

Viking CCS Pipeline

8.5 Draft Statement of Common Ground – West Lindsey District Council

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1 Introduction

1.1 Overview

- 1.1.1 This Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) has been prepared by Chrysaor Production (UK) Ltd (the 'Applicant') in conjunction with West Lindsey District Council in respect of the Viking CCS Pipeline project (the 'Proposed Development').
- 1.1.2 The SoCG sets out the matters of agreement between the Applicant and West Lindsey District Council and also explains those matters which, at the time of writing, remain unresolved between the parties. The agreements to date have been reached through consultation and continuing discussions between the parties through online meetings.

1.2 The Role of West Lindsey District Council

- 1.2.1 West Lindsey District Council is one of the five local planning authorities within the Order limits. West Lindsey District Council determines planning applications for the majority of development types in the district and has a statutory duty to prepare a local development plan.
- 1.2.2 As a host local authority, West Lindsey District Council has specific responsibilities, including:
- Responding to consultations by the applicant:
 - Discussing DCO requirements and legal agreements with the applicant:
 - Providing 'adequacy of consultation' responses to PINS:
 - Preparing statements of common grounds and local impact reports: and
 - Submitting written representations to PINS and participating in the examination process.

1.3 Purpose of this Statement of Common Ground

- 1.3.1 The purpose of this document is to summarise the agreements reached between the parties on matters relevant to the examination of the application and to assist the Examining Authority ('ExA'). It also sets out the matters that remain unresolved at the time of writing, but which both parties are working positively toward resolving. As such, it is expected that further iterations of the SoCG will be submitted to the ExA throughout the Examination and prior to the making of any Development Consent Order ('DCO') for the Proposed Development.
- 1.3.2 The SoCG has been prepared with regard to the guidance in 'Planning Act 2008: examination of applications for development consent' (Department for Communities and Local Government, March 2015).
- 1.3.3 The remainder of this SoCG is structured as follows:
- Section 2 - Summary of consultation and discussions; and
 - Section 3 - Position of the parties

1.4 Status of this Statement of Common Ground

- 1.4.1 This SoCG is currently in draft form.

2 Summary of Consultation and Discussions

Introduction

2.1.1 In addition to the consultation undertaken as part of statutory consultation, there have been a number of meetings and correspondence relating to the Proposed Development. Details of various meetings and key correspondence are set out in Table 2-1 Record of meetings and correspondence with West Lindsey District Council. Table 2-1 below.

Table 2-1 Record of meetings and correspondence with West Lindsey District Council.

Date of meeting/ correspondence	Description of meeting/correspondence
31 January 2022	<p>Introduction to the project, including extent of the project corridor, other project interactions, environmental and engineering considerations and EIA scoping and survey information. Planned stakeholder engagement and consenting programme was highlighted.</p> <p>Feedback from the meeting noted that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parameters of the pipeline were questioned, including block valve location. • Impact on the AONB was queried. • West Lindsey District Council confirmed as host authority and communications contacts provided. • It was noted a summary forward members would be required and there would be interest in the north of the district, as well as regarding the AONB.
18 October 2022	<p>Scheme update, including rebranding, corridor realignment and above ground installation update. Update includes an update on consultation, role of feedback, the SoCC process and statutory consultation timescales.</p> <p>Feedback from the meeting noted that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acknowledged that a small section of route is within the council boundaries. Plan to be prepared showing revised route with Local Planning Authority boundary. • Submission timeframe was questioned.
31 March 2023	<p>Scheme update meeting, including recap of the project, purpose and rate of carbon dioxide capture. Distance within WLDC confirmed and timescales for project outlined. Stakeholder and consultation update provided, alongside environment update.</p> <p>Feedback from the meeting noted that:</p>

Date of meeting/ correspondence	Description of meeting/correspondence
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questioned the design changes located within WLDC. • Timeframes for additional consultation queried. • New WLDC Local Plan outlined and noted adoption of the plan was scheduled for April. • WLDC confirmed it will review the Statement of Common Ground and planning applications which will form part of cumulative Impact Assessment. • Further meeting welcomed by WLDC.
30 June 2023	<p>Scheme update meeting with a planning officer that included an overview of progress preparing the DCO application documents, project schedule, environment surveys and assessments and the additional consultation during April and May 2023.</p> <p>Points of discussion included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The change to the route of pipeline within WLDC that was included in the April / May 2023 consultation. • The receptors affected by the route change. It was confirmed that a pond and veteran trees in the area of the realignment would be retained.
8 March 2024	<p>Project update meeting with a planning officer. The applicant provided an overview of the activities that had taken place following the submission of the application to PINS.</p> <p>The applicant also discussed with the planning officer arrangements for the Preliminary meeting including venue and timings, relevant representations received and summary of key themes, progress towards Statements of Common Ground and future work.</p>
10 April 2024	<p>Meeting with planning officers of all the host authorities to discuss matters arising during the Issue Specific Hearings on the 27th March 2023.</p> <p>Discussions included the process for discharging DCO such as the authority responsible for discharging obligations, the time limit for approvals of requirements and highways works, payment of fees to the discharging authority.</p>

3 Position of the Parties

3.1.1 Table 3-1 below sets out the position of the parties relating to the following topics:

- **Consultation** – including comment on the consultation documents and consultation process. The principal application document is the PIER.
- **Community** – including social value. The principal application document is Chapter 16 Socio-Economic of the Environmental Statement **[APP-058]** and the accompanying appendices.
- **Environmental Impacts** – including landscape and visual impact viewpoints, noise and vibration impacts. The principal application documents are:
 - Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual **[APP-049]** and appendices
 - Chapter 6 Ecology and Biodiversity **[APP-048]** and appendices
 - Chapter 9 Geology and Hydrogeology **[APP-051]** and appendices
 - Chapter 12 Traffic and Transport **[APP-054]** and appendices
 - Chapter 14 Air Quality **[APP-056]** and appendices
 - Chapter 13 Noise and Vibration **[APP-055]** and appendices
 - Chapter 11 Water Environment **[APP-053]** and appendices
 - Chapter 8 Historic Environment **[APP-050]** and appendices
 - Chapter 10 Agriculture and Soils **[APP-052]** and appendices
 - Initial Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment **[APP-125]** and Draft Biodiversity Net Gain Strategy **[APP-126]**
 - Chapter 20 Cumulative Impact Assessment **[APP-062]**
- **Planning Policy Matters** – reference to matters regarding planning policy. The principal application document is the PDAS **[APP-129]**.

3.1.2 To provide clarity, each of the matters for which a position has been attributed have been colour coded as follows:

Agreed	The matter is agreed between the parties, or there is no significant disagreement such that the matter is considered closed.
Not agreed - no material impact	The matter is not agreed between the parties; however the outcome of the approach taken by the Applicant or West Lindsey Council is not considered to result in a material impact to the assessment conclusions. Discussions on this matter have concluded.
In discussion	This matter is neither 'agreed' or 'not agreed'. Technical work is being undertaken with the aim of achieving agreement, though the risk of disagreement remains.
Not agreed	The matter is not agreed between the parties and the outcome of the approach taken by the Applicant or West Lindsey Council is considered to result in a materially different impact to the assessment conclusions.

Table 3-1 Position of the Parties

ID	Matter	Detail	Related documents and their references	Comments from the Parties	Position
Consultation					
WLDC1	Consultation process	The pre-application engagement undertaken by the applicant has been proactive and professional and accords with the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC).	Appendix E to the Consultation Report [APP-039] providing the Statutory Consultation Responses.	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed. West Lindsey has been kept well informed and updated through the consultation processes.	Agreed
Socio-Economics					
WLDC2	Social Value	The approach used for the Assessment of potential socio-economic impacts reported in chapter 11 of the Environmental Statement [APP-058] follows standard best practice for projects of this nature. The baseline data, survey methods and assessment methodology used are appropriate and follow standard guidelines.	Appendix E to the Consultation Report [APP-039] providing the Statutory Consultation Responses. ES Chapter 16: Socio Economics [APP-058]	Applicant: The methodology for the Assessment is considered appropriate and includes the necessary receptors and baseline data. West Lindsey: The methodology is agreed.	Agreed
Landscape and Visual					
WLDC3	Assessment methodology	The scope of the assessment and assessment methodology in chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-049] of the Environmental Statement are suitable and acceptable.	Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual [APP-049] and appendices	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC4	Data collection, methods, baseline data and the identification and sensitivity of relevant features and receptors	The baseline information used in the assessment for the Landscape and Visual Impact is appropriate for the purposes of assessment. The sensitivity and types of receptors used in the landscape and visual impact assessment are appropriate, and the relevant receptors have been identified within the study area.	Appendix E to the Consultation Report [APP-039] providing the Statutory Consultation Responses. Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual [APP-049] and appendices	Applicant: Agreed, the methodology and viewpoints used in the assessment is considered appropriate and includes the necessary receptors and baseline data which was discussed and agreed during the pre-application period. West Lindsey: Agreed, the methodology and viewpoints were discussed and agreed during the pre-application period.	Agreed
WLDC5	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Assessment of Effects in chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-049] , are appropriate in identifying and assessing the significance of (in EIA terms)	Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual [APP-049]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed

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		and effects of change resulting from the construction, operation and decommissioning of the Project on landscape and visual receptors. In accordance with the impact assessment's methodology, effects which have been assessed to be 'moderate' or 'major' are considered significant in EIA terms.			
WLDC6	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Cumulative Effects Assessment as detailed in ES Chapter 7- Landscape and Visual Impact [APP-049] , are appropriate in concluding that the cumulative effects of the Project and other projects are unlikely to be greater than the Project alone.	Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual [APP-049]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC7	Securing mitigation	All relevant mitigation measures specified in ES Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual [APP-049] is adequately secured through the Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan [APP-127] . The proposed mitigation is appropriate for managing construction and post construction impacts from the Project on landscape and visual receptors. Requirement 11 of the DCO [AS-008] states that the final Landscape Management Plan will accord with the Outline Landscape Management Plan submitted in support of the DCO application."	Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual [APP-049] Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan [APP-127] Draft DCO [AS-008]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Feedback noted the Council are content that significant impacts on landscape character and amenity are not likely to arise from the operation and maintenance of the pipeline. It was noted the block valve located southwest of Aylesby is also not anticipated to be harmful on landscape character.	Agreed
Ecology and Biodiversity					
WLDC8	Assessment methodology	The scope of the assessment and assessment methodology in chapter 6 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-048] of the Environmental Statement are suitable and acceptable.	Chapter 6 Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-048] and appendices	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC9	Data collection, methods, baseline data and the identification and sensitivity of relevant features and receptors	The baseline information used in the assessment for Ecology and Biodiversity in chapter 6 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-048] of the Environmental Statement is appropriate for the purposes of assessment. The sensitivity and types of receptors used in the Ecology and Biodiversity assessment are appropriate, and the relevant receptors have been identified within the study area.	Appendix E to the Consultation Report [APP-039] providing the Statutory Consultation Responses. Chapter 6 Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-048] and appendices	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC10	Assessment findings	The findings of the Potential Impacts and Assessment of Effects in chapter 6 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-048] of the Environmental Statement are suitable and acceptable.	Chapter 6 Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-048]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed	Agreed

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WLDC11	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Assessment of Effects in chapter 6 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-048] of the Environmental Statement during construction, operation and decommissioning are appropriate, and assuming the inclusion of proposed mitigation, are considered not significant in EIA terms.	Chapter 6 Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-048]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC12	Securing mitigation	All relevant mitigation measures specified in Chapter 6 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-048] of the Environmental Statement are adequately secured through the draft Construction Environmental Management Plan [APP-068] . The proposed mitigation is appropriate for managing construction and post construction impacts from the Project. The provision of mitigation is secured by requirement 5 of the DCO [AS-008] which requires that the CEMP must be prepared and approved before commencement of development. The Outline Landscape Environmental Management Plan [APP-127] outlines a number of other measures as part of an ecology strategy to provide additional safeguards. The provision of these measures is secured by requirement 11 of the DCO [AS-008] which requires that the CEMP must be prepared and approved before commencement of development.	Chapter 6 Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-048] Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan [APP-127] Draft DCO [AS-008]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Feedback supported the inclusion of planting strips or bunds at the block valve stations. It was noted this would reduce the visual impact and contribute to biodiversity net gain.	Agreed
WLDC13	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Cumulative Effects Assessment as detailed in ES Chapter 6 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-048] , are appropriate in concluding that the cumulative effects of the Project and other projects are unlikely to be greater than the Project alone.	Chapter 6 Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-048]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
Geology and hydrogeology					
WLDC14	Assessment methodology	The scope of the assessment and assessment methodology in chapter 9 – Geology and Hydrogeology of the Environmental Statement [APP-051] are suitable and acceptable.	Chapter 9 Geology and Hydrogeology [APP-051] and appendices	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC15	Data collection, methods, baseline data and the identification and sensitivity of	The baseline information used in the assessment for Geology and Hydrogeology is appropriate for the purposes of assessment. The sensitivity and types of receptors used in the Geology and Hydrogeology assessment are appropriate, and the	Appendix E to the Consultation Report [APP-039] providing the Statutory	Applicant: Agreed, the methodology used in the assessment is considered appropriate and includes the necessary receptors and baseline data which was discussed and agreed during the pre-application period. West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed

ID	Matter	Detail	Related documents and their references	Comments from the Parties	Position
	relevant features and receptors	relevant receptors have been identified within the study area.	Consultation Responses. Chapter 9 Geology and Hydrogeology [APP-049] and appendices		
WLDC16	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Assessment of Effects in chapter 9 – Geology and Hydrogeology [APP-051] of the Environmental Statement during construction and operation are appropriate, and assuming the inclusion of proposed mitigation, are considered not significant in EIA terms.	Chapter 9 Geology and Hydrogeology [APP-051]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC17	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Cumulative Effects Assessment as detailed in the ES 9 Geology and Hydrogeology [APP-051], are appropriate in concluding that the cumulative effects of the Project and other projects are unlikely to be greater than the Project alone.	Chapter 9 Geology and Hydrogeology [APP-051]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC18	Securing mitigation	All relevant mitigation measures specified in ES Chapter 9 Geology and Hydrogeology [APP-051] is adequately secured through the draft Construction Environmental Management Plan [APP-068]. The proposed mitigation is appropriate for managing construction and post construction impacts from the Project. The provision of mitigation is secured by requirement 5 of the DCO [AS-008] which requires that the CEMP must be prepared and approved before commencement of development.	Chapter 9 Geology and Hydrogeology [APP-051] Draft DCO [AS-008]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
Traffic and transport					
WLDC19	Assessment methodology	The scope of the assessment and assessment methodology in chapter 12 – Traffic and Transport [APP-054] of the Environmental Statement are suitable and acceptable.	Chapter 12 Traffic and Transport [APP-054] and appendices	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	In Discussion
WLDC20	Data collection, methods, baseline data and the identification and sensitivity of relevant features and receptors	The baseline information used in the assessment for Traffic and Transport is appropriate for the purposes of assessment. The sensitivity and types of receptors used in the Traffic and Transport assessment are appropriate, and the relevant receptors have been identified within the study area.	Appendix E to the Consultation Report [APP-039] providing the Statutory Consultation Responses. Chapter 12 Traffic and Transport	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	In Discussion

ID	Matter	Detail	Related documents and their references	Comments from the Parties	Position
			[APP-054] and appendices		
WLDC21	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Assessment of Effects in chapter 12 – Traffic and Transport [APP-054], are appropriate in identifying and assessing the significance of (in EIA terms) and effects of change resulting from the construction, operation and decommissioning of the Project on receptors. In accordance with the impact assessment’s methodology, effects which have been assessed to be ‘moderate’ or ‘major’ during the construction phases and are considered significant in EIA terms.	Chapter 12 Traffic and Transport [APP-054]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC22	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Cumulative Effects Assessment as detailed in ES Chapter 12 – Traffic and Transport [APP-054], are appropriate in concluding that the cumulative effects of the Project and other projects are unlikely to be greater than the Project alone.	Chapter 12 Traffic and Transport [APP-054]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC23	Securing mitigation	All relevant mitigation measures specified in ES Chapter 12 Traffic and Transport [APP-054] is adequately secured through the draft Construction Environmental Management Plan [APP-068]. The proposed mitigation is appropriate for managing construction and post construction impacts from the Project. The provision of mitigation is secured by requirement 5 of the DCO [AS-008] which requires that the CEMP must be prepared and approved before commencement of development. Further mitigation is provided in the Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) which includes measures to be adopted during the construction phase. The proposed mitigation is appropriate for managing construction traffic impacts. The provision of mitigation is secured by requirement 6 of the DCO [AS-008] which requires that the CEMP must be prepared and approved before commencement of development.	Chapter 12 Traffic and Transport [APP-054] draft Construction Environmental Management Plan [APP-068] Draft Construction Traffic Management Plan [APP-107] Draft DCO [AS-008]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
Air Quality					
WLDC24	Assessment methodology	The scope of the assessment and assessment methodology in chapter 14 – Air Quality [APP-056] of the Environmental Statement are suitable and acceptable.	Chapter 14 Air Quality [APP-056] and appendices	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC25	Data collection, methods, baseline data and the identification and	The baseline information used in the assessment for the Air Quality is appropriate for the purposes of assessment.	Appendix E to the Consultation Report [APP-03] providing the Statutory	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed

ID	Matter	Detail	Related documents and their references	Comments from the Parties	Position
	sensitivity of relevant features and receptors	The sensitivity and types of receptors used in the Air Quality assessment are appropriate, and the relevant receptors have been identified within the study area.	Consultation Responses. Chapter 14 Air Quality [APP-056] and appendices		
WLDC26	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Assessment of Effects in Chapter 14 Air Quality [APP-056] of the Environmental Statement during construction are appropriate, and assuming the inclusion of proposed mitigation, are considered not significant in EIA terms.	Chapter 14 Air Quality [APP-056]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC27	Assessment findings	It is agreed that environmental health for air quality has been adequately assessed and the conclusions of the assessment are suitable in Chapter 14 – Air Quality [APP-056] and chapter 17 – Health and Wellbeing of the Environmental Statement [APP-059] .	Chapter 14 Air Quality [APP-056]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC28	Securing mitigation	All relevant mitigation measures specified in ES Chapter 14 Air Quality [APP-056] is adequately secured through the draft Construction Environmental Management Plan [APP-068] . The proposed mitigation is appropriate for air quality impacts from the Project. The provision of mitigation is secured by requirement 5 of the DCO [AS-008] which requires that the CEMP must be prepared and approved before commencement of development.	Chapter 14 Air Quality [APP-056] Draft Construction Environmental Management Plan [APP-068] Draft DCO [AS-008]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
Noise and Vibration					
WLDC29	Assessment methodology	The <u>scope</u> of the assessment and assessment methodology in chapter 13 – Noise and Vibration [APP-055] of the Environmental Statement are suitable and acceptable.	Chapter 13 Noise and vibration [APP-055] and appendices	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC30	Data collection, methods, baseline data and the identification and sensitivity of relevant features and receptors	The baseline information used in the assessment for Noise and Vibration is appropriate for the purposes of assessment. The sensitivity and types of receptors used in the Noise and Vibration assessment are appropriate, and the relevant receptors have been identified within the study area	Appendix E to the Consultation Report [APP-039] providing the Statutory Consultation Responses. Chapter 13 Noise and vibration [APP-	Applicant: Agreed, the methodology used in the assessment is considered appropriate and includes the necessary receptors and baseline data which was discussed and agreed during the pre-application period. West Lindsey: Agreed, the methodology was discussed and agreed during the pre-application period.	Agreed

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			055] and appendices		
WLDC31	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Assessment of Effects in chapter 13 Noise and Vibration of the Environmental Statement [APP-055] during construction, operation and decommissioning are appropriate, and assuming the inclusion of proposed mitigation, are considered not significant in EIA terms.	Chapter 13 Noise and Vibration [APP-055]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC32	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Cumulative Effects Assessment as detailed in ES Chapter 13 – Noise and Vibration [APP-055] , are appropriate in concluding that the cumulative effects of the Project and other projects are unlikely to be greater than the Project alone.	Chapter 13 Noise and Vibration [APP-055]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC33	Securing mitigation	All relevant mitigation measures specified in ES chapter 13 – Noise and Vibration [APP-055] are adequately secured through the draft Construction Environmental Management Plan CEMP [APP-068] . The proposed mitigation is appropriate for managing construction and post construction impacts from the Project on Noise and Vibration receptors Requirement 5 of the DCO [AS-008] requires that the CEMP must be prepared and approved before commencement of development.	Chapter 13 Noise and [APP-055] Construction Environmental Management Plan. [APP-068] Draft DCO [AS-008]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
Water Environment					
WLDC34	Assessment methodology	The scope of the assessment methodology in chapter 11 – Water Environment of the Environmental Statement [APP-053] are suitable and acceptable.	Chapter 11 Water Environment [APP-049] and appendices	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC35	Data collection, methods, baseline data and the identification and sensitivity of relevant features and receptors	The approach used for the Flood Risk Assessment reported in chapter 11 of the Environmental Statement [APP-053] follows standard best practice for projects of this nature. The baseline data, survey methods and assessment methodology used are appropriate and follow standard guidelines. The findings of the sequential and exceptions test are considered to be suitable.	PDAS Section 7.21 [APP-129] ES Chapter 11: Water Environment [APP-053]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC36	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Assessment of Effects in chapter 11 – Water Environment of the Environmental Statement [APP-053] during construction, operation and decommissioning are appropriate, and assuming the inclusion of proposed mitigation, are considered not significant in EIA terms.	ES Chapter 11 Water Environment [APP-053]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC37	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Cumulative Effects Assessment as detailed in ES Chapter 11 – Water Environment of the	chapter 11 – Water Environment of the	Applicant: Agreed	Agreed

ID	Matter	Detail	Related documents and their references	Comments from the Parties	Position
		Environmental Statement [APP-053] , are appropriate in concluding that the cumulative effects of the Project and other projects are unlikely to be greater than the Project alone.	Environmental Statement [APP-053]	West Lindsey: Agreed.	
WLDC38	Securing mitigation	All relevant mitigation measures specified in chapter 11 – Water Environment of the Environmental Statement [APP-053] are adequately secured through the draft Construction Environmental Management Plan CEMP [APP-068] . The proposed mitigation is appropriate for managing construction and post construction impacts from the Project. Requirement 5 of the DCO [AS-008] requires that the CEMP must be prepared and approved before commencement of development.	chapter 11 – Water Environment of the Environmental Statement [APP-053] chapter 11 – Water Environment of the Environmental Statement [APP-053] Construction Environmental Management Plan. [APP-068] Draft DCO [AS-008]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
Historic Environment					
WLDC39	Assessment Methodology	The approach used for the assessment for the Historic Environment (chapter 8) reported in the Environmental Statement [APP-050] follows standard best practice. The baseline data, survey methods and assessment methodology used are appropriate and follow standard guidelines.	PDAS Section 7.22 [APP-129] ES Chapter 8: Historic Environment [APP-050]	Applicant: The methodology for the assessment of Historic Environment is considered appropriate and includes the necessary receptors and baseline data. West Lindsey: The methodology for the assessment is agreed.	In Discussion
WLDC40	Data collection, methods, baseline data and the identification and sensitivity of relevant features and receptors	Chapter 8 Historic Environment [APP-050] presents an assessment of the likely significant effects of the proposed development on the historic environment and concludes that the operation of the Theddlethorpe Facility (option 2) would result in a significant adverse effect on the setting of one designated heritage asset (the grade II listed Ashleigh Farm). The assessment concludes that this effect would occur during the operational lifetime of the Proposed Development and that decommissioning of the Theddlethorpe Facility would reverse this effect. The assessment of compliance with planning policy in section 7.22 of the PDAS [APP-129] concludes that in accordance with national policy, the benefits of the	PDAS Section 7.22 [APP-129] ES Chapter 8: Historic Environment [APP-050]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: During the pre-application consultation, the Council noted that the proposed pipeline route would run close to the identified heritage assets within Riby. It was agreed that it would be unlikely that the station would result in permanent change to the setting of heritage assets, as the ground will be restored following construction. Likely operational impacts should be included in the EIA.	Agreed

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		<p>Proposed Development to the public outweigh the less than substantial harm caused to the grade II listed Ashleigh Farm.</p>			
<p>WLDC41</p>	<p>Assessment findings</p>	<p>The conclusions of the Assessment of Effects in Chapter 8 Historic Environment [APP-050], are appropriate in identifying and assessing the significance of (in EIA terms) and effects of change resulting from the construction, operation and decommissioning of the Project on receptors. In accordance with the impact assessment's methodology, effects which have been assessed to be 'moderate' or 'major' are considered significant in EIA terms.</p> <p>The impact assessment concluded that potential significant effects (in EIA terms) may occur during the construction phase on buried archaeological remains at Roxton and Greenlands Farm, the views of Grade II* listed Church of St Edmund, the setting of the Grade II Listed Manor House at Barnoldby le beck, and temporary changes to the setting of the Grade II Listed Ashleigh Farm and Dicote House during construction in respect of Theddlethorpe Option 2. During the operational phase, potential significant effects could occur on the setting of the Grade II Listed Ashleigh Farm as a result of Theddlethorpe Facility Option 2.</p> <p>Beyond these receptors, assuming the inclusion of embedded mitigation measures, effects on the historic landscape would not be considered significant in EIA terms.</p> <p>No potential significant effects were identified in the decommissioning phase.</p>	<p>Chapter 8 – Historic Environment [APP-050]</p>	<p>Applicant: Agreed</p> <p>West Lindsey: Agreed.</p>	<p>In Discussion</p>
<p>WLDC42</p>	<p>Securing mitigation</p>	<p>All relevant mitigation measures specified in chapter 8 – Historic Environment [APP-050]. This includes the preparation and implementation of a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) for an archaeological ground investigation to confirm the presence or absence of buried archaeology.</p> <p>The proposed mitigation is considered to be appropriate and is secured by requirement 10 of the DCO [AS-008] which requires a written scheme of investigation to be prepared and implemented for areas of archaeological interest.</p>	<p>Chapter 8 – Historic Environment [APP-050]</p> <p>Construction Environmental Management Plan. [APP-068]</p> <p>Draft DCO [AS-008]</p>	<p>Applicant: Agreed</p> <p>West Lindsey: Agreed.</p>	<p>Agreed</p>

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		The additional mitigation outlined in chapter 8 – Historic Environment [APP-050] will be secured through the draft Construction Environmental Management Plan CEMP [APP-068] . The need to prepare the CEMP is secured by Requirement 5 of the DCO [AS-008] requires that the CEMP must be prepared and approved before commencement of development.			
WLDC43	Assessment findings	The conclusions the Assessment detailed in ES Chapter 8 – Historic Environment [APP-050] , are appropriate in concluding that the cumulative effects of the Project and other projects are unlikely to be greater than the Project alone.	Chapter 8 – Historic Environment [APP-050]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
Agriculture and Soils					
WLDC44	Data collection, methods, baseline data and the identification and sensitivity of relevant features and receptors	The baseline information used in the assessment for the Agriculture and Soils assessment in Chapter 10 of the ES [APP-052] is appropriate for the purposes of assessment.	Chapter 10 Agriculture and Soils [APP-052] and appendices	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed, the methodology was discussed and agreed during the pre-application period.	Agreed
WLDC45	Assessment Methodology	The approach used for the assessment of Agriculture and Soils (chapter 10) of the Environmental Statement [APP-052] follows standard best practice. The baseline data, survey methods and assessment methodology used are appropriate and follow standard guidelines.	Chapter 10 Agriculture and Soils [APP-052] and appendices	Applicant: the methodology for the assessment of potential impacts on agricultural land is considered appropriate and includes the necessary receptors and baseline data. West Lindsey: The methods are considered to be acceptable.	Agreed
WLDC46	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Assessment of Effects in chapter 10 – Agriculture and Soils [APP-052] , are appropriate in identifying and assessing the significance of (in EIA terms) and effects of change resulting from the construction, operation and decommissioning of the Project on agricultural land. In accordance with the impact assessment's methodology, effects which have been assessed to be 'moderate' or 'major' adverse are considered significant in EIA terms. No significant effects were identified for agricultural receptors within the WLDC local authority area.	Chapter 10 Agriculture and Soils [APP-052] and appendices	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC47	Assessment findings	The conclusions of the Cumulative Effects Assessment as detailed in ES Chapter 10 – Agriculture and Soils [APP-052] , are appropriate in concluding that the cumulative effects of the Project and other projects are unlikely to be greater than the Project alone.	Chapter 10 Agriculture and Soils [APP-052] and appendices	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed

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WLDC48	Securing mitigation	All relevant mitigation measures specified in the Agriculture and Soils assessment in Chapter 10 of the ES [APP-052] are adequately secured through the draft Construction Environmental Management Plan CEMP [APP-068] . The proposed mitigation is appropriate for managing construction and post construction impacts from the Project on Noise and Vibration receptors Requirement 5 of the DCO [S-008] requires that the CEMP must be prepared and approved before commencement of development.	Chapter 10 Agriculture and Soils [APP-052] and appendices Construction Environmental Management Plan. [APP-068] Draft DCO [AS-008]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
Biodiversity Net Gain					
WLDC49	Approach to assessment of BNG	The approach to Biodiversity Net Gain, as presented in the Draft Biodiversity Net Gain Strategy [APP-126] , provides an appropriate approach to consideration of net gain within the Projects.	Draft Biodiversity Net Gain Strategy [APP-126]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
WLDC50	Approach to assessment of BNG	The assessment methodologies used for the Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment, as presented in the Initial Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment [APP-125] , provide an appropriate approach to assessing potential impacts of the Projects.	Initial Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment [APP-125]	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
Cumulative Impacts					
WLDC51	Assessment Methodology	The list of developments included in the cumulative impact assessment in chapter 20 of the Environmental Statement [APP-062] is adequate and suitable for the purposes of the assessment.	Chapter 20 - Cumulative impact assessment in the Environmental Statement [APP-062] .	Applicant: Agreed West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed
Planning policy matters					
WLDC52	Need	The Proposed Development will reduce CO2 emissions to atmosphere and will help the Government to meet the legally binding target for reduce greenhouse gas emissions and achieve Net Zero by 2050 as set out in the Climate Change Act 2008 Order 2019.	PDAS Section 5 [APP-129]	Applicant: Agreed that there is a demonstrated need for the development to reduce CO2 emissions and assist the government in achieving Net Zero by 2050. West Lindsey: Agreed. WLDC recognises the aims of the development.	Agreed
WLDC53	Good Design	The Planning Design and Access Statement [APP-129] and ES Chapter 2: Design Evolution and Alternatives [APP-044] set out clearly the overarching design principles/objectives considered by the Applicant and how their design has been refined pre-application. These	ES Chapter 2: Design Evolution and Alternatives [APP-044]	Applicant: Agreed that the Proposed Development accords with the principles of good design. West Lindsey: Agreed.	Agreed

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		demonstrate good practice (including safety) and demonstrate Good Design.	PDAS Section 5 [APP-129]		
General					
WLDC54	Pipeline Route	WLDC support the objectives of the Proposed Development	N/A	Applicant: Noted, and no further action required. West Lindsey: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the pre-application stage, the Council noted its support for the decarbonisation process across the Humber and Lincolnshire and opportunities for inward investment into future low-carbon economies: and • Acknowledged that around 2km of the pipeline route corridor passes through the West Lindsey District, from Riby Gap to the north east of Riby. 	Agreed
WLDC55	Relevant Representation	Consultation comments have been provided by WLDC previously in respect of the Proposed Development and do wish to take place in the examination hearings for the project.	WLDC Relevant Representation dated 12 th January 2024	Applicant: noted West Lindsey: The application documents have been reviewed. The area of the proposals which run through and are adjacent to the West Lindsey District are in line with our previous consultation responses and therefore we have no further comments to make at this stage. West Lindsey does not need to participate in the Examination hearings for the project.	Agreed

4 References

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