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Dear Sir/Madam

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Application for a Development Consent Order for the A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down Scheme
Highways England
Application Reference TR010025

I am pleased to enclose an application on behalf of Highways England (the "Applicant") under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 ("PA 2008") for an order granting development consent for the A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down (the "Scheme").

1 Subject of the application

- 1.1 Development consent is required to the extent that the application includes development that is or forms part of a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project ("NSIP") pursuant to sections 14(1)(h) and 22(1)(a) of PA 2008.
- 1.2 Further detail concerning the Scheme's qualification as a NSIP can be found in the prescribed form within the Application Form (Application Document 1.3) and in the Explanatory Memorandum (Application Document 3.2).

2 Application fee and documentation enclosed

- 2.1 A fee of £6,939 has been submitted by BACS transfer to the account of the Planning Inspectorate.
- 2.2 In accordance with the Planning Inspectorate's request dated 20 July 2018, one paper copy and six electronic copies of the full application are enclosed. An overview of the contents of the application is included in the Introduction to the Application (Application Document 1.1).
- 2.3 A GIS shape file was provided to the Planning Inspectorate on 07 September 2018. The electronic application index is included as an Excel spreadsheet, in accordance with Advice Note 6, as Application Document 1.4.

- 2.4 Attached to this letter in Annex A is the Section 55 (PA 2008) Application Checklist completed by Highways England to assist the Planning Inspectorate's own acceptance compliance check.

3 Application formalities

- 3.1 This Application is made in the form required by Section 37(3)(b) of the PA 2008 and the application documents comply with the requirements in Section 37 of the PA 2008 and those set out in:

- The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 ("the APFP Regulations");
- The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017;
- The Department for Communities and Local Government's ("DCLG") 'Planning Act 2008: application form guidance' (June 2013);
- The Planning Inspectorate's 'Advice Note Six: Preparation and submission of application documents' (February 2016).

- 3.2 We request that the Planning Inspectorate publish the application documents on the A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down project page of the National Infrastructure website from submission of the application.

4 Description of the scheme

- 4.1 A non-technical description of the Scheme is provided in the Introduction to the Application (Application Document 1.1). A more detailed and technical description is provided in the Case for the Scheme (Application Document 7.1).

5 Consent flexibility

- 5.1 The Applicant considers that the flexibility provided for in the draft Development Consent Order ("DCO") (Application Document 3.1) is fundamental to whether the Scheme is deliverable as detailed design has not commenced. The Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA") which was undertaken in support of the Scheme has considered and reflected the flexibility sought in the draft DCO. The maximum design parameters referenced in the draft DCO have been assessed in the Environmental Statement (Application Document 6.1).

6 Habitats Regulations Assessment

- 6.1 This Application includes a Habitats Regulation Assessment (“HRA”) which is reported in a Likely Significant Effects Report (Environmental Statement Appendix 8.24, Application Document 6.3) and a Statement to Inform the Appropriate Assessment (Environmental Statement Appendix 8.25, Application Document 6.3) as required by Regulation 5(2)(g) of the APFP Regulations.
- 6.2 The Likely Significant Effects Report identifies all European sites potentially affected by the scheme and sets out the screening undertaken for the purposes of the habitats regulations (i.e. the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017). For those European sites where likely significant effects could not be ruled out, those effects are further assessed in the Statement to Inform the Appropriate Assessment. The Statement to Inform the Appropriate Assessment provides sufficient information to inform the Appropriate Assessment to be undertaken by the Secretary of State. The Statement to Inform the Appropriate Assessment also sets out the Applicant’s appropriate assessment, which concludes that there will be no adverse effects on the integrity of European sites as a result of the scheme.
- 6.3 The HRA Reports have been prepared in consultation with the Planning Inspectorate’s ‘Advice Note 10: Habitats Regulations Assessments relevant to nationally significant infrastructure projects’.

7 Compulsory acquisition

- 7.1 The Applicant is seeking compulsory acquisition and temporary possession powers to acquire land, rights over land and interests in land, and other related powers to support the delivery of the Scheme. Details on the powers sought and negotiations to date, including those relating to any special category land / Crown land affected, are provided in the Book of Reference (Application Document 4.3) and the Statement of Reasons (Application Document 4.1).
- 7.2 Details on the adequacy of the funding for compensation are provided in the Funding Statement (Application Document 4.2).

8 Other consents

- 8.1 Details of other consents and licences not forming part of the DCO which the Applicant may be seeking in relation to the construction and operation of the Scheme, and associated development, are set out in the Consents and Agreements Position Statement (Application Document 3.3).

9 Pre-application consultation

- 9.1 As required by section 37(3)(c) of PA 2008, a Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) accompanies this application. The Consultation Report details compliance with sections 42, 46, 47, 48 and 49 of the PA 2008, the APFP Regulations and the relevant guidance.

10 Other matters

- 10.1 Under Regulation 6(2) of the APFP Regulations, an application for highway development is required to include section drawings; these can be found as the Engineering Section Drawings (Application Document 2.7 and Application Document 2.8).
- 10.2 As required under Regulation 5(3) of the APFP Regulations, all plans, drawings or sections provided under Regulation 5(2) are no larger than A0 size, are drawn to an identified scale (not smaller than 1:2500) and, in the case of plans, show the direction of north, with the exception of those listed below:
- Application Document 2.1 – Location Plan – expressed as being ‘not to scale’ on the basis that its purpose is only to show the location of the scheme;
 - Application Document 2.13 – Classification of Roads Plan – the main body of the plan serves as a location plan and is at a scale of 1:25,000; however all key features on the plan are presented in insets which are at a scale of 1:5000, which is sufficient for the purpose of the plan;
 - Application Document 2.15 – Tunnel Area Plan – the plan is at a scale of 1:5000, for the purpose of showing ‘the tunnel area’ on a single sheet;
 - Application Document 2.16 – Tunnel Limits of Deviation Plan – the plan is at a scale of 1:5000 for the purpose of showing the bored tunnel on one sheet and the longitudinal section is at a vertical scale of 1:1000 in order to explain the vertical limits of deviation; and
 - Environmental Statement Figures (Application Document 6.2), which are at varying scales appropriate to the nature of the information shown.
- 10.3 Under Regulation 5(2)(l) of the APFP Regulations, an applicant is required to provide a plan identifying any statutory or non-statutory sites or features of nature conservation; habitats of protected species, important habitats or other diversity features and water bodies in a river basin management plan, together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features, habitats or bodies likely to be caused by the proposed development. This information is included in the Environmental Statement Figures (Application Document 6.2) at the references provided below:
- Sites of geological/ landscape importance in:
 - Figure 7.4: LVIA Landscape Designations

- Figure 7.6: LVIA County Landscape Character Areas
- Figure 7.7: District Landscape Character Areas
- Figure 7.8: Local landscape Character Areas
- In terms of Biodiversity:
 - Figure 8.1: Statutory Designated Sites of International Importance;
 - Figure 8.2: Statutory Designated Sites of National Importance;
 - Figure 8.3: Non-statutory Designated Sites;
 - Habitats of protected species, important habitats or other diversity features in Figure 8.4 to Figure 8.17 (in respect of hedgerows Figure 8.5 and Figure 8.6 together with section 8.6 and Table 8.11 of the Environment Statement and also Appendix 8.5: Hedgerow Survey Report);
- Road drainage and the water environment:
 - Figure 11.1: Water Study Area.

Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual, Chapter 8 Biodiversity and Chapter 11 Road Drainage and Water Environment of the Environmental Statement (Application Document 6.1) provide the accompanying assessment

- 10.4 There is an equivalent requirement under Regulation 5(2)(m) in relation to certain historic sites and features. Environmental Statement Appendix 6.1 Heritage Impact Assessment (Application Document 6.3) and accompanying Figure 6.1 – Figure 6.12 provide locations of historic and environment features. The Heritage Impact Assessment and Environmental Statement Chapter 6 Cultural heritage (Application Document 6.1) provide an assessment of any effects on such sites, features, or structures likely to be caused by the proposed development.
- 10.5 Under Regulation 5(4) of the APFP Regulations, for the purpose of this application any plans with three or more separate sheets are accompanied by a key plan showing the relationship between the different sheets.
- 10.6 In accordance with Regulation 5(5) of the APFP Regulations, the Applicant retains all responses to the consultation carried out under Part 5 of the PA 2008, and can make them available at the request of the Secretary of State.
- 10.7 Statements of Common Ground (“SoCGs”) have been sought with relevant parties to provide clarity to the Examining Authority and participants at the examination about what matters are agreed, not agreed and areas that will be the subject of further consideration. A list of SoCGs being progressed is given below; these will be progressed with a view to finalising them early in the examination period:
- Amesbury Town Council;
 - English Heritage;
 - Environment Agency;

- Historic England;
 - National Farmers Union;
 - National Trust;
 - Natural England;
 - Royal Society for the Protection of Birds;
 - Wiltshire Council; and
 - Winterbourne Stoke Parish Council.
- 10.8 At the time of draft DCO submission, discussions are underway between Highways England and Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service regarding the requirement for a SoCG between the two parties.
- 10.9 The Applicant will keep all application documents under review and will endeavour to provide updates (where it considers it necessary to do so) during the examination of the application, considering questions and comments received from the Examining Authority and interested parties.
- 10.10 Please note that the following Application Documents are confidential:
- Environmental Statement (Application Document 6.3) Appendix 8.15: (Confidential) Breeding bird and quail survey report;
 - Environmental Statement Appendix (Application Document 6.3) 8.16A: (Confidential) Badger survey report;
 - Environmental Statement (Application Document 6.3) Appendix 8.16B: (Confidential) Badger and otter survey report update 2018;
 - Environmental Statement (Application Document 6.3) Appendix 8.19: (Confidential) Advanced bat survey report;
 - Environmental Statement (Application Document 6.3) Appendix 8.20: (Confidential) Bat roost survey report; and
 - Environmental Statement (Application Document 6.3) Appendix 8.22: (Confidential) Riparian mammal survey report.

We look forward to hearing from you in relation to a formal acceptance of this Application. If we can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us using the details provided below.

Yours faithfully,

David Bullock
Project Manager
Highways England

Enclosures: Annex A: Schedule of Compliance with the Section 55 Application Checklist (completed by the Applicant)

**Annex A: Schedule of Compliance with the Section 55 Application Checklist
(completed by the Applicant)**



The Planning Inspectorate

The Planning Act 2008

Section 55 Acceptance of Applications*

(Appendix 3 of [advice note six: Preparation and submission of application documents](#))

- (1) The following provisions of this section apply where the Secretary of State receives an application that purports to be an application for an order granting development consent.

- (2) The Secretary of State must, by the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day after the day on which the Secretary of State receives the application, decide whether or not to accept the application.

- (3) The Secretary of State may accept the application only if the Secretary of State concludes -
 - (a) that it is an application for an order granting development consent,
 - (b) deleted
 - (c) that development consent is required for any of the development to which the application relates,
 - (d) deleted
 - (e) that the applicant has, in relation to a proposed application that has become the application, complied with Chapter 2 of Part 5 (pre-application procedure), and
 - (f) that the application (including accompaniments) is of a standard that the Secretary of State considers satisfactory.

- (4) The Secretary of State, when deciding whether the Secretary of State may reach the conclusion in subsection (3)(e), must have regard to -
 - (a) the consultation report received under section 37(3)(c),
 - (b) any adequacy of consultation representation received by the Secretary of State from a local authority consultee, and
 - (c) the extent to which the applicant has had regard to any guidance issued under section 50.

(5) In subsection (4) -

“local authority consultee” means -

- (a) a local authority consulted under section 42(1)(b) about a proposed application that has become the application, or
- (b) the Greater London Authority if consulted under section 42(1)(c) about that proposed application;

“adequacy of consultation representation” means a representation about whether the applicant complied, in relation to that proposed application, with the applicant’s duties under sections 42, 47 and 48.

(5A) The Secretary of State when deciding whether the Secretary of State may reach the conclusion in subsection (3)(f) must have regard to the extent to which –

- a) the application complies with the requirements in section 37(3) (form and contents of application) and any standards set under section 37(5) and
- b) any applicable guidance given under section 37(4) has been followed in relation to the application.

(6) If the Secretary of State accepts the application, the Secretary of State must notify the applicant of the acceptance.

(7) If the Secretary of State is of the view that the application cannot be accepted, the Secretary of State must -

- (a) notify that view to the applicant, and
- (b) notify the applicant of the Secretary of State’s reasons for that view.

(8) If in response the applicant modifies (or further modifies) the application, subsections (2) to (7) then apply in relation to the application as modified.

* Section 55 of the Planning Act 2008 as amended by the Localism Act 2011

DISCLAIMER - This is for information only and is not a formal application document. It is a non-statutory checklist for the Planning Inspectorate (National Infrastructure) to complete. Completion or self-assessment by the applicant does not hold weight at the acceptance stage.

NB: See DCLG Application Form Guidance for guidance on how the application form should be completed and what should be included with it.

Section 55 Application Checklist¹

Section 55(2) Acceptance of Applications			
1	Within 28 days (starting day after receipt) the Secretary of State must decide whether or not to accept the application.	Date received	28 day due date
		18/10/2018	16/11/2018
		Date of decision	
		dd mm yyyy	
Section 55(3) – the Secretary of State may only accept an application if the Secretary of State concludes that:-		Planning Inspectorate Comments	
s55(3)(a) and s55(3)(c) It is an application for an order granting development consent			
2	Is the development a nationally significant infrastructure project ² (NSIP) (or does it form part of an NSIP); and does the application state on the face of it that it is an application	<p>Yes, the development is a nationally significant infrastructure project ("NSIP") in its own right.</p> <p>Section 4 of the Application Form (Application Document 1.3) and paragraph 2.5 of the Explanatory Memorandum to the draft Development Consent Order (Application Document 3.2) state:</p> <p>"The scheme is a nationally significant infrastructure project ("NSIP") within sections 14(1)(h) and 22(1)(a) of the Planning Act 2008. Under section 22 an NSIP must fall within one of the three categories specified, which are expressly stated to be alternatives. This scheme is the "construction" of a highway within the meaning of section 22(1)(a). The scheme satisfies section</p>	

¹ References in this document to the Secretary of State include references (where applicable) to the Planning Inspectorate Major Casework Directorate which carries out functions related to consenting nationally significant infrastructure projects on behalf of the Secretary of State

² NSIP is defined generally in s14 with the detailed thresholds for each of the specified categories being set out in ss15-30

	<p>for a development consent order³ (DCO) under the Planning Act 2008 (the PA2008), or equivalent words? Does the application specify the development to which it relates ie which category or categories in ss14-30 does the application scheme fall)?</p> <p>If the development does not fall within the categories in ss14-30, has a direction been given by the Secretary of State under s35 of the PA2008 for the development to be treated as development for which development consent is required?</p>	<p>22(2) in that the highway will (when constructed) be wholly located in England, Highways England as strategic highways company will be the highway authority for the highway and the area of development is greater than the relevant limit set out in subsection (4), which in this case is 12.5 hectares, as speed limits will be in excess of 50mph.""</p> <p>The Covering Letter, above, clearly states that the application is for a development consent order under the Planning Act 2008.</p>
3	<p>Summary – s55(3)(a) and s55(3)(c)</p>	<p><i>Review and conclude based on evidence provided above.</i></p>
<p>s55(3)(e) The applicant in relation to the application made has complied with Chapter 2 of Part 5 (pre-application procedure)</p>		

³ Development consent is required for development to the extent that the development is or forms part of an NSIP (s31 of the PA2008)

4	<p>In accordance with the EIA Regulations⁴, did the applicant (prior to carrying out consultation in accordance with s42) either (a) request the Secretary of State to adopt a screening opinion in respect of the development to which the application relates, or (b) notify the Secretary of State in writing that it proposed to provide an environmental statement in respect of that development?</p>	<p>Yes, on 20 October 2017 the Applicant notified the Secretary of State in writing under regulation 8(1)(b) of the EIA Regulations that it proposed to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of the development (before the start of s42 consultation on 8 February 2018). A copy of the letter is included in Appendix E10 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p>
5	<p>Have any adequacy of consultation representations⁵ been received from “A”, “B”, “C” and “D” authorities; and if so do they confirm that the applicant has complied with the duties under</p>	<p>No such representations have been received.</p> <p>It is anticipated that upon submission of the application for development consent, the Planning Inspectorate will request that relevant local authorities provide an adequacy of consultation statement. This is as set out in the Planning Inspectorate’s Advice Note 14 (April 2012).</p>

⁴ Regulation 8 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (2017 EIA Regulations), or Regulation 6 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 (2009 EIA Regulations) (where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies).

⁵ S55(4) of the PA2008 provides that the Secretary of State must have regard to the consultation report, and any adequacy of consultation representations received.

	s42, s47 and s48?	
s42: Duty to Consult		
	Did the applicant consult the applicable persons set out in s42 of the PA2008 about the proposed application?	
6	s42(1)(a) persons prescribed ⁶ ?	<p>Yes, the Applicant carried out statutory consultation between 8 February 2018 and 23 April 2018. The original deadline for receipt of responses for the consultation was 6 April 2018. This deadline was subsequently extended to 23 April 2018, as detailed in section 3.9 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1)</p> <p>The Applicant consulted statutory consultees prescribed under Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations. A list of persons consulted under s42(1)(a) as part of the statutory consultation is provided at Appendix E1 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) . The list was compiled using the consultees listed in column 1 of the table in Schedule 1 of the APFP regulations and included all those identified by the Secretary of State in their Scoping Opinion. The Applicant also carried out supplementary consultation, on design changes emerging from statutory consultation, between 17 July 2018 and 14 August 2018. Whilst this consultation was non-statutory in nature, prescribed persons under s42(1)(a) were sent a letter advising of the consultation and the deadline for providing feedback, a copy of the supplementary consultation booklet, a response form and the supplementary consultation public notice. Chapters 3 and 6 and Appendix A of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) provides further details on the approach taken with prescribed consultees and compliance with legislation in relation to the statutory consultation and the supplementary consultation. Sample letters sent to s42(1)(a) consultees can be found:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statutory consultation: in Appendix E5 of the Consultation Report (Application Document

⁶ Statutory consultees set out in Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations 2009

		<p>5.1).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extension to consultation: in Appendix I6 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1). • Supplementary consultation: in Appendix J4 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).
7	s42(1)(aa) the Marine Management Organisation ⁷ ?	Not applicable – the Marine Management Organisation is not a relevant consultee in respect of the Scheme.
8	s42(1)(b) each local authority within s43 ⁸ ?	<p>Yes, the Applicant has consulted each local authority within s43. These consultees were sent a letter to inform them of the start of the statutory consultation on 6 February 2018. Included with the letter was a consultation booklet, leaflet, response form and a copy of the Section 48 notice. The deadline for responses in the letter was identified as 6 April 2018. A copy of this letter is in Appendix E5 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p> <p>To promote the extension to the consultation, a letter was sent to these consultees on 20 March 2018 with an updated Section 48 notice and leaflet. The letter provided notification that the deadline for responses to the consultation had been moved to 23 April 2018. The relevant local authorities under Section 43 are set out below. . A copy of this letter is included in Appendix I6 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p> <p>The application site is within the administrative area of Wiltshire Council – this is the “B” authority for the purposes of section 43.</p>

⁷ In any case where the proposed development would affect, or would be likely to affect, any of the areas specified in s42(2) of the PA2008

⁸ Definition of “local authority” in s43(3): The “B” authority where the application land is in the authority’s area; the “A” authority where any part of the boundary of A’s area is also a part of the boundary of B’s area; the “C” authority (upper tier) where the application land is in that authority’s area; the “D” authority where such an authority shares a boundary with a “C” authority

		<p>As Wiltshire Council is a unitary authority there is no upper-tier County Council (the “C” authority for the purposes of section 43). On the basis that there is no "C" authority there are no adjacent upper-tier "D" authorities for the purposes of section 43. Any adjacent county councils are included as “A” authorities.</p> <p>The following Councils share a boundary with Wiltshire Council and are therefore “A” authorities for the purposes of section 43:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cotswold District Council • East Dorset District Council • Mendip District Council • New Forest District Council • New Forest National Park Authority • North Dorset District Council • South Somerset District Council • Test Valley District Council • Vale of the White Horse District Council • Bath and North East Somerset Council • Dorset County Council • Gloucestershire County Council • Hampshire County Council • Oxfordshire County Council* • Somerset County Council • South Gloucestershire Council • Swindon Borough Council • West Berkshire Council <p>* On review of the s42(1)(b) list of local authorities it was identified that Oxfordshire County Council had been omitted from the mailing outlined above. A letter with relevant consultation material was subsequently sent to Oxfordshire County Council on 8 May, with a deadline for response of 8 June 2018 to provide feedback on the scheme. More detail can be found at paragraph 3.4.51 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1). A copy of this letter can be found in Appendix E5 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p> <p>With regard to the supplementary consultation referred to in Chapter 6 of the Consultation Report</p>
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		<p>(Application Document 5.1), the Applicant consulted the local authorities outlined above between 17 July 2018 and 14 August 2018. A copy of the letters sent can be found in Appendix J4 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p> <p>Chapters 3 and 6 and Appendix A of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) provides further details on the approach taken with prescribed consultees and compliance with legislation in relation to the statutory consultation and the supplementary consultation.</p>
9	s42(1)(c) the Greater London Authority (if in Greater London area)?	Not applicable – the Scheme does not fall within Greater London and, as a result, the Greater London Authority is not a relevant consultee in respect of the Scheme.
10	s42(1)(d) each person in one or more of s44 categories ⁹ ?	<p>The Applicant has consulted each person in one or more s44 categories, with the exception of 11 parties identified in the Book of Reference (Application Document 4.3), as explained below. Those identified through diligent inquiry before the statutory consultation were consulted between 8 February 2018 and 23 April 2018. Through ongoing diligent inquiry additional land interests were identified during and after this consultation period. In such instances, those persons with an interest in the land were each provided a minimum of 28 days to provide feedback on the Scheme. More details can be found in Chapter 3, paragraphs 3.4.27 to 3.4.53 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1). A copy of these letters sent can be found in Appendix E5 (Application Document 5.1). A copy of the letter sent to promote the consultation extension is included in Appendix I6 (Application Document 5.1).</p> <p>11 parties listed in the Book of Reference were not consulted under s.42(1)(d). Of these 11 parties, 8 were not consulted as their interests were identified late in the land referencing process as part of Highways England's commitment to full diligent inquiry; and so their comments would not have been able to have been received with sufficient time for them to be taken into account prior to submissions.</p>

⁹ Category 1: owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of land; Category 2: person interested in the land or has power to sell and convey the land or to release the land; Category 3: person entitled to make a relevant claim. There is no requirement to check the accuracy of the list(s) or whether the applicant has made diligent inquiry

		<p>3 parties were not consulted in error. These parties are companies with an interest in Category 3 properties which have been included within the Book of Reference on a precautionary basis; and Highways England have sought to be proactive and helpful in ensuring the organisations understood how they can, if they so wish, engage with the process if the application is accepted for examination. Highways England therefore considers that no prejudice has been suffered by these parties. Further details of the steps undertaken and the reasons for each of those parties being not consulted is set out in paragraphs 3.4.54 to 3.4.64 and Appendix E2 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p> <p>All consultees under s42(1)(d) are listed in Appendix E2 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1), and those consultees are also identified in the Book of Reference (Application Document 4.3).</p> <p>For the supplementary consultation referred to above and outlined in Chapter 6 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1), s44 consultees were provided with the supplementary consultation booklet, response form and a copy of the supplementary consultation notice. A copy of the letters sent to these parties is included in Appendix J4.</p>
s45: Timetable for s42 Consultation		
11	<p>Did the applicant notify s42 consultees of the deadline for receipt of consultation responses; and if so was the deadline notified by the applicant 28 days or more starting with the day after receipt of the consultation documents?</p>	<p>Yes, the letters sent to s42 consultees on 6 February 2018 (with consultation commencing on 8 February 2018) set a deadline for receipt of consultation responses of 06 April 2018 - a period of more than 28 days starting with the day after receipt of the consultation documents. A copy of the letter sent to consultees is in Appendix E5 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p> <p>The consultation was subsequently extended and letters issued on 20 March 2018 informed consultees of the extension of the deadline for receipt of consultation responses to 23 April - a period of more than 28 days starting with the day after receipt of the letter. A copy of the letter sent to consultees is in Appendix I6 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p> <p>In a limited number of circumstances (e.g. their letters were returned by Royal Mail as undeliverable or they were omitted from the original mailings), some consultees were consulted outside of the main statutory consultation period outlined above. This is further explained paragraphs 3.4.31 to 3.4.53 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1). In every case consultees were given a deadline of at least 28 days to respond to consultation starting with the day after receipt of the consultation documents. A list of return to sender letters and actions taken are included in Appendix E6 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1). Sample letters are provided in Appendix E5 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p>

		Paragraphs 3.4.31 to 3.4.53 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) also explains how new parties were identified and consulted as part of the on-going development of Scheme design and refinement of environmental assessments. Again, in each case, these parties were given at least 28 days to respond to the consultation, starting with the day after receipt of the consultation documents.
s46: Duty to notify Secretary of State of proposed application		
12	Did the applicant supply information to notify the Secretary of State of the proposed application; and if so was the information supplied to the Secretary of State on or before the date it was sent to the s42 consultees? Was this done on or before commencing consultation under s42?	<p>Pursuant to s46, the Applicant provided notification to the Secretary of State on 7 February 2018 of the proposed application and provided electronic copies of the consultation material. A copy of this notice is provided in Appendix E7 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p> <p>The information supplied to the Secretary of State was the same as that sent to the s42 consultees, namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation booklet; • Response form; • Template s42 letter; • Statement of Community Consultation; • Non-technical summary of the Preliminary Environmental Information Report; • s47 consultation advertisement; and • s48 duty to publicise statutory notification. <p>The information was supplied on 7 February 2018 before commencement of consultation under s42 on 8 February 2018 as required by s.46(2) PA 2008.</p> <p>On 20 March 2018 the Applicant provided notification to the Secretary of State of the extension to consultation and updated consultation documentation. A copy of this notice is included in Appendix I11 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p>
s47: Duty to consult local community		
13	Did the applicant prepare a Statement of	Yes, before commencing statutory consultation, the Applicant prepared a Statement of Community Consultation (“SoCC”) setting out how it proposed to consult about the proposed application with people living in the vicinity of the land. The SoCC was published on 31 January 2018 and is

	Community Consultation (SoCC) on how it intended to consult people living in the vicinity of the land?	provided at Appendix C8 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).
14	Were “B” and (where relevant) “C” authorities consulted about the content of the SoCC; and if so was the deadline for receipt of responses 28 days beginning with the day after the day that “B” and (where applicable) “C” authorities received the consultation documents?	<p>The draft SoCC was issued to Wiltshire Council (the B authority for the application) on 23 November 2017 with a deadline date for comments of 22 December 2017 which is 28 days beginning with the day after the day on which Wiltshire received the consultation documents.</p> <p>Appendix C5 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) includes a copy of the correspondence sent to the local authority. Comments on the draft SoCC were received from Wiltshire Council on 18 December 2017. Appendix C6 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) includes the comments received by Wiltshire Council.</p> <p>As Wiltshire Council is a unitary authority there is no upper-tier County Council and therefore no “C” authority for the purposes of section 43.</p>
15	Has the applicant had regard to any responses received when preparing the SoCC?	Yes, Appendix C7 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) shows how the responses that were received as a result of consultation on the SoCC were taken into consideration in finalising the SoCC.
16	Has the SoCC	Yes, the SoCC was made available for inspection by the public in a way that is reasonably convenient for people living in the vicinity of the land, for the duration of the statutory consultation

<p>been made available for inspection in a way that is reasonably convenient for people living in the vicinity of the land; and has a notice been published in a newspaper circulating in the vicinity of the land which states where and when the SoCC can be inspected?</p>	<p>having regard to the location of the scheme. Full details of the locations and times at which the SoCC was available to view are found in Table 3-4 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1). The Applicant published the SoCC on its website on 31 January 2018.</p> <p>The Applicant published a notice stating where and when the SoCC could be inspected in three national and three local newspapers. This is over and above the requirements of the PA 2008 which states this must be in a newspaper circulating in the vicinity of the land. For the statutory consultation the notice was placed in the following national and local newspapers:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="618 512 1832 954"> <thead> <tr> <th>Names</th> <th>Week 1</th> <th>Week 2</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="3">National newspapers</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Times</td> <td>02 February 2018</td> <td>07 February 2018</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Guardian</td> <td>31 January 2018</td> <td>07 February 2018</td> </tr> <tr> <td>London Gazette</td> <td>31 January 2018</td> <td>07 February 2018</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">Local newspapers</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wiltshire Gazette and Herald</td> <td>01 February 2018</td> <td>08 February 2018</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Salisbury Journal</td> <td>01 February 2018</td> <td>08 February 2018</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wiltshire Times</td> <td>n/a</td> <td>09 February 2018</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>As part of the extension to the statutory consultation the Applicant revised the SoCC. Therefore notices were placed in three national and three local newspapers advising of this as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="618 1094 1738 1382"> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="3">National newspapers</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Guardian</td> <td>21 March 2018</td> <td>n/a</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Times</td> <td>21 March 2018</td> <td>n/a</td> </tr> <tr> <td>London Gazette</td> <td>21 March 2018</td> <td>n/a</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">Local newspapers</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Salisbury Journal</td> <td>22 March 2018</td> <td>29 March 2018</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Names	Week 1	Week 2	National newspapers			The Times	02 February 2018	07 February 2018	The Guardian	31 January 2018	07 February 2018	London Gazette	31 January 2018	07 February 2018	Local newspapers			Wiltshire Gazette and Herald	01 February 2018	08 February 2018	Salisbury Journal	01 February 2018	08 February 2018	Wiltshire Times	n/a	09 February 2018	National newspapers			The Guardian	21 March 2018	n/a	The Times	21 March 2018	n/a	London Gazette	21 March 2018	n/a	Local newspapers			The Salisbury Journal	22 March 2018	29 March 2018
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17	Does the SoCC set out whether the development is EIA development ¹⁰ ; and does it set out how the applicant intends to publicise and consult on the preliminary environmental information?	<p>The SoCC states in paragraph four on page 3 that the development for which the Applicant proposes to make an application for an order granting development consent is EIA development.</p> <p>The SoCC sets out on page 3 how the Applicant proposes to publicise and consult on the preliminary environmental information.</p> <p>A copy of the published SoCC can be found at Appendix C8 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p>			
18	Has the applicant carried out the consultation in accordance with the	<p>Yes, the Applicant has undertaken consultation in accordance with the proposals set out in the SoCC, with the exception of a commitment to advertise the consultation in the Stonehenge Trader. Table 3.8 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) outlines how the Applicant has complied with the commitments set out the SoCC. Paragraphs 3.8.3 to 3.8.13 go on to explain that not meeting the commitment to advertise in the Stonehenge Trader did not result in any geographical area within the consultation zone being excluded from the publicity of the consultation, did not undermine the effectiveness of the consultation and did not cause any</p>			

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Regulation 12 of the 2017 EIA Regulations, or Regulation 10 of the 2009 EIA Regulations (where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies).

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s48: Duty to publicise the proposed application																	
19	Did the applicant publicise the proposed application, under s48, in the prescribed manner set out in Regulation 4(2) of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009?	The Applicant publicised the proposed application in accordance with the requirements of s48 of the Planning Act 2008 and Regulation 4 of the APFP Regulations as outlined in the tables below. Copies of all newspaper notices are included in Appendix F1 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) and for the extension to statutory consultation in Appendix 17 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).															
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	once in a national newspaper;	<p>Yes, the Applicant chose to publish the s48 notice in two national publications instead of one, and for the statutory consultation, for two weeks instead of one, to reflect the likely level of interest in the scheme and consultation. This is over and above the minimum requirements for publication.</p> <p>This is described in Chapter 3 and in particular Tables 3-7 and 3-11 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) as outlined below.</p> <p>The section 48 notice was published in national newspapers as follows for the original consultation period:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Names</th> <th>Week 1</th> <th>Week 2</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="3">National newspaper</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Times</td> <td>02 February 2018</td> <td>07 February 2018</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Guardian</td> <td>31 January 2018</td> <td>07 February 2018</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The section 48 notice was published in national newspapers as follows for the extended consultation period:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Names</th> <th>Week 1</th> <th>Week 2</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="3">National newspaper</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Times</td> <td>21 March 2018</td> <td>n/a</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The Guardian</td> <td>21 March 2018</td> <td>n/a</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Names	Week 1	Week 2	National newspaper			The Times	02 February 2018	07 February 2018	The Guardian	31 January 2018	07 February 2018	Names	Week 1	Week 2	National newspaper			The Times	21 March 2018	n/a	The Guardian	21 March 2018	n/a
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	<p>once in the London Gazette and, if land in Scotland is affected, the Edinburgh Gazette; and</p>	<p>Yes, the section 48 notice was published in the London Gazette as follows for the original consultation period. This is described in Chapter 3 and in particular Tables 3-7 and 3-11 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) as outlined below.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="824 544 2022 647"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="824 544 1256 596">Names</th> <th data-bbox="1256 544 1653 596">Week 1</th> <th data-bbox="1653 544 2022 596">Week 2</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="824 596 1256 647">The London Gazette</td> <td data-bbox="1256 596 1653 647">31 January 2018</td> <td data-bbox="1653 596 2022 647">07 February 2018</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The section 48 notice was published in the London Gazette as follows for the extended consultation period:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="824 788 2022 892"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="824 788 1256 841">Names</th> <th data-bbox="1256 788 1653 841">Week 1</th> <th data-bbox="1653 788 2022 841">Week 2</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="824 841 1256 892">The London Gazette</td> <td data-bbox="1256 841 1653 892">21 March 2018</td> <td data-bbox="1653 841 2022 892">n/a</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Copies of all newspaper notices are included in Appendix F1 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p> <p>No land in Scotland is affected by the proposed scheme. As such there was no requirement to publish in the Edinburgh Gazette.</p>	Names	Week 1	Week 2	The London Gazette	31 January 2018	07 February 2018	Names	Week 1	Week 2	The London Gazette	21 March 2018	n/a
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	(ii) once in an appropriate fishing trade journal?				
20	Did the s48 notice include the required information set out in Regulation 4(3) of APFP Regulations?	Yes, copies of the published s48 notices (see Appendix F1 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) contain the required information as set out below:			
	Information	Paragraph		Information	Paragraph
a)	The name and address of the applicant.	1	b)	A statement that the applicant intends to make an application for development consent to the Secretary of State	1
c)	a statement as to whether the application is EIA development	3	d)	a summary of the main proposals, specifying the location or route of the proposed development	2
e)	a statement that the documents, plans and maps showing the nature and location of the proposed development are available for inspection free of charge at the places (including at least one address in the vicinity of the proposed development) and times set out in the notice	4	f)	the latest date on which those documents, plans and maps will be available for inspection	4 (As per Regulation 4(f) of the APFP Regulations, this is a date not later than the deadline given in sub-paragraph (i)).
g)	whether a charge will be made for copies of any of the documents, plans or maps and the amount of any charge	7 and 8	h)	details of how to respond to the publicity	9
i)	a deadline for receipt of those responses by the applicant, being not less than 28 days following	9 and 10			

	the date when the notice is last published			
21	Are there any observations in respect of the s48 notice provided above?			
	<i>If there are any concerns in particularly about the s48 notice, they will be noted here.</i>			
22	Has a copy of the s48 notice been sent to the EIA consultation bodies and to any person notified to the applicant in accordance with the EIA Regulations ¹¹ ?	<p>Statutory consultation</p> <p>Yes, a copy of the s48 notice was sent to the EIA consultation bodies on 6 February 2018, at the same time as publishing notice of the proposed application under section 48 (1) PA 2008. The deadline for responses as stated in the notice was 06 April 2018, which exceeds the minimum requirement of 28 days after the date the letters were received. Sample letters are provided in Appendix E5 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p> <p>The Planning Inspectorate confirmed in a letter accompanying the Scoping Opinion that no parties had been identified under Regulation 11(c) of the EIA Regulations. A copy of that letter can be found in Appendix E8 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p> <p>Extension to statutory consultation</p> <p>Yes, a copy of the s48 notice was sent to the EIA consultation bodies on 20 March 2018, at the same time as publishing notice of the proposed application under section 48(1) PA 2008. The deadline for responses as stated in the notice was 23 April 2018, which exceeds the minimum requirement of 28 days after the date the letters were received. Sample letters are provided in Appendix I6 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1).</p>		
s49: Duty to take account of responses to consultation and publicity				
23	Has the applicant had regard to any relevant responses to the s42, s47 and s48 consultation?	<p>Yes, the Applicant has had regard to any relevant responses received during the statutory consultation period. Chapter 4 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) provides a summary of matters raised by consultees including which consultee strand raised these matters. Chapter 5 of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) describes how regard has been had to these responses in accordance with s49 of the Planning Act 2008. Appendix K of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) provides a breakdown of who raised each issue.</p>		

¹¹ Regulation 13 of the 2017 EIA Regulations, or Regulation 11 of the 2009 EIA Regulations (where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies).

Guidance about pre-application procedure		
24	To what extent has the applicant had regard to DCLG guidance 'The Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process' ¹² ?	The Applicant has had regard to the DCLG guidance (and relevant Advice Notes). The Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) provides full details of the statutory and non-statutory consultation carried out which has been in accordance with the DCLG guidance. Appendix A of the Consultation Report (Application Document 5.1) contains a checklist detailing how the applicant has complied with the pre-application guidance.
25	Summary - s55(3)(e)	<i>Review and conclude based on evidence provided above.</i>
	s55(3)(f) and s55(5A) The application (including accompaniments) achieves a satisfactory standard having regard to the extent to which it complies with section 37(3) (form and contents of application) and with any standards set under section 37(5) and follows any applicable guidance under section 37(4)	
26	<p>Is it made in the prescribed form as set out in Schedule 2 of the APFP Regulations, and does it include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a brief statement which explains why it falls within the remit of the Secretary of State; and • a brief statement that clearly 	<p>Yes. The application is made in the prescribed form as set out in Schedule 2 of the APFP Regulations. A statement which explains why the application falls within the remit of the Secretary of State is provided in section 4 of the Application Form (Application Document 1.3) and paragraph 2.5 of the Explanatory Memorandum to the Draft Proposed Order (Application Document 3.2).</p> <p>Section 6 of the Application Form provides a brief statement that describes the location of the proposed route. The location of the proposed scheme is shown on the Location Plan (Application Document 2.1).</p>

¹² The Secretary of State must have regard to the extent to which the applicant has had regard to guidance issued under s50

	identifies the location of the application site, or the route if it is a linear scheme?				
27	Is it accompanied by a consultation report?	Yes. The Consultation Report is included as Application Document 5.1.			
28	Where a plan comprises three or more separate sheets has a key plan been provided showing the relationship between the different sheets? ¹³	Yes, Key Plans are provided for all plans provided in Volume 2 which comprise three or more separate sheets and those Key Plans show the relationship between the different sheets.			
29	Is it accompanied by the documents and information set out in APFP Regulation 5(2)?				
	Information	Documents		Information	Document
a)	Where applicable, the environmental statement	An Environmental Statement (Application Document 6.1) and supporting documents (Volume 6 of the DCO application) has been submitted with the DCO	b)	The draft proposed order	The draft Development Consent Order has been provided in the validated statutory instrument template (Application Document 3.1).

¹³ Regulation 5(4) of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009

	required under the EIA Regulations ¹⁴ and any scoping or screening opinions or directions	<p>application. The Environmental Statement has been prepared in accordance with Schedule 4 of the EIA Regulations and other relevant legislation as outlined in Chapter 4 and individual topic chapters (chapters 5-14) of the Environmental Statement (Application Document 6.1).</p> <p>The Environmental Statement is based on the Scoping Report and Scoping Opinion (provided as part of Environmental Statement Appendix 4.1 (Application Document 6.3)).</p> <p>The individual topic chapters (chapters 5 to 14) provide a tabulated summary of Scoping comments relevant to that chapter and how the comments have been complied with.</p>			
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
c)	An explanatory memorandum explaining the	An Explanatory Memorandum to the draft Development Consent Order (Application Document 3.2) has been submitted with the DCO	d)	Where applicable, a book of reference (where the application involves any compulsory acquisition)	A Book of Reference is provided in Volume 4 of the application (Application Document 4.3) and meets the requirements of

¹⁴ The 2017 EIA Regulations, or the 2009 EIA Regulations (where Regulation 37 of the 2017 EIA Regulations applies)

	purpose and effect of provisions in the draft order	application, which explains the purpose and effect of the provisions of the draft Development Consent Order (Application Document Reference 3.1). A Consents and Agreements Position Statement (Application Document 3.3) has also been provided to set out the approach to obtaining other consents and agreements complementing the DCO process.			DCLG's Planning Act 2008: guidance related to procedures for the compulsory acquisition of land.
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e)	A copy of any flood risk assessment	A Flood Risk Assessment is provided in Appendix 11.5 of the Environmental Statement Appendices (Application Document 6.3).	f)	A statement whether the proposal engages one or more of the matters set out in section 79(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (statutory nuisances) and if so how the applicant proposes to mitigate or limit them	A Statement of Statutory Nuisance is provided as Application Document 6.5.
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
h)	A statement of reasons and a funding statement (where the	A Statement of Reasons is provided as Document Reference 4.1 as the proposed order would authorise the compulsory acquisition of land or an interest in land or right over land.	i)	A land plan identifying: (i) the land required for, or affected by, the proposed development; (ii) where applicable, any	Land Plans (Document Reference 2.2) are provided in Volume 2 Plans, Drawings and Sections of the DCO application. The Land Plans accord with Regulation 5(2)(i) of the APFP

	<p>application involves any compulsory acquisition)</p>	<p>A Funding Statement is provided as Document Reference 4.2 to indicate how the proposed order that contains the authorisation of compulsory acquisition is proposed to be funded.</p>	<p>land over which it is proposed to exercise powers of compulsory acquisition or any rights to use land;</p> <p>(iii) any land in relation to which it is proposed to extinguish easements, servitudes and other private rights; and</p> <p>(iv) any special category land and replacement land</p>	<p>Regulations. The Land Plans identify:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All land that is required for, or affected by, the proposed scheme; • Any land over which is it proposed to exercise powers of compulsory acquisition or rights to use land; • Any land in relation to which it is proposed to extinguish easements, servitudes or other private rights; and • Any special category land and replacement land. <p>Special category land and replacement land are shown on the Special Category Land Plans (Application Document 2.3)</p> <p>Coordinates within the land plans are consistent with any coordinates provided with the draft Development Consent Order (Document Reference 3.1). Plots and descriptions listed within the Book of Reference (Document Reference 4.3) are consistent with the plots shown on the Land Plans.</p>
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j)	<p>A works plan showing, in relation to existing features:-</p> <p>(i) the proposed location or (for a linear scheme) the proposed route and alignment of the development and works;</p> <p>and</p> <p>(ii) the limits within which the development and works may be carried out and any limits of deviation provided for in the draft order</p>	<p>Works Plans (Application Document 2.5) are provided in Volume 2 Plans, Drawings and Sections of the DCO application. The Works Plans accord with Regulation 5(2)(j) of the APFP Regulations, and show the proposed route and alignment of the development and the limits within which the works are proposed to be carried out.</p> <p>The Tunnel Limits of Deviation Plan (Application Document 2.16) shows the vertical limits of deviation which are to apply to the bored tunnel section.</p>	k)	<p>Where applicable, a plan identifying any new or altered means of access, stopping up of streets or roads or any diversions, extinguishments or creation of rights of way or public rights of navigation</p> <p>Rights of Way and Access Plans (Application Document 2.6) are provided in Volume 2 Plans, Drawings and Sections of the DCO application. These are in accordance with Regulation 5(2)(k) of the APFP Regulations.</p>

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l)	<p>Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying:-</p> <p>(i) any statutory/non-statutory sites or features of nature conservation e.g. sites of geological/ landscape importance;</p> <p>(ii) habitats of protected species, important habitats or other diversity features; and</p> <p>(iii) water bodies in a river basin management plan, together</p>	<p>This information is included in the Environmental Statement Figures (Application Document 6.2) at the references provided below:</p> <p>any statutory/non-statutory sites or features of nature conservation e.g. sites of geological/ landscape importance in Figure 7.4, Figure 7.6, Figure 7.7, Figure 7.8, Figure 8.1, Figure 8.2 and Figure 8.3; habitats of protected species, important habitats or other diversity features in Figure 8.4 to Figure 8.17 (in respect of hedgerows Figure 8.5 and Figure 8.6 together with section 8.6 and Table 8.11 of the Environment Statement and also Appendix 8.5); and water bodies in a river basin management plan, together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features, habitats or bodies likely to be caused by the proposed development in Figure 11.1.</p> <p>Chapter 7 Landscape and Visual, Chapter 8 Biodiversity (including the Habitats Regulation Assessment which is</p>	m)	<p>Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying any statutory/non-statutory sites or features of the historic environment, (e.g. scheduled monuments, World Heritage sites, listed buildings, archaeological sites and registered battlefields) together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features or structures likely to be caused by the proposed development.</p>	<p>Environmental Statement Appendix 6.1 Heritage Impact Assessment (Application Document 6.3) and accompanying Figure 6.1 – Figure 6.12 provide locations of historic and environment features. This information is summarised within the Environmental Statement (Application Document 6.1) in Chapter 6 Cultural Heritage. The Heritage Impact Assessment (Environmental Statement Appendix 6.1 (Application Document 6.3)) and Environmental Statement Chapter 6 Cultural heritage (Application document 6.1) provide an assessment of any effects on such sites, features, or structures likely to be caused by the proposed development.</p>

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	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
n)	Where applicable, a plan with any accompanying information identifying any Crown land	Crown Land Plans (Document Reference 2.4) are provided in Volume 2 Plans, Drawings and Sections of the DCO application.	o)	Any other plans, drawings and sections necessary to describe the development consent proposal showing details of design, external appearance, and the preferred layout of buildings/structures, drainage, surface water management, means of vehicular and pedestrian access, any car parking and landscaping	<p>The following plans and drawings are provided under Regulation 5(2)(o) of the APFP Regulations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engineering Section Drawings (Plan and Profile) (Document Reference 2.7) • Engineering Section Drawings (Cross Sections) (Document Reference 2.8) • General Arrangement Drawings (Document Reference 2.9) • Traffic Regulation

						<p>Measures Plans (Speed Limits) (Document Reference 2.10)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic Regulation Measures Plans (Clearways and Prohibitions) (Document Reference 2.11) • De-trunking Plans (Document Reference 2.12) • Classification of Roads Plans (Application Document 2.13) • Structures Drawings (Application Document 2.14) • Tunnel Area Plan (Application Document 2.15) • Tunnel Limits of Deviation Plan (Application Document 2.16) <p>In addition, means of landscaping is illustratively shown on the Environmental Masterplan (Application Document 6.2, Figure 2.5 A-S).</p> <p>Environmental Statement Appendix 11.3 (Application Document 6.3) sets out an</p>
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				outline Drainage Strategy for the Scheme which the detailed drainage design will be based on. This includes conceptual drawings of the types of measures proposed within the strategy.
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?		Are they of a satisfactory standard?	
p)	Any of the documents prescribed by Regulation 6 of the APFP Regulations:	<p>The proposed development is Highway related development. The application is therefore required under Regulation 6(2) to be accompanied by (as relevant to the proposed scheme) section drawings to suitable horizontal and vertical scales showing levels of the proposed works including in particular, where relevant: ground levels, heights of every proposed bridge, viaduct, embankment, depths of every proposed cutting and tunnel and drainage outfall details. In addition, section drawings which show a cross-section of every intended tunnel and any altered gradient of a carriageway are provided.</p> <p>This information is provided in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engineering Section 	q)	<p>Any other documents considered necessary to support the application</p> <p>Volume 7 of the DCO Application comprises other documents considered necessary to support the application, as listed in section 23 of the Application Form. These documents are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case for the Scheme and NPS Accordance (Document Reference 7.1) • Design and Access Statement (Document Reference 7.2) • Equality Impact Assessment (Document Reference 7.3) • Transport Assessment Report (Document Reference 7.4) • Combined Modelling and Appraisal Report (Application Document 7.5).

		<p>Drawings (Plan and Profiles) (Application Document 2.7); and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engineering Section Drawings (Cross Sections) (Application Document 2.8). 		<p>The following documents are also included as part of this application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the Application (Application Document 1.1) • Consent and Agreements Position Statement (Application Document 3.3) • Outline Environmental Management Plan (Application Document 6.3, Appendix 2.1)
30	Are there any observations in respect of the documents provided above?			
31	Is the application accompanied by a report identifying any European site(s) to which regulation 48 of the Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 applies; or any Ramsar site(s), which may be affected by the proposed development, together with sufficient information that will enable the Secretary of State to make an appropriate	<p>An Assessment of Implications on European Sites (“AIES”) is provided within the Habitat Regulations Reports provided as Appendix 8.24 and Appendix 8.25 of the Environmental Statement Appendices (Application Document 6.3). The Stage 1 screening report (the Likely Significant Effects Report at Environmental Statement Appendix 8.24 (Application Document 6.3)) identifies any European sites or Ramsar sites which may be affected by the proposed development. The Statement to Inform the Appropriate Assessment (Environmental Statement Appendix 8.25 (Application Document 6.3)) provides sufficient information to enable the Secretary of State to make an appropriate assessment, and concludes that the A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down scheme will not have adverse effects on the integrity of European sites either alone or in-combination with other plans and projects. It also states that no effects on the ecological integrity of Ramsar or Natura 2000 or sites are likely to arise.</p>		

	assessment of the implications for the site if required by regulation 48(1)? ¹⁵	
32	If requested by the Secretary of State, two paper copies of the application form and other supporting documents and plans. ¹⁶	The Planning Inspectorate requested one paper copy and six electronic copies of the full DCO application documentation, in their email of 20 July 2018.
33	Has the applicant had regard to DCLG guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance', and has this regard led to the application being prepared to a standard that the Secretary of State considers satisfactory?	The DCLG guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance' has been used to prepare the application form. The Applicant believes that the application has been prepared to a standard that the Secretary of State considers satisfactory.
34	Summary - s55(3)(f) and s55(5A)	
The Infrastructure Planning (Fees) Regulations 2010 (SI106)		
Fees to accompany an application		
35	Was the fee paid at the same time that the application was made? ¹⁷	The fee was paid on 15 October 2018 (payment ref: PWI/337849508).

¹⁵ Regulation 5(2)(g) of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009

¹⁶ Regulation 5(2)(r) of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009

¹⁷ The Secretary of State must charge the applicant a fee in respect of the decision by the Secretary of State under section 55. If the applicant fails to pay the fee, the Secretary of State need not consider the application until payment is received by the Secretary of State. The fee must be paid at the same time that the application is made

Electronic Signature	Name	Date
Case Leader		
Acceptance Inspector		

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