



Application by AQUIND Limited for an Order granting Development Consent for the AQUIND Interconnector Project

Agenda for Open Floor Hearing 3

In its letter dated 11 January 2021, the Examining Authority notified Interested Parties of its decision to hold an Open Floor Hearing on the following date:

Hearing	Date and time	Location
Open Floor Hearing 3	19 February 2021 10.00 am Arrangements conference starts at 09.30 am.	Online via Microsoft Teams invitation ¹

Participation, conduct and management of Hearing

This is the third Open Floor Hearing to be held in this Examination. It is being held because the Examining Authority wishes to hear submissions from Affected Persons and relevant Interested Parties in relation to the Applicant's two change requests [REP3-016] and [AS-051 to AS-055], and especially the additional land included within the Order limits and changes to rights sought.

Strict Government restrictions relating to Coronavirus (COVID-19) are currently in force, requiring people to work from home if possible. The Examining Authority will therefore conduct this Hearing using digital and telephone technology. Invited participants can join using a computer, laptop, tablet, mobile phone or landline telephone. It is the Applicant's intention to livestream the Hearing, and a recording will be made available on the project page of the Planning Inspectorate's National Infrastructure website.

Invitees will receive a joining link or telephone number through which you can join the Arrangements Conference in a separate email, shortly before the Hearing. This is solely for your use. Please join the Arrangements Conference at the appointed time shown above and wait until the Case Manager registers you, and then admits you to the Hearing. The Arrangements Conference allows procedures to be explained and enables the Hearing to start promptly.

¹ Further information is available in Advice Note 8.6, available at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/advice-note-8-6-virtual-examination-events/>



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The Hearing will be subject to the powers of control of the Examining Authority and we will be inviting registered participants to make an oral representation to us. You will see that each Interested Party will be strictly limited to a maximum of 5 minutes. Please run through your representation in advance to ensure it can be completed within 5 minutes to avoid us having to cut your contribution short.

As the Hearing will be recorded, **please do not refer to anything private and confidential**, such as information about where you live, medical conditions or other personal information.

The Examining Authority therefore invites a contribution from the following Interested Parties that have registered to speak at this Hearing:

- Geoffrey and Peter Carpenter.

It would be helpful if one person could be nominated to speak at the Hearing. Should both persons wish to participate, then they will need to share the allocated 5 minutes slot.

All representations at the Open Floor Hearing should be based on the Relevant Representations or Written Representations made by the person by whom (or on whose behalf) the oral representations are made² and solely relating to the two change requests made by the Applicant and accepted into the Examination. However, representations made at the Hearing should not simply repeat matters previously covered in a written submission. Rather, they should draw attention to those submissions in summary form and provide further detail, explanation and evidential corroboration to help inform the Examining Authority.

The Examining Authority may ask questions about representations or ask the Applicant or other party to comment or respond. The Agenda is subject to change depending on, for example, responses from the invitees.

May we draw your attention to Deadline 8 on the Examination Timetable (Monday 1 March 2021) and our request to receive full summaries of oral submissions given at this Hearing by that date.

Some parties that made requests to speak at this Hearing but did not qualify (as they did not indicate a wish to speak on the change requests specifically) have been invited to speak about effects on their land interests at Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 3, or invited to make written submissions at Deadline 8.

Please contact the case team if you have any questions:
aquind@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

² s91 Planning Act 2008



Agenda

Title of meeting	AQUIND Interconnector Project - Open Floor Hearing 3
Date	Friday 19 February 2021
Time	10.00am
Venue	Online through Microsoft Teams
Attendees	Invitees

- 1. Welcome, preliminary matters and introductions**
- 2. Arrangements for the Open Floor Hearing**
- 3. Confirmation of those who have notified the Examining Authority of a wish to be heard at the Open Floor Hearing**
- 4. Oral submissions**
 - The party that has indicated a wish to speak and has been invited will address the Examining Authority. Submissions will be strictly limited to 5 minutes.
 - Following submissions, the Examining Authority may wish to ask the speaker questions.
 - The Applicant will be invited to respond briefly to any matters raised by the speaker, or in summary at the close of the Open Floor Hearing.
 - Oral submissions should be based on representations previously made in writing by the 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 Examining Authority.
- 5. Close of Open Floor Hearing**