

EN20016: Application by Western Power Distribution (South Wales) plc for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Brechfa Forest Connection (the application)

Hearing Agenda: Open Floor Hearing

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) and Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010¹

This document sets out the agenda for the Open Floor Hearing.

Venue: St. Peter's Civic Hall, 1 Nott Square, Carmarthen, SA31 1PG

Date: Monday 30 November and Tuesday 1 December 2015

Time: 18:00 room open from 17:30

Participation in hearings

All Interested Parties are invited to attend the hearing.

Each Interested Party is entitled to make oral representations at the hearings² (subject to the Examining Authority's (ExA's) power to control the hearings). Oral representations should be based on the relevant or written representations made by the person by whom (or on whose behalf) the oral representations are made³.

Participants are requested to keep their oral submissions to five minutes, after which the ExA may ask questions about their representation or ask the Applicant or other party to comment or respond.

All parties should note that the agenda given below is to assist and provide a framework for this hearing and give discussion points and does not constrain the ExA to particular topics. The ExA may wish to raise other matters arising from submissions and pursue lines of inquiry in the course of the discussions which are not on the agendas.

Breaks will be taken during the hearing as directed by the ExA.

¹ Guidance for the examination of applications for development consent for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects, DCLG, March 2015

² s93 Planning Act (PA 2008)

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Agenda

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. ORAL REPRESENTATIONS FROM INTERESTED PARTIES

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Each Interested Party who has indicated a wish to speak will be invited forward in turn to speak at a table set up in front of the ExA, and will be allowed a maximum of 5 minutes for their oral submission: a group or organisation will be allowed a maximum of 15 minutes. These time limits may be subject to some discretion if the ExA believe that in the circumstances of the particular hearing session there would be benefit to the examination of the application to allow an interested party to speak again, respond to additional matters or continue to provide evidence beyond the maximum time period identified. This discretion should not be relied on by any party.

Following each submission the ExA may wish to ask the speaker questions. The Applicant is likely to briefly respond to any matters raised by each of the Interested Parties or in summary at the close of each session.

Oral submissions should be based on representations previously made in writing by the particular participant. However, representations made at the hearing should not simply repeat matters previously covered in a written submission, but rather provide further detail, explanation and evidential corroboration to help inform the ExA.

3. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE APPLICANT TO RESPOND IN BRIEF TO ANY SUBMISSIONS MADE

4. CLOSING REMARKS