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The Applicant, Interested
Parties, Affected Persons
and Statutory Parties

Your ref:
Our ref: EN020002
Date: Monday 13 November 2023

Dear Sir/ Madam

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 – Rule 13

Application by National Grid Electricity Transmission plc for an Order granting Development Consent for the Bramford to Twinstead Reinforcement

Notification of Hearings

I am writing to advise you that the following Hearings will be held under Rule 13 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended). The Hearings will be fully virtual events with all participants attending online through Microsoft Teams. Important details are set out at Annex A to this letter.

Hearing	Date	Start time	Venue and joining details
Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 2 (CAH2) Compulsory Acquisition, Temporary Possession and related matters	Wednesday 13 December 2023	Virtual Room opens: 9.00am Arrangements Conference from: 9.15am Hearing starts: 09.30am	By virtual means using Microsoft Teams Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered.
Issue Specific Hearing 5 (ISH5) Draft Development Consent Order and related matters	Wednesday 13 December 2023	Virtual Room opens: 13.30am Arrangements Conference from: 13.45am Hearing starts: 14.00pm	By virtual means using Microsoft Teams Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered.

<p>Issue Specific Hearing 6 (ISH6) Access, Transport and Public Rights of Way</p>	<p>Thursday 14 December 2023</p>	<p>Virtual Room opens: 9.00am Arrangements Conference from: 9.15am Hearing starts: 09.30am</p>	<p>By virtual means using Microsoft Teams Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered.</p>
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Please inform the case team if you plan to attend one or more of these Hearings (even if you do not wish to speak), no later than Deadline 5, Friday 1 December 2023. Agendas for the Hearings will be published on the [project webpage](#) of the Planning Inspectorate's National Infrastructure website at least five working days before the events. A list of invitees will be included in the agendas.

The Examination Timetable also reserved time for further Open Floor Hearings and Accompanied Site Inspections in December. The Examining Authority is satisfied that these are not required. Consequently, none will be held. Any further site visits will be undertaken on an unaccompanied or 'access required' basis.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Case Team using the email address or telephone number at the top of this letter.

Yours faithfully,

Andrew Mahon

Lead Member of the Examining Authority

Annex A Participating in Hearings

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Annex A

Participating in hearings

You must register by Friday 1 December 2023 if you wish to attend one or more of the three Hearings.

Please register by emailing the Case Team directly at bramfordtotwinstead@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

Agendas

Agendas and any detailed arrangements for the Hearings will be published on the project web page at least five working days before the Hearings. The agenda on the day of each Hearing is subject to change at the Examining Authority's discretion.

The Examining Authority will manage proceedings and invite participants to speak at the relevant time.

Attendance

If your request to attend is accepted, you will receive an invitation that will include joining instructions. When you join the Microsoft Teams meeting, you will arrive in the virtual room with the Case Team. Here, the Case Team will make sure you are registered, and your equipment is working to enable you to fully participate. Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the Hearing so the Case Team can admit you.

Contributing

You may speak on issues set out in your Relevant Representation or Written Representation. Speakers will need to introduce themselves, including any organisation or groups that they represent, each time they speak to ensure that someone listening to the recording after the event is clear who was speaking.

Procedure

The procedure to be followed at hearings is set out in Rule 14 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010. The Examining Authority is responsible for the oral questioning of a person giving evidence and the process affords very limited scope to allow cross-questioning between parties.

Cancellation

If any of the Hearings are no longer required or need to be cancelled or postponed for any reason, notice will be provided on the project web page.

Livestream and recordings:

The Hearings will be both livestreamed and recorded. A link to watch the livestream will be posted on the project page before the start of the event. The livestream is available to anybody who wishes to observe a hearing in real time.

Recordings of the Hearings will be published on the project web page shortly after the events. The recordings allow any member of the public who is interested in the application and the Examination to find out what has been discussed.

Post-Hearing submissions

The Examining Authority will request a written summary of your oral submission following the Hearing. You may also wish to submit related documents. These must be submitted on or before Deadline 6 (Wednesday 20 December 2023). Where possible, we ask that you use the 'Make a Submission' tab on the project web page.