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To: Aquind Interconnector
Subject: Aquind Interconnector
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Attachments:

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached Havant Borough Councils Adequacy of Consultation response.

Regards

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Dear Sir/Madam

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) - Section 55

Application by Aquind Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Aquind Interconnector

Adequacy of consultation request

Thank you for your letter of 15 November 2019 advising that the above application has been submitted. This letter is the response of Havant Borough Council to the request for our opinion as to whether the Applicant has complied with the Planning Act 2008 (as amended) with regard to the following duties:

Duty to consult - section 42 Duty to consult the local community - section 47 Duty to publicise - section 48

Havant Borough Council (HBC) is one of the host authorities associated with this project. In making this response, the submitted Consultation Report (Aquind Ltd Document Ref: 5.1) has been reviewed.

Duty to consult - Section 42

Aquind first approached HBC in February 2017 as part of non-statutory consultation - the project was at that stage (and until July 2018) progressing under the Town and Country Planning Act. Since that time, there have been multiple meetings and correspondence with the Applicant as the project progressed and which continued through to the statutory consultation period once the scheme was accepted for Development Consent following the Section 35 Direction from the SoS.

Havant Borough Council has no concerns in relation to the duty to consult as set out in section 42 of the Planning Act 2008.

Duty to consult the local community - Section 47

Havant Borough Council liaised with the Applicant on the informal draft of the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC). Formal consultation on the draft SoCC was then undertaken during December 2018 and January 2019 and table 12-1 within the Consultation Report sets out the responses made by HBC (and other local planning authorities) and the response to them from Aquind. HBC is satisfied with the content of the final SoCC and that the Applicant subsequently consulted in accordance with that statement.

Duty to publicise - Section 48

Havant Borough Council has no comment to make in respect of the Applicants compliance with Section 48 of the Planning Act 2008.

Summary

Overall, Havant Borough Council considers that the Applicant has complied with its duties under sections 42, 47 and 48 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended).

Yours sincerely

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