

LHE Historic Environment including Marine Archaeology

LHE.1.1 Historic England

Comments on Draft Marine Written Scheme of Investigation

Please comment in detail on whether the Draft Marine Written Scheme of Investigation [APP-107] provides sufficient detail about proposed management of effects for marine archaeological assets and if not, why not?

Historic England considers that in respect of the management of effects upon marine archaeological assets the Draft Marine Written Scheme of Investigation [APP-107] provides sufficient detail for us to consider it an acceptably robust iterative approach including an appropriate technical suite of investigative techniques. The Marine WSI sets out a methodology for the identification of assets and the mitigation of impacts in a manner proportionate to their significance and likely importance. There are clear consultation points identified in APP-107 to Historic England as curator in respect of methods, analysis and dissemination of results, for submission and approval of method statements (subordinate to APP-107) post DCO by the Marine Management Organisation with the advice of Historic England and for Historic England to be able to monitor archaeological works. The methodology appears sufficient to accommodate the potential for less likely but more important discoveries to nevertheless still be addressed effectively via the Protocol for Archaeological Discoveries referenced at APP-107 para 7.4 and further supported at 9.42 in respect of archaeological exclusion zones.

LHE.1.2 Historic England

Impact on setting of heritage assets

Does HE accept the Applicant's assessment of the effect of the Proposed Development on the setting of heritage assets [paragraphs 15.8.24 to 15.8.32 in APP-051] and if not, why not?

We accept the Applicant's assessment as sufficient and appropriate in respect of the setting of heritage assets.