



Meeting note

Project name	Immingham Green Energy Terminal
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Author	The Planning Inspectorate
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Meeting with	Associated British Ports
Venue	Microsoft Teams
Meeting objectives	Project Update Meeting
Circulation	All attendees

Summary of key points discussed, and advice given

The Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) advised that a note of the meeting would be taken and published on its website in accordance with section 51 of the Planning Act 2008 (the PA2008). Any advice given under section 51 would not constitute legal advice upon which applicants (or others) could rely.

Second statutory consultation update

Associated British Ports (ABP) (the 'Applicant') explained there were two drop-in sessions which had a total of 19 attendees to the second statutory consultation, which ran from 24 May to 20 July 2023. This was to address the minor changes made to the proposals. The website had 550 visits and accumulated 12 feedback forms from the local community, the majority of which were positive, along with 57 responses via email from prescribed and non-prescribed consultees. Most had stated that their positions to the Proposed Development had not changed. A small number, however, did revise their earlier views, for example Yorkshire Wildlife Trust noted the positive changes in the reduction of woodland loss. Overall, the Applicant explained that responses to the second statutory consultation were in support of the Proposed Development for reasons such as employment, economic and benefits.

Programme and target application date (including PINS letter 25th July 2023)

The Inspectorate queried whether all parties are aware of the Applicants submission date. The Applicant confirmed it was 7 September 2023 and that this was in the public domain for statutory undertakers, however, could not be sure with regards to individual stakeholders. It was emphasised that the Applicant keep the Inspectorate and Local Authorities (LAs) updated regarding the submission date. The Applicant agreed they would confirm the exact submission date with the LAs.

The Applicant confirmed that it will be submitting the Shape file on 15 August 2023 and the list of LAs and point of contact details by 8 August. The Inspectorate requested the

submission of the Electronic Index as soon as possible. It was also explained that the fee must be paid before or on the date of the submission for Acceptance checks to go ahead. The Applicant requested that the Application documents only be published on The Project Webpage once the Proposed Development has been accepted.

The Applicant requested a further meeting in 2 weeks to update the Inspectorate on its progress (w/c 21 August 2023).

Natural England and Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA) process update

The Applicant confirmed they had met with Natural England (NE) on 2 August to brief them on the HRA undertaken for the Proposed Development. The Applicant stated that until the full information was available, NE would be unable to make comments on the HRA, with NE resources focussed on the Examination of the neighbouring Immingham Eastern Ro-Ro Terminal (IERRT) project. The Applicant clarified they are working on getting all details concerning the HRA of the Proposed Development to NE as soon as possible.

The Applicant explained that the application will include two HRA reports: the main HRA report setting out the Applicant's conclusion that there will be no adverse effect on integrity and a second report to set out the derogations case on a "without prejudice" basis should NE not agree with the Applicant's conclusion in the main HRA report. The Applicant explained that the derogations case would relate to effects resulting from piling and the loss of intertidal habitat within the European sites either alone in combination with the adjacent proposed IERRT project.

The Applicant stated that they had identified a compensation site at Skeffling on the north bank of the River Humber and explained that it will not be included in the red line boundary. The Skeffling site is fully consented and is under construction. The Applicant confirmed they are working on the securing mechanism for the compensation as a term in the Development Consent Order (DCO) or a Section 106 obligation.

There is also a planned meeting with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust and the Applicant will have on going engagement with residents and businesses within the proposed order limits.

Update on engagement with other stakeholders including affected landowners

The Applicant confirmed they in discussion with North East Lincolnshire Council regarding tree loss in Long Strip that is covered by a tree preservation order, which will be addressed within the mitigation strategy plan. The Applicant also confirmed they in discussion with the Environment Agency regarding the environmental permit and matters pertaining to the jetty.

The Applicant also discussed ongoing conversation being had with the local internal drainage board pertaining to protective provisions and provided an update regarding discussions with Affected Persons where land is affected by the proposed development where compulsory acquisition is required along Queens Road. This will be reflected in plans submitted for Acceptance.

Approach to the provision of protective works

The Applicant provided their update pertaining to protective provisions and confirmed they have reviewed protective provision drafting under other DCO applications e.g. IERRT and Tilbury. The Applicant confirmed they will explain the provisions within the relevant application documents. Further studies are being undertaken by third party consultants; however, the Applicant doesn't expect significant concerns.

Agreed actions

The Applicant proposed to submit updated Works plans w/c 7 August 2023 to the Inspectorate for review. The Inspectorate confirmed that depending on resource availability they may be able to review these plans, however as draft documents have already been checked and advice shared with The Applicant on 5 July 2023, this served as the Inspectorate [feedback on draft documents](#) to date.

The Applicant to provide to the Inspectorate:

- Shape file depicting the red-line boundary of the proposal (15 August).
- List of LAs including contact details where available (8 August).
- Electronic Index (asap).
- Confirmation of Acceptance Fee payment date.
- Confirmation of the Acceptance submission date.

Date of next meeting

The Applicant and The Inspectorate plan to meet again W/C 21 August 2023.