

Meeting Note

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Meeting with	Halite, BLP, Mott MacDonald
Meeting date	Monday 19 September 2011
Attendees (IPC)	Tom Carpen (Case Leader) Lynne Franklin (Lawyer) Eleri Davies (Case Officer)
Attendees (non IPC)	Paul Grace (BLP) Tim Smith (BLP) Brian Stanley (Project Manager, Halite) Nick Haynes (Mott MacDonald) Callum Gibson (Mott MacDonald)
Location	IPC Offices, Bristol

Meeting purpose	To discuss the draft Development Consent Order for Preesall Underground Gas Storage facility
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Summary of key points discussed and advice given	<p>Introductions Halite, BLP and Mott MacDonald were aware of the IPC's policy of openness and transparency and that any issues discussed and advice given will be recorded and placed on IPC's website under s.51 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008). Any advice given does not constitute legal advice upon which developers (or others) can rely.</p> <p>Project Update The likely submission date is now expected to be within 4-6 weeks of this meeting, Halite will advise the IPC of any changes in the schedule. Statements of Common Ground are being drawn up with Wyre Borough Council and Lancashire County Council firstly and with other groups at a later date.</p> <p>Draft DCO & Explanatory Memorandum Following the structure of the draft DCO the IPC asked for clarification and/or provided advice on several articles and requirements as set out in the attached letter.</p> <p>Book of Reference Halite asked what sort of advice it could expect from the IPC on its draft Book of Reference (BoR). The IPC said that its focus would be on the approach taken in relation to identifying categories of interests in the 3 parts of the BoR and whether this was in compliance with Regulation 7 of the APFP. The BoR would need to be looked at together with the land plan and any</p>
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	<p>Compulsory Acquisition article. The IPC is not responsible for checking whether applicants have used due diligence to identify land interests. The onus is on the developer to ensure due diligence.</p> <p>Habitats Regulations Assessment The IPC has published Advice Note 10 (Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA)), Halite were advised to follow this in the preparation of the draft HRA report.</p> <p>Halite advised the IPC that they would be submitting a draft HRA report. The IPC advised that this report would need to include sufficient information to allow the competent authority to assess and review the information and make its own determination.</p> <p>The IPC advised Halite to consider seeking written responses from relevant consultees on the draft HRA report and to include any responses in the report. Information should be provided in the HRA report to justify any conclusions reached.</p> <p>It may assist Halite to complete the appendices to the IPC's Advice Note 10, as appropriate to ensure that sufficient information is provided with the HRA report.</p> <p>The IPC would review any draft HRA reports on a procedural basis and would provide appropriate comments in response to Halite. Halite advised a draft HRA report would be provided to the IPC within 7-14 days following the meeting.</p> <p>Consultation Report The IPC advised that in terms of the Consultation Report, there was no reason why the original s.42 and s.47 consultation responses should not be provided in an appendix to the Consultation Report. It is not a requirement to submit them however the Acceptance Commissioner has the power to ask for copies of the responses. Halite should also consider the data protection implications of forwarding documents (which will be published on the IPC's website) containing personal information in circumstances where individuals had not been aware of this publication. The IPC will also have regard to its data protection obligations before publishing any documents received.</p> <p>AOB BLP explained that there is continuing engagement with Lancashire County Council and Wyre Borough Council. Particularly the Statements of Common Ground. Following that, BLP intends to discuss these with other stakeholders.</p>
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Specific decisions/follow up required?	
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Circulation List	All attendees
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