



LATE SCOPING CONSULTATION RESPONSES

Consultation Bodies have 28 days to respond with any comments, stating either the information that they consider should be included in the Environmental Statement or that they do not have any comments.

Any responses received after the deadline are not considered within the Scoping Opinion but are forwarded to the Applicant for consideration, in accordance with the policy set out in the Planning Inspectorate's Advice Note seven: Environmental Impact Assessment, Screening and Scoping.

The following EIA scoping consultation responses were received after the consultation deadline specified under legislation and therefore did not form part of the Secretary of State's Scoping Opinion.

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Dear Sir,

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

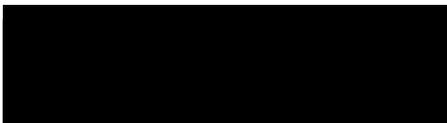
Scoping Consultation under Planning Act 2008 (as amended) and The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 (as amended) (Regulations 8 and 9 for an order granting development consent for proposed Tilbury 2, Port Of Tilbury

I refer to the above application which has now been considered by the Borough Council and wish to thank you for the opportunity to comment thereon.

The Borough Council would wish to raise no objection to the proposals.

Given the distance of the site from Dartford, a key issue for its residents would be road traffic impact. It is noted that the final scoping report confirms the intention to cover this issue in the EIA, supported by a Transport Assessment (TA). It is expected that TA modelling would take into account scenarios including both with and without the Lower Thames Crossing. In addition to Highways England, Thurrock Council and Essex County Council being consulted on the scope of the TA, Kent County Council should also be involved. The Borough Council wishes to make no further comment at this stage.

Yours faithfully



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28 April 2017

Dear Ms Pratt

Re: Application by Port of Tilbury London Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the proposed Tilbury2

Thank you for your letter dated 28 March 2017 providing Kent County Council (KCC) with the opportunity to inform the Secretary of State and the applicant of the information to be provided in the Environmental Statement (ES), relating to the proposed port terminal at former Tilbury Power Station, 'Tilbury2'.

The County Council has reviewed the Regulation 8(1) Scoping Report and would like to provide comments in relation to the following elements:

- Minerals and waste;
- Archaeology and cultural heritage;
- Terrestrial ecology; and
- Land-side transportation.

MINERALS AND WASTE

The proposal will include a Construction Materials and Aggregates Terminal which is likely to have a throughput of circa 1.9 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) of bulk product at Tilbury 2. Aggregate materials in their land-won form are depleting generally in the south east and this facility would contribute to London's future needs for aggregate and construction materials, as well as those for Essex and Kent. A strategic scale minerals importation facility would assist Kent given that there will be some degree of importation/exportation interrelationship with these mineral and waste planning authorities. The interconnectivity potential would be even more pronounced once the new Lower Thames Crossing is constructed.

Overall, the project is supported from a minerals and waste planning perspective. However, a more detailed analysis of potential resource flows and the articulation of future benefits would be useful.

ARCHAEOLOGY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE

The scoping in of archaeology and heritage is welcomed. Section 7 of the Scoping Report provides the framework for heritage assessment. KCC would stress the need for this to also cover the Kent side.

This scheme could have a major impact on the historic riverside town of Gravesend. Gravesend has a significant riverine and maritime heritage and its historic use of the river for trade, industry, leisure and communication is a key component of its significance. Along this side of the river, the Kent coast has several major forts including New Tavern Fort and Shornemead Fort. Further along, Cliffe Fort is a major promontory fortification. There are many other heritage assets located along the Kent coast including the entrance to the Thames and Medway Canal, post medieval wharfs and military installations, piers and ferry points. A fundamental part of the significance of military installations is the sightlines. There needs to be a thorough and comprehensive assessment of the sightlines of the military installations on both sides of the river and sound demonstration of how the scheme will impact on the significance of this military heritage.

This part of the coast is traversed by the Saxon Shore Way. This is a long distance footpath which focuses on highlighting the historical and natural environment and views from the path are an important part of the enjoyment and educational value of this route. The impact of the scheme on the historical aspects of this route needs to be thoroughly considered, preferably as part of a historic landscape assessment for the Kent side.

Given the scale of the proposal, there needs to be detailed consideration of the impact of the development on long distance views from the high ground in Kent. For example, views from Shorne Country Park should be realistically considered.

In summary, KCC welcomes the scoping in of heritage and archaeology and stresses the need to thoroughly assess the heritage of Kent, as well as Essex.

TERRESTRIAL ECOLOGY

KCC is satisfied that the Scoping Report has identified the designated sites listed below as present within Kent and the application will assess the impact on these sites (and associated functional habitat) as a result of the proposed development:

- South of Thames Estuary and Marshes SSSI; and
- Thames Estuary and Marshes SPA/Ramsar.

It is recommended that the applicant contacts the Kent and Medway Biological Records Centre as part of their desk study for bird records associated with the designated sites. The desk study should not be limited to data within the Essex Wildlife Trust Biological Records Centre and the Essex Field Club.

KCC is satisfied with the range of surveys proposed to assess the impact associated with the marine environment. All the surveys and details of the proposed mitigation will need to be submitted as part of the NSIP process.

LAND-SIDE TRANSPORTATION

The Scoping Report has been considered in light of transport implications for Kent. The Scoping Report sets out that there would be two or three train movements generated per day. KCC supports modal shift from road to sea and road to rail and KCC's stance is in favour of rail freight, provided that it does not adversely affect peak passenger rail services.

KCC would recommend that the application should also consider available train paths through London.

Due to the high HGV movements associated with this proposal, KCC would urge the applicant to consider lorry parking provision to be provided as part of the application. There is an existing shortfall of official lorry parks in both Kent and Thurrock which leads to a range of issues including those related to road safety, damage to roads/verges and litter/human waste – all generally exacerbated in residential areas.

As a consultation body, the County Council looks forward to being invited to comment on further documentation prepared and submitted as part of the application for a Development Consent Order.

If you require further information or clarification on any matter in this letter then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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Dear Hannah Pratt,

Application by Port of Tilbury London Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the proposed Tilbury 2, for the Secretary of State's opinion as to the information to be provided in an Environmental Statement relating to the proposed development.

I write in response to your letter dated 28 March 2017 in which it is requested that the London Borough of Bexley inform the Secretary of State of any representations on the above project concerning the Port of Tilbury.

Having considered the information available, the London Borough of Bexley has no comments.

Yours sincerely



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