Meeting note

Project name Sizewell C New Nuclear Power Station

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Status Final

Author The Planning Inspectorate

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Meeting with EDF Energy

Venue Temple Quay House, Bristol

Meeting Project update

objectives

Circulation All attendees

Summary of key points discussed and advice given

The Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) advised that a note of the meeting would be taken and published on its website in accordance with section 51 of the Planning Act 2008 (the PA2008). Any advice given under section 51 would not constitute legal advice upon which applicants (or others) could rely.

Project update

The Applicant summarised the responses it had received to its Stage 4 Statutory Consultation, which closed at the end of September. The Applicant said it had received 600 unique responses of which one third concentrated on the issues that were being consulted upon, with the other two thirds relating to the principle of nuclear

The Applicant detailed what it planned to take forward into the application as a result of stage 4 consultation:

- The additional land-take associated with a new roundabout;
- The four pylons solution;
- The Integrated transport strategy; and
- A permanent Sizewell link road.

The Applicant noted that there would be some changes to the order limits from that which was consulted upon at Stage 4. The Inspectorate advised the Applicant to think carefully about who it should consult when carrying out further targeted consultation and to provide justification for these decisions within the consultation report.

Environmental work

The Applicant said it had shared draft versions of the Environmental Statement (ES) and Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) with some Statutory bodies and invited comments. It said it had been maintaining internal issues trackers which could be used to form the basis of Statements of Common Ground.

The Inspectorate and the Applicant discussed transboundary impacts, with the Inspectorate advising this should be included within the Environmental Statement itself. The Inspectorate also mentioned that it had notified the relevant European Economic Area (EEA) states in relation to transboundary screening and would publish all responses received once the deadline had passed.

The Inspectorate noted that it had accepted the applications for East Anglia TWO offshore windfarm and East Anglia ONE North offshore windfarm and that the Applicant would need to take this into account in assessing cumulative impact.

Specific decisions/ follow-up required?

The following actions were agreed:

- The Applicant to provide a list of novel aspects and specific issues for the Inspectorate to review within the draft documents provided
- The Applicant and the Inspectorate to arrange a meeting to provide feedback on the Inspectorate's draft document review on the 6 February 2020

- The Applicant to provide new contact details to the Inspectorate
 The Inspectorate to consider an outreach session in the local community