Dear Sir/Madam,

The South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) followed the virtual preliminary meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> August. In response we would like to make the following points for the Examining Authority's consideration:

- 1. Given the large size and the height (up to 26m) of the proposed convertor station at Lovedean and its close proximity to the boundary of the South Downs National Park we request that landscape and visual impact matters are considered at an issue specific hearing.
- 2. The SDNPA supports the suggestion made in the preliminary meeting by Hampshire County Council that there should be time within the issue specific hearings, as is common practice, to examine the draft Development Consent Order.
- 3. The SDNPA also agrees that a deadline for draft Section 106 legal obligations should be provided within the examination timetable. This is a major development proposal giving rise to multiple impacts and it is prudent to consider that S106 legal obligations may be required. Deadline 6 would seem an appropriate place to have this deadline, allowing for final S106 legal obligations to be provided at deadline 7.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require anything further from the SDNPA at this time.

Yours faithfully

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