



Meeting note

Project name	Sizewell C New Nuclear Power Station
File reference	EN010012
Status	Final
Author	The Planning Inspectorate
Date	28 April 2020
Meeting with	NNB Nuclear Generation (SZC) Limited
Venue	Online Meeting
Meeting objectives	Submission logistics
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.

Programme

The Applicant informed the Inspectorate that due to the continuing uncertainty with the ongoing Coronavirus (Covid-19) situation, it is not able to confirm the exact submission date however it is still intending to submit the application in May 2020.

As previously indicated, the Applicant emphasised that it is keen to submit the application for development consent in the interests of economic development as well as being committed to enabling interested parties the ability to meaningfully participate. In support of this, the Applicant advised it has been exploring opportunities to help parties engage in the PA2008 process such as additional notification approaches to what would traditionally be carried out i.e. a mobile document library, leaflet drops, online platforms such as media notifications and twitter and arrangements for online inspection of documents.

The Applicant stated that it has been monitoring progress of other projects that are currently in Pre-examination and Examination stages of the Planning Act 2008 process. The Inspectorate encouraged the Applicant to continue doing this as they are continuing to process casework and explore opportunities for virtual working.

The Inspectorate acknowledged that the position in relation to the current difficulties' Applicants are experiencing in seeking to discharge some of its duties, such as making documents available at public deposit locations has not changed. Whilst the Inspectorate hopes to be able to provide more detailed advice as the situation develops, the Applicant was reminded to regularly check the guidance on the Inspectorate's website in relation to Covid-19: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-planning-inspectorate-guidance>.



The Applicant stated it will continue to monitor the ongoing Covid-19 situation when making its judgement on submission of the application and will provide the Inspectorate with an updated programme as the situation develops.

Specific decisions/ follow-up required?

The following actions were agreed:

- Next meeting to be arranged for early May for the Applicant to provide an update on likely submission date of the Application. *Post meeting note: meeting scheduled for 7 May 2020.*