



Transboundary screening undertaken by the Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) on behalf of the Secretary of State (SoS) for the purposes of regulation 32 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (The 2017 EIA Regulations)

Project name:	Beacon Fen Energy Park
Address/Location:	Site 2.5 kilometres (km) north of Heckington and 6.5km northeast of Sleaford, connecting to Bicker Fen.
Planning Inspectorate Ref:	EN010151
Date(s) screening undertaken:	First screening – 26 May 2023 Second screening – 21 May 2025

TRANSBOUNDARY SCREENING

The Inspectorate undertook transboundary screening of the proposed development in the Scoping Opinion, which was adopted on 26 May 2023. The Inspectorate concluded that the proposed development **is unlikely to have a significant effect either alone or cumulatively on the environment in a European Economic Area State**. The Scoping Opinion is available from:

[EN010151-000005-EN010151 - Scoping Opinion 2017 EIA Regs.pdf](#)

TRANSBOUNDARY RE-SCREENING

Document(s) used for transboundary screening:	Shadow Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) Report (Document Reference 5.2) The Environmental Statement (ES) Chapters 1 to 19 (Document Reference 6.2) ES Appendices (Document Reference 6.3) ES Figures (Document Reference 6.4)
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The Inspectorate has re-considered the likelihood of transboundary effects resulting from the proposed development, taking into account any changes that have been made to the proposed development since the previous transboundary screening process was undertaken.

The Inspectorate considers that the proposed development is **unlikely to have a significant effect either alone or cumulatively on the environment in a European Economic Area State**. This position will remain under review and will have regard to any new or materially different information coming to light which may alter that decision.

Action: No further action required at this stage.

Date: 21 May 2025

Note: The SoS' duty under regulation 32 of the 2017 EIA Regulations continues throughout the application process.

Note:

The Inspectorate's screening of transboundary issues is based on the relevant considerations specified in the annex to its Advice Page, Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects: Advice on Transboundary Impacts and Process, available at: '[Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects: Advice on Transboundary Impacts and Process](#)'.