

Planning Act 2008 – section 91

Application by Anglian Water Services Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Cambridge Waste Water Treatment Plant Relocation project (Ref WW010003)

Agenda for Issue Specific Hearing 1 (ISH1) dealing with matters relating to the draft Development Consent Order (dDCO): Wednesday 18 October 2023 at 9:30am.

Notification of the date, time and attendance instructions for ISH1 was provided in the Examining Authority's (ExA's) <u>Rule 6 letter</u> dated 19 September 2023. The purpose of ISH1 is also explained in that letter, in **Annex G**.

Date:	Wednesday 18 October 2023
Seating available/ Arrangements Conference from:	9.00am
Meeting start time:	9:30am
Venue:	Hilton Cambridge City Centre, 20 Downing Street, Cambridge CB2 3DT and Virtual event (Microsoft Teams ¹)
Access and parking:	Please contact the venue for information

Arrangements Conference (if attending virtually)

Please join at 9:00am. The Case Team will admit you from the lobby and register your attendance. The lobby is silent, so please be patient and we will admit you as soon as possible.

Where necessary breaks will be provided during the ISH in recognition of the fatigue associated with on-screen communication during virtual events.

Agenda

- 1. Welcome, introductions and arrangements for the hearing
- 2. Articles and Schedules (including Requirements) of the dDCO

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¹ Full instructions on how to join online or by phone will be provided in advance of the meeting to those who register to participate. Cambridge Waste Water Treatment Plant Relocation project

- The Applicant will be asked to provide a very brief overview of each part of the dDCO (10 minutes in total).
- The Applicant will be asked to briefly highlight <u>changes</u> which have been made to the dDCO since the <u>original submission version</u>, including the addition of Requirements 22 and 23.
- The Applicant will be asked to briefly explain how the dDCO secures mitigation.
- The ExA will then ask questions in respect of Articles, Schedules and Requirements of the dDCO, seeking responses where appropriate from the Applicant and Interested Parties (IPs). In this respect, amongst other items, the ExA would wish to ask questions on the following:
 - Clarification of 'commence' in Article 2
 - Articles 10, 11, 13, 14 and 15 and matters raised by Cambridgeshire County Council
 - Clarification of scope of powers sought under Article 30
 - Scope of powers sought under Article 35(9)
 - Scope of powers sought under Article 44
 - Schedule 2 Part 1 'enabling works' and reference to the ES
 - Relationship between Requirements 8 and 9
 - Requirements 10 and 11 and consultees
 - Scope of Requirement 16
 - Scope of Requirement 17
 - Schedule 2 Part 2 approvals process clarification
 - Clarification of some Schedule 14 parameters
 - Clarification of Schedule 17 3 (Building Act 1984)
 - Clarification of Schedule 17 5 (s208 Planning Act 2008)
 - Environmental Management System clarification of content and where it is secured
 - Consistency of management plan naming in ES and in dDCO
- IPs will be invited to ask questions of clarification in relation to dDCO Articles, Schedules and Requirements.

3. Schedule 9 – Protective Provisions

• To obtain an update on progress between parties regarding protective provisions and an explanation of any important differences of view and a timescale for resolution.

4. Consents, licences and other agreements

• The Applicant will be asked to provide a brief update of progress and timescales for completion. The ExA will then ask questions, including around legal agreements.

5. Statements of Common Ground

• The ExA will ask the Applicant to provide a brief update on Statements of Common Ground relevant to the dDCO.

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6. Review of issues and actions arising

• The ExA will address how any actions placed on the Applicant are to be met and consider the approaches to be taken to the examination of the dDCO and any changes to it, in the light of issues raised.

7. Any other matters

8. Closure of the hearing

Notes on participation, conduct and management of the hearing

All IPs are invited to attend issue specific hearings. The event will also be livestreamed and a link for watching the livestream will be posted on the project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website closer to the event date.

Each IP is entitled to make oral representations at the Hearing. However, this is subject to the Examining Authority's (ExA) power to control the Hearing.

The ExA would find it helpful for the following attendees to participate in ISH1:

- Anglian Water Services Limited (the Applicant) including representatives of the Applicant who are in a position to discuss the matters on the agenda;
- Cambridgeshire County Council
- Cambridge City Council
- South Cambridgeshire District Council
- East Cambridgeshire District Council
- Environment Agency Natural England
- Historic England
- Homes England
- Any statutory undertakers or other organisations with an interest in the drafting of the dDCO and its provisions (such as protective provisions), including but not limited to Cadent Gas Limited, National Highways, Network Rail Infrastructure Limited and Conservators of the River Cam
- Any other Interested Parties (IPs) with an interest in the drafting of the dDCO, the implementation or discharge of proposed articles, requirements or other provisions.

Participants may be legally represented if they wish, but the hearing will be conducted to ensure that legal representation is not required. Guidance under the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008) and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 provide that it is the ExA that will probe, test and assess the evidence through direct questioning of persons making oral representations at hearings. Questioning at the hearing will be led by the ExA.

Every effort will be made to ensure that the issues will be discussed on the day that they are scheduled for. The hearing will finish as soon as the ExA deems that all those present have had their say and that all matters have been covered. If there are

Cambridge Waste Water Treatment Plant Relocation project Issue Specific Hearing 1 additional matters to be dealt with or there are submissions that take a considerable amount of time at any hearing, it may be necessary to prioritise matters and defer others to written questions.

The agenda is for guidance only. It is not designed to be exclusive or exhaustive. The ExA may add other issues for consideration, may alter the order in which issues are considered and will seek to allocate sufficient time to each issue to allow proper consideration of them. Any lack of discussion of a particular issue at a hearing does not preclude further examination of this issue, including the asking of further written questions.

All Examination documents are provided with a unique identification number for referencing purposes shown in square brackets [].

The evidence presented orally at ISH1 should be included in post-hearing submissions and submitted by **Monday 20 November 2023 (Deadline 1)**.

Contingencies

The ExA will endeavour to hear all participants. If the ISH, or parts of it, is unable to proceed, for example for technical reasons, then the ExA may adjourn incomplete business to reserved hearings later in the Examination Timetable. Notice of any adjournments will be provided on the project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website.

Microsoft Teams

The ISH will take place in person and virtually using Microsoft Teams. Further information about virtual events can be found in the Planning Inspectorate's Advice Note 8.6: Virtual examination events:

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advicenotes/advice-note-8-6-virtual-examination-events/

Further information, including a short video regarding taking part in a Planning Inspectorate virtual event, can be found on the Planning Inspectorate's website:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/planning-inspectorate-virtualevents-guide-to-participating

Please contact the Case Team if you have any questions about using Microsoft Teams or if you would like to test your access arrangements:

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