



## Peartree Hill Solar Farm – EN010157

### Section 51 advice regarding Adequacy of Consultation Milestone statement submitted by RWE Renewables UK Solar and Storage Limited

On 29 August 2024 RWE Renewables UK Solar and Storage Limited submitted the Adequacy of Consultation Milestone (AoCM) statement to the Planning Inspectorate as part of its Pre-application Service<sup>1</sup>:

The Planning Inspectorate's new pre-application service launches in October 2024. The Applicant's AoCM statement is amongst the first of such documents to be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate. As such, the way in which the Inspectorate handles such submissions may change as the service evolves.

The advice recorded in the table below relates solely to matters raised upon the Planning Inspectorate's review of the AoCM statement. The advice is limited by the maturity of the documentation provided by the Applicant and the time available for consideration and is raised without prejudice to the acceptance decision or the final decision about whether development consent should be granted.

Ref No.	Paragraph/ Section	Comment or question
1.	General	It is expected that the views of local authorities on the adequacy of consultation are included in the AoCM.
2.	General	It is expected that the Applicant will explain in the Consultation Report whether the Marine Management Organisation (MMO) and the Greater London Authority have been consulted or whether the Applicant is of the view that consultation with the MMO and Greater London Authority is not applicable.
3.	General	It is expected that the Applicant includes information that the Applicant notified the Planning Inspectorate of the proposed application; and that this was done on or before commencing consultation under section 42.

<sup>1</sup> See <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/application-process/pre-application-service-for-applicants/>



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<b>4.</b>	<b>Paragraph 3.2.2</b>	It would assist if the deadline for local authority responses on the draft Statement of Community Consultation could be stated.
<b>5.</b>	<b>Paragraph 2.3.6</b>	Paragraph 2.3.6 (page 12) is not populated.
<b>6.</b>	<b>Paragraph 2.4</b>	Paragraph 2.4 could helpfully explain how section 44 Category 3 persons were identified.
<b>7.</b>	<b>Paragraph 2.4</b>	Paragraph 2.4 could helpfully provide a brief explanation of the Applicant's ongoing commitment to due diligence.