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Dear Sir/Madam

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Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 02 May 2025. Please find our response to the Report on the Implications for European Sites (RIES) and ExQ3.

Report on the Implications for European Sites

Natural England have reviewed the RIES and concur that it accurately represents our conclusions on the sHRA undertaken by the Applicant. Therefore we have no further comments to make on this document.


ExQ3

Q4.0.1 We have reviewed the Schedule of Changes to draft Development Consent Order submitted 02 May 2025 and note change recommendation ref DCO-PC14. While we welcome the recommendation that 10% biodiversity net gain in habitat units is secured within the wording, we advise that the wording in its current form can encompass all habitat creation, including the mitigation proposals for SPA birds. We advise that any changes to the wording would need to ensure this issue is addressed suitably.

Additional comments

We have reviewed the updated dDCO and note that Requirement 10, Schedule 2 now includes a commitment to submit the final Landscape Ecological Management Plan to the LPA for consultation with Natural England. This sufficiently addresses comment NE 01.1 in the final SoCG between Natural England and the Applicant.

Yours faithfully


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