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Application Ref: EN010148

Planning Act 2008: Application for Development Consent Order for Tween Bridge Solar Farm

Examination Deadline 1 Submission (5 May 2026): Cover Letter

Dear Ms Norris

On 24 April 2026, the Examining Authority (“ExA”) issued a letter under Section 89 of the Planning Act 2008 and rules 8 and 9 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (“the Rule 8 letter”) which confirmed the Examination Timetable and procedure relating to the Tween Bridge Solar Farm Development Consent Order (DCO) application. The Rule 8 letter set out the submissions required by the ExA to be provided for each Deadline of the Examination.

This letter encloses the Applicant’s summary of the submission made at Deadline 1.

I would be grateful if you would please acknowledge safe receipt of this letter and the enclosed documents.

Deadline 1 Submission Documents

Documents submitted to the ExA at Deadline 1 have been divided into subsections: Updated Documents, New Submission Documents and Statements of Common Ground. Where a document updates a previously submitted document it is confirmed that a ‘clean’ and ‘tracked’ version have been submitted. The exceptions to this, whereby documents are only submitted as ‘clean’ versions, are the following four documents. The reason being that the changes are not legible with the tracked changes function.

- Environmental Statement Figure 6.4 Landscape and Visual Mitigation Strategy [Document Reference 6.4.6.4 Revision 2]
- Land Plans [Document Reference 2.2 Revision 2]
- Street Works Access and Public Rights of Way Plan [Document Reference 2.4 Revision 2]
- Environmental Statement Appendix 7.7 Great Crested Newt Presence / Absence Survey Report [Document Reference 6.3.7.7 Revision 3]

For completeness, the Applicant can also confirm that:

- The Environmental Statement Appendix 16.2: Glint and Glare Assessment (Fixed Design) [Document Reference 6.3.16.2, Revision 2] has been submitted at Deadline 1. This submission addresses an omission identified by the Applicant in the original submission, where certain content was not included. The document has been updated so that the information is complete. Specifically, the graphs for Receptors 169, 199, 200, and 201 are now provided at pages 277 and 278. The Applicant also made corrections to the page numbering where Figures are referenced.
- The Environmental Statement Appendix 7.7 Great Crested Newt Presence Absence Survey Report [APP-078] was missing four pages (pages 20-24) as a result of an error with the PDF document when being finalised prior to submission. An updated version of this document has been submitted at this Deadline. This updated version of this document was provided to Natural England on 24 February 2026 in response to a request from them highlighting the error.

Updated Submission Documents

The following submission documents have been updated and are submitted at Deadline 1:

- Land Plans [Document Reference 2.2 Revision 2]
- Street Works Access and Public Rights of Way Plan [Document Reference 2.4 Revision 2]
- Draft Development Consent Order [Document Reference 3.1 Revision 3]
- Explanatory Memorandum [Document Reference 3.2 Revision 2]
- Book of Reference [Document Reference 4.3 Revision 2]
- Report to Inform Habitat Regulations Assessment [Document Reference 5.3 Revision 3]
- Grid Connection Statement [Document Reference 5.8 Revision 3]
- Appendix A: Parameters Document [Document Reference 5.6.1 Revision 3]
- Environmental Statement Chapter 6 Landscape and Visual [Document Reference 6.2.6 Revision 2]
- Environmental Statement Appendix 7.10 Non-Breeding Bird Mitigation Strategy [Document Reference 6.3.7.10 Revision 2]
- Environmental Statement Appendix 10.1 Flood Risk Assessment Part 1 [Document Reference 6.3.10.1 Revision 2]
- Environmental Statement Appendix 10.1 Flood Risk Assessment Part 2 [Document Reference 6.3.10.1 Revision 2]
- Environmental Statement Appendix 7.7 Great Crested Newt Presence / Absence Survey Report [Document Reference 6.3.7.7 Revision 3]
- Environmental Statement Appendix 16.2 Glint and Glare Assessment (Fixed Design) [Document Reference 6.3.16.2 Revision 2]
- Environmental Statement Figure 6.4 Landscape and Visual Mitigation Strategy [Document Reference 6.4.6.4 Revision 2]
- Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan [Document Reference 7.1 Revision 2]
- Outline Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan [Document Reference 7.3 Revision 2]
- Outline Ecological Construction Management Plan [Document Reference 7.5 Revision 2]
- Outline Landscape Ecological Management Plan [Document Reference 7.6 Revision 2]
- Outline Soil Management Plan [Document Reference 7.8 Revision 2]

- Outline Supply Chain, Employment and Skills Plan [Document Reference 7.9 Revision 2]
- Environmental Statement Appendix 7.10 Non-Breeding Bird Mitigation Strategy [Document Reference 6.3.7.10 Revision 2]
- Statutory Undertakers Position Statement [Document Reference 7.12 Revision 2]

New Submission Documents

The following new submissions documents are made at Deadline 1:

- Deadline 1 Cover Letter (this Letter)
- Application Document Schedule [Document Reference 8.1 Revision 2]
- Response to Relevant Representations [Document Reference 8.2 Revision 1]
- Written Summary of Oral Submissions made at the Preliminary Meeting [Document Reference 8.3 Revision 1]
- Written Summary of Oral Submissions made at Open Floor Hearing 1 [Document Reference 8.4 Revision 1]
- Written Summary of Oral Submissions made at Issue Specific Hearing 1 [Document Reference 8.5 Revision 1]
- Statement of Reasons Appendix 2 Schedule of Landowner Negotiations [Document Reference 8.6 Revision 1]
- Schedule of Changes to the draft DCO [Document Reference 8.7 Revision 1]

Statements of Common Ground

The following draft Statements of Common Ground have been progressed and are submitted at Deadline 1:

- Statement of Commonality [Document Reference 9.1 Revision 1]
- City of Doncaster Council Statement of Common Ground [Document Reference 9.2 Revision 1]
- North Lincolnshire Council Statement of Common Ground [Document Reference 9.3 Revision 1]
- Environment Agency Statement of Common Ground [Document Reference 9.4 Revision 1]
- National Grid Energy Transmission Statement of Common Ground [Document Reference 9.5 Revision 1]
- Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust Statement of Common Ground [Document Reference 9.6 Revision 1]
- Doncaster East Internal Drainage Board Statement of Common Ground [Document Reference 9.7 Revision 1]
- Isle of Axholme and North Nottingham Water Level Management Statement of Common Ground [Document Reference 9.8 Revision 1]
- Natural England Statement of Common Ground [Document Reference 9.9 Revision 1]
- National Highways Statement of Common Ground [Document Reference 9.10 Revision 1]
- Network Rail Infrastructure Statement of Common Ground [Document Reference 9.11 Revision 1]
- Canal and River Trust Statement of Common Ground [Document Reference 9.12 Revision 1]
- South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Statement of Common Ground [Document Reference 9.13 Revision 1]

The ExA requested that a SoCG be prepared with Historic England. However, Historic England confirmed that no SoCG was required for this application. This is evidenced in the **Statement of Commonality [Document Reference 9.1 Revision 1]**.

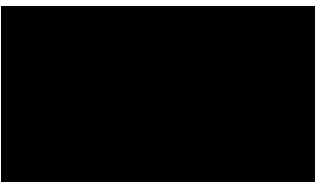
The Applicant has also noted the ExA's request for a SoCG with North Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue. As raised by the Applicant at the Preliminary Meeting and confirmed in the **Summary of Applicant's Oral Submissions at the Preliminary Meeting [Document Reference 8.4 Revision 1]**, on the Applicant's understanding there is no entity known as North Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue Service. In respect of the Humberside Fire and Rescue Service (who were not included in the Annex F of the **Rule 6 Letter [PD-005]** list), the Applicant notes that Humberside Fire and Rescue Service have not submitted a Relevant Representation. Despite this, the Applicant contacted them to propose a SoCG but has not received a response to date. A draft SoCG with South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue has been progressed and is submitted at Deadline 1.

In addition to the list of SoCGs included in Annex F of the **Rule 6 Letter [PD-005]**, the Applicant has progressed a SoCG with **Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust [Document Reference 9.5 Revision 1]** as listed above.

Book of Reference

The **Book of Reference [Document Reference 4.3 Revision 2]** has been updated following a title refresh in order to identify any new land interests since the submission of the application and accompanies this Deadline 1 submission. For any new parties with a land interest not previously identified in the **Book of Reference [APP-021]**, the Applicant has contacted that party under Section 102A of the Planning Act 2008. The Applicant's letter, posted 30 April 2026, advises those with the newly identified land interest how to request to become as an 'Interested Party' in the examination, as well as providing links to where information regarding the Scheme can be found and appropriate contact details for the Applicant. A copy of the letter to those newly identified with land interest is provided at Appendix A.

Yours sincerely,



Paul Hunt

Development Project Manager, RWE



Appendix A: Land Interest Letter under Section 102A of the Planning Act 2008



30/04/2026

Dear ,

**Proposed Tween Bridge Solar Farm
Planning Act 2008 Section 102A – Notification of potential Interested Party status**

RWE Renewables UK Solar and Storage Limited (RWE) is writing to you regarding proposals to build Tween Bridge Solar Farm (the Scheme), a solar and battery storage project which would allow for the generation and export of up to 800 megawatts of electricity on land approximately 10 kilometres to the northeast of Doncaster and 14 kilometres to the west of Scunthorpe. All project information can be found at the following link (<https://tweenbridgesolar.co.uk/>).

Under the Planning Act 2008 (the “Act”), RWE is seeking development consent for the Scheme. This legislation requires RWE to make an application to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) for a Development Consent Order (DCO), to obtain the consent we need to build, operate, and decommission the Scheme.

RWE submitted its application for a DCO on Tuesday 26 August 2025. This application was accepted for examination by the Planning Inspectorate (“PINS”) (on behalf of the Secretary of State) on Tuesday 23 September 2025 and the Applicant provided notification of this acceptance to all persons who at the time held a land interest in the Scheme’s site area. Examination of the application by the Examining Authority (ExA) has commenced with the Preliminary Meeting (PM) held on the 14 April 2026. The examination is due to close on 12 October 2026. Further details of the examination can be found in the rule 8 letter published by PINS on 24 April 2026) and the letter can be found at the following link (<https://nsip-documents.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/published-documents/EN010148-000517-Tween%20Bridge%20Rule%208%20and%20annex.pdf>).

RWE is writing to you now as it understands, via a routine update to our searches, that since acceptance of the application for examination you have been identified as a person who has recently become the holder of a land interest in the Scheme’s site area. On this basis you have the right under section 102A of the Act to make a request to the ExA to become an interested party and participate in the ongoing examination of the application.

Your land interest

This interest is within the boundary of the Scheme and will therefore be added to the Book of Reference at the next opportunity during the Examination process, that being Deadline 1 on 5 May 2026. We enclose with this letter a copy of Sheet XX of the Land Plans showing the locations of Plots XX.

Request to become an interested party

If you have a legal interest in land within one of the categories set out in section 102B of the Act and you have not yet registered to become an Interested Party in the examination, then you can make a request to the Examining Authority to become an Interested Party under section 102A of the Planning Act 2008. Becoming an interested party would enable you to participate, if you wish, in the Examination of the application.

If you wish to request to become an interested party, please contact the ExA for assistance:

- Email: TweenBridge@planninginspectorate.gov.uk
- Telephone: 0303 444 5000 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm - closed on weekends and bank holidays)

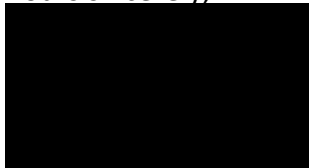
Further information about the Scheme can be found at the PINS project page via: <https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010148>

The Planning Inspectorate have issued detailed advice on registering as an interested party and making a relevant representation, to which you are advised to have regard. Further information on the Examination process is published on the National Infrastructure Planning website under 'Legislation and Advice' and can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-infrastructure-planning-advice-notes>

We would also like to offer you the opportunity to engage directly with the Project Team, so should you have any queries about this correspondence or the Application, please do not hesitate to contact us using the details provided below.

- Post: FREEPOST TWEEN BRIDGE SOLAR (no stamp required)
- Email: info@tweenbridgesolar.co.uk
- Telephone: 0800 021 7877

Yours sincerely,



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RWE Renewables Solar and Storage
Enclosed: Sheets 3 of the Land Plans