

Cambridge Waste Water Treatment Plant Relocation Project  
Anglian Water Services Limited

# Statement of Common Ground: Historic England

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2	12/01/2023	KT	Format updates and changes to template.
3	10/10/2023	KT	Update in Response to Relevant Representations and Rule 6 letter dated 19 September 2023.

**This draft SOCG has been prepared by the Applicant and submitted to Historic England for comment. The areas of agreement/disagreement are therefore based upon the Applicant's understanding only and do not constitute the position of Historic England until such time that their express agreement is provided. The Applicant is in discussion with Historic England with the intention of providing a revised SOCG to include their position at Deadline 2.**

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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Purpose of this Document

- 1.1.1 This Statement of Common Ground (“SoCG”) is submitted as part of an application by Anglian Water Services Limited (“the Applicant”) for a Development Consent Order (DCO) under the Planning Act 2008 (‘the Application’).
- 1.1.2 The Application is for the provision of a new modern, low carbon waste water treatment plant for Greater Cambridge (“The Project”). The project is an enabler of sustainable growth. The relocation of the existing works, from its current site, will unlock the last large brown field site in Greater Cambridge and allow the creation of a new city district and provide much needed housing and commercial space in a sustainable location, with access to transport, jobs and recreational opportunities.
- 1.1.3 The Applicant has engaged with Historic England in its role as statutory consultee and the public body responsible for the care, protection and enjoyment of the historic environment and historic places.
- 1.1.4 This SoCG has been prepared to identify matters agreed and matters currently under discussion or not agreed between the Applicant and Historic England.

## 1.2 Approach to the SoCG

- 1.2.1 This SoCG will evolve as the DCO application progresses through examination. It is structured as follows
  - Section 2 confirms the pre-application consultation undertaken to date between the Applicant and Historic England;
  - Section 3 identifies the relevant documents on which the agreements recorded in this SoCG were reached;
  - Section 4 provides a summary of matters that have been agreed, are under discussion and not agreed;

<b>Agreed</b>	indicates where the issue has been resolved and is recorded in <b>Green</b> and marked “ <b>Low</b> ”
<b>Under Discussion</b>	indicates where these issues or points will be the subject of on-going discussion whenever possible to resolve or refine the extent of disagreement between the parties and is recorded in <b>Amber</b> and marked “ <b>medium</b> ”
<b>Not Agreed</b>	indicates a final position and is recorded in <b>Red</b> and marked <b>high</b>

- Section 5 includes the signatures of all parties to confirm their agreement that this SoCG is an accurate record of issues and discussions as at this date.

## 1.3 Status of the SoCG

- 1.3.1 This version of the SoCG represents the position between the Applicant and Historic England as of November 2023 (covering the pre-examination stage of the process). The SoCG will continue to be reviewed, discussed and progressed through examination stages as well as any actions arising from the Issue Specific Hearings. A Principle Areas of Disagreement document on specific points between SoCG's will be updated and submitted to the Examining Authority (ExA) during the examination to reflect issues that require further discussion to achieve agreement.

## 2 Consultation and Engagement

- 2.1.1 The Applicant has engaged with Historic England in a series of meeting within a Technical Working Group (TWG) forum and in bilateral meetings on specific issues. Further details of this engagement are set out in Appendix 1.

## 3 Documents considered in this SoCG

- 3.1.1 In reaching common ground on the matters covered in this SoCG, the parties made reference to the following documents.
- Historic Environment Approach – Scoping request April 2021;
  - Historic Environment Plans (App Doc Ref 4.17)
  - Environmental Statement Volume 2 Chapter 13 Historic Environment Book of Figures (App Doc Ref 5.2.13)
  - Environmental Statement Volume 4 Chapter 12 Historic Environment Baseline Assessment (App Doc Ref 5.4.13.1).
  - Environmental Statement Volume 4 Chapter 13 Historic Landscape Classification (App Doc Ref 5.4.13.1 .
  - Environmental Statement Appendix 13.3 Historic Environment Input Assessment tables (App Doc Ref 5.4.13.4).

## 4 Summary and Status of Engagement

### 4.1 Historic Environment

- 4.1.1 This Historic Environment Chapter of the Environment Statement and the technical supporting appendices presents information to identify and assess the likely significant effects of the proposed development on the historic environment.
- 4.1.2 Chapter 13 Historic Environment - Assesses the potential impact of the Proposed Development on archaeological remains and heritage assets (App Doc Ref 5.2.13). The plans showing the locations of statutory and non-statutory historic designations in relation to the Scheme Order Limits is provided at App Doc Ref 4.17.
- 4.1.3 The Baseline Assessment in support is provided at Environmental Statement Volume 4 Chapter 12 Appendix 13.1 Historic Environment Baseline Assessment (App Doc Ref 5.4.13.1) and the Historic Landscape Classification at Environmental Statement Volume 4 Chapter 13 (App Doc Ref 5.4.13.3) and the Historic Environment Input Assessment tables at (App Doc Ref 5.4.13.4).

**Table 4.1 details the summary and status of agreement on Historic Environment**

Statement/document on which agreement is sought.	Status	Comments
<p><b>Assessment Approach</b></p> <p>The Assessment undertaken to support the findings of Chapter 13 (Historic Environment) of the Environmental Statement (ES) (Application Document Reference 5.2.13) including the methodology used to identify and assess likely significant effects in the ES, the relevant legal, policy and guidance framework that has informed the undertaking of this assessment and describes the baseline environmental conditions against which the effects of the proposed project is appropriate. It is agreed the assessment identifies and assesses the effects that could result from the proposed project during construction and operation, including likely significant effects and provides a summary of residual effects for the mitigated CWWTPR project.</p>	Low	Agreed
<p>The Applicant and Historic England agree that CHET and the Greater Cambridge Conservation Officer are consulted throughout the project and the other local and district councils within the study area of the Proposed Development. This includes South Cambridgeshire District Council, Fen Ditton Parish Council and Horningsea Parish Council. A schedule of engagement will be agreed between these parties.</p>	Medium	

# 5 Agreement on this SoCG

This Statement of Common Ground has been jointly agreed by:

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Position:** \_\_\_\_\_

**On behalf of:** Anglian Water Services Limited

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Position:** \_\_\_\_\_

**On behalf of:** Historic England

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

# Appendix 1

**Table 1.1 Consultation and Engagement between the parties**

Date	Meeting	Main topic/issues
11 September 2020	Historic England Pre-Application Advice Letter	
24 September 2020	Virtual Meeting	CWWTPR Site selection introduction meeting
29 April 2021	TWG	Geographical survey area, initial design of new facility and other considerations, historic asset and assessment s impacts and mitigation impacts
15 June 2021	TWG	Pre-Scoping report review meeting and project update
29 September 2021	Landscape and Design Workshop	Mitigation gathering and comments on emerging design and landscape proposals
7 December 2021	TWG	Responses on viewpoints from CON 2 and comments on viewpoints from Scoping Report Review of viewpoints, clarify those presented and assessment and methodology Review and agree receptors and where photographs to be taken and Photomontages
23 February 2022	One to one recap of TWG held on 1 February 2022	Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) approach , Update on landscape and heritage assessments, viewpoints and visual receptors, Archaeological survey update and assessments Focused discussion and draft photomontages Next steps and agreed mitigation
14 June 2022	TWG with SCGP	Review of the considerations have been made in respect of heritage impact and why (any) alternative approaches have been discounted. Clarity on how the degree of harm has been assessed is crucial. In addition, the steps that have been undertaken to mitigate harm as part of the design approach need to be clearer



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