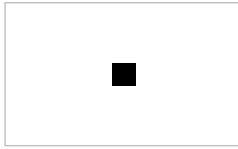


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Dear Sirs,

Whilst I appreciate that the examining authority has published its notification of completion of the Examination, I felt I had to update the Inspectorate on the behaviour of the developer (National Grid), in relation to terms agreed with affected landowners for voluntary agreements.

I have one particular client where terms for a voluntary Agreement for a Deed of Easement, small land sale and other associated matters, were agreed with National Grid in autumn 2023 and Heads of Terms were signed by my client on the 8th January 2024.

These Heads of Terms provided for the developer to contribute to the construction of a new sugar beet pad on my client's land – something that was offered by National Grid's agent. Given the terms agreed with National Grid, my clients felt that these were good enough for them to forego their ability to object to the Scheme, and therefore signed the Heads of Terms.

National Grid have in the last week or so withdrawn the terms of Agreement that was made with my client and as a result my client is now worse off, to the tune of approximately £165,000. My client is extremely shocked at National Grid's behaviour and is concerned that his position has been prejudiced and he has missed the opportunity to object to the Scheme, due to National Grid's underhand behaviour and false promises in respect of terms being offered. I am not aware as to whether this is an isolated incident, but if it is not then the "man on the Clapham omnibus" may well consider that National Grid have been somewhat underhanded in effectively putting terms on the table, which result in a landowner not objecting to the Scheme, but then withdrawing the terms after the Public Enquiries have closed. In my mind this casts serious doubt on whether National Grid have been entirely upfront in their treatment of landowners and the representations that they will have made to the Public Hearings.

Given these facts, I hope that the Planning Inspectorate and panel will give careful consideration as to whether the developer should be provided with compulsory powers as part of any decision.

If you would like any further information, then please do contact me on one of the numbers below.

Yours faithfully,

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