

The Planning Inspectorate

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Dear Sirs

**National Grid – Yorkshire Green Project
Procedural Deadline 8**

The Authority wishes to make the following points against the deadline 8 submission items. The Authority made the following submission at deadline 7.

Compulsory Purchase

The Authority understands that agreement has been reached between the Applicant and Highways England on the issue of compulsory purchase. We have been contacted to continue discussions in the same vein and with update the ExA at deadline 8.

The Authority now understand that the agreement between the Applicant and the National Highways only extends to the protected provisions for the Strategic Road Network. It doesn't extend to those areas of the local network still in National Highways ownership.

The Authority must make it clear that it holds its objection to any compulsory purchase of the highways. However, we do believe that it is not the applicant's intention to permanently acquire Highway land and that instead it intends to do works by agreement via NRSWA.

This has not been agreed yet but is the preferred approach. Whilst we understand that the Deadline 8 is the final deadline of the examination we wanted to let you know that we expect an agreement to be finalised in October and we will update the examining authority as soon as possible once the details have been settled.

Yours faithfully

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