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Dear Sir/Madam

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Please see Natural England's response to Secretary of State (SoS) Consultation 1 (email dated 26 September 2025) for Helios Renewable Energy Project Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project below.

20. NE and NYC should confirm whether the monitoring requirements for the ground nesting bird mitigation areas, as updated in the tracked outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (oLEMP) [REP8-012], encompass the full monitoring requirements expected.

Natural England do not have comments to make on the mitigation for ground nesting birds. Our requirement for mitigation relates to the measures outlined in 3.10 Non-breeding Lapwing Habitat of the oLEMP, which is for loss of functionally linked land for passage and wintering birds. This includes the appropriate site management measures. In the SoCG submitted March 2025 it was stated that Natural England will be consulted on the final LEMP (ref NE01.1), to be submitted post consent, and for this to outline monitoring requirements prior to construction. We accept this approach as consultation with Natural England was secured in the DCO.

21. NE and NYC should comment if the updates made by the Applicant to Section 5.3.1 Monitoring of REP8-012 encompass the monitoring requirements of both ground nesting bird habitat as well as the recording of the number and locations of the plots.

Natural England do not have comments to make on these updates.

Yours faithfully

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