



Fenwick Solar Project Limited

Unit 5e Park Farm | Chichester Road |
Arundel | West Sussex | BN18 0AG

The Planning Inspectorate
National Infrastructure Planning
Temple Quay House
2 The Square
Bristol, BS1 6PM

FAO:
fenwicksolar@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

SENT BY EMAIL

21 August 2025

Dear Mr Cridland,

Applicant Letter Examination Deadline 5, Fenwick Solar Project Limited
Application Ref: EN010152

This letter accompanies the submission of a suite of documents by Fenwick Solar Project Limited (the Applicant) for the Examination of the Development Consent Order (DCO) Application for the Fenwick Solar Farm (the Scheme). This suite of documents has been submitted via the Planning Inspectorate's portal at Deadline 5 of the Examination on 21 August 2025.

The information provided responds to requests for information set out in the **Rule 6 letter [PD-005]** issued by the Examining Authority (ExA) on 18 February 2025, the **Rule 8 letter [PD-006]** issued by the ExA on 31 March 2025, submissions made at Deadline 4 of the Examination; and the Rule 17 Request for further Information **[PD-013]** issued by the ExA on 1 August 2025.

The following documents requested by the **Rule 8 letter [PD-006]** for Deadline 5 have not been submitted as no changes to these documents have been made since their previous submissions. The Applicant also does not anticipate any further updates to these documents before Deadline 6 on 12 September 2025 (the final deadline of the Examination) – these versions are therefore considered to be final:

- **Book of Reference [REP1-009];** and
- **Statement of Reasons [APP-018].**

The table below lists the suite of documents submitted by the Applicant and their reason for submission for Deadline 5, with further details of the documentation provided set out in the remainder of this letter and in the Guide to the Application (Revision 06).



Fenwick Solar Project Limited

Unit 5e Park Farm | Chichester Road |
Arundel | West Sussex | BN18 0AG

| Document | Reason for submission and comments |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| New Documents | |
| Cover Letter for Deadline 5 (Revision 00) [EN010152/APP/8.38] | As provided in this letter. |
| Applicant's Responses to Submissions Received at Deadline 4 (Revision 00) [EN010152/APP/8.39] | As required by the Annex A timetable in the Rule 8 Letter [PD-006] . This document presents the Applicant's responses to Representations submitted at Deadline 4. |
| Pink-Footed Goose Technical Note (Revision 00) [EN010152/APP/8.40] | As requested by the ExA in the Rule 17 Request for further Information [PD-013] and Natural England in their response to the ExA's second written questions at Deadline 4 [REP4-043] . This document presents further assessment of the Pink-footed Goose data referred to by the Burnet Heritage Trust in their submissions [RR-011, REP1-054, REP2-075, REP3-035] to determine whether there is evidence of a higher number of this species recorded within the Order limits and whether the NSER [REP2-038] conclusions are affected. |
| Applicant's Closing Submissions (Revision 00) [EN010152/APP/8.41] | This document provides a summary of the Applicant's submissions on any outstanding matters raised in the submissions by Interested Parties, Affected Persons and the Applicant during the course of the Examination of the proposed DCO Application. This document has been produced at Deadline 5 of the Examination given the limited nature of the outstanding matters remaining for the Examination. |
| Development Consent Order Validation Report (Revision 00) [EN010152/APP/8.42] | As required by the Annex A timetable in the Rule 8 Letter [PD-006] . The report uploaded validates that the Draft DCO (Revision 05) [EN010152/APP/3.1] has been drafted on the SI Template. |
| Updated Documents | |
| Guide to the Application (Revision 06) [EN010152/APP/1.2] | As required by the Annex A timetable in the Rule 8 Letter [PD-006] . |



Fenwick Solar Project Limited

Unit 5e Park Farm | Chichester Road |
Arundel | West Sussex | BN18 0AG

| Document | Reason for submission and comments |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Draft Development Consent Order (Revision 06) [EN010152/APP/3.1] | <p>As required by the Annex A timetable in the Rule 8 Letter [PD-006], amendments to action the ExA's Schedule of Changes to the draft DCO, include the final agreed protective provisions with the Environment Agency, add an amendment to Article 16 to reflect the signed highways agreement between the Applicant and the City of Doncaster Council and include the amendments generally agreed to date with the DANVM Drainage Commissioners to the protective provisions for the protection of drainage authorities included in Part 3 of Schedule 14 to the draft DCO.</p> <p>This includes a consolidated tracked change version showing the differences between the version submitted with the application and the final version as well as a tracked change version showing changes since the last submitted version.</p> |
| Framework Operational Environmental Management Plan (Revision 03) [EN010152/APP/7.8] | <p>In response to the Rule 17 Request for further Information [PD-013], Table 3-12 of this document has been updated to confirm that waste generated from equipment failure during the operation and maintenance phase will be managed as per the recommendations detailed in the Framework Site Waste Management Plan [APP-208].</p> |
| Framework Public Rights of Way Management Plan (Revision 04) [EN010152/APP/7.13] | <p>Minor cross-referencing updates are made to Table 3 and section 4.1.1 by replacing 'Fenwick 10' with 'Fenwick 12' (as it is a short section of Fenwick 12 (and not Fenwick 10) which will be stopped up, as agreed with City of Doncaster Council).</p> |
| Statement of Common Ground between Fenwick Solar Project Limited and City of Doncaster Council (Revision 04) [EN010152/APP/8.5] | <p>As required by the Annex A timetable in the Rule 8 Letter [PD-006].</p> <p>Matters are now fully agreed between the Applicant and the City of Doncaster Council. Therefore, a final SoCG is provided at Deadline 5.</p> |
| Statement of Common Ground between Fenwick Solar Farm Project Limited and the Environment Agency (Tracked) | <p>As required by the Annex A timetable in the Rule 8 Letter [PD-006].</p> <p>Matters are now fully agreed between the Applicant and the Environment Agency. Therefore, a final SoCG (clean and tracked) was provided to the Planning Inspectorate on 6 August 2025, which the Applicant understands will be</p> |



Fenwick Solar Project Limited

Unit 5e Park Farm | Chichester Road |
Arundel | West Sussex | BN18 0AG

| Document | Reason for submission and comments |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (Revision 03) [EN010152/APP/8.6] (submitted on 6 August) | published at the same time as the other documents listed in this cover letter. |
| Statement of Common Ground between Fenwick Solar Project Limited and the Burnet Heritage Trust (Revision 03) [EN010152/APP/8.9] | <p>As required by the Annex A timetable in the Rule 8 Letter [PD-006].</p> <p>Following further correspondence with the Burnet Heritage Trust (BHT), as well as BHT's Deadline 3 submission and representations at Issue Specific Hearing 2, both parties consider that no further progress can be made on the matters under discussion.</p> <p>The final SoCG is submitted at Deadline 5. The SoCG was updated to reflect ongoing correspondence with the BHT and was shared for their review on 23 July 2025. The BHT's latest position on each matter in the SoCG were agreed via email exchange on 14 August 2025, however, the BHT have not signed the SoCG prior to Deadline 5.</p> |
| Land Rights Tracker (Revision 04) [EN010152/APP/8.15] | <p>As required by the Annex A timetable in the Rule 8 Letter [PD-006].</p> <p>As per the instructions in Annex F of the Rule 6 Letter [PD-005] this tracker details the latest position (i.e. any changes since Deadline 4) regarding all land rights and interests affected by the Scheme which at this stage are subject to ongoing negotiations. This does not include land rights which have already been fully agreed (i.e. where final Option Agreements and (where necessary) protective provisions are in place).</p> |
| Schedule of Changes to the Draft DCO (Revision 04) [EN010152/APP/8.18] | Provided to explain those changes made to the Draft DCO (Revision 05) [EN010152/APP/3.1] since Deadline 4. |

Rule 17 Request for further Information [PD-013]

The ExA's Rule 17 Request for further Information of 1 August 2025 **[PD-013]** requests additional information relating to three matters:

1. **Habitat Regulation Assessment – Pink-footed Goose:** The Applicant has considered the data referred to by the BHT for Pink-footed Goose and determined that the **NSER [REP2-038]** conclusions are unaffected. This is



Fenwick Solar Project Limited

Unit 5e Park Farm | Chichester Road |
Arundel | West Sussex | BN18 0AG

addressed by the submission of the **Pink-Footed Goose Technical Note (Revision 00) [EN010152/APP/8.40]**.

Natural England has reviewed and agreed to the conclusions of the **Pink-Footed Goose Technical Note (Revision 00) [EN010152/APP/8.40]** prior to Deadline 5, as presented in Appendix A. This includes agreement that the conclusions of the **NSER [REP2-038]** remain unchanged, and that therefore Natural England does not anticipate a need for a Report on Implications for European Sites (RIES).

With this further context now provided, the Applicant requests that the amendments made to the Examination Timetable within the Rule 8(3) letter published by the ExA on 1 August 2025 to enable the publication of a RIES and provide for a further deadline to comment on this RIES are not required. The Applicant is confident that the **NSER [REP2-038]** is robust.

2. **Operational Waste Management:** The Applicant has updated Table 3-12 of the **Framework OEMP (Revision 03) [EN010152/APP/7.8]** to confirm that waste generated from equipment failure (e.g. Solar PV Panels and BESS equipment) during the operation and maintenance phase will be managed as per the recommendations in the **Framework Site Waste Management Plan (SWMP) [APP-208]**.

The purpose of the **Framework SWMP [APP-208]** is to outline the general principles and hierarchy for waste management that would be implemented for the Scheme, rather than specific measures (e.g. for the management of waste from equipment failure). Therefore, the Applicant does not consider an update to this document to address this matter is required.

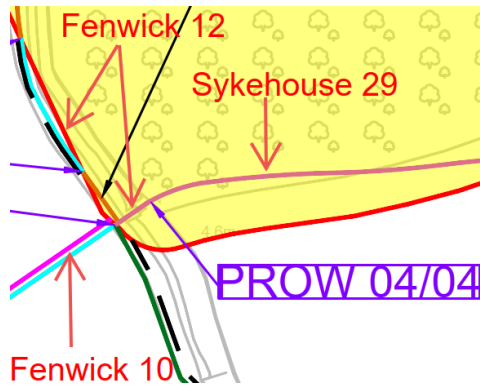
3. **Consolidated documents and version control:** The Applicant can confirm that application documents are consolidated (i.e. they contain updates made to the documents at preceding deadlines). However, whilst the cover letter for each deadline explains the changes made to application documents, the Applicant acknowledges that the changes made to sheet 4 of the Streets, Rights of Way and Access Plan (SRoWAP) **[REP3-004, REP3-005]** would benefit from further explanation.

Updates to sheet 4 of the SRoWAP were made following discussions with City of Doncaster Council leading up to each deadline. The updates focussed on the footpath alignment and numbering to the south of Bunfold Shaw (within the area identified as 'land not included in the Order limits'). To help with cross referencing, footpath names have been added to an extract of sheet 4 **[REP3-004]** below:



Fenwick Solar Project Limited

Unit 5e Park Farm | Chichester Road |
Arundel | West Sussex | BN18 0AG



During the updates made at Deadline 1 **[REP1-004]** and Deadline 2 **[REP2-004]**, it had been understood that Fenwick 10 extended east into the yellow 'land not included in the Order limits'. However, through discussions with City of Doncaster Council, this section of footpath was corrected to Fenwick 12 on the SRoWAP and an updated version of the **SRoWAP [REP3-004]** was submitted at Deadline 3.

The Applicant confirms that the Framework Public Rights of Way Management Plan (fPRoWMP) submitted at Deadline 4 **[REP4-025]** reflects the SRoWAP submitted at Deadline 3 **[REP3-004]**, but further cross-referencing updates are made to Table 3 and section 4.1.1 of the fPRoWMP by replacing 'Fenwick 10' with 'Fenwick 12' (as it is a short section of Fenwick 12 (and not Fenwick 10) which will be stopped up, as agreed with City of Doncaster Council). These updates are addressed by the submission of an updated **Framework PRoWMP (Revision 04) [EN010152/APP/7.13]** at Deadline 5.

The closure of Fenwick 10 between PRoW 04/05 and PRoW 04/09 has been deleted from Schedule 6, Part 6 of the **Draft DCO (Revision 06) [EN010152/APP/3.1]** to ensure consistency with the **Framework PRoWMP (Revision 04) [EN010152/APP/7.13]** and the SRoWAP described above.

Should you require any further information or have any questions regarding this submission please do not hesitate to contact the project team.

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted signature]

[Redacted name]

Project Manager, Boom Power

On behalf of Fenwick Solar Project Limited | Unit 5e Park Farm | Chichester Road |
Arundel | West Sussex | BN18 0AG



Fenwick Solar Project Limited

Unit 5e Park Farm | Chichester Road |
Arundel | West Sussex | BN18 0AG

Appendix A Natural England's Response to the Pink Footed Goose Technical Note

Baker, Owen

From: [REDACTED]@naturalengland.org.uk>
Sent: 15 August 2025 09:51
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Fenwick Solar Farm - Pink-Footed Goose Technical Note
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

This Message Is From an External Sender

This message came from outside your organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

[Report Suspicious](#)

Hi [REDACTED]

Thank you for providing the updated report. We've reviewed it and agree with the assessment provided.

Nick will submit our Deadline 5 response next week confirming that Natural England is satisfied with the assessment presented and agree that the conclusions of the No Significant Effects Report remain unchanged, based on the information provided. Therefore, Natural England does not anticipate the need for a Report on Implications for European Sites (RIES) for this project.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Senior Officer – Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIPs)
Yorkshire and Northern Lincolnshire Area Team
Lateral, 8 City Walk, Leeds, LS11 9AT
www.gov.uk/natural-england

Thriving Nature
for people and plane



BUILD | OWN | OPERATE | MAINTAIN

BOOM-POWER.CO.UK