

Hampshire Water Transfer and Water Recycling Project – WA010002

Southern Water Services Limited Section 51 Advice Log

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This document comprises a record of the advice that has been provided by the Inspectorate to the applicant (Southern Water Services Limited) and their consultants during the pre-application stage. It will be updated by the Inspectorate after every interaction with the applicant during which s51 has been provided. The applicant will always be given the opportunity to comment on the Inspectorate's draft record of advice before it is published.

The applicant will use this Advice Log as the basis for demonstrating regard to section 51 advice within the application.

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Date of meeting	Meeting overview
01/11/2024	This advice was sent by email only for feedback on the Programme document.
26/11/2024	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Welcome and introductions (All) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Section 51 advice (PINS) b) Security and protection of information policy (PINS) 2. Ways of working (All) 3. General project progress (Applicant) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Consultation Update (Applicant) b) Engagement update (Applicant) c) Scheme development update (Applicant) d) EIA update (Applicant) 4. Draft DCO application overview (Applicant) 5. Supplementary components and Primary Service Features (Applicant) 6. Key issues (Applicant) 7. Next Steps (All) 8. AOB (All)

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Topic	Advice date: 01 November 2024
Feedback on Programme document	Your Programme Document's timeline seems to be missing the submission of draft documents to the Planning Inspectorate. This is a notable feature of the Standard tier of service, and we encourage you to make full use of it. Draft documents are usually submitted towards the end of the pre-application period, with sufficient time after the 6-week review period (before the full application submission) for you to respond to our feedback. Please advise when you intend to submit draft documents to us, update the timeline in your Programme Document, and publish the updated document to your project website.
Topic	Meeting date: 26 November 2024
Programme Document	The Inspectorate advised to add changes to the Programme document and that you do not need to use all 6 meetings if you don't need them but try to plan what you want from us in your meetings ie Inception, post draft documents etc. The programme document is a good way to schedule that in.
s35/Programme Document	The Inspectorate that for transparency, the programme document should include the s35 variation.
Consultation Report	The Inspectorate advised to ensure any negative/positive feedback is captured in the consultation report. The Applicant understood and confirmed a summary of feedback will be sent towards the end of the year. A 4-week public consultation is planned for early 2025.
s35	The Inspectorate advised the Applicant to ensure the Statutory Consultation reflects the s35 variation.
Application/Order limits	The Inspectorate advised that if changes are made to the draft Order Limits compared to the scoping boundary, it would be helpful for these to be clearly explained in the Application.
Draft documents	The Inspectorate requested that draft DCO docs are submitted as completed as possible as incomplete skeleton documents are difficult to provide any valuable feedback. The Inspectorate highlighted Land Plans and Book of Reference as documents that should be complete if submitted for review. Time should be allocated for the Inspectorate to

	review the draft docs and for the Applicant to be able to assess and respond/act upon to any feedback provided.
Draft documents	The Inspectorate advised that it was preferable for the documents to be submitted altogether. The Inspectorate noted that the draft Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Report was not listed in the Applicant's proposed draft documents for review; it confirmed that review of the HRA Report does form part of the standard tier service and can be reviewed if required.
Change Requests	The Inspectorate advised the applicant to be aware of recent change requests i.e. Mona, Byers Gill where there might not be enough time to complete the Examination that you might be refused the change request.
Programme Document	The Inspectorate requested the updated Programme Document soon for review and highlighted that when more firm dates are known next year for draft docs this should be provided again. The Inspectorate envisages that this document is regularly updated to help both the Inspectorate and other bodies help plan resources accordingly.
HRA	The Inspectorate advised that it would be helpful to have an update on progress of the HRA work and engagement with relevant consultation bodies, including Natural England. The Applicant confirmed it would seek an update.
Water quality modelling	An update was provided on the progress of freshwater and marine water quality modelling, and engagement with relevant consultation bodies including the Environment Agency. Engagement has been good and discussions are ongoing about the approach to assessment under the Water Environmental Regulations (WER). The Inspectorate advised that it would be helpful to receive further updates on progress at future meetings and to understand how it is proposed to be addressed in the DCO application.
Environmental permitting	The Inspectorate welcomed confirmation from the Applicant that pre-application engagement on the environmental permit had started and that it was intended to submit the application concurrently with the DCO application.