Meeting note

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Meeting with Horizon Nuclear Power

Venue Teleconference

Attendees The Planning Inspectorate

Chris White – Infrastructure Planning Lead

Kay Sully – Case Manager Hefin Jones – Case Manager

Karl-Jonas Johansson - Case Officer

Tracey Clarke - Assistant Operational Manager

Horizon

David Palmer – Horizon Nuclear Power Alex Herbert - Horizon Nuclear Power Pippa Waterman - Horizon Nuclear Power Kieran Sommers - Horizon Nuclear Power

To discuss examination logistics

Meeting objectives

Circulation All attendees

Summary of key points discussed and advice given:

The Applicant and the Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) team introduced themselves and their respective roles. The Inspectorate outlined its openness policy and ensured that those present understood that any issues discussed and advice given would be recorded and placed on the Inspectorate's website under section 51 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA2008). Further to this, it was made clear that any advice given did not constitute legal advice upon which the Applicant (or others) can rely.

Submission date

The Applicant confirmed that it is on track to submit the application either on the 28 or 29 March 2018. It was agreed that the Applicant would keep the Inspectorate informed about any changes to the submission date.

Project update

The Applicant advised the Inspectorate that the review of the draft documents conducted by key consultees is progressing well and that the review had not identified anything that could be regarded as a risk to the project.

The Inspectorate informed the Applicant that the fees for applying for a National Significant Infrastructure Project will increase on Sunday 1 April 2018.

The Applicant informed the Inspectorate that it will conduct a fourth round of statutory consultation between 16 January and 13 February 2018. The consultation relates to:

- SSSI compensation sites near Llangefni and Amlwch;
- Two Ecological Mitigation Areas around Wylfa Newydd;
- Variations to the 400kV substation power island;
- Land needed for drainage purposes at Parc Cybi;
- 5m² for bins at Llanfaethlu and;
- The order limits for the off-line highways works on the A5025

The Applicant confirmed that the consultation did not relate to site selections but the work is necessary at these sites.

Applicant confirmed they would notify the Inspectorate of the consultation in accordance with s46 of PA2008.

The Applicant confirmed that Isle of Anglesey County Council (IoACC) had been consulted in regards of the consultation and will confirm in writing that it is content with the consultation approach.

Venues and venue requirements

The Inspectorate stated following its initial scope of venues that an option for the Preliminary Meeting (PM) and the hearings was the Trearddur Bay Hotel but that the Examination Authority (ExA) will consider all options available so long as a venue meets the Inspectorate's requirements. .

The Applicant informed the Inspectorate that the Anglesey Showground could be a suitable venue. The Inspectorate explained the various criteria the venues needed to fulfill. The Inspectorate clarified that if there was no or little public transport to the Showground the Applicant may need to provide transport to and from the venue. Another consideration for the Applicant would be if there were limited options regarding refreshments, they may want to provide refreshment for the attendees. It was agreed that the Inspectorate would send the Applicant its list of requirements for any venue to be used in the Examination.

Audio and visual requirements

The Inspectorate explained that at the PM and the hearings it would be useful if a screen was made available behind/ to the side of the ExA projecting plans/ document etc, relating to the matters discussed. If possible, a screen should also be positioned on the floor in front of the ExA to enable it to see the matters discussed.

Depending on the size and layout of the venues, additional screens showing the information behind the ExA might need to be erected around the room to enable all participants to see the information displayed.

The Applicant was advised to assign a member of its team who knows the application documents well to be in charge of the visualisations. It was agreed that the

Inspectorate would provide a draft list of potential documents to project before each event.

The Inspectorate advised that at the PM and the hearings there needed to be static microphones on the tables where the key stakeholders would sit. In addition to this there may be a need for roving microphones for the audience at the PM and hearings. It was confirmed that lapel mics would not be used.

The Inspectorate clarified the requirements the audio company needed to fulfil. It was agreed that the Inspectorate would send the Applicant its list of requirements in relation to the recordings of the PM and hearings.

Welsh language

The Inspectorate clarified that the recording of the PM and the hearings needed to be able to record both what was said in Welsh and the English translation at the same time. The Welsh translator also needs to provide headphones for the members of the audience who are not Welsh speakers. It was clarified that the recording to be uploaded to the Inspectorate's website would only record the language what was spoke, for example if someone speaks in Welsh, whilst this will be translated at the PM/Hearing the published audio would only be in Welsh and not translated to English.

North Wales Connector

The Applicant informed the Inspectorate that National Grid (NG) intends to submit its application at least two months after Horizon Nuclear Power has submitted its application. The Applicant was advised to liaise with the key stakeholders to enable them to partake fully in the two examinations.

Any Other Business

The Applicant advised the Inspectorate that it would submit approximately 40-50 A0 plans with the application. It was suggested that the Inspectorate could receive the plans in tubes as there are plans drawers in the office. The Inspectorate informed the Applicant that the ExA might request additional copies of the plans in smaller formats during the examination.

Specific decisions / follow up required?

- The Applicant to send the Inspectorate its planning statement summary sheet.
- The Inspectorate to send the Applicant standard layouts used for the seating at meetings and hearings. [Post meeting note: this has been actioned]
- The Inspectorate to send the Applicant the requirements for the venues [Post meeting note: this has been actioned].
- The Inspectorate to send a list of audio requirements to the Applicant. [Post meting note: this has been actioned].
- Follow up meeting to be arranged for the end of January.