

9.125 Joint Position statement: Bed of the River Thames

- 1.1 At Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1 on 15 September 2023, the Examining Authority directed the Applicant, the Port of London Authority and any other statutory port authorities to:
- 1.2 'Please provide an agreed position statement on the status of the Crown as against the Port of London Authority and any other statutory Port Authority in relation to all parts of the River Thames in the Order Limits.' (Action Point 4) [EV-047a]
- 1.3 The Applicant and the Port of London Authority confirmed an agreed joint position on 2 October 2023.

Joint position/summary

1.4 Having carefully reviewed the Book of Reference [REP4-102] and associated Land Plans (Volume B, Sheets 15 and 16) [REP4-012], the Crown has not been identified as having an interest in land within the Order Limits. The plan below provided by the Port of London Authority shows the extent of Crown land in yellow and Port of London Authority registered land in green (awaiting registration in blue), and this aligns to the interests presented in the Book of Reference in respect of the extent that the River Thames is in the Order Limits. The Port of London Authority and the Applicant can therefore jointly confirm that there are no Crown interests within the Order Limits affecting the bed of the River Thames, nor its foreshore.



1.5 The Applicant is of the view that there are no statutory port authorities having jurisdiction within the Order Limits as affecting the River Thames, except for the Port of London Authority, as the only affected land comprising the River Thames is land owned by the Port of London Authority and not any other port authority. The Applicant is continuing to engage with other port authorities to confirm this position.