

Application by National Highways for an Order granting Development Consent for the Lower Thames Crossing

Written submissions of oral comments made at Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1, 15th September 2023

Submitted on behalf of Orsett Golf Club

Planning Inspectorate Reference: 20033823

1. Orsett Golf Club ('OGC') will be significantly impacted by the proposed development, as explained in their Relevant Representation.
2. Over a long period prior to the DCO application being made, and subsequently, OGC have been seeking to engage with the Applicant to agree proportionate, practical measures to mitigate the worst impacts of the Development ('Mitigation Works').
3. This has included meetings over the past 12 months where the Applicant has committed to providing the Mitigation Works, and discussed entering into an agreement, or providing other forms of surety to secure these.
4. Despite this, no tangible progress has been made towards any agreement. OGC's agent sent draft HOTs on 23rd June 2023, however to date no material response has been received from the Applicant.
5. OGC request the Applicant to urgently engage with their agent to make progress on, and enter into an Agreement for the Mitigation Works.