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Helios EN010140

Reg 20050592

Date 26/02/2025

Dear Sir/madam

Please see the attachments:

Under *[if you would like to make comments on the draft itinerary please do so by date]*

I would like to add the following:

On Tuesday the 3rd March 2025, there is a meeting at Burn Gliding Club, at 9:30am. One of the items on the agenda, is the proposed **Battery Energy Storage System**.

Issue Specific

Hearing 2 on socio-economic, and environmental matters, landscape and visual effect, safety matters including those related to Burn Gliding Club And the proposed **Battery Energy Storage System**.

As appropriate the cumulative effect of the Proposed Development and matters relating to the Draft Development Consent Order (and the associated control documents) will be explored.

Looking at Ordnance Survey Map OS Explorer 290 **York Selby & Tadcaster 1:25 000 scale**. You will see, that Burn Gliding Club is about as far away **up wind** from the **BESS** as is possible.

From the approx. centre of Burn Airfield to the approx. centre of the **BESS**, it is **3.5Km**

From the Wheatsheaf Public House in Burn, to the approx. centre of the **BESS**, it is **4.325Km**

Furthermore, the **prevailing Westerly Winds**, will carry the noise from any contributing devices, **away from Burn**.

In the unfortunate event of a fire. **The prevailing Westerly winds** will carry any toxic smoke etc **away from Burn**.

Please I understand the safety concerns, of The Burn Gliding Club, especially performing an emergency landing, in a field full of solar panels etc, and the location for the **Accompanied Site Inspection** is ideal. **BUT:**

The only place to assess the immediate DETRIMENTAL IMPACT of the BESS. Is from the area of Chestercourt Cottages, the Black Dog Public house and the substantial number of dwellings, in the surrounding area. **Please look at the information complete with maps etc I sent on the 18th February 2025**. Please note that Chestercourt cottages is a mere **575** meters from the **BESS**, and the Black Dog Public house, **625** meters (approx.) and the village of Camblesforth is only **1425** meters away.

This is the problem.

The prevailing westerly winds, put the aforesaid, directly in line with the **BESS**.

Unlike Burn - we will be subject to guaranteed noise, twenty-four hours, 365 days a year, for the next forty years. **This is of course, excluding the building phase.**

Unlike Burn – **we will**, in the unlikely event of a fire, (***fact these batteries can, and do set on fire***) be the first to receive whatever **TOXIC** myriad of life threatening/life changing influence, it chooses to bestow upon us.

Please in the name of common sense, have an **Accompanied Site Inspection** from the area I have previously suggested, i.e. from the area of Chestercourt Cottages, the Black Dog Public house and the substantial number of dwellings, in the surrounding area.

Kind regards

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Application by Enso Green Holdings D Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Helios Renewable Energy Project

Notice of variation to the Examination Timetable

I write to provide notification that the Examining Authority (ExA) has made a Procedural Decision to vary the Examination Timetable in relation to the publication of and deadline for responses to the first written questions (ExQ1). The variation is set out in **Annex A**. The variation is made following unforeseen issues with the preparation and publication of ExQ1 on the originally anticipated date. To provide certainty for parties, the ExA has decided to cancel the publication. Matters identified for questioning will be addressed orally in forthcoming hearings or in the subsequent round of written questions.

Notification of Hearings

The Examination Timetable at Annex A of the Examining Authority's (ExA) Rule 8 letter, dated 11 December 2024, included reserved dates for Hearings.

I am now writing to advise you that the following Hearings will be held under Sections 91 and 93 of the Planning Act 2008. The Hearings will be Blended Events, with participants attending either in person or virtually via Microsoft Teams.

| Hearing | Date | Start time | Location |
|----------------------|----------------------------|---|--|
| Open Floor Hearing 2 | Monday 10 March 2025 | Registration and seating available from: 4.45pm Virtual Registration Process from: 4.45pm Event start: 5.15pm | The Parsonage Hotel and Spa, Escrick, York, North Yorkshire, YO19 6LF and |

| Hearing | Date | Start time | Location |
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| | | | By virtual means using Microsoft Teams Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered |
| Issue Specific Hearing 2 on socio-economic, and environmental matters, landscape and visual effect, safety matters including those related to the operation of Burn Gliding Club and the proposed Battery Energy Storage System. As appropriate the cumulative effect of the Proposed Development and matters relating to the draft Development Consent Order (and the associated control documents) will be explored. | Tuesday 11 & Wednesday 12 March 2025 | <u>Tuesday</u> Registration and seating available from: 1pm Virtual Registration Process from: 1pm Event start: 1.30pm <u>Wednesday</u> Registration and seating available from: 9.30am Virtual Registration Process from: 9.30am Event start: 10.00am | The Parsonage Hotel and Spa, Escrick, York, North Yorkshire, YO19 6LF and By virtual means using Microsoft Teams Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered |
| NOTE: If any of the above Hearings are no longer required then notification will be published as soon as practicable on the <u>project webpage</u> of the National Infrastructure Planning website, providing reasonable notice to Interested Parties of the decision to cancel. | | | |

Applicant's notification duties

The Applicant is reminded of its duty to notify and publicise hearings under Rule 13(6) and 13(7) of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010.



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Accompanied Site Inspection itinerary – 11 March 2025

The itinerary for the accompanied site inspection can be found below.

Please note that the Examining Authority's (ExA) inspection of sites is **not** an opportunity to provide any oral representations on the project or discuss evidence. It is an opportunity for the ExA to look at the physical features that can be seen on, or from the sites. Participants may be invited by the ExA to point out specific features or sites of interest.

[If you would like to make oral representations please attend the Open Floor Hearing on the evening of 10 March 2025, as detailed in the Hearing Notification.]

[If you would like to make comments on the draft itinerary please do so by date]

Joining the site visit

The site inspection will commence at 9:30am at the car park of Burn Gliding Club, The Airfield, Park Lane, Burn, North Yorkshire YO8 8LW. Participants are asked to assemble promptly as the ExA will not wait for parties who are not present at the start time.

To ensure the smooth running of the ExA's inspection, we ask that attendees notify the Case Team if there are any changes in attendance, and ensure the Planning Inspectorate is made aware of any special access requirements.

If you wish to attend the ASI please register to attend using the **Event Participation Form** by **3 March 2025**, providing telephone contact details (preferably mobile telephone) so that we can contact you should the ASI run late or need to be cancelled with minimal notice.

Clothing

The inspection is likely to include some walking on uneven or wet ground. The Planning Inspectorate therefore advises attendees to wear clothing that is appropriate for the weather and study footwear. At times during the ASI it may be necessary to wear a high visibility vest or coat. Attendees who have their own high visibility vest or jacket should bring it with them. For anyone who does not have either a high visibility vest or coat, the Applicant will provide a vest for use during the course of the ASI.

Sites on private land

Access onto private land is at all times by permission of the person controlling it; occupiers and landowners may refuse to allow some persons accompanying the ExA onto their land. Under those circumstances, the ExA will decide whether or not to proceed with that part of the inspection and may ask those refused access to wait outside.

Refreshments

Please note refreshments will not be provided.

Cancellations

Please note that in the unlikely event that the ASI is cancelled I shall endeavour to contact attendees beforehand, but we ask that you regularly check the project webpage.