outlines how ProW will be managed by the Applicant for the Scheme to ensure they have been suitably considered and able to operate as well as possible, in terms of both user safety and accessibility during the construction period.	Agreed
2.13.12	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	ProW Legal Diversions	ERYC ProW state that the information provided suggests that there will be no requirement for permanent or	Access to all existing ProW will be retained during the construction phase, with no ProW	Agreed

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			<p>temporary ProW closures within them Solar PV Site however the PEI Report referred to states that the routes of some ProWs may need to be altered for a short period of time. This would constitute a diversion and you should liaise directly with the Public Rights of Way Team to apply for Temporary Closure Orders in these cases</p>	<p>closures proposed. There will be a limited number of temporary ProW diversions around the Scheme as set out in the Framework ProW Management Plan [APP-245]. The Framework ProW Management Plan [APP-245] will inform a detailed ProW Management Plan, which will be secured by requirement 17 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008]. Powers to divert ProW can be undertaken as part of the DCO and will be done in consultation with ERYC.</p>	
2.13.13	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	ProW and the Definitive Map	<p>ERYC ProW state that where there are anomalies between the Definitive Map, the Ordnance Survey Map and routes on the ground, the Applicant should liaise directly with both the Public Rights of Way and Definitive Map teams to clarify if</p>	<p>The Applicant has engaged with the ProW and Definitive Map teams at ERYC in order to clarify if boundary fences will obstruct any legal ProW lines, via emails in January 2023 and June</p>	Agreed

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			<p>boundary fences will obstruct any legal ProW line and if therefore any Public Path Orders may be necessary.</p>	<p>2023, and a meeting on 28 February 2023. As set out in the Framework CEMP [APP-238] where ProW cross or are adjacent to Solar PV Areas, fencing will be erected from the inside without impacting the ProW or preventing their use. Fencing is the first stage of construction and with this in place construction activities can operate without impacts to ProW. The ProW will also be buffered from the perimeter fencing with a minimum distance of either 20 m on both sides of the centre of the ProW where solar infrastructure lies to both sides (creating a 40 m wide corridor between the fence lines), or 15 m if solar infrastructure is to one side only. Elsewhere within the Site, access to</p>	

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<p>all existing ProW will be retained during the construction phase, with no ProW closures proposed. There will be a limited number of temporary ProW diversions around the Scheme as set out in the Framework ProW Management Plan [APP-245]. The Framework ProW Management Plan will inform a detailed ProW Management Plan and be secured by a requirement 17 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008].</p>					
<p>Arboriculture</p>					
2.13.14	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Arboriculture and related mitigation	ERYC have no objection in principle in relation to arboriculture and related mitigation, and state that a series of recommendations/requirements will be requested.	The Applicant notes that ERYC do not object to the Scheme from an arboricultural perspective in principle. An Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA) Appendix 10-5, ES	Agreed

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				Volume 2 [APP-102] has been submitted with the application which considers the likely direct and indirect arboricultural impacts of the Scheme on trees within or immediately adjacent to the Order limits. The final level of arboricultural impacts will be confirmed as part of an Arboricultural Method Statement as part of the detailed CEMP which will be substantially in accordance with the Framework CEMP [APP-238] and be secured by requirement 11 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	
Air Quality					
2.13.15	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	AQ Screening Assessment	ERYC acknowledge that an Air Quality screening assessment has been provided as part of the PEI Report which has	The Applicant notes that ERYC's Public Protection's Specialist Team agree that it is unlikely that a detailed air	Agreed.

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			<p>demonstrated that impacts from the different phases of the development are likely to be negligible and not significant. Emissions associated with the construction phase are expected to be mitigated through an appropriate CEMP which should be submitted for approval as part of the DCO. This should include dust management measures, as outlined in the PEI Report. Given the existing baseline air quality and the estimated level of traffic generated by the development, ERYC's Public Protection's Specialist Team agree that it is unlikely that a detailed air quality assessment for traffic emissions would be necessary.</p>	<p>quality assessment for traffic emissions would be necessary. Emissions associated with the construction phase are mitigated through measures in the Framework CEMP [APP-238] which will inform a detailed CEMP which is secured by requirement 11 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008].</p>	
2.13.16	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Dust	ERYC acknowledge that the impact of dust during the three phases of the development are likely to be negligible and not significant.	The Applicant notes that ERYC's Public Protection's Specialist Team agree that impact of dust during the three	Agreed.

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			<p>Dust emissions associated with the construction and demolition phases are expected to be mitigated through the CEMP and DEMP previously mentioned.</p>	<p>phases of the development are likely to be negligible and not significant with the embedded mitigation measures outlined in the Framework CEMP [AP-238] and Framework DEMP [APP-240] which will inform a detailed CEMP and DEMP and be secured by a requirements 11 and 18 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008].</p>	
2.13.17	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Air Quality Assessment	<p>ERYC state that once more detailed information is available the criteria for any further assessment of air quality impacts should be reviewed and included in the ES, if required. At this stage, based on the information available and the measure proposed to address the likely impacts, ERYC's Public Protections Specialist Team have no objections to the proposed development,</p>	<p>The assessment of the Scheme on air quality is set out in Chapter 16: Other Environmental Topics, ES Volume 1 [AS-016] and concludes that with embedded mitigation measures outlined in the Framework CEMP [AP-238], which will inform a detailed CEMP and be secured by requirement 11 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008], no</p>	Agreed.

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			subject to the previously mentioned CEMP being submitted and approved.	significant effects are anticipated on air quality as a result of the Scheme.	
2.13.18	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Dust Management	ERYC acknowledge that dust emissions associated with the construction and demolition phases are expected to be mitigated through the CEMP and DEMP.	The Applicant notes that ERYC agree that dust emissions in relation to construction will be managed through a detailed CEMP and DEMP. A Framework CEMP [APP-238] and Framework DEMP [APP-240] have been produced, and will inform the detailed management plans and be secured by Requirements 11 and 18 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	Agreed.
Glint and Glare					
2.13.19	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Glint and Glare	ERYC state that the proposal has the potential to result in Glint and Glare that should be considered as part of any future application although is not anticipated to have a significant effect on aviation safety in this case. ERYC	An assessment of the Scheme on Glint and Glare is set out in Appendix 16-2, ES Volume 2 [APP-122] and Chapter 16: Other Environmental Topics, ES Volume 1 [AS-016] which	Agreed.

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			query the impact of the proposal on the aviation interests associated with Leeds Bradford International Airport and private airfields within Leeds in particular the potential for glint and glare, impact on approach and take-off, and radar.	concludes that the Scheme would result in overall low and not significant impacts on the identified aviation visual receptors.	
Contaminated land					
2.13.20	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Contaminated land	ERYC state that the Phase 1 Preliminary Risk Assessment (PRA) presented at Statutory Consultation did not identify any significant constraints to the proposed development as a result of land contamination.	The Applicant notes that ERYC acknowledge that the Phase 1 PRA (Appendix 16-2, ES Volume 2 [APP-123]) concludes that there are no significant constraints with regards to contamination of soil and groundwater that would limit the development of the Site as a solar farm.	Agreed
Waste					
2.13.21	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Waste	ERYC state that the arrangements for the storage and disposal of waste from	A Framework Site Waste Management Plan (SWMP) covering the arrangements for the	Agreed

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			the staff welfare facilities should be provided.	storage and disposal of waste from staff welfare facilities is provided (Appendix 16-2: Framework SWMP ES Volume 2 [APP-124]).	
Other Construction					
2.13.22	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Construction Compound	ERYC acknowledge that temporary compounds comprised of parking, storage, staff welfare and waste management facilities will be located within the site together with a single temporary construction compound, on the western side of the River Derwent crossing.	The Applicant notes that ERYC acknowledges the nature and location of the temporary construction compounds, as shown on Figure 2-4, ES Volume 3 [APP-139] and set out in the Framework CEMP [APP-238] which will inform a detailed CEMP and will be secured by requirement 11 in Schedule 2 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	Agreed.
Safety and Fire Risk					
2.13.23	-	Safety and Fire Risk	The methodology, impacts assessed, and mitigation proposed in relation to safety and fire risk set out in Chapter 16: Other	Chapter 16: Other Environmental Topics, ES Volume 1 [AS-016] assesses the potential effects of the Scheme on	

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			Environmental Topics, ES Volume 1 [AS-016] are considered acceptable. The mitigation measures set out in relation to safety in the CEMP [APP-238], OEMP [APP-239] and DEMP [APP-240] are considered acceptable.	the environment deriving from the vulnerability of the Scheme to risks of major accidents and/or disasters. Safety Risks are addressed through appropriate risk assessments and mitigation as required in the Framework CEMP [APP-238], OEMP [APP-239] and DEMP [APP-240]. The implementation of those plans will be secured via requirements 11 and 18 in Schedule 2 of the DCO.	

2.14 Draft DCO (including requirements in the Draft DCO)

Table 2-14 Draft DCO

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2.14.1	S42 Consultation Response to Statutory Consultation	Discharge of Requirements	ERYC are looking for an 8 week discharge of requirements period.	There will be an 8 week period for discharging requirements, as set out in Schedule 16 of the draft DCO [AS-008] .	Agreed
2.14.2	-	Articles and Requirements in the draft Development Consent Order	ERYC agree with the Articles and Requirements set out in the draft Development Consent Order [AS-008] .	The draft Development Consent Order [AS-008] sets out Articles and Requirements which determine how the Scheme will be delivered.	Agreed

Appendix A Summary of Consultation

Table 2-15 Schedule of Meetings and Correspondence

Date	Form of correspondence and attendees	Summary of topics discussed and outcomes
01 June 2022	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting to discuss arrangements for initial meeting and discussion around PPA documents.
04 July 2022	Meeting (Teams)	Overview meeting with the Applicant providing ERYC an introduction to the Applicant and an overview of proposals and current activities.
12 August 2022	Email	Email from ERYC archaeologist to the Applicant confirming approval of scope of the Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) for geophysical survey.
23 September 2022	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC information about launch of consultation and consultation events, with offer of briefing on the project
18 October 2022	Meeting (Teams)	Programme update including key milestones and design work. Update on current and upcoming consultation activities and initial feedback arising from the non-statutory consultation. Update regarding environmental baseline work and surveys being undertaken. Planning policy update.
09 November 2022	Email	Email from ERYC agreeing to scoping out of Minerals Safeguarding Areas from impact assessment. ERYC note that PINS agreed to scope out Minerals Safeguarding Areas if agreed by ERYC and NYCC (as Minerals Planning Authorities).
09 September 2022 and 26 January 2023	Emails	Emails from the Applicant including: 1) Request for the definitive route of the Howden 20 long distance route as shapefile (or similar). 2) Query whether any specific mitigation is required regarding Featherbed Lane (Eastrington Bridleway 17 - EASTB17) which runs east-west between Areas 2f and 2g linking the B1228 to the A614. 3) Advise of intention to deliver permissive

		Paths within the Solar PV Site 4) Offer a meeting to discuss.
29 November 2022	Email	Email from ERYC to the Applicant to confirm the scope and methodology of the noise assessment.
08 December 2022	Email	Email from ERYC Archaeology Officer to confirm they are happy with scope of the archaeological assessment. ERYC also noted that a programme of trial trenching to test the results of the survey would be necessary and would include those areas showing potential remains but also areas that appear to be blank. ERYC noted they had visited a number of sites recently where the geophysical survey failed to identify anomalies but where subsequent trial trenching/mitigation work later confirmed that the site contained significant archaeological remains.
12 December 2022	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting with the Applicant and ERYC public protection and public health team to discuss the health assessment methodology and initial baseline findings.
15 December 2022	Meeting (Teams)	Consultation, Statement of Community Consultation, and design progress update from the Applicant.
11 January 2023	Meeting (Teams)	The Applicant presented slides on the Scheme, health methodology and baseline to ERYC.
13 January 2023	Email	Follow up email from the Applicant regarding information requested in email on 9 November 2022 as no response received from ERYC. The Applicant provided further information on buffer distances between PRow and perimeter fence lines provided and offer a meeting regarding PRow and the potential for permissive paths.
26 January 2023	Email	Email from ERYC providing details of an addition to the PRow network, explaining that Howden Br.17 is now legally a PRow, however this is already mapped as forming part of the Howden 20 route.
26 January 2023	Email	Email from ERYC Archaeologist in response to email from the Applicant on 25 January 2023 to share result of geophysical survey. ERYC Archaeologist agreed to arrange a meeting to discuss next stages of

		evaluation once results had been reviewed. ERYC Archaeologist agreed to arrange combined meetings with the Archaeologist for North Yorkshire Council to ensure a consistent approach to archaeological evaluation within both authority areas.
31 January 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC to update them of the launch of the Statutory Consultation in May and an offer of a pre-launch briefing.
02 February 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant seeking advice and feedback from ERYC regarding the selection of representative viewpoints to be used within the Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment chapter of the Preliminary Environmental Information (PEI) Report for proposed solar PV sites on land to the north of Howden and around the village of Spaldington, and Grid Connection Corridor connecting the solar PV sites to Drax Power Station.
03 February 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting with council flood team and EA to discuss impact on flood risk and climate change expectations.
09 February 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Update on consultation and Statement of Community Consultation. Design and Environmental Statement (ES) assessment update.
13 February 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant requesting a response from ERYC on the ES scoping note, in relation to traffic and transport.
28 February 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting with Public Right of Way and Public Health teams to discuss proposed management of PRow during construction and operation, outdated PRow records, and proposed Permissive Path routes.
28 February 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant requesting clarification on the route of the Howden 20.
15 March 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting to discuss the water environment baseline, water receptor importance clarification, and the PEI Report Non-technical summary (Appendix K5: PEI Report Non-technical summary, Consultation Report Appendices [APP-036]) and scoping opinion. Ecological enhancement was also discussed.

21 March 2023	Email	Email from ERYC with comments on the Scoping opinion in relation to transport.
17 April 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant notifying ERYC councillors of the Statutory Consultation launch date and the offer of a pre-briefing.
20 April 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant confirming that an ICCI assessment will be undertaken and reported within the Climate Chapter of PEI Report, which would consider the impacts of climate change (including sea level rise, flood risk, temperature change, changing precipitation and increased storm events), combined with the impacts of the proposed development, on receptors in the surrounding environment.
25 April 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Statutory Consultation pre briefing meeting.
28 April 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting to discuss the upcoming Statutory Consultation and to update ERYC on the ongoing environmental survey work and forthcoming technical officer meetings.
10 May 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant confirming the dates of the Statutory Consultation and requesting details of who to send confidential details on Badgers and Barn Owls that were removed from the PEI Report.
11 May 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant confirming that the confidential information from the PEI Report will be sent to ERYC's nature conservation and ecology team.
11 May 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Teams meeting to discuss WSI for trial trenching and initial trial trenching layout. Action for the Applicant to issue WSI for approval.
12 May 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC providing the following confidential information from the PEI Report- <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appendix 8-2: Survey Report for Breeding Birds - the associated mapping (Figure 8-2-1) showing Barn Owl territories has been removed.• Appendix 8-3: Phase 1 Habitat Survey Target Notes, and its associated mapping (Figure 8-3) have been redacted to remove target notes and photographs identifying potential sett or roost/nest sites.

17 May 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant providing an update on plans for engagement following the end of Statutory Consultation, proposing an update for parishes and ERYC councillors to occur during the week of the 17 July 2023.
25 May 2023	Email	Email from ERYC issuing comments on draft WSI for trial trenching relating to public outreach, but no major changes required.
06 June 2023	Email	Email from ERYC to confirm they agreed with deferring public outreach until mitigation stage.
14 June 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC with submitted Desk Based Assessment and PEI Report chapter for comment. Requested meeting to discuss PD and address initial comments.
28 June 2023	Email	Email from ERYC to the Applicant asking for more information regarding fencing adjacent to PRowS, access track crossings or use of PRowS including any proposed gates or barriers, cross-sections of proposed buffer areas along PRowS, and the permissive footpath discussed at the meeting on 28 February 2023.
29 June 2023	Meeting (teams)	Update meeting with ERYC to provide a summary of the feedback received in response to the statutory consultation; and explain the latest progress of environmental surveys and assessments.
05 July 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant responding to queries from ERYC regarding PRow and fencing. The Applicant confirm specifications and buffer areas for PRow and fencing and confirm that there will be no requirement for permanent or temporary PRow closures within the Solar PV Site. The Applicant request opinion on preference for the fence lines bordering PRow within the Solar PV Site to be hedged or not. The Applicant requested ERYCs preference for permissive path to be a bridleway, and query whether the Definitive Map has been updated, or whether an update is likely to be issued in the near future.

12 July 2023	Email	Email from ERYC outlining its preference for the proposed fencing type (mesh) and welcomed the buffer area. They highlighted the need for maintenance of the planted boundaries along PRow by the landowner/tenant and that consideration should be given to safety of PRow users when maintenance vehicles may have to cross PRowS.
17 July 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting to discuss: Summary of Non-breeding bird data Rationale for determining functionally linked land, proposed mitigation and next steps.
21 July 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC sharing minutes of meeting on 17 July 2023 and to confirm the Ecology team were putting together a package to answer Natural England queries.
26 July 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting to discuss Heritage and Archaeology. An overview of the Scheme and potential design changes following statutory consultation was provided. Discussion of feedback provided by the consultees on the PEI Report and an opportunity for discussion. Updates on trial trenching.
26 July 2023	Email	Invitation from the Applicant to ERYC for an online briefing on proposal.
27 July 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting to discuss Ecology. An overview of the Scheme and potential design changes following statutory consultation was provided. Discussion of feedback provided by the consultees on the PEI Report and an opportunity for discussion. Updates on ecological surveys and approach to Biodiversity Net Gain were also provided.
01 August 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting to discuss landscape and visual matters. An overview of the Scheme and potential design changes following statutory consultation was provided. Discussion of feedback on the PEI Report and update on how the Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (LVIA) is being progressed including the proposed viewpoints and photomontage locations.
03 August 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC providing the evidence requested by Natural England regarding non-breeding bird survey

		methodology and potential provision of mitigation in Solar PV Areas 1e, 1g and 1h
24 August 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant seeking clarity on the Definitive PRow Mapping and routes which differ on the ground/in arial views.
25 August 2023	Email	Email response from ERYC PRow Team to email sent on 24 August 2023, confirming that the Definitive Map is up to date, and that definitive lines should be used for plans. ERYC offered discussions with the Definitive Map team and PRow team. ERYC also requested more detailed plans relating to the PRowS within the proposed development area, so they can begin to assess where they may or may not be able to authorise these.
25 August 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant in response to email from ERYC on 25 August 2023, requesting a meeting with PRow officers.
25 August 2023	Email	Email from ERYC confirming that the PRow Definitive Map was last updated on 7 August 2023.
30 August 2023	Email	Email from ERYC to the Applicant stating that the Definitive Map is only accurate at a scale of 1:10,000. ERYC confirmed that they last updated the Definitive Map on 7 August 2023, however no changes were made in the area of the Solar Farm.
31 August 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant to update ERYC on the progress and highlights of the trial trenching.
01 September 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting with ERYC, who introduced the new planning officer to the project and the Applicant explained the targeted consultation.
06 September 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting to discuss the access proposals and request feedback from ERYC highways.
12 September 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC to confirm that the indicative layout for solar PV infrastructure is based upon the routing shown on the Definitive Map rather than the unofficial, walked line routes.
		The Applicant confirmed that an Outline PRow Management Plan will be submitted

		with the ES, however is not available to share at this time.
19 September 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant issuing the proposed access designs for the Scheme for consultation with ERYC.
22 September 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC to justify why a 12km ZOI for cumulative is not considered to be necessary.
22 September 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC to discuss the proposed works for the East Yorkshire Solar Farm in relation to Wressle Verge Local Wildlife Site (LWS) and Tottering Lane, Gribthorpe LWS, and appropriate measures to reduce potential impacts.
29 September 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant seeking ERYC approval for flood modelling approach for the East Yorkshire Solar Farm in a method statement.
29 September 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting to run through and discuss the Flood Risk Assessment/Modelling outputs with regards some Solar PV panels now being located in Flood Zone 3a and 3b. Mitigation in terms of flood risk was discussed. ERYC did not comment or express concern with regards the proposals.
03 October 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant following up an email sent on 19 September 2023 with additional information relating to traffic numbers utilising each access.
03 October 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant providing information on the anticipated construction and operation traffic movements for each access point.
04 October 2023	Site Meeting	Site meeting to view ongoing trial trenching. Consultee content with the quality and extent of the works, as well as those trenches omitted.
09 October 2023	Emails	Email thread between the Applicant and ERYC, with the Applicant agreeing that some areas of trenching in ERYC area would be deferred until post-determination, and that post-determination works would be outlined in a WSI as part of the DCO Submission. Trenches omitted for site constraints were agreed as not of concern.

09 October 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC to organise a meeting with water team to discuss drainage context
10 October 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant requesting update on review of access designs that were issued on 19 September 2023.
16 October 2023	Email	Email from ERYC requesting confirmation that the traffic numbers provided for construction and operation phases were received.
16 October 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC confirming that the traffic number figures provided included all the information requested.
18 October 2023	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC highways, following up on the meeting held on 6 September 2023, requesting feedback to access design proposals.
19 October 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting between the Applicant, BOOM and Lead Local Flood Authority for ERYC to discuss flood risk assessment and to request feedback from ERYC.
13 December 2023	Meeting (Teams)	Project update meeting following submission of the DCO application and to discuss ongoing consultation and next steps, including overview of Examination process.
21 February 2024	Meeting (Teams)	Project update meeting to discuss ongoing engagement and to advise on next steps.
22 April 2024	Meeting (Teams)	Meeting following submission of technical note report on access design and passing places strategy. The Applicant requested feedback from ERYC Highways.
23 April 2024	Email	Email from the Applicant to ERYC to provide meeting minutes from 22 April 2024 meeting and to provide drawings identifying potential opportunity areas where ERYC still deem there to be a requirement for passing places.
30 May 2024	Email	Email from ERYC providing comments on the drawings sent on 23 April 2024.
