

ITINERARY FOR ACCOMPANIED SITE INSPECTION (CLEAN)

Drax Bioenergy with Carbon Capture and Storage

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

- 1.1.1. The purpose of this document is to set out the locations that Drax Power Limited (the "Applicant") proposes the Examining Authority ("ExA") visits as part of the Accompanied Site Inspection ("ASI") in relation to the application for a Development Consent Order ("DCO") for their Bioenergy with Carbon Capture and Storage (BECCS) project (the "Proposed Scheme").
- 1.1.2. The ExA has requested that the Applicant provides a suggested ASI itinerary by Procedural Deadline 1 on 2 February 2023.
- 1.1.3. Informal discussions regarding the preparation of the Itinerary took place between the PINS Case Team and the Applicant in early February 2023, and identified that there was unlikely to be a need to include the proposed off-site viewpoints as part of the ASI, because the ExA has already visited these locations and could access or view them via publicly accessible land. Following confirmation that there were no responses to the ASI submitted by other parties at Deadline 2, an updated version of the Itinerary for the ASI, was prepared to remove the off-site view points, and update the Itinerary accordingly.
- 1.1.4. This document, (Rev 03, 06 March 2023) provides the requested updates to provide the final Itinerary for the ASI, and an updated plan to accompany it.
- 1.1.5. The ASI is scheduled to take place on Tuesday 21 March 2023.

1.2. STRUCTURE OF THIS DOCUMENT

- 1.2.1. This document comprises two chapters and two appendices, as follows.
 - a. Chapter 1: Introduction;
 - b. Chapter 2: Itinerary;
 - c. Appendix A: Security Procedures and Sign-in Sheet; and
 - d. Appendix B: Route Map.

2. ITINERARY

2.1. ITINERARY

- 2.1.1. The itinerary for the ASI is set out in Table 2-1 below. This includes timings and a description of what is to be observed at each location.
- 2.1.2. It is recommended that prior to the event, parties attending the ASI take an opportunity to view the BECCS 3D Model Flyover Video which can be found in the Examination Library at APP-198.
- 2.1.3. **Appendix A** includes details of the security procedures in place on the Drax Power Station Site, and an accompanying Sign-In Sheet to be used to confirm those attending the ASI have read and understood the safety briefing and to ensure accurate records of attendees.
- 2.1.4. A plan showing the view points/points of interest is provided in **Appendix B** of this document.

Table 2.1 – ASI Itinerary

View Point	Timings	Description
	09.30	Meet at Sports and Social Club for Security Briefing followed by the ASI.
	10.00	Depart Sports and Social Club via transport provided (e.g. minibus).
1	10.05	Sedimentation tanks.
2	10.10	Flood Risk Compensation Area (PC-01).
3	10.15	Woodyard – Transport and Storage connection.
4	10.20	Woodyard additional BNG Mitigation area.
5	10.25	Compression buildings.
6	10.35	Regeneration and solvent process.
7	10.40	Venting CO2.
8	10.45	Capture plant absorber and quench.
9	10.55	Main stack.
10	11.00	Steam connections.

View Point	Timings	Description			
11	11.10	Cooling towers.			
Return to the Sports and Social Club 11.20.					

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A - SECURITY PROCEDURES AND SIGN-IN SHEET

The Security Procedures apply to all attendees whilst within the Drax Power Station Site (viewpoints 1 to 11 in the ASI itinerary).

Please sign below to confirm you have read and understood the disclaimer, and to ensure we have accurately recorded the attendees.

A safety briefing will be provided before we leave the Sports and Social Club. Please listen to this and follow the advice provided.

When within the Drax Power Station Site, all attendees must follow instructions given to them by staff. All attendees must follow the instructions provided within the risk assessment. All attendees are responsible for their own safety and must never act in a manner that might reduce the safety of themselves or others. Security procedures are set out below.

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1. Physical Security Policy.

This states Drax's intent to provide a safe and secure environment for all its staff, colleagues, contractors, and visitors to work in and to limit the impact of any security incidents such that Drax can continue with its core business with as little disruption as possible.

As such Drax operate an approach to physical security that is both proactive and intelligence driven whilst managing the physical security posture commensurate to the risks posed to the business and its interests. This approach utilises security measures that support the business aims and intent of Drax, harmonised to assist in mitigating security risk and delivery of a safe and secure environment.

Our security procedures and access management are consistent with our Critical National Infrastructure (CNI) status and our designation as an Operator of Essential Services (OES) under the Network and Information Systems Regulations 2018.

2. Threats to Energy Security.

Drax supports the UK Government's energy security efforts, elements of which have the potential to unify climate activist groups with an otherwise looser association. Activists may undertake non-violent direct action (NVDA) adopting a range of tactics after gaining unauthorised access: site occupation and blockades; banner drops from infrastructure; non-violent civil disobedience and forced arrests to stretch police resource. In April 2022 Just Stop Oil protested across several Police force borders, engaging in tunnelling and protest at height on infrastructure, oil tankers, and freight trains.

Unmitigated protest activity poses direct risks to Drax' purpose and ambition, specifically in respect of Drax Power Station and in context of Operational, Commercial, and Reputational risk.

3. Risk Mitigations.

Drax has mitigated security risks to as low as is reasonably practicable via deployment of increased resource. We have an established Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Silver Response Plan with North Yorkshire Police and have further minimised liabilities by appointing specialists in the removal of protestors.

4. Specialist Services.

This service has carried out all the major protester removal operations since the Newbury Bypass protests in 1995, fielding professional and experienced personnel ensuring that safe operations are carried out and have achieved and maintained a 100% safety record. This includes Specialist Rescue, Underwater Search, Protestor Removal, and Forensic Search capability, with tasks across Critical National Infrastructure, Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects, and public sector and corporate sites.

Site Visits – Background.

Drax have always encouraged community engagement, including site tours. These were risk assessed, with mitigations put in place to reduce the risk to ALARP (as low as is reasonably practical). This will be reviewed in June 2023:

- Bags and personal belongings to be secured;
- High risk group tours cancelled with no further bookings considered until June 2023;
- Group composition to be reviewed by Security prior to acceptance; and
- High risk areas on site to impose restricted access and security presence.

6. DCO ASI-Specific Recommendations.

To maintain the risk to Drax Power Station at ALARP, the additional procedures in place are:

- A pre-tour brief is to be provided to participants;
- Tour bus to have luggage stowage, inaccessible to passengers once on board;
- Security officers deployed on board to observe and identify suspicious behaviour; and
- Participants are not allowed to exit the vehicle whilst on the Drax Power Station site, due to:
 - Health and Safety constraints and PPE requirement in many operational areas of the site:
 - ii. The site will be operational during the tour, presenting unique hazards to be managed; and
 - iii. The potential of an individual departing the main body of the vehicle to effect a disruptive protest activity.
- Specialist Security Services are deployed to site for the date of the ASI; and
- North Yorkshire and British Transport Police as key incident responders are informed of the visit.

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Please sign below to confirm you have received the ASI safety briefing, have received a risk assessment, and will follow the safety instructions above.

Name	Signature

APPENDIX B - ASI ROUTE

