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A Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project in the Energy Sector

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1. Introduction

Purpose of Report

- 1.1. This Adequacy of Consultation Statement has been prepared by RWE Renewables UK Solar & Storage Ltd ("the Applicant") as part of the development of the application for a Development Consent Order ("DCO") for Tween Bridge Solar Farm.
- 1.2. The adequacy of consultation milestone is a requirement established in the following Government guidance dealing with the pre-application stage for DCO applications.
 - National Significant Infrastructure Projects: Advice on the Consultation Report (published August 2024)
 - Planning Act 2008: Pre-application stage for Nationally significant Infrastructure Projects (published 30 April 2024)
 - Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects: 2024 Pre-application Prospectus (May 2024)
- 1.3. The guidance and prospectus set out the requirements and expectations in the preparation of an application for development consent. The Guidance and Prospectus introduce a new pre-submission adequacy of consultation milestone ("AoCM") aimed at providing the Applicant with an opportunity to submit to the Planning Inspectorate a written submission setting out the consultation undertaken to date, confirming that the approaches set out in the Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC") have been satisfactorily met and providing a summary of consultation responses received and how these responses are shaping the proposed application. The AoCM is a non-statutory requirements and, where provided, the written submission would be published on the relevant project page of the Planning Inspectorate's National Infrastructure Projects online portal.
- 1.4. Under section 55(4)(b) of the Planning Act 2008, at the acceptance stage, the Planning Inspectorate will seek formal views from the local planning authorities about the adequacy of consultation. On 10th June 2025, the Applicant issued a draft AoCM to City of Doncaster Council and North Lincolnshire Council in order to seek their pre-submission advice that the statutory consultation was undertaken as per the requirements set out in the SoCC. The local authorities' responses are provide at Appendix 1 and are discussed in section 3 of this report.
- 1.5. This remainder of this statement is structured into the following sections: –
 - **Section 2** – provides a description of Tween Bridge Soar Farm.
 - **Section 3** – provides provides an overview of the phased pre-application consultation process undertaken by the applicant.
 - **Section 4** – sets out the timelines for the development, consultation and adoption of the SoCC. It also sets out how the Applicant has fulfilled its duties for statutory consultation as per the requirements set out within the SoCC.
 - **Section 5** – summarises the next steps for the DCO application process.

2. Tween Bridge Solar Farm

2.1. Tween Bridge Solar Farm is a proposed solar photovoltaic (PV) electricity generation facility with an export capacity of 800 megawatts (MW) and associated storage and infrastructure (hereafter, the 'Scheme'), located approximately 10 kilometres to the northeast of Doncaster and 14 kilometres to the west of Scunthorpe.

2.2. The Scheme is defined as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under Sections 14(1)(a) and 15(2) of the Planning Act 2008 as it comprises: Since the export capacity of the Scheme would exceed 50 MW, it is duly classified as a

- The construction or extension of an electricity generating station (Part 3, Section 14(1)(a)); and
- Its capacity is more than 50 MW (Part 3, Section 15(2)(c)).

2.3. Therefore, an application for a DCO for the Scheme will be made to the Secretary of State for the Department of Energy Security and Net Zero under the Planning Act 2008. The DCO will include the necessary rights and powers to ensure the construction, operation (including maintenance) and decommissioning of the Scheme, including compulsory acquisition powers. The Scheme also falls within the definition of 'Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development' as defined within the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 meaning that before consent is granted for the Scheme, an EIA must be undertaken.

2.4. Key components of the Scheme are: –

- Solar PV modules and associated mounting structures
- On-site supporting equipment including inverters, transformers and switchgear
- A battery energy storage system (BESS), indicatively split into 4 separate compounds. They would each be located next, and connected by electrical cables, to one of the six on-site 33kv/132kV substations
- The Solar PV Modules and BESS would be connected by electrical cables to one of the six on-site 33kV/132kV substation compounds. These are necessary to step up the voltage of the electricity delivered by the Solar PV from 33kV to 132kV for onward transmission to the main on-site 400kV RWE substation
- Underground cabling (132kV) running from the main on-site 400kV RWE substation would be required to be laid in order to connect the Scheme to a proposed National Grid Substation. This National Grid Substation itself does not form part of the Scheme and is being consented separately by National Grid under other consenting procedures. Accordingly, the extent and location of the proposed underground cable connection works required to connect the Scheme to the National Grid substation may be subject to further refinement once National Grid has been able to provide further details on the location for the National Grid Substation (see also paragraph 2.4.16 below)

- It is also currently envisaged that the Scheme will include works at the site of the proposed National Grid Substation to facilitate the connection of the 400kV underground cabling to the National Grid Substation. The National Grid Substation itself does not form part of the Scheme and is being consented separately by National Grid under other consenting procedures. Accordingly, the location of these substation connection works may be subject to further refinement once National Grid has been able to provide further detail on the location for the National Grid Substation (see also paragraph 2.4.16 below)
- Works to establish environmental and ecological mitigation and enhancement measures
- Upgrade to Main Access Tracks
- Directional drilling for cable works for various crossing including: drainage ditches, canal, railway, and the M180
- Culverts & upgrades to existing culverts
- Fencing and Security Measures
- Permissive pathways and bird viewing gallery, and
- Temporary development during the construction phase of the Scheme including construction compounds, parking and temporary access roadways to facilitate access to all parts of the site.

3. Consultation Timeline

- 3.1. This section provides an overview of the phased pre-application consultation process undertaken by the applicant. The main phase of consultation undertaken by the applicant is summarised below.

Table 3.1 Summary of Consultation Phases

Consultation Phase	Key Dates	Consultation Summary
Non-Statutory engagement and consultation	<p>Initial engagement November 2022</p> <p>Non-Stat Consultation between October 2023 to November 2023</p>	<p>Non-statutory discussion with public and statutory consultees through extensive informal consultations. The preliminary engagement with prescribed consultees started in November 2022 and the first round of consultation (non-statutory), which introduced the preliminary design and order limits, ran for 8 weeks from 4 October 2023 to 28 November 2023. As part of the non-statutory consultation, the consultation activities included: –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Consultation letter was issued to all identified prescribed consultees, interested persons, local authorities, and stakeholders. (ii) Publication of a draft PEIR and this was made available on the project website during the duration of the non-statutory consultation, thus allowing the consultation of environmental information from an early stage in the scheme's development. (iii) Two public exhibitions were held within the local community, the first on Monday 16 October 2023 at the Thornesians RUFC, Thorne and the second event was held on Tuesday 17th October 2023 at the Crowle Community Hub, Market Place, Crowle. Both events ran from 2pm to 7pm. (iv) An online webinar was held on Wednesday 1st November 2023.

Environmental Impact Assessment Scoping Opinion	Submitted 31st January 2023 Scoping Opinion Adopted 13 the March 2023	On 31 January 2023, the Applicant submitted a Scoping Opinion request to the Planning Inspectorate under Regulation 10 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the EIA Regulations) for the Scheme. PINS adopted the Scoping Opinion on 13 March 2023.
Agreeing the SoCC	October 2024 to February 2025	<p>On 14 October 2024, the Applicant issued a draft SoCC to City of Doncaster Council and North Lincolnshire Council, as the relevant host authorities pursuant to section 43(1) of the PA2008. North Lincolnshire Council provided a comment on 24 November 2024 asking for confirmation that the notice would be published within the Scunthorpe Telegraph. City of Doncaster Council provided their response on 4 November 2024, whereby they welcomed the consultation approach set out in the draft document.</p> <p>On 13 February 2025, a final SoCC was issued to both local authorities, pursuant to section 47(3) of the PA2008. The City of Doncaster Council approved the SoCC on 20 February 2025 and North Lincolnshire Council gave their approval on 28 February 2025.</p>
Notification of consultation to Secretary of State and PINS	20 March 2025 & 21 March 2025	The Applicant wrote to the Secretary of State on 20 March 2025 to provide notification of the consultation and signpost where consultation documents could be accessed. On 21 March 2025, the Applicant also provided the Planning Inspectorate with separate notification letter informing of the start of statutory consultation, enclosed to the letter were a copy of the combined S46/S48 notice, the adopted SoCC, and correspondence from both City of Doncaster Council and North Lincolnshire Council providing their acceptance over the SoCC.
Statutory Consultation	20 th March 2025 to 8 th May 2025	The Statutory pre-application consultation was carried out between 20 th March 2025 and 8 th May 2025. Duty to consult accorded with the requirement of both section 42 and section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended).

		<p>(i) All stakeholders, relevant local planning authorities, prescribed consultees and interested persons were issued with statutory consultation engagement letter on 20 March 2025. The letter set out details of the statutory consultation, including the applicant, location of development, the consultation period, details on how representations could be made, details where documents could be viewed both online (via the project website) and in-person and (at the deposit locations and the public exhibitions). The letter was accompanied by a plan showing the draft order limits. The statutory consultation engagement letter was reissued to all stakeholders, relevant local planning authorities, prescribed consultees and interested persons on 21 March 2025 and it included a copy of the Statutory Notice.</p> <p>(ii) The PEIR, PEIR NTS, Drawings pack, Non-Statutory Consultation Report and the SoCC were made available at the deposit locations from the start of consultation on 20 March 2025. All materials were made available on the project website from the start of the consultation on 20 March 2025, all materials were made available at the in-person consultation events.</p> <p>(iii) The applicant has fulfilled its duty under section 48 of the Act which is to publicise the notice (applicant prepared a combined S47/section 48 notice) in the prescribed manner and section 4(2) of the APFP Regulations which requires (amongst other things) that the notice to be published for at least two successive weeks in a local paper.</p>
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		(iv) Four public exhibitions were held in the community during the statutory consultation on Friday 28 March 2025, Saturday 5 April 2025, Wednesday 16 April 2025 and Thursday 17 April 2025. A webinar was held on Wednesday 9 April 2025.
Post-Statutory Engagement	May 2025 to July 2025	<p>Revisions in response to Statutory Consultation feedback.</p> <p>All stakeholders, relevant local planning authorities, prescribed consultees and interested persons were issued with an email notification announcing the culmination of the statutory consultation period on 09 May 2025.</p> <p>Communication lines for the project continued to be monitored after the culmination of statutory consultation. Correspondence received via email, post and telephone continued to be analysed and responded to, where appropriate.</p> <p>On 30 May 2025, all stakeholders, relevant local planning authorities, prescribed consultees and interested persons were issued with an email notification updating on the end of the statutory consultation process, and our proposed application submission date. The email set out details of how feedback would be addressed via a Consultation Report, the target application date, and information about the Development Consent Order (DCO) decision-making process.</p>

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- 3.2. On 10th June 2025, the Applicant issued a draft AoCM to City of Doncaster Council and North Lincolnshire Council in order to seek their pre-submission advice that the statutory consultation was undertaken as per the requirements set out in the SoCC. The local authorities' responses are provided at Appendix 1.

North Lincolnshire Council

- 3.3. On Friday 27 June 2025, North Lincolnshire Council duly advised *“North Lincolnshire Council (NLC) has taken the opportunity to review the provided draft Adequacy of Consultation Milestone Report and are content that this document demonstrates that the Applicant has carried out statutory consultation in respect of the Tween Bridge Solar Farm project in accordance with their adopted Statement of Community Consultation, which was previously agreed by NLC. It is considered that the consultation undertaken meets the requirements of S47(7) of the Planning Act 2008 and that the Applicant has met their statutory obligation in this regard”.*

City of Doncaster Council

- 3.4. City of Doncaster Council provided their response on Thursday 26th June 2025. Whereby, the City of Doncaster Council advised that the applicant achieved legal compliance with the relevant sections of the Planning Act. They also provide broader advice that they were concerned with the level of engagement carried out by the applicant.
- 3.5. The applicant’s Consultation Report will address the concerns raised by City of Doncaster and it will contain a summary of relevant engagement and discussions held between the applicant and the various departments within the council and other bodies acting on behalf of the council; and how the Applicant has considered these. It is noted that the Council didn’t raise any concerns regarding how the Applicant consulted and engaged with the community.

4. Statement of Community Consultation

Development of the SoCC

- 4.1. A Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) was prepared, consulted on and published following the process as prescribed in Section 47 of the PA2008, prior to the commencement of the statutory consultation for the Scheme.
- 4.2. Following the Non-Statutory consultation, the Applicant began the preparation of the SoCC. The draft SoCC provided information about the Scheme, the Applicant, and the Applicant's approach to statutory consultation. The purpose of the draft SoCC was to set out how the Applicant would consult and engage with the local community likely to be affected by the Scheme.

Consultation on the SoCC

- 4.3. On 14 October 2024, the Applicant issued a draft SoCC to City of Doncaster Council and North Lincolnshire Council, as the relevant host authorities pursuant to section 43(1) of the PA2008. The applicant requested for any comments to be made by the end of November 2024. North Lincolnshire Council provided a comment on 24 November 2024 asking for confirmation that the notice would be published within the Scunthorpe Telegraph. City of Doncaster Council provided their response on 4 November 2024, whereby they welcomed the consultation approach set out in the draft document.
- 4.4. The applicant then prepared a final SoCC which incorporated the comments provided by North Lincolnshire Council and contained final edits to the draft order limits and the corresponding Primary Consultation Zone. The SoCC for formal issue to both local authorities, pursuant to section 47(3) of the PA2008, on 13 February 2025 and each host authority were asked to provide their response within 28 days. The City of Doncaster Council approved the SoCC on 20 February 2025 and North Lincolnshire Council gave their approval on 28 February 2025.

Publicity of Statutory Consultation Under Section 47

- 4.5. In compliance with the publicity requirements set out within the adopted SOCC and pursuant to Section 47(6) of the PA2008, the SoCC was made available for viewing for the duration of the statutory consultation, as detailed below:
- Statutory Notices publicising where the locations where the SoCC could be viewed were placed in the following newspapers: –
 - Scunthorpe Telegraph on 20 March 2025 and 27 March 2025
 - Doncaster Free Press on 20 March 2025 and 27 March 2025
 - Guardian on 20 March 2025
 - London Gazette on 20 March 2025

- Advert publishing where the locations where the SoCC could be viewed were placed in the following papers
 - Scunthorpe Telegraph
 - Doncaster Free Press
 - Lincolnshire Live
 - Yorkshire Post
 - Thorne Times
- A paper copy of the SoCC could be viewed at the following venues during the consultation: –
 - Crowle Community Hub
 - Thorne Library, and
 - Hatfield Community Library
- Available at each of the four public exhibition events, and
- Viewable on the project website from 20 March 2025.

Compliance with section 48

4.6. As with the publication dates above, the publication dates for the S48 Notice are set out below: –

- Scunthorpe Telegraph on 20 March 2025 and 27 March 2025
- Doncaster Free Press on 20 March 2025 and 27 March 2025
- Guardian on 20 March 2025
- London Gazette on 20 March 2025

4.7. The applicant has fulfilled its duty under section 48 of the Act which is to publicise the notice (applicant prepared a combined S47/section 48 notice) in the prescribed manner and section 4(2) of the APFP Regulations which requires (amongst other things) that the notice to be published for at least two successive weeks in a local paper.

Consultation with statutory consultees and notification to the Secretary of State (section 42 and section 46)

4.8. Consultation letters were issued to statutory consultees on 20 March 2025. The consultation letters notified consultees about the statutory Consultation and set out where to find out more information about the scheme, including the times and dates of the public events and how to access the consultation materials. It also identified them as a statutory

consultee under s42 of the PA 2008. The letter also set out the ways in which respondents could share their feedback and get in contact with the project team, and confirmed the deadline for receipt of feedback, namely 11.59pm on Thursday 8th May 2025 (in accordance with s45 of the PA 2008). In addition, on 21 March 2025, pursuant to Regulation 13 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017, the same consultation letter reissued to all stakeholders, relevant local planning authorities, prescribed consultees and interested persons to include a copy of the published combined S47/S48 Statutory Notice.

- 4.9. There are different categories of consultee under s42 of the PA 2008. The sections below set out how the Applicant identified the consultees in each category below.

Table 4.1 Section 42 Categories

Category	Applicant's Engagement
Section 42(1)(a): such persons as may be prescribed	The Applicant identified prescribed consultees with reference to Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2024, which substituted for the Table in Schedule 1 to the APFP 2009 Regulations; Advice Note on EIA Notification and Consultation; Reg 11(1)(a) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regs 2017; and the list of consultation bodies in Appendix 1 of the EIA Scoping Opinion dated 2 May 2023.
Section 42(1)(b): each local authority that is with in Section 43	<p>The Applicant consulted with local authorities identified in s43 of the PA 2008 as prescribed by s42(1)(b) of the PA 2008. The four categories of local authority are set out below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 'A' is a neighbouring local authority (s43(2)) that shares a boundary with a unitary council or lower-tier district 'B' council within whose area development is situated (ii) 'B' is either a unitary council or a lower-tier district council in which the development is situated – a host authority (iii) 'C' is an upper-tier county council in which the development is situated – a host authority (iv) 'D' is either a unitary council or an upper tier county council which shares a boundary with a host 'C' authority – a neighbouring local authority (s43(2A))

	<p>The local authorities consulted for the purposes of the statutory consultation are listed below</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Lincolnshire Council (Category B) • City of Doncaster Council (Category B) • West Lindsey District Council (Category A) • Selby District Council (Category A) • Bassetlaw District Council (Category A) • Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council (Category A) • Wakefield Council (Category A) • Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council (Category A) • East Riding of Yorkshire Council (Category A) • North East Lincolnshire Council (Category D) • Lincolnshire County Council (Category C) • North Yorkshire County Council (Category D) • Nottinghamshire County Council (Category D)
Section 42(1)(c) the Greater London Authority if the land is in Greater London.	Not applicable, the applicant did not engage with the Greater London Authority since the site is not located within or near Greater London.
Section 42(1)(d): each person who is within one or more of the categories set out in Section 44	<p>S42(1)(d) of the PA 2008 requires the Applicant to consult each person who is within one or more categories set out in s44 of the PA 2008.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1: A person is within Category 1 if the Applicant, after making diligent inquiry, knows that the person is an owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of the land. • Category 2: A person is within the Category 2 if the Applicant, after making diligent inquiry, knows that the person is interested in the land, or has the power to sell and convey the land or to release the land. • Category 3: A person is within the Category 3, if the Applicant, after making diligent inquiry, considers

	<p>they would or might be entitled to make a 'relevant claim' as a result of (a) the implementing of the DCO, (b) the DCO having been implemented or (c) use of the land once the DCO has been implemented.</p> <p>Chartered Surveyors were appointed by the Applicant to complete the process of diligent inquiry prior to, throughout, and following the statutory consultation to identify relevant persons with an interest in land. The prescribed methods followed will be set out in the Statement of Reasons that will be submitted in support of the DCO application. The methodologies included a review of land registry titles, review of land interests with affected owners and occupiers site notices for land where ownership is unknown and other third parties that could not be located.</p> <p>The Applicant consulted with all parties identified under s42(1)(d) and s44 of the PA 2008 at that time.</p>
Section 45 – timetable for consultation under section 42	<p>The Applicant notified all those consulted under Section 42 of the deadline in writing by email and/or post. In accordance with Section 45, a consultation period of more than 28 days was specified on the combined section 47 / section 48 notice for all the relevant different categories of consultee listed under s42 of the PA 2008, as set out in paragraph 4.8 of this statement.</p>
Notification to the Secretary of State (section 46)	<p>In accordance with s46 of the PA 2008, the Applicant wrote to the Secretary of State on 20 March 2025 to provide notification of the consultation and signpost where consultation documents could be accessed. On 21 March 2025, the Applicant also provided the Planning Inspectorate with separate notification letter informing of the start of statutory consultation, enclosed to the letter were a copy of the combined S46/S48 notice, the adopted SoCC, and correspondence from both City of Doncaster Council and North Lincolnshire Council providing their acceptance over the SoCC.</p>

Consultation with the Local Community (section 47)

- 4.10. The Applicant consulted with the local community in accordance with the adopted SoCC. The following table shows how the statutory consultation was undertaken in compliance with the adopted SoCC, as per requirements of Section 47(7) of the PA 2008.

Table 4.2 SoCC Commitments and Evidence of Compliance

SoCC Paragraph	Commitment Made	Compliance
4.1	<p><i>We currently intend to undertake statutory consultation for seven weeks starting on Thursday 20th March 2025. The deadline for accepting consultation responses is 11.59pm on Thursday 8th May 2025.</i></p>	<p>The Applicant ran the statutory consultation (in compliance with Section 47) between Thursday 20 March 2025 and Thursday 8 May 2025.</p>
4.2	<p><i>We will present our proposals including how they have been informed by our environmental assessments and engagement to date. We will be seeking feedback on all aspects of our plans for TBSF. These will be explained in the following materials:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) A printed copy of the PEIR will be available to view (but not take away) at the consultation events and at the public information points. • PEIR Non-Technical Summary (“NTS”) – providing a summary of the findings of the PEIR. of the PEIR will also be made available. A printed copy of the NTS will be available to view (but not take away) at the consultation events and at the public information points. • Drawings – a set of drawings showing the full extent of the scheme. Printed copy of the drawing pack will be available to view (but not take away) at the consultation events and at the public information points. • Consultation Leaflet – the leaflet provides an overview of the Scheme. A printed copy of the leaflet will be available to view and, subject to availability, to take away at the consultation events. 	<p>All listed materials were made available from the start of the consultation. All materials were made available on the project website from the start of the consultation on 20 March 2025, all materials were made available at the in-person consultation events.</p> <p>The PEIR, PEIR NTS, Drawings pack, Non-Statutory Consultation Report and the SoCC were also made available at the deposit locations from the start of consultation on 20 March 2025.</p>

	<p>• Non-Statutory Consultation Report – This document summarises the responses received during the non-statutory consultation undertaken prior to the start of statutory consultation. A printed copy will be available to view (but not take away) at the consultation events and at the public information points.</p> <p>• Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) – A printed copy of this document will be available to view (but not take away) at the consultation events and at the public information points. We will also publish a notice in local newspapers to explain where this statement can be inspected pursuant to Section 47 of the Act.</p>	
4.3	<p>All of the statutory consultation documents are available to view and download from the TBSF project website during the statutory consultation period. Paper copies of all consultation materials can be requested for a charge of £0.35 per A4 page to cover printing and postage costs. Request for paper copies can be made by email to: info@tweenbridgesolar.co.uk or calling on Freephone 0800 021 7877. Upon request, documents, subject to availability, may be provided in alternative accessible formats, such as USB sticks or text to speech app.</p>	<p>As stated above, all consultation materials were made available on the project website from the start of the consultation on 20 March 2025.</p> <p>No requests were made to provide the consultation materials in alternative accessible formats.</p>
4.4 to 4.6	<p>We will consult widely in accordance with this SoCC. The consultation process is open to anyone with an interest in TBSF. We have identified a primary consultation zone for the purpose of communicating with the local community under section 47 of the 2008 Act. The primary consultation zone has been identified as those communities who are most likely to experience direct effects from the development. The primary consultation zone typically extends to two kilometres from the boundary of the order limits.</p> <p>The primary consultation zone covers the villages of Thorne, Moorends, Crowle, Ealand, Sandtoft, Hatfield Woodhouse, and</p>	<p>The Primary Consultation Zone included over 13,658 addresses (and comprised residential, business and commercial) located around the settlements of the draft order limits, including villages of Thorne, Moorends, Crowle, Ealand, Sandtoft, Hatfield Woodhouse, and Stone Hill.</p> <p>A Consultation Leaflet was dispatched to the Royal Mail on 15 March 2025. The Royal Mail subsequently distributed the leaflets by second</p>

	<p>Stone Hill. The zone has also been amended where proportionate and reasonable based on existing boundaries in order to avoid inappropriate 'severance' of communities.</p> <p>We recognise that there may be individuals and organisations that are interested in the project but located out of the scope of the primary consultation zone. We are committed to ensuring that these interested parties still have an opportunity to participate in the statutory consultation. We will publicise consultation opportunities to a wider consultation zone by advertising in the Doncaster Free Press and the Scunthorpe Telegraph in accordance with Section 48 of the Act, and keeping a register of interested individuals.</p>	<p>class mail to all collected addresses within the Primary Consultation Zone.</p> <p>Turning to the wider consultation zone, this was defined by the geographic reach of the local newspapers. As stated elsewhere in this statement, the Statutory Notices publicising the statutory consultation were published in the Scunthorpe Telegraph on 20 March 2025 and 27 March 2025; and in the Doncaster Free Press on 20 March 2025 and 27 March 2025.</p> <p>Advertisements publicising the consultation and exhibitions were also placed in the Doncaster Free Press and Scunthorpe Telegraph on 20 March 2025.</p>
4.7(i)	<p>We are proposing 4 public exhibition events at suitable, publicly accessible venues within the primary consultation zone. They will be advertised through the local media, consultation leaflets, project website, posters and consultation letters.</p> <p>Our consultation events are planned as follows: Coulman Pavillion; Crowle Community Hub; Moorends Miners Welfare & Community Development Centre; and Hatfield Woodhouse Village Hall</p>	<p>The Applicant held 4 in-person public exhibitions during the consultation period as set out in the SoCC.</p> <p>A total of 123 people attended the four events.</p> <p>At the events, attendees could view the PEIR, PEIR NTS, Drawings, Non-Statutory Consultation report, the SoCC, Consultation Leaflet, and feedback form.</p> <p>Consultation banners were also prepared for public exhibitions.</p> <p>The applicant ensured that project team members with a wide variety of technical expertise were in attendance at each event so as to enable detailed and technical discussion with attendees.</p>

4.7(ii)	One webinar event will be held for any members of the public to join.	<p>The applicant held one consultation webinar during the consultation period as set out in the SoCC.</p> <p>A total of 2 people attended the webinar.</p> <p>For the webinar, the Applicant prepared presentation of the scheme which mirrored the information displayed on the consultation banners of the in-person public exhibitions.</p>
4.7(iii)	All consultation documents will be published on the dedicated project website: https://tweenbridgesolar.co.uk/	As stated elsewhere in this document, all consultation materials were made available on the project website from the start of the consultation on 20 March 2025.
4.7(iv)	<p>Press release Press releases publicising the consultation and how the community and wider stakeholders can get involved will be issued at the start of the statutory consultation. The press release distribution list will include the following publications: Lincolnshire Live; Yorkshire Post; Scunthorpe Telegraph; Doncaster Free Press; and Thorne Times.</p>	The Applicant issued a press release to all the regional newspapers listed within the SoCC on 19 March 2025.
4.7(v)	<p>Newspaper advertisements publicising the consultation will be released at the start of the consultation. Distribution list for the adverts will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lincolnshire Live; • Yorkshire Post; • Scunthorpe Telegraph; • Doncaster Free Press; 	The Applicant placed an advertisement publicising the consultation within all the local papers specified within the SoCC. Copies of the adverts will be presented within the Consultation Report that will accompany the DCO submission.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thorne Times. 	
4.7 (vi)	<p>We will send either emails (where we have been provided with appropriate email contact details) or hard copy letters about the consultation and how to get involved to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Host constituency and neighbouring constituency area MPs; • Elected representatives at City of Doncaster Council and North Lincolnshire Council; • Host parish councils; • Neighbouring local authorities; • Neighbouring parish councils; • All relevant statutory consultees. 	<p>All stakeholders, relevant local planning authorities, prescribed consultees and interested persons were issued with statutory consultation engagement letter on 20 March 2025. The letter set out details of the statutory consultation, including the applicant, location of development, the consultation period, details on how representations could be made, details where documents could be viewed both online (via the project website) and in-person and (at the deposit locations and the public exhibitions). The letter was accompanied by a plan showing the draft order limits.</p> <p>The statutory consultation engagement letter was reissued to all stakeholders, relevant local planning authorities, prescribed consultees and interested persons on 21 March 2025 and it included a copy of the Statutory Notice.</p>
4.7 (vii)	<p>We will publish the statutory notice under Section 48 of the Planning Act 2008, to publicise the proposed DCO application. It will be published:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For two successive weeks in a local paper(s); • Once in a national newspaper; • Once in the London Gazette. <p>The notice will be made available to view on the project website, a printed copy will be available to view (but not take away) at the consultation events and at the public information points.</p>	<p>The Statutory Notices were published in the local and national papers as specified in the SoCC, namely: –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Scunthorpe Telegraph on 20 March 2025 and 27 March 2025 (ii) Doncaster Free Press on 20 March 2025 and 27 March 2025 (iii) Guardian on 20 March 2025 (iv) London Gazette on 20 March 2025

4.7(viii)	Posters including details of the consultation, how to access Project information, and how to get involved, will be displayed at well-used public locations (this could include parish notice boards, local shops and village halls) within the primary and wider consultation zone, subject to permission.	<p>Posters were displayed at the following locations:</p> <p>Crowle Community Hall, Hatfield Woodhouse Village Hall, Belton Park Pavilion, Thorne Library, Hatfield Community Library, Crowle Community Hub, Thorne Sainsbury's, Thorne Tesco Express, Thorne Lidl, Crowle Co-op Food, St John the Baptist, 7 Lakes Caravan Park, Keadby Post Office</p>
4.7(ix)	Local residents and businesses located within the primary consultation zone (please refer to paragraph 4.4) will be notified of the consultation through a consultation leaflet, inviting them to get involved in the consultation. The leaflet will provide details about the scheme, consultation, exhibition events, how to access the information and how to provide feedback.	<p>As stated elsewhere in this statement, the Primary Consultation Zone included over 13658 addresses (and comprised residential, business and commercial) located around the settlements of the draft order limits, including villages of Thorne, Moorends, Crowle, Ealand, Sandtoft, Hatfield Woodhouse, and Stone Hill.</p> <p>A Consultation Leaflet was dispatched to the Royal Mail on 15 March 2025. The Royal Mail subsequently distributed the leaflets by second class mail to all collected address within the Primary Consultation Zone.</p> <p>The leaflet will provide details about the scheme, consultation, exhibition events, how to access the information and how to provide feedback.</p>
4.8	All consultation materials will be made available online on our website free of charge and can be downloaded for inspection at the reader's discretion. Printed copies of all the materials (including the PEIR) will also be made available for inspection at	As stated elsewhere in this document, all consultation materials were made available on the project website from the start of the consultation on 20 March 2025. Hard copies of the consultation materials were made available at the 4 public exhibitions. The PEIR, PEIR NTS,

	the in-person consultation events and selected documents will be available document inspection points.	drawings, non-Statutory consultation report and SoCC were also made available at the deposit locations during the consultation period.
4.9	<p>The consultation documents listed at paragraph 4.2 will be made available for members of the public to inspect at the following venues:</p> <p>Crowle Community Hub</p> <p>Thorne Library</p> <p>Hatfield Community Library</p>	The PEIR, PEIR NTS, Drawings, Non-Statutory Consultation Report and SoCC were also made available at the deposit locations during the consultation period.
4.10	The project team will check on a regular basis that consultation documentation remains at the information points throughout the consultation period and will ensure the prompt replacement in the event documentation has been removed.	The consultation documentation was inspected by the project team on the following dates, 28 March 2025, 5 April 2025, and 16 April 2025.
4.11	For any activity(ies) identified within this SoCC that cannot be undertaken, where possible, will be substituted with similar activity(ies) and communicated promptly on the project website and/or social media.	All activities within the SoCC were undertaken by the Applicant during the statutory consultation period..
4.12	Ongoing engagement with relevant stakeholders will be undertaken ahead of the launch of the consultation, including local authorities, MPs, the Environment Agency, Natural England, Network Rail, The Canal Trust and Historic England (where possible) and with local interest groups, residents, and landowners who get in touch.	<p>The project team continued to respond to correspondence received through our communication channels ahead of the launch of the consultation.</p> <p>Two Town and Parish Council(s) (Thorne and Moorends Town Council, Crowle Town Council) Were offered a briefing by members of the project team ahead of the statutory consultation</p>

		launch. Members of the project team briefed Crowle Town Council on 10 March 2025.
4.13	All relevant local and parish councillors, elected members and MPs will be contacted at the launch of the consultation and will be kept informed about the Scheme. They will also be encouraged to share information about the consultation with members of their constituency/local community.	<p>All relevant local and parish councillors, elected members and MPs were issued with statutory consultation engagement letter on 20 March 2025. The letter set out details of the statutory consultation, including the applicant, location of development, the consultation period, details on how representations could be made, details where documents could be viewed both online (via the project website) and in-person and (at the deposit locations and the public exhibitions). The letter was accompanied by a plan showing the draft order limits.</p> <p>The statutory consultation engagement letter was reissued to all stakeholders, relevant local planning authorities, prescribed consultees and interested persons on 21 March 2025 and it included a copy of the Statutory Notice.</p>
4.14	We want to ensure that all our engagement and consultation is inclusive, and we want to reach those who otherwise may not engage with us. Seldom heard groups are defined as being inaccessible to most traditional and conventional methods of consultation for any reason. To ensure that seldom heard groups are encouraged to get involved in the consultation, the materials will be prepared to be accessible and clear: -	<p>Local Seldom heard groups were included within our stakeholder communications and were issued with statutory consultation engagement letter on 20 March 2025. The letter set out details of the statutory consultation, including the applicant, location of development, the consultation period, details on how representations could be made, details where documents could be viewed both online (via the project website) and in-person and (at the deposit locations and the public exhibitions). The letter was accompanied by a plan showing the draft order limits.</p>

		The statutory consultation engagement letter was reissued to all stakeholders, relevant local planning authorities, prescribed consultees and interested persons on 21 March 2025 and it included a copy of the Statutory Notice.
4.14(i)	<p>Elderly people</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Directly mailing the consultation leaflet to all stakeholders within the primary consultation zone and providing details of how to access paper copies of other project documents and provide feedback by post. • Options to engage through conventional communications channels including the freepost and the freephone information line. • Upon request, providing information in alternative format such as text to speech app. • Providing paper copies of materials at information point locations <p>along with contact details for the project team, who will be able to provide further assistance and send information to those who are unable to access the material online.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertising the availability of telephone call backs for stakeholders with further questions or who would like to discuss TBSF with the project team. • Consultation events at several locations, with members of the TBSF project team available to assist with completing feedback responses. 	<p>All arrangements outlined in the SoCC were advertised.</p> <p>No requests for alternative arrangements were received.</p>

4.14(ii)	<p>Disabled people and those with learning disabilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upon request, providing information in alternative format such as text to speech app. • Option to enlarge text on the project's website. • Providing telephone call backs for stakeholders with further questions or those who would like to discuss the project further with the project team. • Face-to-face events at four locations within the primary consultation zone, with members of the team available to assist with completing feedback responses. • Opportunity to request webinars supported by British Sign Language signing. 	<p>All arrangements outlined in the SoCC were advertised.</p> <p>No requests for alternative arrangements were received.</p>
4.14(iii)	<p>People with limited mobility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Directly mailing the consultation leaflet to all stakeholders within the primary consultation zone and providing details of how to access paper copies of other project documents and provide feedback by post. • Online engagement through the consultation website and providing opportunities for webinars to remove the need to travel. • Advertising the availability of telephone call backs for stakeholders with further questions or who would like to discuss the project further with the project team. 	<p>All arrangements outlined in the SoCC were advertised.</p> <p>The project team hosted an online webinar on 9 April 2025.</p>
4.14(iv)	<p>Geographically isolated people and communities</p>	<p>All arrangements were advertised.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Directly mailing the consultation leaflet to all stakeholders within the primary consultation zone and providing details of how to access paper copies of other project documents and provide feedback by post. • Online engagement through the consultation website and opportunity for webinars to remove the need to travel. • Advertising the availability of telephone call backs for stakeholders with further questions or who would like to discuss the project further with the project team. 	<p>No requests for alternative arrangements were received.</p> <p>The project team hosted an online webinar on 9 April 2025.</p>
4.14(v)	<p>Young people</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online engagement to encourage this demographic to complete feedback forms/consultation engagement. • Posters will be distributed at the local college/high schools to inform the demographic of the project and encourage them to provide feedback. 	<p>All arrangements were advertised</p> <p>Posters were distributed via post to local colleges/high schools on 18 March 2025.</p>
4.15	<p>The following enquiry channels will be available throughout the consultation for members of the community and other stakeholders to get in touch with the project team, ask questions, request further information or request printed copies of consultation materials and documents. These channels are provided below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online https://tweenbridgesolar.co.uk/ 24 hour. • Telephone 0800 021 7877 Our line is staffed from 9am–5:30pm weekdays (excluding bank holidays) with an answerphone facility to take messages outside these hours. 	<p>The applicant confirm that the communication channels specified in the SoCC were held open during the entire duration of the statutory consultation.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email info@tweenbridgesolar.co.uk 24 hour (emails will be monitored between 9am–5:30pm weekdays, excluding bank holidays, and responded). Post FREEPOST TWEENBRIDGE 	
5.1	Starting on Thursday 20th March 2025, people will be able to submit their feedback relating to TBSF. A consultation feedback form is available to help participants provide comments on the project. All responses must be received by 11.59pm on Thursday 8th May 2025. Responses received after that date may not be considered.	The feedback form was made available on the project website from 20 March 2025. By 11.59pm on Thursday 8 May 2025, the applicant received 87 representations.
5.2	<p>Consultation responses can be made in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing to us at: FREEPOST TWEENBRIDGE. Email your comments to info@tweenbridgesolar.co.uk Completing the feedback form on the project webpage at: https://tweenbridgesolar.co.uk/have-your-say/ Attending a consultation event where you can meet the TBSF Project team and complete a paper copy, or take a feedback form and freepost envelope away to complete and send to us. Picking up a hard copy feedback form and freepost envelope at one of our Document Inspection Points. Requesting a hard copy of the feedback form via telephone on 0800 021 7877 and sending it to us using the Freepost address below. 	The applicant confirm that the communication channels specified in the SoCC were held open during the entire duration of the statutory consultation.
5.3	The enquiry channels above will be available throughout the consultation for members of the public and other stakeholders to	The applicant confirm that the communication channels specified in the SoCC were held open

	ask questions, request further information or request printed copies of consultation materials and documents.	during the entire duration of the statutory consultation.
5.4	We will carefully consider all comments received during the pre-application consultation period.	The Applicant is now reviewing the scheme design and the feedback received from the non-statutory and statutory consultation, along with ongoing environmental assessment and technical work, is informing the final parameters of the scheme. Details of how the feedback influenced the design will be set out in the Consultation Report that will be submitted in support of the DCO application.
5.5	Once we have analysed the feedback to understand key themes from stakeholders, we will produce a Consultation Report, which will set out how the feedback from the preapplication consultation has shaped and influenced the project. This will be submitted with the DCO Application.	The DCO application will be supported by a Consultation Report.
5.6	Any responses that may be published as part of the Consultation Report will have all personal details redacted. Any personal data received as part of the consultation will be stored and protected in accordance with the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation.	The Applicant will follow General Data Protection Regulations when compiling the Consultation Report.
5.7	If, following the statutory consultation, we consider it is necessary to undertake further targeted or supplementary consultation, this would be undertaken, so far as relevant and proportionate, in accordance with the principles and methods set out in this SoCC.	At this moment in time, the Applicant does not anticipate that any required modifications to the order limits would necessitate further targeted consultation

5. Next Steps

- 5.1. This statement confirms how the applicant has carried out the statutory consultation in compliance with the adopted SoCC, as per requirements of section 47(7) of the PA 2008. This applicant will now present this statement to the host local planning authorities in order to seek their agreement and acceptance that the statutory consultation was carried out as prescribed in the SoCC.
- 5.2. Going forward, the Applicant is seeking to continually engage with statutory bodies on any outstanding matters. The Applicant is also currently analysing the responses received as part of the statutory consultation and will have regard to all relevant responses made pursuant to Section 42, Section 47 and Section 48 of the PA2008 in accordance with Section 49 of the PA2008.
- 5.3. A Consultation Report will be produced as part of the DCO application. The Consultation Report will be prepared in accordance with section 37(3)(c) of the PA2008 and it will contain a summary of relevant responses received and how the Applicant has considered these.

Appendix 1

AoCM advice from North Lincolnshire Council and City of Doncaster Council

RE: Tween Bridge - adequacy of consultation milestone

From [REDACTED]@northlincs.gov.uk>

Date Fri 27/06/2025 15:25

To [REDACTED]@pegasusgroup.co.uk>

Good afternoon Gareth,

Thank you for your email.

North Lincolnshire Council (NLC) has taken the opportunity to review the provided draft Adequacy of Consultation Milestone Report and are content that this document demonstrates that the Applicant has carried out statutory consultation in respect of the Tween Bridge Solar Farm project in accordance with their adopted Statement of Community Consultation, which was previously agreed by NLC. It is considered that the consultation undertaken meets the requirements of S47(7) of the Planning Act 2008 and that the Applicant has met their statutory obligation in this regard.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this matter further.

Kind Regards

Andrew Law

Development Management Specialist | Development Management | Economy and Environment

@ [REDACTED]@northlincs.gov.uk



North Lincolnshire Council, Church Square House, 30 – 40 High Street, Scunthorpe, DN15 6NL

From: Gareth Roberts [REDACTED]@pegasusgroup.co.uk>

Sent: 10 June 2025 16:35

To: [REDACTED]@doncaster.gov.uk>; [REDACTED]@doncaster.gov.uk>; Andrew Law
[REDACTED]@northlincs.gov.uk>

Cc: [REDACTED]@pegasusgroup.co.uk>

Subject: Tween Bridge - adequacy of consultation milestone

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Dear Andrew, Emma and Roy

I attach for the consideration of City of Doncaster Council and North Lincolnshire Council the Applicant's draft Adequacy of Consultation Milestone Report. Could you please consider the attached and provide your pre-application advice that the statutory consultation was undertaken as per the requirements set out in the SoCC.

Following the receipt of LPA advice, the Applicant will update the draft Adequacy of Consultation Milestone report before it is submitted to PINS as part of the DCO submission. Under section 55(4)(b) of the Planning Act 2008, at the acceptance stage, the Planning Inspectorate will then seek formal views from the local planning authorities about the adequacy of consultation.

I would be grateful if you could provide you advice by Tuesday 1 July 2025.

Kind regards

Gareth Roberts

Senior Director - Planning

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Doncaster Council

Contact: Roy Sykes
Web: www.doncaster.gov.uk

BY EMAIL:

 @pegasusgroup.co.uk
@pegasusgroup.co.uk

Date: 26 June 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

Proposed Tween Bridge Solar Farm Development Consent Order

Adequacy of Consultation Milestone Report

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Adequacy of Consultation Milestone Report (AoCM) (dated June 2025), a copy of which was provided to City of Doncaster Council (CDC), by email on 10 June 2025.

CDC understands that the Planning Inspectorate will seek the formal views from the Council about the adequacy of consultation, under section 55(4)(b) of the Planning Act 2008 and that our representations at that time must be limited to whether the Applicant has complied with its duties under sections 42, 47 and 48 of the Planning Act, and not broader matters such as the merits of the application itself.

Nevertheless, at this point in the process, CDC understands that published guidance¹ makes clear that full and meaningful consultation and engagement, before the submission of an application is intended to result in a smoother pre-application experience for all stakeholders, lead to a well-prepared application including necessary and relevant detailed information and reduce the risk of changes to the application being proposed at too late a stage in the NSIP process. Disappointingly, at this juncture, CDC has serious concerns about the lack of any meaningful engagement having taken place to shape the project which is understood to be submitted shortly for Examination.

¹ [Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects : Advice on working with public bodies in the infrastructure planning process - GOV.UK](http://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/444444/Nationally_Significant_Infrastructure_Projects_-_Advice_on_working_with_public_bodies_in_the_infrastructure_planning_process_-_GOV.UK)

Published guidance² also sets out that to inform the AoCM, the Applicant will make a written submission to the Inspectorate which establishes the consultation undertaken to date, confirms the approaches set out in the Statement of Community Consultation, and summarises the consultation responses and the way in which they are shaping the application. Importantly, it should include the views and any relevant supporting material from local authorities if available.

CDC submitted its formal response to the Statutory Consultation on 08 May 2025 and at the Summary and Recommendations set out as follows:

"I confirm that this letter forms City of Doncaster Council's consultation in response to your statutory consultation and notification pursuant to Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008. Taking into consideration the evidence of the PEIR and the contents of this letter, and the relative lack of engagement that has taken place to date, the Council strongly encourages the Applicant to positively engage with it on all relevant technical matters as the Environmental Impact Assessment progresses and before Environmental Statement stage submission.

Lastly, the Council would like to put on record that as one of the Host Authorities for this project, we are invited to participate in the DCO process and believe that our local knowledge and expertise can add significant value to positively shaping the project. This is not a statutory duty placed on us, but nevertheless, the Council wishes to take an active role in participating in the process. The Council does however expect to fully recover the costs of this involvement and in this respect has repeatedly asked the Applicant to recommence meaningful discussions regarding a Planning Performance Agreement. Full costs recovery is expected by the Council at every stage of this process, including during the discharge of Requirements should the application be consented. It is hoped that the Applicant recognises the value the Council can add to the process and engages accordingly going forward."

Since then, the only substantive correspondence it has had in respect of this project (other than in respect of a Planning Performance Agreement) has been limited to the following:

- Email from Ion Acoustics Ltd dated 09 June 2025 seeking to agree the location of noise sensitive receptors to be used in the noise and vibration assessment (see **Appendix 1**).
- Email from the Applicant's Agent regarding the Adequacy of Consultation Milestone Report itself dated 10 June 2025, advising of the 01 July 2025 deadline to respond, which was subsequently revised to 27 June 2025.
- Email from RSK LDE dated 19 June 2025 15:49 requesting records of any groundwater or surface water abstractions. CDC has since confirmed that this amounts to information under the Environmental Information Regulations (see **Appendix 2**).

As such, there have been no meaningful attempts to engage with CDC on any of the substantive issues arising from the project as set out in the Statutory Consultation Response, or even any approaches to discuss what was contained within that response. CDC therefore

² [Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects: 2024 Pre-application Prospectus - GOV.UK](#)

does not consider that the Applicant can positively explain the way in they are addressing those matters in shaping the application. It is noted that no attempt to do so has been made in the current AoCM report before CDC for comment.

With the above in mind, CDC has significant concerns that consultation with the Council has been minimal, effectively only ensuring the minimum is achieved in terms of legal compliance. This is incredibly disappointing and appears to be dictated by the Applicant's determination to meet a self-imposed and accelerated deadline for submission for Examination rather than as a tangible opportunity to positively shape the project.

We would be grateful for your confirmation that you have submitted our views as part of your report in due course.

Yours faithfully

Roy Sykes
Head of Planning
Directorate of Place
City of Doncaster Council

Appendix 1:

From: Mark Harrison [REDACTED]@ionacoustics.co.uk>
Sent: 09 June 2025 13:35
To: Nuisance Team <NuisanceT@doncaster.gov.uk>
Subject: Tween Bridge Solar Farm Consultation - Noise Sensitive Receptor Locations

To Whom it May Concern,

I am currently undertaking the noise and vibration assessment for the proposed Tween Bridge Solar Farm and was hoping to engage with the Environmental Health team at the Council to agree the location of noise sensitive receptors used in the assessments.

The scheme is (to the best of my knowledge) fixed and we are currently preparing our reports for submission. Given the size of the scheme, I am not proposing to assess all receptors, though have tried to identify locations representative of the closest affected properties etc. I have divided scheme into residential and non-residential receptors, with the non-residential receptors including ecological receptors, heritage receptors and Public Rights of Way (PRoW).

The two categories of receptors are presented in the tables below:

Residential Receptors

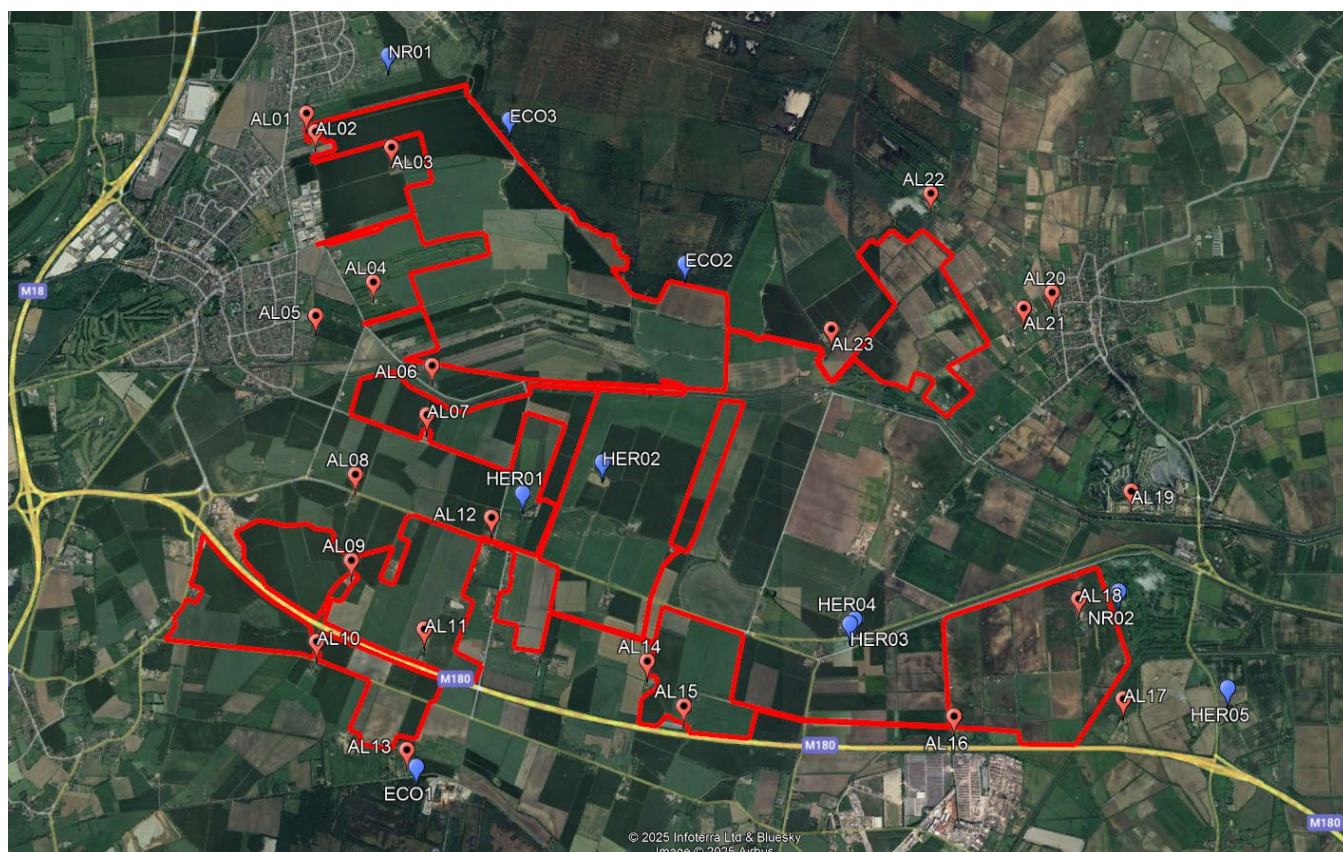
Location Reference	Description	Easting	Northing
AL01	Wilkinson Avenue	469583	414814
AL02	Broadgate Farm	469720	414513
AL03	Dairy Farm Cottage	470431	414345
AL04	Sandmoor Farm	470340	412999
AL05	St Georges Road	469784	412657
AL06	Orchard Farm	470903	412209
AL07	Clay Bank Farm	470919	411675
AL08	Steam House	470263	411135
AL09	Tolstem House	470210	410262
AL10	Stouppers Gate Farm	469937	409547
AL11	Crow Tree Farm	470950	409667
AL12	Green Bank	471584	410757
AL13	Coldstream Cottage	470832	408576
AL14	Plains House Farm	473046	409405
AL15	Goodcop Cottage	473415	409001
AL16	Woodcarr Farm	475956	408980
AL17	Common Farm	477525	409147
AL18	Belton Grange	477120	410043
AL19	7 Lakes Holiday Park	477617	411089
AL20	Windsor Road	476923	412984
AL21	Marsh Road	476632	412864
AL22	Rose Cottage	475733	413959

AL23	Moor Edge Cottage	474721	412553
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Non-Residential Receptors

Location Reference	Description	Easting	Northing
Eco1	Thorne and Hatfield Moor SPA	470991	408480
Eco2		473549	413218
Eco3		471526	414677
Her01	Grove House	471841	410933
Her02	Sandhill Farm	472595	411281
Her03	Dirtness Pumping Station	474981	409795
Her04	Dirtness Cottage	475011	409822
Her05	Mosswood Cottage	478543	409244
NR01	Pig Hill Allotments	470256	415253
NR02	Golf Course	477516	410144
PRoW	The Isle Greenway		
PRoW	Peatlands Way Long Distance Walk		

I have included a rough screen grab of the assessment locations below. Please note, the red line boundary is not accurate but has been included to indicate the broad site area.



A couple of points to note:

- 1) The ecological receptors are representative points of Thorne & Hatfield Moor at closest approach to the proposed solar farm.
- 2) In consultation with the project Ecologist, they highlighted the sensitivity of the Humber Estuary area however, given the separation distance of at least 3km, noise and vibration during both the construction and operational phases is unlikely to result in any adverse impacts.
- 3) The identified PRowWs are only the named routes identified. There are a number of other smaller paths which are included in the assessments, but I can't find names for them.

The residential receptors would be assessed in accordance with BS4142 with appropriate correction factors for any tonal elements to the noise sources. Background sound levels have already been established in the area and indicate that noise levels, particularly towards the motorway, are quite high during both the day and night-time periods.

There is limited guidance on the potential noise impact on birds at the ecological receptors. Some information is available in the Institute of Estuarine & Coastal Studies (IECS) mitigation toolkit, though its not particularly detailed. If you know of any relevant guidance, I would be happy to include this in my assessment.

NR01, NR02 (Non-residential receptors) and the PRowWs are to be assessed against the noise criteria for outdoor living areas detailed in the WHO guidelines for community noise. This would quantify the potential for annoyance and should also achieve the criteria for 'Outdoors in parkland and conservation areas', by keeping the 'ratio of intruding noise to natural background sound' low. It is likely that noise levels during the construction phase will be higher however, these works would be temporary in nature and would not result in long term loss of amenity.

The heritage receptors are listed buildings and would be assessed in accordance with BS4142, assuming they are used as dwellings.

If know of any other receptors for inclusion in my assessment, please let me know ASAP. If you are happy with the above, please could you confirm by return email. Alternatively, I can be reached on the mobile number below if you wish to discuss anything further.

Many thanks and kind regards,

Mark Harrison
Principal Consultant

Georges House, 9-10 Bath Street, BRISTOL, BS1 6HL.


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Appendix 2:

From: Alison Cadge [REDACTED]@rsk.co.uk>
Sent: 19 June 2025 15:49
To: Pollution Control <Pollution.Control@doncaster.gov.uk>
Cc: Keefe, Emma [REDACTED]@doncaster.gov.uk>; Sykes, Roy [REDACTED]@doncaster.gov.uk>
Subject: Abstraction records query - Tween Bridge

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am trying to collate records of any groundwater or surface water abstractions for the attached site which sits between Thorne and Crowle, northeast of Doncaster. It is roughly centred at grid reference 473779E, 409500N, and postcode DN8 5SH. The site is the subject of an application for a solar development (Tween Bridge Solar Farm).

Please could you provide any records you hold of abstractions within this site, or within a 2km buffer of the red line boundary? I would be interested to know the location, use and source of any abstractions.

If you don't hold these records, would you be able to point me in the direction of someone who might be able to help please? I am also contacting North Lincolnshire Council as the search area extends into their jurisdiction.

I can provide the red line boundary as a shapefile if that assists at all.

Many thanks for your assistance,

Alison

Alison Cadge
Principal Hydrologist



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