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1.1 Summary of current position

1.1.1 Table 1.1 provides a summary of the current position of each Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) at Deadline 10.

Table 1.1: Current position of SoCGs

Document reference	Interested Party	Status at Deadline 9 (30 January)	Status at Deadline 10 (5 February 2024)
Host Local Authorities			
REP6-027	Luton Borough Council (LBC)	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with LBC to progress matters in the SoCG via both email and through meetings. A meeting was held on 25 January 2024 to discuss the updated design principles submitted at Deadline 8.</p> <p>All matters in the SoCG have been resolved to agreed or not agreed following LBC’s latest comments on the SoCG, and the Applicant is now liaising with LBC regarding the final signing of the SoCG.</p> <p>The Applicant’s intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>	<p>All matters in the SoCG have now been resolved to agreed or not agreed and the Applicant is engaging with LBC regarding the signing of the final SoCG.</p> <p>The Applicant’s intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>
REP6-029	Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC)	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with CBC to progress matters in the SoCG via both email and through meetings.</p>	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with CBC to discuss the final ongoing matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>CBC is now carrying out a final review of the SoCG to close out the remaining ongoing matters ahead</p>

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		<p>Meetings have been held to discuss the outstanding matters related to design and surface access, and the relevant information submitted at Deadline 8 for these, on 25 and 26 January 2024 respectively.</p> <p>The focus of engagement is now on closing out the final ongoing matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>	<p>of the SoCG being finalised and signed by both parties.</p> <p>The Applicant met with CBC on 5 February to discuss and close out the final surface access related matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>
REP6-031	Hertfordshire County Council (HCC)	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with HCC to progress matters in the SoCG via both email and through meetings.</p> <p>Meetings have been held to discuss the outstanding matters related to surface access, and the relevant information submitted at Deadline 8, on 25 and 29 January 2024.</p> <p>The focus of engagement is now on closing out the final ongoing matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with HCC to discuss the final ongoing matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>HCC is now carrying out a final review of the SoCG to close out the remaining ongoing matters ahead of the SoCG being finalised and signed by both parties.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>
REP6-033	North Hertfordshire District Council (NHDC)	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with NHDC to progress matters in the SoCG via both email and through meetings.</p> <p>Meetings have been held to discuss the outstanding matters related to surface access, and</p>	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with NHDC to discuss the final ongoing matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>NHDC is now carrying out a final review of the SoCG to close out the remaining ongoing matters</p>

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		<p>the relevant information submitted at Deadline 8, on 25 and 29 January 2024.</p> <p>The focus of engagement is now on closing out the final ongoing matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>	<p>ahead of the SoCG being finalised and signed by both parties.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>
REP6-035	Dacorum Borough Council (DBC)	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with DBC to progress matters in the SoCG via both email and through meetings.</p> <p>Meetings have been held to discuss the outstanding matters related to surface access, and the relevant information submitted at Deadline 8, on 25 and 29 January 2024.</p> <p>The focus of engagement is now on closing out the final ongoing matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with DBC to discuss the final ongoing matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>DBC is now carrying out a final review of the SoCG to close out the remaining ongoing matters ahead of the SoCG being finalised and signed by both parties.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>
Neighbouring Local Authorities			
REP6-037	Buckinghamshire Council	<p>The Applicant is continuing to engage with Buckinghamshire Council to discuss the ongoing matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>Buckinghamshire Council provided their latest comments on the SoCG on 24 January 2024 and</p>	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with Buckinghamshire Council to discuss the final ongoing matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>All matters in the SoCG have now been resolved to agreed or not agreed and the Applicant is now</p>

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		<p>engagement is ongoing to discuss these comments and close out the final matters.</p> <p>The Applicant met with Buckinghamshire Council on 29 January 2024 to discuss the outstanding surface access matters, and the latest submissions at Deadline 8 related to surface access.</p> <p>Discussions are also ongoing via email to close out the final outstanding matters related to the draft DCO and the s106 and Employment and Training Strategy.</p> <p>The Applicant’s intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>	<p>engaging with Buckinghamshire Council regarding the signing of the final SoCG.</p> <p>The Applicant’s intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>
Prescribed consultees			
REP2-011	Cadent Gas (Cadent)	<p>The side agreement and Protective Provisions are with the parties for execution.</p> <p>The Applicant’s intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>	<p>The side agreement and Protective Provisions have been executed by both parties.</p> <p>All matters have been resolved with the Interested Party. The SoCG has been signed by Cadent Gas and the Applicant and submitted at Deadline 10.</p>
REP6-012	Prax Downstream UK Limited (Prax)	<p>An SoCG signed by Prax and the Applicant was submitted at Deadline 6.</p>	N/A

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REP6-015	Thames Water	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with Thames Water and all matters in the SoCG are now agreed, some subject to the execution of the side agreement.</p> <p>The side agreement and Protective Provisions have been agreed and are currently with the parties for execution.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>	<p>The SoCG with Thames Water has now been finalised, with all matters agreed. The Applicant is now engaging with Thames Water to progress the signing of the final SoCG. The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p> <p>The side agreement and Protective Provisions have been agreed and are currently with the parties for execution.</p>
REP6-019	Affinity Water	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with Affinity Water and all matters in the SoCG are now agreed, some subject to the execution of the side agreement.</p> <p>Affinity Water and the Applicant are entering the final stages of negotiation on the side agreement and Protective Provisions and anticipate reaching agreement before the end of the examination.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>	<p>The Applicant has continued to engage with Affinity Water and all matters in the SoCG are agreed, some subject to the execution of the side agreement. Affinity Water have confirmed they will submit a letter to the ExA to confirm this, which will also be appended to the final version of the SoCG.</p> <p>Affinity Water and the Applicant are entering the final stages of negotiation on the side agreement and Protective Provisions and anticipate reaching agreement before the end of the examination.</p> <p>The Applicant is now engaging with Affinity Water to progress the signing of the final SoCG. The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>

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REP6-023	National Highways (NH)	<p>The Applicant is continuing to engage with NH to resolve the remaining matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>Following a meeting between the Applicant and NH held on 26 January, the Applicant is updating the SoCG to resolve the final matters and share with NH.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>	<p>The Applicant is continuing to engage with NH to resolve the remaining matters in the SoCG.</p> <p>NH and the Applicant are entering the final stages of negotiation on Protective Provisions and Residual Works.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>
REP6-025	UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) and Office for Health Improvement Disparities (OHID)	<p>All matters have been resolved with the Interested Party. The Applicant sent an updated SoCG to UKHSA and OHID on 24 January 2024, UKHSA have advised that they cannot return the SoCG until 3 February 2024.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 10.</p>	<p>All matters have been resolved with the Interested Party. The SoCG has been submitted at Deadline 10.</p> <p>UKHSA has a policy of not signing SoCGs, so will separately write to Examining Authority to confirm they have worked with the Applicant on the preparation of the SoCG and that it reflects UKHSA's position. The Applicant also confirms that the SoCG reflects the agreed position on matters.</p>
REP6-039	East of England Ambulance Service (EEAST)	<p>The Applicant continues to engage with EEAST. EEAST have provided comments on the draft SoCG shared by the Applicant. The Applicant is updating the SoCG to share with EEAST for signature ahead of Deadline 11.</p>	<p>All matters have been resolved. The SoCG has been sent to EEAST for signature.</p> <p>The Applicant's intention is to submit the signed SoCG at Deadline 11.</p>

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REP8-026	NATS (Services) Limited (NATS NSL)	An SoCG signed by NATS NSL and the Applicant was submitted at Deadline 8.	N/A
REP8-041	NATS (En Route) PLC (NATS NERL)	An SoCG signed by NATS NERL and the Applicant was submitted at Deadline 8.	N/A
REP9-034	Historic England (HE)	All matters were resolved at Deadline 6 and the SoCG was signed by Historic England and a copy of that submitted. The agreed SoCG signed by Historic England and the Applicant was submitted at Deadline 9.	N/A
REP9-035	Environment Agency (EA)	All matters have been resolved with the Interested Party. The SoCG has been signed by the Environment Agency and the Applicant and was submitted at Deadline 9.	N/A
REP9-037	Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)	All matters have been agreed with the Interested Party. The SoCG has been signed by CAA and the Applicant and was submitted at Deadline 9.	N/A
REP9-039	Bedfordshire Fire and Rescue	All matters were agreed at Deadline 6. The SoCG has been signed by BFRS and the Applicant and was submitted at Deadline 9.	N/A

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	Service (BFRS)		
REP9-040	Natural England (NE)	All matters have been resolved with the Interested Party. The SoCG has been signed by Natural England and the Applicant and was submitted at Deadline 9.	N/A
Non-statutory consultees on airport site			
REP2-008	Bedfordshire Police	An SoCG signed by Bedfordshire Police and the Applicant was submitted at Deadline 2.	N/A
REP6-011	World Fuel Services (WFS)	An SoCG signed by WFS and the Applicant was submitted at Deadline 6.	N/A