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To whom it may concern

ENVIRONMENT AGENCY'S DEADLINE 7 RESPONSE

EAST PARK ENERGY

This response constitutes the Environment Agency's Deadline 7 response.

We have reviewed the Applicant's documentation updates submitted at Deadline 6 for East Park Energy. Following our review, we have responded to the outstanding issues raised in our Relevant Representation [[RR-367](#)] (dated 23 December 2025, ref. XA/2025/100504/01), as set out below.

We have now agreed with the Applicant that all issues raised in our Relevant Representation [[RR-367](#)] have been resolved, and we have signed the Statement of Common Ground.

Our response, we have provided the following appendices consisting of:

- [APPENDIX A](#):
 - EA Comments
- [APPENDIX B](#):
 - A summary of our position

Yours faithfully


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APPENDIX A: EA Comments

EA00

This issue is resolved.

The Applicant had requested the disapplication of paragraphs 5, 6 and 6A of Schedule 22 to the Water Resources Act 1991. We confirm that we agree to the disapplication of these byelaws for this project.

General Comments

We note the Applicant has updated the following documents at Deadline 6:

- Outline Battery Safety Management Plan [[REP6-045](#)]
- Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan [[REP6-031](#)]
- Outline Landscape Environmental Management Plan [[REP6-039](#)]
- Outline Operational Environmental Management Plan [[REP6-035](#)]
- Outline Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan [[REP6-037](#)]
- Outline Soil management Plan [[REP6-043](#)]
- Outline Surface Water Management Plan [[REP6-049](#)]

Having reviewed the updated documents, we confirm that there are no additional issues to raise and that all outstanding matters are resolved.

APPENDIX B – EA Summary of Position

Work package	Subject	Note:	Status	RR Issue number
Draft DCO	Water Resources Act 1991 Disapplication	Disapplication of WR 1991 paragraph 5, 6 and 6a byelaws		EA00
	OEMP	Request to be consultee on requirement 9		EA001
	BSMP	Request to be consultee on requirement 10		EA002
	SWMP	Request to be consultee on requirement 14		EA003
	PP and FRAP	Disapplication of FRAP		EA004
Chapter 2: The Scheme	GWCL	PFA commitment/ mitigation in OEMP/DEMP		EA005
	Water Quality			
	GWCL	Foul Water		EA006
	Water Quality			
	GWCL	Impermeable Areas		EA007
	Water Quality			
	GWCL	Cabling Infrastructure Decommissioning		EA008
	GWCL	Sources of contamination		EA009
Chapter 7: Ecology and Nature Conservation	Biodiversity	Otter surveys		EA010
	Biodiversity	Watercourse buffers		EA011
Chapter 8: Hydrology and Flood Risk	Water Resources	Water Supply Strategy		EA012
	Flood Risk	Sensitivity Test		EA013
	Flood Modelling	Credible Maximum Scenario Flood Event		EA014

	Flood Modelling	Solar Panel Freeboard		EA015
	GWCL	Groundwater Sensitivity		EA016
	GWCL	Hydrogeological Modelling		EA017
	GWCL	Private Water Supply and hydraulic linkages		EA018
	Water Quality	Water Quality Monitoring		EA019
Chapter 12: Ground Conditions	GWCL	BESS Maximum Conditions		EA020
	GWCL	Reporting Inconsistencies		EA021
	GWCL	Pilling Risk Assessment		EA022
	GWCL	Private Water Supplies impacts are assessed		EA023
	GWCL	Groundwater Monitoring		EA024
	GWCL	Hardscaping		EA025
	GWCL	Unexpected Contamination Protocol		EA026
	GWCL	Preliminary works impacts to controlled waters		EA027
Biodiversity Net Gain	Biodiversity	Ditch Creation		EA028
	Geomorphology	Watercourse Uplift		EA029
Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan	Biodiversity	Great Crested Newts		EA030
	Water Quality	Concrete Management		EA031
	Water Quality	Storage of Fuel, Oil and Chemicals		EA032
	Water Quality	Washout Water		EA033

Outline Soil Management Plan	GWCL	Unexpected Contamination Protocol		EA034
Outline Battery Safety Management Plan	Water Quality	Battery Energy Storage System Design		EA035
Water Framework Directive Assessment	Water Quality	Management Plans Reference		EA036