

Meeting Note

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Meeting with	SSE Renewables and RWE Npower
Meeting date	9th July 2010
Attendees (IPC)	Mark Wilson, Amy Cooper, Sheila Twidle, Tim Hallam
Attendees (non IPC)	The Applicant: Kate Tibble, Carla Halton, Daniel Bates
Location	The IPC Boardroom, Temple Quay House

Meeting purpose	Discussions on the progress of the project and further detail on the new Planning Process (e.g Fee Structure)
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Summary of outcomes	<p>Future status of the IPC Commission expertise will be retained within a Major Infrastructure Planning Unit, forming part of a new merged body with the Planning Inspectorate. New primary legislation will be required to affect this. There will be transitional arrangements to ensure that applications are not delayed because of the legislative changes.</p> <p>Preliminary Environmental Information (PEI) Applicant planning to use scoping study information as PEI. IPC advised applicant to assess if the contents of the scoping study are sufficient and appropriate for this (e.g is the data up to date, still relevant and in an appropriate form for the public to comment on).</p> <p>Appropriate Assessment The applicant thought it likely that an Appropriate Assessment would be necessary. In this regard, they had recently met with the MMO, and would forward to the IPC a copy of the meeting note.</p> <p>Land Ownership Issues The applicant was eager to encourage negotiation with the land owners. The IPC referred the applicants to the powers available under sections 52 and 53 of the Act. However, the IPC explained that they do not have any role in mediating between land owners and the applicant and that compulsory acquisition should be an applicant's last</p>
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resort if negotiations to purchase land have failed. Please see the CLGs Guidance on Compulsory Acquisition.

DCO Submission

Applicant is encouraged to send the IPC and LA(s) a draft of the DCO, suggested draft requirements and application documents.

Contents of the DCO

Applicant does not wish to include compulsory acquisition provisions within the DCO. It was thought likely to include two possible sub-station locations in the DCO application. IPC advised that the applicant should seek its own legal advice upon which it can rely regarding this matter although the IPC would consider this and respond in due course.

Fees

Regulations have been issued and the CLG have published Guidance on Fees.

In brief, fees are payable at different stages of the planning process including:

- A flat fee of £4500 with submission of the DCO application.
- A fee at acceptance stage (amount payable dependent on whether a single Commissioner or a panel of 3 or more Commissioners are appointed)
- Payment following the preliminary meeting based upon the anticipated duration of the examination and on whether a single Commissioner or a panel of 3 or more Commissioners are appointed
- A final payment once examination has come to a close based on the actual duration of the examination.
- The applicant is also required to pay for any venue costs i.e. where one is not provided by the applicant.

Timescales

The applicants informed the IPC that their s.42 and s.47 consultation would be carried out later in 2010 and that the application was likely to be submitted in late 2010.

Outreach Programme

Discussed the need for an outreach event. Both Suffolk County Council and Suffolk Coastal DC are aware of the new planning process due to the location of other NSIPs therefore there may not be a need for an inception meeting. Suggested a larger outreach event could be organised including statutory consultees, local MPs and other local groups concerned.

Record of any advice given	It is advised for offshore proposals to involve the MMO where possible enabling them (amongst other matters) to input into Local Impact Reports produced by the relevant LA(s).
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Specific decisions/follow up required	<p>IPC to send draft Reg 9 statutory consultee list to applicant.</p> <p>Applicant to forward their list of consultees to IPC.</p> <p>IPC to look into the legality of submitting a DCO containing two potential sites for sub-station locations.</p> <p>IPC to contact Suffolk Coastal and Suffolk CC to set up a meeting.</p> <p>Kate Tibble to provide IPC with contact details for organisations we may wish to invite to an outreach event.</p> <p>Applicants to provide the IPC with a copy of the meeting note from their recent meeting with the MMO.</p>
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