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Subject: Fw: Botley West Solar Farm – Application for an Order granting Development Consent (EN010147) Request for Information dated 14 April 2026 – Land Rights: Paragraphs 61 and 62

Dear Mr Wheadon, Botley West Solar Farm – Application for an Order granting Development Consent (EN010147) Request for Information dated 14 April 2026 – Land Rights: Paragraphs 61 and 62 We write on behalf of Blenheim Trustee Company No. 1 Limited, Blenheim Trustee Company No. 2 Limited, Vanbrugh Trustees Limited (as Trustee of the Vanbrugh Unit Trust), and Vanbrugh Trustees No. 2 Limited (as Trustee of the Vanbrugh Unit Trust) (together, 'the Blenheim Entities'), being Interested Parties in the above application. We note that paragraphs 61 and 62 of the Secretary of State's Request for Information dated 14 April 2026 specifically address the status of land rights negotiations with the Blenheim Entities and associated parties. Paragraph 61 requests an updated position on negotiations, and paragraph 62 notes a discrepancy between the Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [EN010147/APP/3.6] and the Status of Negotiations document, observing that a variation expected to be completed during the Examination had not been reflected as such. We are pleased to provide the following update, which we hope will assist the Secretary of State in understanding that all substantive land rights matters relating to the Blenheim Entities are resolved.

1. Entry 20 – The Sunderland Foundation The legal documentation governing the grant of easement rights from The Sunderland Foundation through the Blenheim Entities to the Applicant is now in final draft form. All matters have been resolved between the respective legal representatives (Withers LLP acting for the Blenheim Entities and Pinsent Masons LLP acting for the Applicant). The agreement is ready for execution. There are no outstanding substantive matters. Execution is anticipated as soon as practicable and, to the extent required, the Blenheim Entities are content for completion to be conditional upon or contemporaneous with the grant of the Development Consent Order.
2. Entry 21 – Blenheim Trustee Company No. 1 Limited and Blenheim Trustee Company No. 2 Limited The position is as follows: * The original Option Agreement is completed in full. * The further Deed of Variation on very small parcels of land for housekeeping remains outstanding. Its sole purpose is to reflect the addition or removal of specific areas of land consequential upon amendments to the Order Limits. It does not restate, alter, or affect the overall option boundaries or the substantive commercial terms of the Option Agreement. The terms of this further variation are agreed, the document is in final draft form including all relevant plans, and subject to ongoing title diligence is ready for execution. There are no outstanding substantive matters. As with Entry 20, the Blenheim Entities are content for execution to be conditional upon or contemporaneous with the grant of the Development Consent Order.
3. Entry 22 – Vanbrugh Trustees Limited and Vanbrugh Trustees No. 2 Limited (as Trustees of the Vanbrugh Unit Trust) The position in respect of the Vanbrugh Trustee entities is identical to that set out at paragraph 2 above in all material respects. The original Option Agreement is completed. The administrative Deed of Variation is in final

draft form including all relevant plans, and subject to ongoing title diligence is ready for execution pending the grant of the Development Consent Order. There are no outstanding substantive matters. We have seen the Applicant's RFI response and wish to confirm that the position on the Blenheim Entities' documents is more advanced than that submission may indicate. We trust this update is helpful and directly addresses the Secretary of State's concerns raised at paragraphs 61 and 62 of the Request for Information. Kind regards On behalf of Blenheim Trustee Company No. 1 Limited, Blenheim Trustee Company No. 2 Limited, Vanbrugh Trustees Limited and Vanbrugh Trustees No. 2 Limited Roy Cox Managing Director – Estates Estate Office | Blenheim Palace | Woodstock | OX20 1PP T: [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | blenheimpalace.com This email, including attachments, may contain confidential information. If you have received it in error, please notify the sender by reply and delete it immediately. Is it necessary to print this email? If you care about the environment like we do, please refrain from printing emails. It helps to keep the environment forested and litter-free. For information about how Blenheim manages your information please see our Privacy Policy on www.blenheimpalace.com/privacy