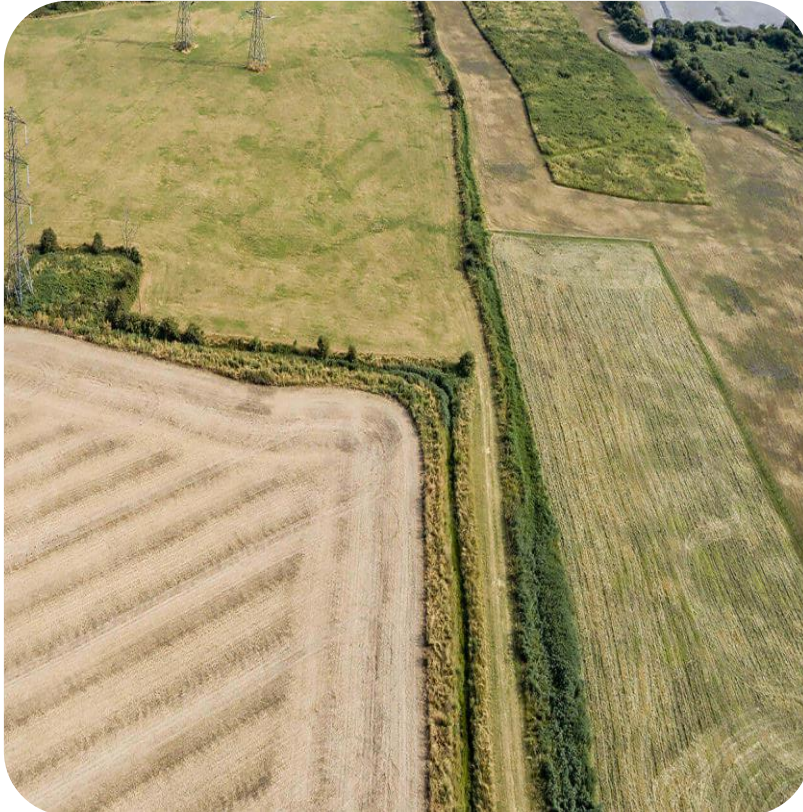
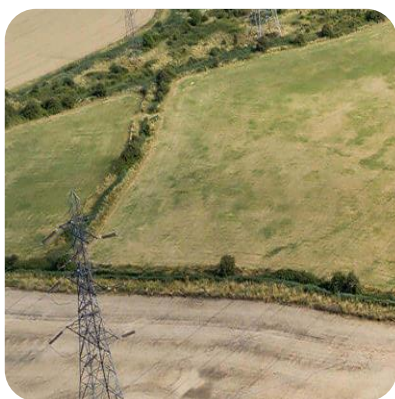




# Statement of Commonality for Statements of Common Ground

Rev. 5, Deadline 7



# 1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This document has been prepared in respect of an application for the proposed Thurrock Flexible Generation Plant made by Thurrock Power Ltd (“the Applicant”) to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order (“DCO”) under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008.
- 1.2 The purpose of this document is to summarise the status and progress of all Statements of Common Ground (SoCGs) and to provide a Statement of Commonality, i.e. matters that are common to more than one SoCG.
- 1.3 Overleaf, Table 2.1 summarises the SoCG status and Section 3 provides more detail of the position where SoCGs could not be finalised for Deadline 7. In the following section, Table 4.1 shows matters that are common to several interested parties.

## 2 SOCG STATUS OVERVIEW

Table 2.1: SoCG status overview

Interested Party	Deadline 2 23 March 2021	Deadline 3 12 April 2021	Deadline 4 17 May 2021	Deadline 5 14 June 2021	Deadline 6 22 July 2021	Deadline 7 9 August 2021
Anglian Water	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed
Cogent Land	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	
Environment Agency	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Final and signed	Final and signed
Gravesham Borough Council	Pending	Pending	Pending	Pending	Final and signed	Final and signed
Highways England	Pending	Pending	Pending	Under discussion	Under discussion	Final and signed
Historic England	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Final and signed	Final and signed
Marine Management Organisation	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Proposed final draft
Maritime and Coastguard Agency	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed
National Grid (Electricity Transmission)	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed
National Grid (Asset Protection)	Pending	Pending	Pending	Pending	Pending	Joint statement
Natural England	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Final and signed
Network Rail	Pending	Pending	Under discussion	Pending	Pending	Joint statement
Port of London Authority	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Final for signature	Final and signed	Final and signed
Port of Tilbury London Limited	Pending	Pending	Pending	Pending	Pending	Not agreed
Public Health England	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed
Royal Mail	Under discussion	Under discussion	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed	Final and signed
RWE	Pending	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Not agreed
Thurrock Council	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Under discussion	Final and signed

### 3 SOC G PROGRESS SUMMARY

#### **Position at Deadline 7**

- 3.1 This section provides a summary of the current position on individual SoCGs between the Applicant and each party at Deadline 7 (09 August 2021). Individual SoCGs submitted to the ExA should be referred to for the full detail on specific matters.

#### **Anglian Water**

- 3.2 SoCG finalised and submitted at Deadline 2.

#### **Cogent Land LLP**

- 3.3 The Applicant understands that Cogent has informed the ExA that it is formally withdrawing concerns raised in the Relevant Representation of 14th August 2020. As a result, the Applicant is of the view that an SoCG with Cogent is no longer required.

#### **Environment Agency**

- 3.4 The finalised SoCG was submitted at Deadline 6.

#### **Gravesham Borough Council**

- 3.5 The finalised SoCG was submitted at Deadline 6.

#### **Highways England and Lower Thames Crossing**

- 3.6 The finalised SoCG is submitted at Deadline 7.

#### **Historic England**

- 3.7 The finalised SoCG was submitted at Deadline 6.

#### **Marine Management Organisation**

- 3.8 The proposed final SoCG has been submitted to the MMO but no response has been received. The draft is therefore submitted at Deadline 7.

#### **Maritime and Coastguard Agency**

- 3.9 SoCG finalised and submitted at Deadline 2.

#### **National Grid**

- 3.10 It should be noted that the Applicant has already submitted a finalised SoCG with National Grid relating to project need and grid connection capacity in its application documents (APP-148).
- 3.11 The Applicant has engaged with National Grid during the course of the examination to further agree an Asset Protection Agreement and Protective Provisions. A joint position statement is submitted at Deadline 7.

#### **Natural England**

- 3.12 The finalised SoCG is submitted at Deadline 7.

#### **Network Rail**

- 3.13 The Applicant has engaged with Network Rail during the course of the examination to agree an Asset Protection Agreement and Protective Provisions. A joint position statement is submitted at Deadline 7.

#### **Port of London Authority**

- 3.14 The finalised SoCG was submitted at Deadline 6.

### **Port of Tilbury London Limited**

- 3.15 The parties have been focused on negotiations for the access agreement and agreeing, in so far as is possible, the wording of protective provisions. No SoCG is available.

### **Public Health England**

- 3.16 All matters are agreed. Public Health England (“PHE”) has stated that it does not usually sign an SoCG document but prefers to provide comments in the form of a letter. PHE provided such a letter to the Applicant on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021, which evidences the agreed position between the parties, and this was submitted at Deadline 2 in place of a finalised SoCG.

### **Royal Mail**

- 3.17 Finalised SoCG was submitted at Deadline 4.

### **RWE**

- 3.18 The Applicant provided a draft SoCG to RWE on 6 April 2021, along with proposed revisions to RWE’s draft Protective Provisions. Discussions are continuing regarding commercial agreements. The parties have been focused on negotiations for the access agreement and agreeing, in so far as is possible, the wording of protective provisions. No SoCG is available.

### **Thurrock Council**

- 3.19 The finalised SoCG is submitted at Deadline 7.

4 STATEMENT OF COMMONALITY

Table 4.1: Statement of Commonality

Interested Party	Draft DCO	Protective provisions	Traffic and access	Causeway and marine environment	Common land and PRowS	Landscape and visual	Heritage and archaeology	Onshore ecology	HRA	Flood risk and drainage	Noise and vibration	Air quality	Ground conditions	Health	Climate change	Accidents and disasters
Anglian Water	X	X														
Environment Agency		X		X					X	X		X	X			
Gravesham Borough Council						X	X				X	X				
Highways England		X	X													
Historic England					X	X	X									
MCA				X												
MMO	X			X			X		X							
National Grid		X														
Natural England	X			X	X			X	X							
Network Rail		X	X													
Port of London Authority	X	X		X												
Public Health England	X				X							X		X		X
Royal Mail		X	X													
Thurrock Council	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	