



Planning Inspectorate

Lime Down Solar Park

Lime Down Solar Park Limited/ Island Green Power

Section 51 Advice Log

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There is a statutory duty under [section 51 \(s51\) of the Planning Act 2008](#) for the Planning Inspectorate to record the advice that it gives in relation to an application or potential application, and to make this publicly available.

This document comprises a record of the advice that has been provided by the Inspectorate to the applicant (Lime Down Solar Park Limited/ Island Green Power) and their consultants during the pre-application stage. It will be updated by the Inspectorate after every interaction with the applicant during which s51 has been provided. The applicant will always be given the opportunity to comment on the Inspectorate's draft record of advice before it is published.

The applicant will use this Advice Log as the basis for demonstrating regard to section 51 advice within the application.

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Date of meeting/ advice	Meeting/ advice description
20 February 2024	Project update meeting
16 January 2025	Programme Review document

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Topic	Meeting date: 20 February 2024
20 February 2024	Please see the project meeting note on the Planning Inspectorate website. Project Update Meeting
Topic	Date advice given: 16 January 2025
Programme Document	<p>The applicant supplied the Planning Inspectorate with its initial Programme Document in July 2024, in line with the Inspectorate's Expression of Interest process and its 2024 Pre-application Prospectus.</p> <p>Having reviewed the document, the Inspectorate considers that it overall covers the expected content as set out in the government's pre-application guidance at paragraph 10, providing clear details about the proposed development, the main issues and the progress made against related activities, progress made with Planning Performance Agreements, as well as the applicant's approach to engaging with statutory consultees. However, the updated Programme Document should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • reference to whether the Programme Document has been shared with local authorities, statutory consultees and others and whether they are content with the proposed programme and when will it be published to your website • when an Issues Tracker will be used and when this will be shared with local authorities, statutory consultees and others for their review (see 'Primary service features' section of the 2024 Pre-application Prospectus) • if Principal Areas of Disagreement Summary Statements will be used • whether information to inform Habitat Regulations Assessment Report will be endorsed by the relevant statutory nature conservation body prior to submission • dates in the overall timetable for the Adequacy of Consultation Milestone, obtaining other consents or permissions (if required), consultation and publication of the SoCC, and any likely dates for project update meetings to be held with the Inspectorate • the identified risks at this stage, even if these may evolve.

	<p>It would also be helpful if the Programme Document explained how the design approach will be managed and communicated during pre-application and includes the location of the project.</p>
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