



Meeting Note

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Meeting with	National Grid
Meeting date	17 September 2012
Attendees (Planning Inspectorate)	Janet Wilson – Head of Case Management Kathryn Powell – Senior Case Manager Patrycja Pikniczka- Assistant Case Officer Melanie Dunn – Assistant Case Officer
Attendees (non Planning Inspectorate)	Gavin Crook –Lead Project Manager Steve Knight Gregson – Principal Specialists Major Projects
Location	MR 4/01 The Planning Inspectorate, Bristol

Meeting purpose	National Grid introduced their North Wales Connection proposal.
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Summary of key points discussed and advice given	<p>The Planning Inspectorate explained that a note would be taken at the meeting and published on the website.</p> <p>National Grid explained that Graham Denison Smith is the main contact for this proposal.</p> <p>National Grid delivered a power point presentation which can be viewed on this link: (Please see separate attachment)</p> <p>National Grid presented all strategic options considered for this proposal.</p> <p>The applicant has started informal pre-application consultation (stage 1) and intends to request a scoping opinion from the Planning Inspectorate at the end of 2013 early 2014. The anticipated date for submission of the application is Q2 of 2015.</p> <p>National Grid explained that 70% of identified key stakeholders for this project are Welsh speakers. The consultation is likely to be publicised via post and a series of events to be held, as this has been recognised as the preferred method of contact during the applicant's early consultation.</p> <p>A discussion was held regarding the name and description of the proposal. National Grid were advised to provide a name which would not cause confusion with the Scottish Power</p>
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	Energy Networks North Wales Wind Farms Connection proposal and a description which would adequately and clearly explain the proposal. The Planning Inspectorate confirmed the description of the project could be altered on the website following the consultation on options.
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Specific decisions/ follow up required?	National Grid will review and then confirm the name of the project. <i>[Since the meeting, National Grid reviewed the risk associated with the project name and elected not to change it as it had been presented this way for two years publicly at information events and stakeholder workshops in a different area of the country and had consistency with other National Grid projects.]</i>
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