

East Park Energy Development Consent Order

National Grid Electricity Transmission plc responses to ExQ1

ExQ1	Question to:	Question:	
1.1.21	National Grid / The applicant	<p>In National Grid's relevant representation [RR-903], it is stated: "The scope of the expansion, rebuild or provision of a new substation of East Socon Substation is as yet unknown and will be determined by the outcome of NESO's Connection Reforms process."</p> <p>Please provide projected timelines by which this will be determined and the timetable for the expansion, rebuild, or the construction of a new substation .</p> <p>If this coincides with the construction of the proposed development, have the cumulative impacts of the works to East Socon site been considered?</p>	<p>At this stage, National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET) is not able to provide definitive projected timelines for determining the scope of works at East Socon Substation, nor for the delivery of any expansion, rebuild, or new substation.</p> <p>This is because the project remains at an early stage and is subject to a number of dependencies, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The outcome and implementation of NESO's Connection Reform process, which will influence the need, scale, and timing of network reinforcement works; • Ongoing commercial discussions with the Applicant; • Completion of detailed technical studies, including network design and site feasibility assessments; and • Subsequent planning, environmental assessment, and consenting processes. <p>NGET remains committed to ongoing engagement with the Applicant and other stakeholders and will refine and communicate programme information as greater certainty is achieved through the Connection Reform process and project development.</p> <p>With respect to cumulative impacts, consideration of these effects in relation to any proposed East Socon Substation project falls within the scope of the Applicant's assessment and application documentation.</p>

