

Application by RWE Renewables UK Solar and Storage Limited for an order granting development consent for the Tween Bridge Solar Farm Project

Agenda for Issue Specific Hearing 1 (ISH1) – Network connection and environmental Matters:

Hearing		Date and Time	Location
Issue Specific Hearing 1 (ISH1) - Network connection and environmental matters (to include landscape and visual, flood risk, cultural heritage and biodiversity & ecology)		Wednesday 15 April 2026 Hearing Starts at 10.00am Registration and seating available at venue from: 9.30am Virtual registration process from: 9.45am	Mercure Danum Hotel High St, Doncaster, DH1 1DN and By virtual means using Microsoft Teams

Agenda

- 1. Welcome, introductions, arrangements for the Hearing**
- 2. Purpose of the Issue Specific Hearing**
- 3. Network Connection**

Consideration of the grid-connection, with particular regard to:

- the prospect of consent being granted separately for elements not included as part of the proposed development.
- the grid connection date and any implications for the assessment contained within the Environmental Statement.

4. Environmental Matters

Item 4a	Landscape and Visual <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The landscape and visual effects of the proposed development.• The effect of the proposed development on residential visual amenity.
Item 4b	Flood risk, hydrology and water resources <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The effect of flood risk on the proposed development and the effect of the proposed development on flood risk, hydrology and water resources.• Application of the sequential and exception tests.
Item 4c	Cultural Heritage <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The effect of the proposed development on cultural heritage, including above and below ground heritage assets.
Item 4d	Biodiversity and ecology <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The effect of the proposed development on biodiversity and ecology, including its effect on designated sites and protected species.

5. Any other matters

Any other matter which the ExA wishes to raise.

6. Close

Purpose of ISH1

This Issue Specific Hearing is being held to address matters and questions identified by the ExA, including through its reading of application documents and representations from Interested Parties.

The ExA considers that these issues would benefit from consideration of oral representations in order to ensure their adequate examination.

The agenda provided above is indicative and may be subject to change on the day.

These hearings precede the deadline for Local Impact Reports and Written Representations. As such, they may be relatively high level and the ExA does not preclude the possibility of the same topics being discussed at subsequent hearings.

Attendees

The ExA would find it helpful if the following parties could attend this Hearing.

- City of Doncaster Council.
- North Lincolnshire Council.
- Natural England.
- Environment Agency.
- National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc

However, this does not indicate that other parties will not be able to contribute. All Interested Parties (IP) are invited to attend and make oral representations on the matters set out in the agenda.

The ExA has sought to provide sufficient detail to assist the parties to prepare for the Hearing. The details set out above are indicative and the ExA may find it necessary to include additional agenda items or to amend the order in which the items are dealt with.

Anyone wishing to attend the Hearing in person, who has not already advised the Case Team of this, should do so as soon as possible.

The event will be livestreamed and a link for watching the livestream will be posted on the [project webpage](#) of the National Infrastructure Planning website closer to the Hearing date. IPs and members of the public who wish to observe the Hearing can therefore view and listen to the Hearing using the livestream, or view and listen to the recording, after it has concluded.

Registration Process

Parties who have registered to speak (both in person and virtually) will receive a Joining Instruction email shortly before the Hearing which will include a link to the virtual event on Microsoft Teams, and a telephone number should they need to participate by telephone. To enable the Hearing to start on time at **1000hrs** those

attending virtually should join promptly at **0945hrs** to ensure that all virtual attendees can complete the Registration Process in good time.

Procedure at ISH

Guidance under the Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 provides that it is for the ExA to probe, test and assess the evidence through direct questions of persons making oral representations at Hearings. Questioning at the Hearing will be led by the ExA. Cross questioning of a person giving evidence by another person will only be permitted if the ExA decides it is necessary to ensure representations are adequately tested or that an IP has had a fair chance to put its case.