

## 29.1 INTRODUCTION

- 29.1.1 The development of the AMEP will involve reclaiming some of the internationally designated subtidal and intertidal habitat within the Humber Estuary for industrial use.
- 29.1.2 Able accepts that the AMEP is likely to have a significant effect on the Humber Estuary Natura 2000 site and an appropriate assessment should therefore be carried out in accordance with the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) (which has been transposed into UK law by the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010) and the EU Birds Directive (2009/147/EC). A Habitats Regulations Assessment has been produced and submitted with the application for consent.
- 29.1.3 If AMEP is approved, Natural England has confirmed that habitat compensation will need to be secured prior to consent being granted. As a result, Able has designed the Cherry Cobb Sands part of the Compensation Site as an important aspect of the overall scheme and provided the Old Little Humber Farm part as short term provision until the intertidal habitats at Cherry Cobb Sands become fully functional.

## 29.2 CONSULTATION

- 29.2.1 Consultation responses were received in relation to the need for the Cherry Cobb Sands part of the Compensation Site. The consultation responses are provided in *Annex 2.2* along with a summary of how these have been addressed.