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1. Introduction

- A Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) is a written statement produced as part of the application process for a Development Consent Order (DCO) and is prepared jointly between the applicant and another party. It sets out matters of agreement between both parties, as well as matters where there is not an agreement. It also details matters that are under discussion.
- The aim of a SoCG is to help the Examining Authority manage the Examination Phase of a DCO application. Understanding the status of the matters at hand will allow the Examining Authority to focus their questioning and provide greater predictability for all participants in examination. A SoCG may be submitted prior to the start of or during Examination, and then updated as necessary or as requested during the Examination Phase.
- This is a SoCG between National Grid Electricity Transmission plc (National Grid) and the Leeds City Council. The SoCG relates to the DCO application for the Yorkshire Green Energy Enablement (GREEN) Project (referred to as the 'Project' or 'Yorkshire GREEN'). It has been prepared in accordance with the guidance¹ published by the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC).
- 1.1.4 This SoCG has been prepared to identify matters agreed, matters not agreed and matters currently outstanding between National Grid and the Leeds

¹ Planning Act 2008: Guidance for the examination of applications for development consent. Available at: https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/418015/examinations_guidance_final_for_publication.pdf

- 1.1.5 City Council in terms of technical and environmental matters. Political matters have not been set out in this document.
- This version (V1 March 2023) of the SoCG represents the position between National Grid and the Leeds City Council as of March 2023, following the submission of the application on 15 November 2022. The SoCG will evolve as the DCO application progresses through the submission process and on to examination.

1.2 Description of the Project

Need for the Yorkshire GREEN Project

- National Grid propose to upgrade and reinforce the electricity transmission system in Yorkshire. This reinforcement is needed to improve the transfer of clean energy across the country.
- Electricity flows are set to double within the next ten years as a result of offshore wind developments, other sources of clean energy and expanding interconnection capacity (high-voltage cables that connect the electricity systems of neighbouring countries) in both Scotland and north-east England. Yorkshire GREEN would contribute towards strengthening the national electricity transmission network so that it can accommodate this growth in electricity flows. Reinforcement would ensure that the network is not overwhelmed, and that potential future pressures on the network are relieved in the north and north-east of England, whilst balancing supply and demand.
- 1.2.3 Without additional reinforcement, the existing transmission system would become overloaded. To stop these overloads from happening, National Grid Electricity System Operator would need to constrain power generation. Such action could result in significant costs to consumers.
- As a result, it is necessary and economical to invest in network reinforcement in the long term, and critically to ensure that Yorkshire GREEN is designed, tested and installed in sufficient time to meet the 2027 earliest in service date. Reinforcement of the network would enable an increase in the transfer of clean energy, increasing network capacity and avoiding constraint costs.

Yorkshire GREEN Project Description

- Yorkshire GREEN comprises both new infrastructure and works to existing transmission infrastructure and facilities. The Project is divided into six sections (see **Figure 1**), located within six Local Authority boundaries²:
 - Section A (Osbaldwick Substation) (City of York Council): Minor works would take place at the existing Osbaldwick Substation comprising the installation of a new circuit breaker and isolator along with associated cabling, removal and replacement of one gantry and works to one existing pylon. All substation works would be within existing operational land.

² North Yorkshire Council, Selby District Council, Harrogate Borough Council, Hambleton District Council, City of York Council, Leeds City Council.

- Section B (North west of York Area) (Hambleton District Council, City of York Council, Harrogate District Council and North Yorkshire County Council): Works would comprise:
 - reconductoring of 2.4km of the 400kV Norton to Osbaldwick (2TW/YR) overhead line and replacement of one pylon on this overhead line;
 - the new 400kV YN overhead line (2.8km), north of the proposed Overton Substation:
 - the new Shipton North and South 400kV cable sealing end compounds (CSECs) and 230m of cabling to facilitate the connection of the new YN 400kV overhead line with the existing Norton to Osbaldwick YR overhead line;
 - a new substation (Overton 400kV/275kV Substation) approximately 1km south of Shipton by Beningbrough;
 - two new sections of 275kV overhead line which would connect into Overton Substation from the south (the 2.1km XC overhead line to the south-west and the 1.5km SP overhead line to the south-east);
 - o works to 5km of the existing XCP Poppleton to Monk Fryston overhead line between Moor Monkton in the west and Skelton in the east comprising a mixture of decommissioning, replacement and realignment. To the south and south-east of Moor Monkton the existing overhead line would be realigned up to 230m south from the current overhead line and the closest pylon to Moor Monkton (340m south-east) would be permanently removed. A 2.35km section of this existing overhead line permanently removed between the East Coast Mainline (ECML) Railway and Woodhouse Farm to the north of Overton.
- Section C (existing 275kV Poppleton to Monk Fryston (XC) overhead line north
 of Tadcaster (Section D)) (Harrogate District Council, Selby District Council
 and North Yorkshire County Council): Works proposed to this existing 275kV
 overhead line include replacing existing overhead line conductors, replacement of
 pylon fittings, strengthening of steelwork and works to pylon foundations.
- Section D (Tadcaster) (Selby District Council, Leeds City Council and North Yorkshire County Council): Two new CSECs (Tadcaster East and West 275kV CSECs) and approximately 350m of cable would be installed approximately 3km south-west of Tadcaster and north-east of the A64/A659 junction where two existing overhead lines meet. One pylon on the existing 275kV Tadcaster Tee to Knaresborough (XD) overhead line would be replaced.
- Section E (existing 275kV Poppleton to Monk Fryston (XC) overhead line south
 of Tadcaster (Section D)) (Selby District Council and North Yorkshire County
 Council): Works proposed to this existing 275kV overhead line include replacing
 existing overhead line conductors, replacement of pylon fittings, strengthening of
 steelwork and works to pylon foundations. Work to the existing overhead line similar
 to those outlined for Section C would be undertaken; and
- Section F (Monk Fryston Area) (Selby District Council and North Yorkshire
 County Council): A new substation would be constructed to the east of the existing
 Monk Fryston Substation which is located approximately 2km south-west of the
 village of Monk Fryston and located off Rawfield Lane, south of the A63. A 1.45km
 section of the 275kV Poppleton to Monk Fryston (XC) overhead line to the west of
 the existing Monk Fryston Substation and south of Pollums House Farm would be

realigned to connect to the proposed Monk Fryston Substation. East of the existing Monk Fryston Substation the existing 4YS 400kV Monk Fryston to Eggborough overhead line, which currently connects to the existing substation, would be reconfigured to connect to the proposed Monk Fryston Substation.

Temporary infrastructure would be required to facilitate the Project, including temporary overhead line diversions and temporary construction compounds.

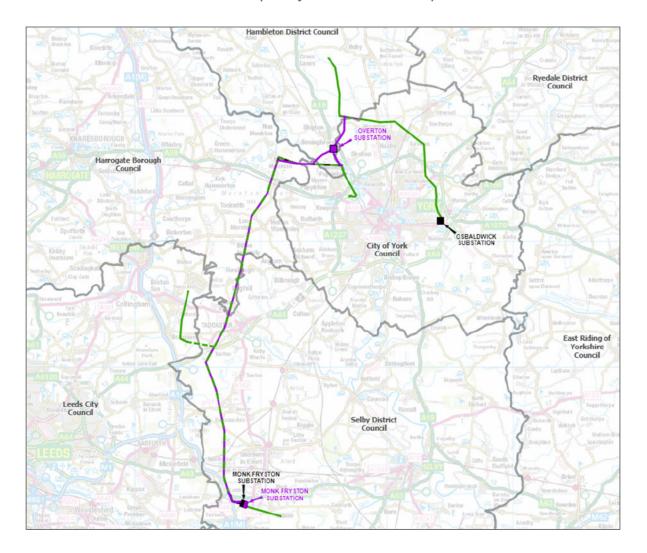


Figure 1- Location of the Yorkshire GREEN Project

1.3 This Statement of Common Ground

- For the purpose of this SoCG, National Grid and Leeds City Council will jointly be referred to as the "Parties".
- 1.3.2 Throughout the SoCG:
 - Where a section begins 'matters agreed', this sets out matters that have been agreed between the Parties and where there is no dispute;
 - Where a section begins 'matters not agreed', this sets out matters that are not agreed between the Parties and where a dispute remains; and
 - Where a section begins 'matters outstanding, this sets out matters that are subject to further negotiation between the Parties.

1.3.3 This SoCG is structured as follows:

- **Section 1:** Provides an introduction to this SoCG and a description of its purpose together with a broad description of the Project;
- **Section 2:** States the role of Leeds City Council in the DCO application process and details consultation undertaken between National Grid and Leeds City Council;
- Section 3: Sets out matters agreed between National Grid and Leeds City Council;
- **Section 4:** Sets out matters not agreed between National Grid and Leeds City Council;
- **Section 5:** Sets out matters where agreement is currently outstanding between National Grid and Leeds City Council; and
- Section 6: Sets out the approvals and the signing off sheet between the Parties.

2. Record of Engagement

2.1 Role of Leeds City Council in the DCO process

- Pursuant to Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008, National Grid must consult each Local Authority if any part of the Project is located within the Local Authority's area. During the iterative design process for Yorkshire GREEN, project infrastructure was located close to, but not in the local authority area around both Monk Fryston and Tadcaster. However, on confirmation of the project design, it was concluded that there would be some infrastructure in the Local Authority area, and as such Leeds City Council is considered to be one of the authorities to host part of the Project.
- Leeds City Council is the Local Authority of the City of Leeds in West Yorkshire, England.
- Its Core Strategy has been considered. The Core Strategy plans for the longer term regeneration and growth of the City over a 16 year period, as part of an overall and integrated framework. Central to this approach is the need to give priority to sustainable development in planning for economic prosperity, seeking to remove social inequality, securing opportunities for regeneration, and planning for infrastructure, whilst maintaining and protecting and enhancing environmental quality for the people of Leeds.
- 2.1.4 Underpinning these broad objectives and supported by the Core Strategy evidence base, is the desire to respond to current and emerging population pressures and associated needs across the district, especially within inner urban areas. Key priorities therefore include planning for the provision of homes and jobs in sustainable locations, respecting local character and distinctiveness in the delivery of the Plan's objectives and maximising opportunities to recycle Previously Developed Land (PDL), whilst minimising greenfield and Green Belt release, in planning for longer term growth.
- As part of the consultation process the Applicant carried out non statutory and statutory consultation. Leeds City Council was requested to comment on a draft Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) at both non statutory and statutory consultation stages. Further information on this consultation is set out in the **Consultation Report** (Section 4 and 5, **Volume 6, Document 6.1) [APP-195].**
- As part of the ongoing engagement process, which is in addition to consultation, briefings have taken place with the Parties, to inform the Leeds City Council of the design of the Project, it's evolution and, for the Parties to identify any sensitivities or other issues which may be relevant in the design process for the Project.
- On submission of the DCO, Leeds City Council will be invited to participate in the examination of the Project as an Interested Party. The Leeds City Council will be asked to comment on the adequacy of the consultation carried out and prepare a Local Impact Report³. During the examination process, the Council may prepare written

³ A "local impact report" is a report in writing giving details of the likely impact of the proposed development on the authority's area (or any part of that area).

- representations, and respond to written questions from the Examining Authority as well as participate in hearings.
- 2.1.8 Should a consent be granted for the Project, it will be subject to a number of DCO requirements⁴. The Leeds City Council will be required to discharge these, and the Applicant and the Council would agree a process for this.

2.2 Summary of pre-application discussions

2.2.1 **Table 2.1** summarises the consultation and engagement that has taken place between the Parties prior to submission of the DCO application. This includes discussions relating to EIA Scoping, s42 statutory consultation and additional technical engagement.

Table 2.1 – Pre-application discussions

Date	Discussion points	
Planning Officer Meetings		
29 October 2020	Meeting #1	
	Introductory MSTeams meetings to identify the need for the Project and its general location between Leeds City Council and Applicant.	
1 February 2021	Meeting #2	
	Pre non-statutory pre-application MSTeams meeting to update on non-statutory consultation and on Project design between Leeds City Council and Applicant.	
13 July 2021	Meeting #3	
	Post non-statutory consultation update via MS Teams with between Leeds City Council and Applicant.	
11 January 2022	Meeting #4 *	
	Pre statutory consultation and Project design update meeting via MSTeams with Leeds City Council and Applicant.	
22 February 2022	Meeting #5 *	
	Post statutory consultation update and Project design update with Leeds City Council and Applicant.	
05 April 2022	Meeting #6 *	
	Update on responses received from statutory consultation and DCO process discussion with Leeds City Council and Applicant.	
17 May 2022	Meeting #7*	
	Update on responses received from statutory consultation and discussion on what a DCO may look like with Leeds City Council and Applicant.	

⁴ Section 120 of the Act 2008 provides that a DCO may impose Requirements for development for which consent is granted. Such Requirements may correspond with conditions which could have been imposed on the grant of any permission, consent or authorisation (for example planning permission under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990) which would have been required for the development if it had been consented through a different regime.

28 June 2022	Meeting #8 *
	Discussion on Green Belt approach, review of the Cumulative Impact Assessment list with Leeds City Council and Applicant.
30 August 2022	Meeting #10 *
	Project design update, and identification of application documents with Leeds City Council and Applicant.
27 September 2022	Meeting #11 *
	General Project update and mitigation plans update with Leeds City Council and Applicant.
18 October 2022	Meeting #12*
	General Project update and discussion on proposed working hours with Leeds City Council and Applicant.
	*Other host authorities also in attendance
Non Statutory Consultation – No response rece	ived
EIA Scoping – No response received	
Statutory Consultation Response (Comments o (PEIR))	n the Preliminary Environmental Information Report
13 December 2021	Email Statutory Consultation response from Leeds City Council to Applicant
Engagement - Landscape	
19 April 2022	The Applicant's Consultant ⁵ provided Leeds City Council with meeting minutes from the 2nd Landscape, Visual and Arboricultural meeting. The Applicant's environmental consultant requested additional feedback on viewpoints or LVIA concerns
Engagement - Historic Environment	
13 March 2022	The Applicant's environmental consultant called West Yorkshire Archaeological Advisory Services (WYAAs). It was agreed that the effects on access roads in Leeds City Council area on archaeology are unlikely to have significant effects.
23 March 2022	The Applicant's environmental consultant emailed to invite Leeds City Council to discuss the results of Historic Environment effects in assessment and the West Yorkshire Archaeological Advisory Services (WYAAS). This included informing Leeds City Council of access roads in the area, which are unlikely to have significant effect and to also discuss concern regarding the setting of Ledston Hall
24 March 2022	The Applicant's environmental consultant invited Leeds City Council to meet to discuss the potential archaeological impacts of Yorkshire GREEN. The proposed agenda included an introduction to the Project, application progress, archaeological baseline and potential effects

⁵ The Applicant has instructed the services of a number of professional environmental consultants to act on behalf of the Applicant to provide advice and write technical reports and carry out the Environmental Impact Assessment.

29 March 2022	Call with Leeds City Council about the Project, application progress, archaeological baseline and potential effects, next steps and actions. Also covered WYAAS-specific guidance/standards for fieldwork/archival/reporting.
3 February 2023	Leeds City Council emailed to confirm that The West Yorkshire Archaeology Advisory Service is happy with the summary of the Applicant's environmental consultants advice to date and the stated course of archaeological work.
Engagement - Biodiversity	
10 November 2021	The Applicant's environmental consultant introduced herself to the Leeds City Council, welcoming discussions on biodiversity relations in the Project, survey schedules and land parcels which have been refused access
11 November 2021	Leeds City Council confirmed details of their biodiversity contact
21 March 2022	Invitation sent to the Senior Countryside and Ecology Officer to attend a meeting* scheduled discuss the Project and share local knowledge to inform opportunities for Biodiversity Net Gain.
23 March 2022	Leeds City Council emailed standard advise to the consultant
28 March 2022	Agreement reached on the proposed scope of the biodiversity surveys.
11 May 2022	The Applicant's environmental consultant issued the note of the meeting held with North Yorkshire County Council to Leeds City Council.
Engagement - Noise	
2 February 2022	The Applicant's environmental consultant emailed Leeds City Council providing information on the proposed noise surveys and the proposed locations and methods for noise monitoring. No noise monitoring locations are proposed for Leeds.
8 March 2022	Leeds City Council emailed to advise that it do not agree with the Projects proposed locations for noise monitoring, and requested at least one location to be included in Leeds
23 March 2022	An agreement was reached between the Applicant's environmental consultant and Leeds City Council as to why a Noise monitoring location is not included in Leeds local authority area.
Engagement – Traffic and Transport	
28 June 2021	The Applicant's environmental consultant offered to meet and requested contact details from Leeds City Council Transport Team
19 November 2021	The Applicant's environmental consultant followed up on their request, and requested a discussion on access to enable the evolving design to take into account comments before the return of Section 42 consultation
14 January 2022	The Applicant's environmental consultant requested contact details for Leeds City Council.

25 January 2022	The Applicant's environmental consultant requested a meeting with Leeds City Council to discuss the design iteration work
31 January 2022	The Applicant's environmental consultant addressed design issues and requested comments from Leeds City Council. A spreadsheet was provided with information
9 September 2022	The Applicant's environmental consultant emailed further information to Leeds City Council regarding access points and public rights of way.
22 February 2023	Leeds City Council emailed to provide Highways comments.
21 March 2023	The Applicant's environmental consultant issued a response to the Highways comments.
27 March 2023 The Applicant's environmental consultant and Leeds City Council had a meeting to reach agreement on matters relating to Traffic and Transportation.	
Engagement – Flo	od Risk
1 February 2023	Leeds City Council emailed to confirm the LLFA have no objections to the application, nor would seek to require any drainage or flood risk mitigation works.

2.3 Summary of post-submission discussions

Table 2.2 will summarise the consultation and engagement that takes place between the Parties post submission of the DCO application.

Table 2.2 – Post-submission discussions

Discussion points
Meeting #13
General Project update, update on proposed working hours, understanding the next stages in the DCO process and structure of the statements of common ground with Hambleton District Council, Harrogate Borough Council, Selby District Council.
Meeting #14
General Project update, update on proposed working hours, understanding the next stages in the DCO process and structure of the statements of common ground with Leeds City Council.
Meeting #15
General Project update, update on the SoCG, review of the Rule 6 Letter with Leeds City Council.

3. Matters Agreed

This section sets out the matters that have been agreed between National Grid and Leeds City Council. In particular **Table 3.1** details these matters.

Table 3.1 – Matters agreed

SoCG ID	Matter	Agreed position	Date of Agreement
3.1 Descrip	tion of the Project	•	
3.1.1	Description of the Project	The Summary of the Proposed Development provided in Section 1.2 above reflects Leeds City Councils understanding of the Project.	
3.1 Volume	2.1 Draft DCO	·	
3.1.2	PART 3 STREETS	The items described PART 3 STREETS of the Draft DCO (Document 3.1, Volume 3) accurately reflect Leeds City Council's understanding of the works proposed.	The Draft DCO has been shared with the Council on several occasions for comment, including the Yorkshire GREEN Briefing #10 meeting which took place on the 30 August 2022. The wording of the Draft DCO has not been raised as a matter for further discussion. documents. Leeds City Council confirmed at the Briefing #13 meeting held on 29 November 2022 that they do not anticipate any issues with the wording of the Draft DCO (Document 3.1, Volume 3) subject to its review.

SoCG ID	Matter	Agreed position	Date of Agreement
3.1.3	PART 4 SUPPLEMENTAL POWERS	The items described in PART 4 SUPPLEMENTAL POWERS of the Draft DCO (Document 3.1, Volume 3) accurately reflect Leeds City Council's understanding of the works proposed.	The Draft DCO has been shared with the Council on several occasions for comment, including the Yorkshire GREEN Briefing #10 meeting which took place on the 30 August 2022. The wording of the Draft DCO has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.1.4	PART 6 MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL	The items described PART 6 MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL of the Draft DCO (Document 3.1, Volume 3) accurately reflect Leeds City Council's understanding of the works proposed.	The Draft DCO has been shared with the Council on several occasions for comment, including the Yorkshire GREEN Briefing #10 meeting which took place on the 30 August 2022. The wording of the Draft DCO has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.1.5	SCHEDULE 3 REQUIREMENTS	The wording of the requirements described SCHEDULE 3 of the Draft DCO (Document 3.1, Volume 3) accurately reflect Leeds City Council's understanding of the works proposed. The requirements are: Requirement 2: Time Limits Requirement 3: Design Drawings Requirement 4: Stages of authorised development Requirement 5: Construction Management Plans	The Draft DCO has been shared with the Council on several occasions for comment, including the Yorkshire GREEN Briefing 10 meeting which took place on the 30 August 2022. The wording of the Draft DCO has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.

SoCG ID	Matter	Agreed position	Date of Agreement
		Requirement 6: Outline Construction Management Plans	
		Requirement 7: Construction Hours	
		 Requirement 8: Landscaping and mitigation planting 	
		 Requirement 9: Implementation of landscaping and mitigation planting 	
		 Requirement 10: Retention and protection of existing trees 	
		Requirement 11: Reinstatement schemes	
		 Requirement 12: Contamination of land or groundwater and controlled waters 	
		 Requirement 13: Removal of temporary bridges and culverts 	
		 Requirement 14: Highway works 	
		 Requirement 15: Removal of existing overhead line 	
		Requirement 16: Decommissioning	
3.1.6	SCHEDULE 4 DISCHARGE OF REQUIREMENTS	The wording of SCHEDULE 4 appropriately protects the interest of Leeds City Council and the responsibilities placed on Leeds City Council (Draft DCO, Document 3.1(B) Volume 3) [AS-011]. The requirements of relevance to Leeds City Council in its capacity as highway authority are:	The Draft DCO has been shared with the Council on several occasions for comment, including the Yorkshire GREEN Briefing #10 meeting which took place on the 30 August 2022. The wording of the Draft DCO has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is
		 Requirement 5: Construction Management Plans 	considered agreed.
		 Requirement 7: Construction Hours 	
		Requirement 14: Highway works	

Matter	Agreed position	Date of Agreement
invironmental Statement		
r 6: Landscape and Visual	(Volume 5)	
t Scope and Methodology		
ES Methodology approach adopted	Leeds City Council are content with the assessment scope and methodology for Landscape and Visual as described in (Section 6.8 ES Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual, Document 5.2.6, Volume 5 and Appendix 6C: Landscape and Visual Impact Methodology).	During pre-application discussions, the approach to the Landscape and Visual methodology has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
ES Baseline Description	Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in (Section 6.5.13, ES Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual, Document 5.2.6, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the landscape and visual ES baseline description hasn't been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Environmental Measures		
ES Embedded Environmental Measures	Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 6.6, ES Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual, Document 5.2.6, Volume 5.	During pre-applications discussions, the landscape and visual ES Embedded Environmental Measures have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
t of Likely Significant Effects		
ES Assessment of Likely Significant Effects	Leeds City Council agree with the conclusions in relation to likely significant effects as described in Section 6.14, ES Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual, Document 5.2.6, Volume 5.	During pre-applications discussions, the landscape and visual ES assessment of likely significant effects have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
	Environmental Statement The Grade and Visual and Scope and Methodology ES Methodology approach adopted Environmental Measures Es Embedded Environmental Measures Es Environmental Measures Es Embedded Environmental Measures the of Likely Significant Effects Es Assessment of	Environmental Statement 76: Landscape and Visual (Volume 5) 25: Methodology ES Methodology approach adopted ES Methodology approach adopted ES Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual, Document 5.2.6, Volume 5 and Appendix 6C: Landscape and Visual Impact Methodology). ES Baseline Description ES Baseline Description ES Baseline Description Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in (Section 6.5.13, ES Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual, Document 5.2.6, Volume 5). Environmental Measures ES Embedded Environmental Measures ES Embedded Environmental Measures ES Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 6.6, ES Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual, Document 5.2.6, Volume 5. t of Likely Significant Effects ES Assessment of Likely Significant Effects Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 6.6, ES Chapter 6: Landscape and Visual, Document 5.2.6, Volume 5.

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t Scope and Methodology		
Access Roads in Leeds City Council Area	It was agreed with Leeds City Council through the West Yorkshire Archaeological Advisory Services (WYAAs) that the effects on access roads in Leeds City Council area on archaeology are unlikely to have significant effects. The WSI will set out procedures in respect of works within the LEEDS CITY COUNCIL area (Table 7.5, ES Chapter 7: Historic Environment, Document 5.2.7, Volume 5).	13 March 2022
Written Scheme of Investigation	Leeds City Council are satisfied with the Written Scheme of Investigation (Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation, ES Chapter 3: Project Description, Document 5.3.3C, Volume 5).	During pre-application discussions, the WSI has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
ES Baseline Description	Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 7.5 (ES Chapter 7: Historic Environment, Document 5.2.7, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the historic environment baseline has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Environmental Measures		
ES Embedded Environmental Measures	Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Table 10.9 (ES Chapter 7: Historic Environment, Document 5.2.7, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Historic Environment Embedded Environmental have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
	Access Roads in Leeds City Council Area Written Scheme of Investigation ES Baseline Description Environmental Measures ES Embedded Environmental	Access Roads in Leeds City Council Area It was agreed with Leeds City Council through the West Yorkshire Archaeological Advisory Services (WYAAs) that the effects on access roads in Leeds City Council area on archaeology are unlikely to have significant effects. The WSI will set out procedures in respect of works within the LEEDS CITY COUNCIL area (Table 7.5, ES Chapter 7: Historic Environment, Document 5.2.7, Volume 5). Written Scheme of Investigation (Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation, ES Chapter 3: Project Description, Document 5.3.3C, Volume 5). ES Baseline Description Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 7.5 (ES Chapter 7: Historic Environment, Document 5.2.7, Volume 5). Environmental Measures ES Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Table 10.9 (ES Chapter 7: Historic Environment,

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3.5.5	ES Assessment of Likely Significant Effects	Leeds City Council agree with the conclusions in relation to likely significant effects as described in Section 7.7 (ES Chapter 7: Historic Environment, Document 5.2.7, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, Historic Environment ES assessment of likely significant effects have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.6 Chapter	r 8: Biodiversity (Volume 5)	
Assessmen	t Scope and Methodology		
3.6.1	Scope of Surveys	Leeds City Council agree with the proposed scope of surveys for the following (as discussed in the meeting 28 March 2022 with North Yorkshire County Council ecologist and minutes as sent to Leeds City Council – Planning Team Leader (Minerals, Waste and Energy): - approach to Biodiversity surveys where land is not accessible; - ornithological surveys; - extended Phase 1 habitat survey; - protected species surveys (otter and badger); - no requirement for great crested newt surveys due to employment of District Level Licensing; - no requirement for reptile, fish, tansy beetle or other invertebrate surveys. (Table 8.8 ES Chapter 8: Biodiversity, Document 5.2.8, Volume 5).	28 March 2022
3.6.2	Assessment Methodology	Based on no comments to the contrary in the statutory consultation response and no change in approach since PEIR it is assumed that the Leeds City Council are content with the assessment methodology (Section 8.8, ES	During pre-applications discussions, ES assessment methodology proposed for Biodiversity has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.

SoCG ID	Matter	Agreed position	Date of Agreement
		Chapter 8: Biodiversity, Document 5.2.8, Volume 5).	
3.6.3	Protected species survey approach (where revised since PEIR/meeting with North Yorkshire County Ecologist on 28 March 2022 – minutes issued to Leeds City Council)	Leeds City Council have reviewed the revised methodology and confirmed that it is acceptable as set out in Table 8.4, ES Chapter 8: Biodiversity, Document 5.2.8, Volume 5.	30 January 2023
Baseline	•		
3.6.4	ES Baseline Description	Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 8.5 (ES Chapter 8: Biodiversity, Document 5.2.8, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the biodiversity ES baseline has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Embedded I	 Environmental Measures	<u> </u>	
3.6.5	Proposals for Embedded Mitigation and compensation measures – Outline Biodiversity Mitigation Strategy (BMS) and Code of Construction Practice (CoCP)	Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 8.6 Chapter 8: Biodiversity (Document 5.2.8, Volume 5). These mitigation measures will be included within Outline BMS, Document 5.3.3D, Volume 5.3 as secured through the CoCP, Document 5.3.3B, Volume 5.3 and are therefore also considered to be satisfactory to Leeds City Council.	During pre-applications discussions, the Biodiversity ES baseline has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Assessment	t of Likely Significant Effects		
3.6.6	ES assessment of likely significant effects	Leeds City Council agree with the conclusions in relation to likely significant effects as described in Section 8.9 and concluded in section 8.11	During pre-applications discussions, the biodiversity ES assessment of likely significant effects have not been raised as

Matter	Agreed position	Date of Agreement
	(ES Chapter 8: Biodiversity, Document 5.2.8, Volume 5).	a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
│ r 9: Hydrology and Flood R	। Risk (Volume 5)	
t Scope and Methodology		
ES Scope and Assessment Methodology	Leeds City Council are content with the assessment scope and methodology for Hydrology and Flood Risk as described in Section 9.7 and 9.8 (ES Chapter 9: Hydrology and Flood Risk, Document 5.2.9, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the assessment methodology for Hydrology and Flood Risk has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
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ES Baseline Description	Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 9.5 (ES Chapter 9: Hydrology and Flood Risk, Document 5.2.9, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Hydrology and Flood risk ES baseline has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Flood Risk Assessment (PFRA)	Leeds City Council agree that there is no significant risk of flooding from groundwater, at present or in the future (9.5.36, ES Chapter 9: Hydrology and Flood Risk, Document 5.2.9, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, flooding from groundwater has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
	r 9: Hydrology and Flood Rest Scope and Methodology ES Scope and Assessment Methodology ES Baseline Description Flood Risk Assessment	(ES Chapter 8: Biodiversity, Document 5.2.8, Volume 5). r 9: Hydrology and Flood Risk (Volume 5) t Scope and Methodology ES Scope and Assessment Methodology Leeds City Council are content with the assessment scope and methodology for Hydrology and Flood Risk as described in Section 9.7 and 9.8 (ES Chapter 9: Hydrology and Flood Risk, Document 5.2.9, Volume 5). ES Baseline Description Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 9.5 (ES Chapter 9: Hydrology and Flood Risk, Document 5.2.9, Volume 5). Flood Risk Assessment (PFRA) Leeds City Council agree that there is no significant risk of flooding from groundwater, at present or in the future (9.5.36, ES Chapter 9: Hydrology and Flood Risk, Document 5.2.9,

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3.7.4	ES Embedded Environmental Measures	Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 9.6, ES Chapter 9: Hydrology and Flood Risk, Document 5.2.9, Volume 5.	During pre-applications discussions, the Hydrology and Flood risk ES Embedded Environmental Measures have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Assessment	of Likely Significant Effects		
3.7.5	ES assessment of likely significant effects	Leeds City Council agree with the conclusions in relation to likely significant effects as described in Section 9.13 (ES Chapter 9: Hydrology and Flood Risk, Document 5.2.9, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Hydrology and Flood risk ES assessment of likely significant effects have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.8 Chapter	10: Geology and Hydroge	eology (Volume 5)	
Assessment	Scope and Methodology		
3.8.1	ES Scope and Assessment Methodology	Leeds City Council are content with the assessment scope and methodology for Geology and Hydrogeology as described in Section 10.4 and 10.7 (ES Chapter 10: Geology and Hydrogeology, Document 5.2.10, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Geology and Hydrogeology ES scope and assessment methodology has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Baseline		<u>I</u>	I.
3.8.2	ES Baseline Description	Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 10.5 (ES Chapter 10: Geology and Hydrogeology, Document 5.2.10, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Geology and Hydrogeology ES baseline has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.

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Embedded I	Environmental Measures		
3.8.3	ES Embedded Environmental Measures	Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 10.6 (ES Chapter 10: Geology and Hydrogeology, Document 5.2.10, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Geology and Hydrogeology ES Embedded Environmental Measures methodology have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Assessment	t of Likely Significant Effects		
3.8.4	ES assessment of likely significant effects	Leeds City Council agree with the conclusions in relation to likely significant effects as described in Section 10.11 (ES Chapter 10: Geology and Hydrogeology, Document 5.2.10, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Geology and Hydrogeology ES assessment of likely significant effects have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.9 Chapter	11: Agriculture and Soils	(Volume 5)	
Assessment	t Scope and Methodology		
3.9.1	ES Scope and Assessment Methodology	Leeds City Council are content with the assessment scope and methodology for Agriculture and Soils as described in Section 11.7 (ES Chapter 11: Agriculture and Soils, Document 5.2.11, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Agriculture and Soils ES methodology approach has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.

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Baseline			
3.9.2	ES Baseline Description	Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 11.4 (ES Chapter 11: Agriculture and Soils, Document 5.2.11, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Agriculture and Soils ES baseline has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Embedded E	nvironmental Measures		
3.9.3	ES Embedded Environmental Measures	Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 11.5, (ES Chapter 11: Agriculture and Soils, Document 5.2.11, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Agriculture and Soils ES Embedded Environmental Measures has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Assessment	Index of Likely Significant Effects		
3.9.4	ES assessment of likely significant effects	Leeds City Council agree with the conclusions in relation to likely significant effects as described in Section 11.10 (ES Chapter 11: Agriculture and Soils, Document 5.2.11, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Agriculture and Soils assessment of likely significant effects has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.10 Chapte	r 12: Traffic and Transpor	t (Volume 5)	
Assessment	Scope and Methodology		
3.10.1	ES Scope and Assessment Methodology	Leeds City Council are content with the assessment scope and methodology for Traffic and Transport as described in Section 11.7 , ES	During pre-applications discussions, the assessment methodology for Traffic and Transport has not been raised as a matter

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		Chapter 12: Traffic and Transport, Document 5.2.12, Volume 5.	for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Baseline			
3.10.2	ES Baseline Description	Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 12.5, ES Chapter 12: Traffic and Transport, Document 5.2.12, Volume 5.	During pre-applications discussions, the assessment methodology for Traffic and Transport baseline has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Embedded	 Environmental Measures		
3.10.3	ES Embedded Environmental Measures	Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 12.6 (Chapter 12: Traffic and Transport, Document 5.2.12, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Traffic and Transport ES Embedded Environmental Measures have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Assessmen	t of Likely Significant Effects	}	<u></u>
3.10.4	ES likely significant effects	Leeds City Council agree with the conclusions in relation to likely significant effects as described in Section 12.11 (Chapter 12: Traffic and Transport, Document 5.2.12, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Traffic and Transport assessment of likely significant effects has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.10.5	Transport Statement	Leeds City Council agree that a Transport Statement is not required, as all pertinent information is provided within the ES Chapter	27 March 2023

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		12: Traffic and Transport (Document 5.2.12)[APP-084] and The Construction Traffic Management Plan (Document 5.3.3F) [APP-099]	
3.11 Chapte	er 13: Air Quality (Volume	5)	
Assessment	Scope and Methodology		
3.11.1	ES Scope and Assessment Methodology	Leeds City Council are content with the assessment scope and methodology for Air Quality as described in Section 13.8 (ES Chapter 13: Air Quality, Document 5.2.13, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Air Quality assessment and methodology approach has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Baseline		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
3.11.2	ES Baseline Description	Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 13.5 (ES Chapter 13: Air Quality, Document 5.2.13, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Air Quality baseline has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Embedded E	 Environmental Measures		
3.11.3	ES Embedded Environmental Measures	Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 13.6 (ES Chapter 13: Air Quality, Document 5.2.13, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Air Quality Embedded Environmental Measures have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Assessment	of Likely Significant Effects	1	1
3.11.4	ES likely significant effects	Leeds City Council agree with the conclusions in relation to likely significant effects as described	During pre-applications discussions, the Air Quality assessment of likely significant

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		in Section 13.7 (ES Chapter 13: Air Quality, Document 5.2.13, Volume 5).	effects has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.12 Chapte	r 14: Noise and Vibration	│ (Volume 5)	
Assessment	Scope and Methodology		
3.12.1	ES Scope and Assessment Methodology	Leeds City Council are content with the assessment scope and methodology for Noise and Vibration as described in Section 14.8 (ES Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration, Document 5.2.14, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Noise and Vibration EIA assessment and methodology has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.12.2	Noise Monitoring Locations	It is agreed that a noise monitoring location was not required within the Leeds City Council administrative area (Table 14.4 and Section 14.4, ES Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration, Document 5.2.14, Volume 5).	23 March 2022
Baseline			
3.12.3	ES Baseline Description	Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 14.5 (ES Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration, Document 5.2.14, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Noise and Vibration baseline has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Embedded E	 Environmental Measures		
3.12.4	ES Embedded Environmental Measures	Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 14.6 (ES Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration, Document 5.2.14, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Noise and Vibration Embedded Environmental Measures have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.

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Assessment	of Likely Significant Effects		
3.12.5	ES likely significant effects	Leeds City Council agree with the conclusions in relation to likely significant effects as described in Section 14.9, ES Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration, Document 5.2.14, Volume 5.	During pre-applications discussions, the Noise and Vibration baseline ES likely significant effects have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.13 Chapte	er 15: Health and Wellbein	g (Volume 5)	
Assessment	Scope and Methodology		
3.13.1	ES Scope and Assessment Methodology	Leeds City Council are content with the assessment scope and methodology for Health and Wellbeing as described in Section 15.8 (ES Chapter 15: Health and Wellbeing, Document 5.2.15, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Health and Wellbeing assessment and methodology have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Baseline			
3.13.2	ES Baseline Description	Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 15 (ES Chapter 15: Health and Wellbeing, Document 5.2.15, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Health and Wellbeing baseline has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Embedded E	 Environmental Measures	1	1
3.13.3	ES Embedded Environmental Measures	Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 15.6 (ES Chapter 15: Health and Wellbeing, Document 5.2.15, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Health and Wellbeing Embedded Environmental Measures have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.

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Assessment	 t of Likely Significant Effects		
3.13.4	ES likely significant effects	Leeds City Council agree with the conclusions in relation to likely significant effects as described in Section 15.9 (ES Chapter 15: Health and Wellbeing, Document 5.2.15, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Health and Wellbeing ES likely significant effects have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.14 Chapte	er 16: Socio-Economics (V	olume 5)	
Assessment	Scope and Methodology		
3.14.1	ES Scope and Assessment Methodology	Leeds City Council are content with the assessment scope and methodology for Socio-Economics as described in Section 16.7 (ES Chapter 16: Socio-Economics, Document 5.2.16, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Socio-Economics EIA assessment and methodology have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Baseline			
3.14.2	ES Baseline Description	Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 16.4 (ES Chapter 16: Socio-Economics, Document 5.2.16, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Socio-Economics baseline has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Embedded I	Environmental Measures		
3.14.3	ES Embedded Environmental Measures	Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 16.5 (ES Chapter 16: Socio-Economics, Document 5.2.16, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Socio-Economics Embedded Environmental Measures has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Assessment	 ! of Likely Significant Effects		

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3.14.4	ES likely significant effects	Leeds City Council agree with the conclusions in relation to likely significant effects as described in Section 16.8 (ES Chapter 16: Socio-Economics, Document 5.2.16, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Socio-economic ES likely significant effects have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.15 Chapt	er 17: Climate Change (Vol	ume 5)	
Assessmen	t Scope and Methodology		
3.15.1	ES Scope and Assessment Methodology	Leeds City Council are content with the assessment scope and methodology for Climate Change as described in Section 17.8, ES Chapter 17: Climate Change, Document 5.2.17, Volume 5.	During pre-applications discussions, the Climate Change EIA assessment and methodology has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Baseline			
3.15.2	ES Baseline Description	Leeds City Council is content the baseline is appropriately described in Section 17.5 (ES Chapter 17: Climate Change, Document 5.2.17, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Socio-Economics baseline has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Embedded	Environmental Measures		
3.15.3	ES Embedded Environmental Measures	Leeds City Council agree with the Embedded Environmental Measures as described in Section 17.6 (ES Chapter 17: Climate Change, Document 5.2.17, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Climate Change Embedded Environmental Measures has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Assessmen	t of Likely Significant Effects		
3.15.4	ES likely significant effects	Leeds City Council agree with the conclusions in relation to likely significant effects as described	During pre-applications discussions, the Climate Change ES likely significant effects have not been raised as a matter

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		in Section 17.9 (ES Chapter 17: Climate Change, Document 5.2.17, Volume 5).	for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.16 Chapte	er 18: Cumulative Effects (Volume 5)	
Assessment	t Scope and Methodology		
3.16.1	Inter-project Cumulative Effects assessment methodology	Leeds City Council are content with the interproject Cumulative Effects assessment scope and methodology as described in Section 18.4 (ES Chapter 18: Cumulative Effects, Document 5.2.18, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Inter-project Cumulative Effects assessment methodology has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.16.2	Intra-project Cumulative Effects assessment methodology	Leeds City Council are content with the intra- project Cumulative Effects assessment scope and methodology, and are appropriately described in Section 18.5, ES Chapter 18: Cumulative Effects, Document 5.2.18, Volume 5.	During pre-applications discussions, the Intra-project Cumulative Effects assessment methodology has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Assessment	t of Significance		
3.16.3	Significance Conclusions	The likely significance of Cumulative Effects from the Project are appropriately described in Section 18.9 (ES Chapter 18: Cumulative Effects, Document 5.2.18, Volume 5).	During pre-applications discussions, the Cumulative Effects significance conclusions have not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
Volume 5.3	Environmental Statement	Appendices	
3.17 Appen	dix 3B - Code of Construc	tion Practice	
3.17.1	Code of Construction Practice	Leeds City Council are content the Code of Construction Practice (ES Chapter 3: Code of Construction Practice, Document 5.3.3B, Volume 5) is secured in Requirement 5(2)(a) of the Draft DCO appropriately reflects the	During pre-applications discussions, the document has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.

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		mitigation required to minimise effects during construction.	
3.18 Appen	dix 3C -Archaeological Wr	itten Scheme of Investigation	
3.18.1	Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation	Leeds City Council are content the Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation (ES Chapter 3: Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation, Document 5.3.3C, Volume 5) is secured in Requirement 5(2)(b) of the Draft DCO appropriately reflects the mitigation required to protect archaeological assets.	During pre-applications discussions, the document has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.19 Appen	dix 3D - Biodiversity Mitiga	ation Strategy	
3.19.1	Biodiversity Mitigation Strategy	Leeds City Council are content the Biodiversity Mitigation Strategy (ES Chapter 3: Biodiversity Mitigation Strategy, Document 5.3.3D) is secured in Requirement 5(2)(c) of the Draft DCO appropriately reflects the mitigation required to protect biodiversity assets.	During pre-applications discussions, the document has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.20 Appen	dix 3E - Outline Soil Mana	gement Plan	
3.20.1	Outline Soil Management Plan	Leeds City Council are content the Outline soil management plan (ES Chapter 3: Outline soil management plan, Document 5.3.3E, Volume 5) is secured in Requirement 5(3) of the Draft DCO appropriately reflects the mitigation required to protect soil assets.	During pre-applications discussions, the document has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.21 Appen	dix 3F - Construction Traff	ic Management Plan	•
3.21.1	Traffic Regulation Orders	Leeds City Council notes two Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) are required on Warren Lane	21 March 2023

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		and note the required Leeds City Council TRO application process.	It should be noted that the majority of consents required for the Project are included within the Draft DCO which will be the principal consent for the Project. This includes the traffic regulation matters required during construction that are equivalent to Traffic Regulation Orders made under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and the Traffic management Act 2004 (refer to Article 45 of the Draft DCO, Document 3.1(B) Volume 3, [AS-011]). Further information is also provided in the Outline Consents and Licences Document (Document 7.3, [APP-204]).
3.21.2	Highways Condition Surveys	Leeds City Council agreed that the existing commitment, within the ES Chapter 3 Appendix 3F – Construction Traffic Management Plan (Document 5.3.3F) [APP-099], which is secured by Requirement 5 of the Draft DCO (Document 3.1(B)) [AS-011], to undertaken Highway Condition surveys of the accesses within the Leeds City Council area include condition surveys of the access route. The committed highway condition surveys will assess the existing quality of the route and mitigation will be agreed post-works to return the local road network to a position of nil detriment.	27 March 2023
3.21.3	Off Site Highway Works	Leeds City Council agreed that provision of passing places on the local road network are unnecessary in light of the existing lightly trafficked nature of the route, forecast construction traffic flows/temporary duration and the disproportionate ecological damage which would be incurred by construction of such	27 March 2023

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2.04.4	A Dainter A DOC	passing places. There will be further consultation, which is secured by the Draft DCO (Document 3.1(B)) [AS-011], with Leeds City Council at the appropriate point in the construction programme to agree suitable traffic management, if required, on the Leeds City Council local road network.	
3.21.4	Access Points: AP36, AP 37 and AP38	Leeds City Council agreed that changes to these existing accesses are not required, as they are only proposed to be used only for minor works and for a temporary duration. Further consultation, which is secured by the Draft DCO (Document 3.1(B)) [AS-011], will be undertaken with Leeds City Council at the appropriate time to agree any required traffic management measures at these access points. Please note that it has been identified that the Access Category within the Construction Traffic Management Plan Table 3.2 (Document 5.3.3F) [APP-099] for AP36 is incorrect; the correct access category for this access point is 'Minor'; this will be formally corrected in the application documents in due course.	27 March 2023
3.22 Apper	dix 3G - Public Rights of	Way Management Plan	
3.22.1	Public Rights of Way Management Plan	Leeds City Council acknowledged that the proposal does not impact on any Public Rights of Way in the Leeds City Area.	22 February 2023
		The content the Public Rights of Way Management Plan (ES Chapter 3: Public Rights of Way Management Plan, Document 5.3.3G, Volume 5) secured in Requirement	

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		5(2)(e) of the Draft DCO is not relevant to Leeds City Council.	
3.23 Appen	dix 3H - Noise and Vibrati	on Management Plan	
3.23.1	Noise and Vibration Management Plan	Leeds City Council are content the Noise and Vibration Management Plan (ES Chapter 3: Noise and Vibration Management Plan, Document 5.3.3H, Volume 5) secured in Requirement 5(2)(f) of the Draft DCO appropriately reflects the noise and vibration mitigation required.	During pre-applications discussions, the document has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.24 Appen	dix 3I -Arboricultural Imp	act Assessment	
3.24.1	Arboricultural Impact Assessment	There will be no trees removed within the Leeds City Council administrative area. It is therefore assumed that Leeds City Council are content the Arboricultural Impact Assessment (ES Chapter 3: Arboricultural Impact Assessment, Document 5.3.3I, Volume 5) secured in Requirement 6(g), 8(a) and 10of the Draft DCO appropriately reflects the mitigation required to protect arboricultural assets.	21 February 2022 (meeting) and 1 March 2022 (minutes circulated).
3.25 Volum	e 7.1, Planning Statement	:	
Developme	nt plan documents		
3.25.1	Development plan documents	The adopted development plan for consideration is the Leeds Core Strategy (as amended by the Core Strategy Selective Review 2019).	During pre-applications discussions, this has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
		Key policies of relevance have been considered in the submitted Planning Statement.	
3.25.2	Planning Statement	Leeds City Council are content that the Planning Statement (Document 7.1, Volume 7)	During pre-applications discussions, the Planning Statement document has not

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		appropriately assesses the Project against the National Policy Statements, the NPPF and local plan policies.	been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.25.3	Green Belt – Reconductoring	Leeds City Council (in Briefing Session #8 on 28th June 2022) are content that the reconductoring works to upgrade the existing XC 275kV overhead line would not have greater effects on the Green Belt than the current infrastructure existing within the Green Belt.	This was agreed at the Briefing Session #8 on 28th June 2022).
3.25.4	Design and Access Statement	Leeds City Council are content that the Design and Access Statement (DAS) demonstrates how National Grid has taken into account the criteria for good design contained within EN-1 and EN-5 and explains the ways in which the design of the Project has evolved.	During pre-applications discussions, the document has not been raised as a matter for further discussion and therefore it is considered agreed.
3.25.5	Details of Other Consents and Licences	Leeds City Council agree that the Details of Other Consents and Licences (Document 7.3, Volume 7) clearly identifies the consents and licences, in addition to the Draft DCO, which are expected to be necessary to the Project and confirms how these consents will be obtained.	The principles of these documents were discussed with Leeds City Council from the outset of the Project and were available for the PEIR. On this basis Leeds City Council are in agreement with their content.
3.25.6	Updated Need Case, Strategic Proposal Reports and Corridor and Preliminary Routeing and Siting Study	Leeds City Council understand and agree with the findings of the Need Case (Document 7.4 , Volume 7) and the project development process, including the Strategic Proposal Report 2019 and 2020 (Document 7.5 & 7.6 , Volume 7) and the 2021 addendum (Document 7.7 , Volume 7) and the Corridor and Preliminary Routeing and Siting Study ('the CPRSS'), (Document 7.8 , Volume 7).	The principles of these documents were discussed with Leeds City Council from the outset of the Project and were available for the PEIR. Leeds City Council confirmed at the Briefing #13 meeting held on 29 November 2022 that they agreed that the approach to consultation had been discussed and agreed with the Council.
3.25.7	Consultation Report, Consultation Report Appendices and	Leeds City Council agree that they were given the opportunity to comment on the SoCC and their suggestions were included in the SoCC	The principles of these documents were discussed with Leeds City Council from the outset of the Project and were

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	Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)	(see Consultation Report (Document 6.1, Volume 6) and Consultation Report Appendices (Document 6.2, Volume 6) including the Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') (Appendix B4, Volume 6, Document 6.2)	available for the PEIR. Leeds City Council confirmed at the Briefing #13 meeting held on 29 November 2022 that they agreed that the approach to consultation had been discussed and agreed with the Council.
3.26 Volum	ne 7.9 Biodiversity Net Gai	n: Initial Biodiversity Net Gain Metric Calculation	1
3.26.1	Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG)	Leeds City Council has agreed the approach to BNG within the Project (Document 7.9, Volume 7.9).	30th January 2023
		In summary, key points of National Grid's approach for the Project to achieve BNG are:	
		 Avoiding loss of irreplaceable habitats Adherence to the Mitigation hierarchy, especially to avoid and minimise habitat clearance (especially for priority habitats) 	
		 Achieving a minimum 10% increase in area- based units, in linear units and in river units in ways that meet the Biodiversity Metric V3.1 trading rules. A draft S106 to secure this has been circulated to LPAs for comment. 	
		 For any off-site BNG delivery to be implemented and delivered in partnership with local conservation stakeholders where possible 	
		 For any off-site BNG delivery, we will seek for gains to be within the same LPA as the associated loss 	
		 Where this is not possible due to limited availability of suitable sites, or more favourable outcomes for biodiversity would 	

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		be achieved by delivering BNG at a site outside the relevant LPA, delivery of 10% BNG would apply across the extent of the project rather than being split between LPAs. National Grid will look to engage with the affected LPAs to identify opportunities to deliver meaningful BNG enhancements across the extent of the project. In terms of DCO submission, we have submitted an initial Biodiversity Net Gain report based on	Date of Agreement
		a number of precautionary assumptions, which provides a reasonable worst-case indication of the deficit in biodiversity units resulting from the Project (which is likely to overstate losses as a precaution) and the amount and type of on and off-site habitat creation required to achieve BNG.	
		We will then undertake further BNG assessment at different stages through the project lifecycle updating the BNG report metric calculation with final baseline data and results of the Strategic Significance assessment. These updated reports will be produced post-consent at detailed design stage (including the BNG management and monitoring plan), and after construction (based on as-built information) to refine and finalise the assessment as further information becomes available.	

4. Matters Not Agreed

Section 4 sets out matters not agreed between National Grid and Leeds City Council. **Table 4.1** details these matters.

Table 4.1 – Matters not agreed

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	Through engagement between Leeds City Council and National Grid there are no matters not agreed.		

5. Matters outstanding

5.1.1 Section 5 sets out matters where agreement is currently outstanding between National Grid and Leeds City Council. In particular **Table 5.1** details these matters.

Table 5.1 – Matters outstanding

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5.3 Chapter 1	4: Noise and Vibration		
5.3.1	Night time working hours and combined lighting impacts.	LCC Draft Local Information Report (LIR) provided with response regarding night time working hours and cumulative impact from lighting to residential receptors.	National Grid confirm that there are no significant noise effects to receptors in the LCC boundary as described in the ES Chapter 14 Noise and Vibration (Document 5.2.14 [APP-086]). The cumulative effects noted in ES Chapter 18 Cumulative Effects (Document 5.2.18) [APP-090] concludes that there are no significant effects from the noise and lighting impacts in this location. The night-time thresholds of significance used in the determination of EIA significance are as reported in Annex E of BS5228-1:2009 +A1:2014, the approved code of practice for construction noise enacted under the Control of Pollution Act 1974. BS5228-1 makes no provision for implementing alternative thresholds based upon the potential accumulation of noise impact with other physical properties such as light. It is therefore considered that the appropriate assessment noise levels have been applied for construction noise.

	It should also be recognised that the nearest residential receptors in Leeds to the works (Headley Cottages on Warren Road), are 800m away from the nearest works, temporary bypass of existing XD line during works on Tadcaster CSECs. High Moor Grange Farm (Receptor ID SEL06 in Table 14.11 of the ES Chapter 14 Noise and Vibration (Document 5.2.14 [APP-086]) is 250m away from the closest works to Leeds receptors and is considered a worst case proxy for such Leeds receptors. It is reported in the ES noise and vibration chapter that SEL06 is not predicted to have any significant construction noise effects at any time (Table 14.26, Table 14.34 ES Chapter 14 Noise and Vibration, Document 5.2.14 [APP-086]). Therefore, it is considered that night-time works will be below the threshold of significance at the Leeds receptors. National Grid will continue to liaise with Leeds
	City Council EHO's on this issue. Discussions are ongoing on this matter.

6. Approvals

Section does not need to be completed at this stage

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