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**Dear Sirs** 

East Yorkshire Solar Farm Deadline 4

## **Responses to Written Questions**

Q5.0.1 The Applicant's response to the NYC Local Impact Report (LIR) [REP3-032] includes replies to human health related concerns. Do these replies address your concerns? If not, please set out your remaining concerns.

The Authority notes the response to the Local Impact Report. Officers of the Authority and the applicant have met to discuss the response to the Local Impact Report. The concerns remain the same in most cases.

Since the response to the LIR, the applicant has provide further information on the GP figures and we are happy to mark that issue as resolved.

The Authority has continued to ask for data gathering as part of the development process and we continue to explore ways that can happen.

The Authority has continued to express concern that the assessment of vulnerable groups is not adequately categorised, particularly around the in combination (from the development ) and the Cumulative impacts.

The parties continue to discuss there points at at this time the Applicant is considering further avenues. We expect to be able to come back with the complete picture at deadline 5.

Q7.0.1 The concerns expressed in NYC's LIR regarding the protection of existing trees and tree loss were discussed at item 2a of the ISH2 on environmental matters [REP3-035]. The LEMP has been updated at Deadline 3 (in particular section 8) [REP3-016]. Does this address your concerns? If not, please set out your outstanding concerns.

- Q7.0.2 The Applicant responded in its Deadline 2 submission [REP2-020] to the Council's concerns regarding:
  - the absence of an assessed viewpoint on New Road/Wren Hall Lane, the potential loss of vegetation and that the worst-case scenario had not been assessed (in response to ExQ1 Q9.0.1).
  - the methodology for the assessment of tranquillity (in response to ExQ1 Q9.0.2).
  - the provision of Green Infrastructure (in response to ExQ1 Q9.0.3).

Do these responses, together with the updated LEMP [REP3-035] address your concerns? If not, please set out your outstanding concerns.

Thank you for the questions relating to Landscape and Visual. The Authority is aware that updates have been made to the application documents and looks forward to discussing the changes and their adequacy. Unfortunately to this point we have not been able to assess the changes and meet with the applicant to discuss. We have discussed the need to do so with the Applicant and we will endeavour to update the ExA at the next deadline.

## **Statement of Common Ground**

We understand that an updated draft of the Statement of Common ground with the Applicant will be submitted. In summary the key points outstanding remain in relation to the topic areas above. Again, we hope to progress these points by the next deadline.

Yours faithfully

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