



# Frodsham Solar

## Section 55 Checklist

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## Section 55

### Acceptance of Applications Checklist

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Section 55(2) Acceptance of Applications				
1	Within 28 days (starting day after receipt) the Planning Inspectorate must decide whether or not to accept the application for Examination.	Date received	28-day due date	Date of decision
Section 55(3) – the Planning Inspectorate may only accept an application if it concludes that:		Planning Inspectorate comments		
Section 55(3)(a) and s55(3)(c): It is an application for an order granting development consent				
2	In accordance with sections(s) 14 to 30 of the Planning Act 2008 (the PA2008), is the development a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) (or does it form part of an NSIP); and does the application state on the face of it that, in accordance with s31 of the PA2008, it is an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) under the PA2008, or equivalent words? Does the	<p>Yes</p> <p>Frodsham Solar project is defined as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under paragraph 14(1)(a) and 15(2) of the PA 2008, which defines an NSIP as including the construction of an onshore generating station exceeding 50 megawatts (MW) in England.</p> <p>The Project is set out in Schedule 1 of the Draft DCO <b>[EN010153/DR/3.1]</b> and is consistent with Section 4 of the application form that confirms the application is a development for which Development Consent is required under the Planning Act</p>		

	<p>application specify the development to which it relates (i.e. which category or categories in s14 to 30 does the Proposed Development fall)?</p> <p>If the development does not fall within the categories in s14 to 30, has a direction been given by the Secretary of State under s35 of the PA2008 for the development to be treated as development for which development consent is required?</p>	2008.
3	<b>Summary: Section 55(3)(a) and s55(3)(c)</b>	The Planning Inspectorate can be satisfied that the draft DCO [EN010153/DR/3.1] includes development for which Development Consent is required.
<b>Section 55(3)(e): The Applicant in relation to the application made has complied with Chapter 2 of Part 5 (pre-application procedure)</b>		
4	In accordance with Regulation 8 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the EIA Regulations), did the Applicant (prior to carrying out consultation in accordance with s42) either (a) request the Planning Inspectorate adopt a Screening Opinion in respect of the development to which the application relates, or (b) notify the Planning Inspectorate in writing that it proposed to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of that development?	<p>Yes. The Applicant submitted a Scoping Report to the Planning Inspectorate in accordance with Regulation 10(1) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the EIA Regulations) on behalf of the Secretary of State on 30 May 2023.</p> <p>On the 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024, PINS acknowledged that the Applicant had provided notification in accordance with Regulation 8(1)(b) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 that Frodsham Solar proposes to provide an environmental statement in respect of the Proposed Development.</p>
5	Have any Adequacy of Consultation	The Applicant submitted their written statement on the adequacy of consultation

	<p>Representations been received from 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D' local authorities; and if so, do they confirm that the Applicant has complied with the duties under s42, s47 and s48?</p> <p>Section 55(4) of the PA2008 provides that the Planning Inspectorate must have regard to the Consultation Report, and any Adequacy of Consultation Representations received.</p>	<p>undertaken, informed by views by Cheshire West and Chester Council as host local authority, to the Planning Inspectorate on 27 March 2025 as part of the Early Adequacy of Consultation Milestone. This was to give early consideration of the adequacy of consultation undertaken by the Applicant, prior to the acceptance stage of a DCO application.</p>
<b>Section 42: Duty to consult</b>		
Did the Applicant consult the applicable persons set out in s42 of the PA2008 about the proposed application?		
6	<p>Section 42(1)(a) persons prescribed?</p> <p>The persons prescribed are the statutory consultees set out in Schedule 1 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (the APFP Regulations).</p>	<p>Yes. The Applicant notified all those consulted under section 42 of the deadline in writing by email and/or post. Chapter 7 and Appendix 6 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1 and 5.2]</b> details the Section 42 consultees contacted and the materials sent to them.</p>
7	<p>Section 42(1)(aa) the Marine Management Organisation(MMO)?</p> <p>The MMO must be consulted in any case where the Proposed Development would affect, or would be likely to affect, any of the areas specified in s42(2) of the PA2008.</p>	<p>Yes. The Applicant notified the Marine Management Organisation at the same time as other prescribed consultees as defined in Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (APFP Regulations, notwithstanding that the Project does not affect the marine environment.</p>
8	<p>Section 42(1)(b) each local authority within s43?</p> <p>Definition of 'local authority' in s43(3) of the PA2008: The 'B' authority where the application</p>	<p>Yes. The Applicant consulted each local authority that is within S.43. The relevant local authorities are detailed in Table 7.1 of the Consultation report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b>.</p>



	land is in the authority's area; the 'A' authority where any part of the boundary of A's area is also a part of the boundary of B's area; the 'C' authority (upper tier) where the application land is in that authority's area; the 'D' authority (upper tier) where such an authority shares a boundary with a 'C' authority.	
9	Section 42(1)(c) the Greater London Authority (if in Greater London area)?	Not applicable as this Proposed Development is located outside of Greater London.
10	Section 42(1)(d) each person in one or more of s44 categories?  Category 1: owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of land; Category 2: person interested in the land or has power to sell and convey the land or to release the land; Category 3: persons who would or might be entitled to make a relevant claim.	Yes. The Applicant consulted each person who is within one or more of the categories set out in Section 44. This is set out in Section 7.5 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b> .
<b>Section 45: Timetable for s42 consultation</b>		
11	Did the Applicant notify s42 consultees of the deadline for receipt of consultation responses; and if so was the deadline notified by the Applicant 28 days or more starting with the day after receipt of the consultation documents?	Yes. The Applicant notified all those consulted under section 42 of the deadline in writing by email and/or post. Chapter 7 of the Consultation Report and Appendix 6 <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1 and 5.2]</b> details the Section 42 consultees contacted and the materials sent to them.  All defined statutory consultation periods for the Proposed Development have exceeded 28 days.
<b>Section 46: Duty to notify the Planning Inspectorate of proposed application</b>		

12	Did the Applicant supply information to notify the Planning Inspectorate of the proposed application; and if so, was the information supplied to the Planning Inspectorate on or before the date it was sent to the s42 consultees? Was this done on or before commencing consultation under s42?	<p>Yes. The Applicant notified the Secretary of State, via the Planning Inspectorate, in writing under Section 46 of the Planning Act 2008 on 05 November 2024. Details of the information provided by the Applicant are described in Section 7.6 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b>, with copies of the documents provided available in Appendix 6: Section 42 Consultation Materials <b>[EN010153/DR/5.2]</b> and Appendix 7: Section 48 Consultation Materials <b>[EN010153/DR/5.2]</b>.</p> <p>The Applicant supplied the consultation documents to the Secretary of State, via the Planning Inspectorate, on 05 November 2024. This was before the consultation commenced on 07 November 2024.</p>
<b>Section 47: Duty to consult local community</b>		
13	Did the Applicant prepare a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) on how it intended to consult people living in the vicinity of the land?	<p>Yes. The Applicant prepared and published a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) on 25 May 2023 and a SoCC Addendum on 31 October 2024. Details on the preparation of the SoCC and the SoCC Addendum, including consultation with local authorities on drafts of the SoCC, are available in Chapter 5 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b> and in Appendix 2: Statement of Community Consultation Materials <b>[EN010153/DR/5.2]</b></p>
14	Were 'B' and (where relevant) 'C' authorities consulted about the content of the SoCC; and if so, was the deadline for receipt of responses 28 days beginning with the day after the day that 'B' and, where applicable, 'C' authorities received the consultation documents?	<p>Yes. To inform the preparation of the SoCC, the Applicant consulted relevant local authorities within Section 43(1) about the content of the SoCC, namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cheshire West and Chester Council</li> <li>Halton Borough Council</li> </ul> <p>To inform the preparation of the SoCC and subsequently the SoCC Addendum (which aimed to set out in more detail how Phase Two consultation would be undertaken), the Applicant consulted both Cheshire West and Chester Council and Halton Borough Council. This was because properties within the Community</p>

		<p>Consultation Zone remained within Halton's administrative area, and for consistency in approach between consultations regarding the SoCC.</p> <p>Table 7.1 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b> sets out that there were no C or D authorities for the Proposed Development.</p>
15	Has the Applicant had regard to any responses received when preparing the SoCC?	<p>Yes. The Applicant has had regard to all relevant comments received on the draft SoCC.</p> <p>The Applicant shared a response table with each local authority to explain how their comments had been considered. This is included in Section 5.4 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b>.</p>
16	Has the SoCC been made available for inspection on a website maintained by or on behalf of the Applicant; and has a notice been published in a newspaper circulating in the vicinity of the land which states where and when the SoCC can be inspected?	<p>Yes. The final SoCC was publicised in accordance with Section 47 of the 2008 Act on 25 May 2023.</p> <p>The SoCC was uploaded to the document library on the Applicant's website and made available to view and collect from the public venues (Community Access Points) listed below:</p> <p><b>Community Access Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Frodsham Library</li> <li>• Helsby Library</li> <li>• Ellesmere Port Library</li> </ul> <p>Notices were published in the Chester Chronicle and the Chester Standard on 25 May 2023 to publicise the SoCC and its availability.</p> <p>Evidence of this is presented in <b>Appendix 2: Statement of Community Consultation Materials [EN010153/DR/5.2]</b>.</p> <p>The SoCC Addendum was publicised in accordance with Section 47(6) of the</p>



		<p>2008 Act on 31 October 2024. The SoCC Addendum was uploaded to the document library on the Applicant's Project website and made available to view and collect from the public venues (Community Access Points) listed in the document and accompanying notice.</p> <p>Evidence of the SoCC Addendum being hosted on the Proposed Development website is provided in <b>Appendix 2: Statement of Community Consultation Materials [EN010153/DR/5.2]</b></p>
17	In accordance with Regulation 12 of the EIA Regulations, does the SoCC set out whether the development is EIA development; and does it set out how the Applicant intends to publicise and consult on the Preliminary Environmental Information?	<p>Yes. The Applicant's SoCC and SoCC Addendum set out that the project is a EIA development, that the consultation was to include a PEIR and included a range of methods to support an accessible and inclusive pre-application consultation.</p> <p>The Applicant prepared and published a range of consultation materials available in various formats in the statutory Phase Two Consultation to cater for differing preferences and levels of interest and expertise. This included: a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR); a Non-Technical Summary of the PEIR; a Community Consultation Leaflet; and a Feedback Form.</p>
18	Has the Applicant carried out the consultation in accordance with the SoCC?	<p>Yes. The Applicant carried out the pre-application consultation in accordance with the SoCC and SoCC Addendum, which was informed through consultation with host local authorities.</p> <p>Table 5.4 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b> sets out commitments made by the Applicant in the SoCC and how the Applicant complied.</p>
<b>Section 48: Duty to publicise the proposed application</b>		
19	Did the Applicant publicise the proposed application in the prescribed manner set out in Regulation 4(2) of the (as amended) APFP Regulations 2009?	<p>Yes. A section 48 Notice was published as part of the Phase Two statutory consultation. This is described further in section 8 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b>.</p> <p>Furthermore, the Applicant also strived to raise awareness of the application more</p>

		<p>widely. This included sharing press releases, advertisement in regional publications, and through hosting public information events.</p> <p>As detailed in Section 6 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b>, the Applicant made documents available at Community Access Points (CAP) sites, and distributed posters with Local Information Points (LIPs) throughout the consultation zone. Along with advertisements and the publication of notices, in addition to directly distributing a consultation postcard to over 11,000 properties, the Applicant ensured wide consultation on the Proposed Development.</p>
Newspaper(s)		Date
a)	for at least two successive weeks in one or more local newspapers circulating in the vicinity in which the Proposed Development would be situated;	<p>Table 8.1 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b> sets out the dates of two successive publications in the Chester Chronicle and the Chester Standard. Copies of the notice as placed can be found in Appendix 7: Section 48 Consultation Materials <b>[EN010153/DR/5.2]</b>.</p> <p>31 October 2024 7 November 2024</p>
b)	once in a national newspaper;	<p>Table 8.1 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b> sets out the date of the Section 48 notice being published in a national newspaper, in this case the Guardian.</p> <p>Copies of the notices as placed in the newspapers are provided in Appendix 7: Section 48 Consultation Materials <b>[EN010153/DR/5.2]</b></p> <p>31 October 2024</p>
c)	once in the London Gazette and, if land in Scotland is affected, the Edinburgh Gazette; and	<p>Table 8.1 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b> sets out the date of the Section 48 notice being published in the London Gazette.</p> <p>Copies of the notices as placed in the newspapers are provided in Appendix 7: Section 48 Consultation Materials</p> <p>4 November 2024</p>

		<b>[EN010153/DR/5.2].</b> The Proposed Development does not affect any land in Scotland, as such the Applicant did not publish a notice in the Edinburgh Gazette.	
d)	where the proposed application relates to offshore development – (i) once in Lloyds List; and (ii) once in an appropriate fishing trade journal?	It was determined by the Applicant that it was not required to place a notice within Fishing News or Lloyds List, as the Proposed Development does not include any offshore development.	
20	Did the s48 notice include the required information set out in Regulation 4(3) of the (as amended) APFP Regulations 2009?	Yes. The Applicant's Section 48 notice included all matters required by this regulation, including stipulation of a deadline for responses being 19 December 2024.  The published Section 48 Notices are included in Appendix 7: Section 48 Consultation Materials <b>[EN010153/DR/5.2]</b> .  Details of the consultation materials and the relevant communication channels are available in Section 6.6 and Section 6.7 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b> .	

Information		Paragraph	Information		Paragraph
a)	the name and address of the Applicant.	1	b)	a statement that the Applicant intends to make an application for development consent to the Secretary of State	Introductory paragraph
c)	a statement as to whether the application is EIA development	4	d)	a summary of the main proposals, specifying the location or route of the Proposed Development	Introductory paragraph
e)	a statement that the documents, plans	7 and 20	f)	the latest date on which those documents, plans	

g)	and maps were available on a website maintained by or on behalf of the Applicant. The statement must include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The nature and location of the Proposed Development</li><li>• The address of the website</li><li>• The place on the website</li><li>• A telephone number which can be used to contact the Applicant for enquiries in relation to the documents, plans and maps.</li></ul>		h)	and maps will be available for inspection	
	whether a charge will be made for copies of any of the documents, plans or maps and the amount of any charge	10		details of how to respond to the publicity	14 - 16
	i)	a deadline for receipt of those responses by the Applicant, being not less than 28 days following the date when the notice is last published		17	
21	Are there any observations in respect of the s48 notice provided above?				
	N/A				
22	Has a copy of the s48 notice been sent to the EIA consultation bodies and to any person notified to the Applicant in accordance with Regulation 13 of the EIA Regulations?	Yes. The Applicant provided a copy of the Section 48 notice to the relevant consultation bodies and persons notified to the Applicant in accordance with regulation 11(1)(c).  The list of Section 42 consultees is included in Appendix 6: Section 42 Consultation			

		<p>Materials <b>[EN010153/DR/5.2]</b>.</p> <p>A copy of the Section 48 notice is included in <b>Appendix 7: Section 48 Materials [EN010153/DR/5.2]</b>.</p>
<b>s49: Duty to take account of responses to consultation and publicity</b>		
23	<p>Has the Applicant had regard to any relevant responses to the s42, s47 and s48 consultation?</p>	<p>Yes. The Applicant has had regard to all relevant responses made pursuant to Section 42, Section 47 and Section 48.</p> <p>A summary of relevant responses received and how the Applicant has considered these is set out in Appendix 8: Phase One Section 47 Applicant Responses <b>[EN010153/DR/5.2]</b>, Appendix 9: Phase Two Section 47 Applicant Responses <b>[EN010153/DR/5.2]</b>, and Appendix 10: Section 42 Applicant Responses <b>[EN010153/DR/5.2]</b> to the Consultation Report, and a short summary is provided in Section 9.4 and 10.1 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b>.</p>
<b>S50(3) Regard to guidance about pre-application procedure</b>		
24	<p>To what extent has the Applicant had regard to statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Pre-application stage for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects'?</p> <p>The Planning Inspectorate must have regard to the extent to which the Applicant has had regard to guidance issued under s50.</p>	<p>The Applicant has also had regard to updated guidance published by the Planning Inspectorate in April 2024 and the updated Advice Note on the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b>, published in August 2024. This can be found in Chapter Two (Legislation, guidance, and advice) of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b> and detailed fully in Appendix 1 of the Consultation Report <b>[EN010153/DR/5.2]</b>.</p>
25	<b>Summary: Section 55(3)(e)</b>	
<b>s55(3)(f) and s55(5A): The application (including accompaniments) achieves a satisfactory standard having regard to the extent to which it complies with section 37(3) (form and contents of application) and with any standards set under section 37(5) and</b>		

follows any applicable guidance under section 37(4)			
26	<p>Is it made in the prescribed form as set out in Schedule 2 of the APFP Regulations, and does it include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a brief statement which explains why it falls within the remit of the Planning Inspectorate; and</li> <li>a brief statement that clearly identifies the location of the application site, or the route if it is a linear scheme?</li> </ul>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>Section 4 the Application Form <b>[EN010153/DR/1-1]</b> explains why it falls within the remit of the Planning Inspectorate.</p> <p>Section 5 of the Application Form <b>[EN010153/DR/1-1]</b> provides a brief statement that clearly identifies the location of the application site.</p> <p>Location, Order Limits and Grid Coordinates Plans <b>[EN010153/DR/2.1]</b> shows the location of the application site.</p>	
27	Is it accompanied by a Consultation Report?	<p>Yes.</p> <p>The Consultation Report document reference is <b>[EN010153/DR/5.1]</b>.</p>	
28	In accordance with Regulation 5(4) of the APFP Regulations, where a plan comprises three or more separate sheets, has a key plan been provided showing the relationship between the different sheets?	Yes.	
29	Is it accompanied by the documents and information set out in APFP Regulation 5(2)?	Yes.	
Information		Document	



a)	Where applicable, the Environmental Statement required under the EIA Regulations and any scoping or screening opinions or directions	<p>Environmental Statement Table of Contents, Glossary and Acronyms <b>EN010153/DR/6.1</b></p> <p>Environmental Statement Chapters 1 to 14 <b>EN010153/DR/6.1</b></p> <p>Environmental Statement Appendices 1-1 to 11-6, including the Scoping Opinion provided at Appendix 1-2 <b>EN010153/DR/6.2</b></p> <p>Environmental Statement Figures 1-1 to 7-26 <b>EN010153/DR/6.3</b></p> <p>Environmental Statement Vol 4 Non-Technical Summary <b>EN010153/DR/6.4</b></p>	b)	The draft Development Consent Order (DCO)	Draft Development Consent Order <b>EN010153/DR/3.1</b>
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c)	Is this of a satisfactory standard?		d)	Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
	An Explanatory Memorandum explaining the purpose and effect of provisions in the draft DCO	Explanatory Memorandum <b>EN010153/DR/3.2</b>		Where applicable, a Book of Reference	Book of Reference <b>EN010153/DR/4.3</b>
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
e)	A copy of any Flood Risk Assessment	Flood Risk Assessment (ES Appendix 9-1) <b>EN010153/DR/6.2</b>	f)	A statement whether the proposal engages one or more of the matters set out in section 79(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (statutory nuisances) and if so how the Applicant proposes to mitigate or limit them	Statement of Statutory Nuisance <b>EN010153/DR/5.4</b>
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
	A Statement of Reasons and a Funding Statement (where the application involves any	Statement of Reasons <b>EN010153/DR/4.1</b> Funding Statement		A Land Plan identifying:- (i) the land required for, or affected by,	Land and Crown Land Plans <b>EN010153/DR/2.2</b>
h)			i)		

j)	Compulsory Acquisition)	<b>EN010153/DR/4.2</b>	k)	the Proposed Development;  (ii) where applicable, any land over which it is proposed to exercise powers of Compulsory Acquisition or any rights to use land;  (iii) any land in relation to which it is proposed to extinguish easements, servitudes and other private rights; and  (iv) any special category land and replacement land	
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
	A Works Plan showing, in relation to existing features:-  (i) the proposed location or (for a linear scheme) the	Works Plans <b>EN010153/DR/2.3</b>		Where applicable, a plan identifying any new or altered means of access, stopping up of streets or roads or any diversions,	Street Works, Public Rights of Way, Vehicular Usage and Access Plans <b>EN010153/DR/2.4</b>

	<p>proposed route and alignment of the development and works; and</p> <p>(ii) the limits within which the development and works may be carried out and any limits of deviation provided for in the draft DCO</p>			<p>extinguishments or creation of rights of way or public rights of navigation</p>	
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
l)	<p>Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying:-</p> <p>(i) any statutory or non-statutory sites or features of nature conservation eg sites of geological or landscape importance;</p> <p>(ii) habitats of protected species, important habitats</p>	<p>(i) Statutory and Non-Statutory Sites/ Features of Nature Conservation Plan <b>EN010153/DR/2.8</b> – this is assessed in ES Chapter 7 and Chapter 8 of the ES <b>EN010153/DR/6.1</b></p> <p>(ii) Figure 5, 6a-e of</p>	m)	<p>Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying any statutory or non-statutory sites or features of the historic environment, (eg scheduled monuments, World Heritage sites, listed buildings, archaeological sites and registered battlefields) together with an assessment of any effects on such</p>	<p>Plan with accompanying information identifying any statutory or non-statutory sites or features of the historic environment, including scheduled monuments, World Heritage sites, listed buildings and other historic structures, archaeological sites and registered battlefields, together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features or structures likely to be caused by the proposed development – Figures 11.1 – 11.4 in Vol 3 of the ES <b>EN010153/DR/6.2</b></p> <p>An assessment of any effects on such sites, features or structures likely to be</p>

<p>or other diversity features; and</p> <p>(iii) water bodies in a river basin management plan, together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features, habitats or bodies likely to be caused by the Proposed Development</p>	<p>ES Vol 2 Appendix 7-1: Habitats Baseline Report  <b>EN010153/DR/6.2</b> this is assessed in ES Chapter 7 and Chapter 8 of the ES  <b>EN010153/DR/6.1.</b> Note that for legibility, this Figure is of a scale smaller than 1:2500.</p> <p>(iii) Waterbodies in a River Basin Management Plan  <b>EN010153/DR/2.10</b> – this is assessed in ES Chapter ES Vol 2 Appendix 9-2: Water Framework Directive Assessment  <b>EN010153/DR/6.2</b></p>		<p>sites, features or structures likely to be caused by the Proposed Development</p>	<p>caused by the Proposed Development is provided in ES Chapter 11: Cultural Heritage and Archaeology  <b>EN010153/DR/6.1</b></p>
<p>Is this of a satisfactory</p>			<p>Is this of a satisfactory</p>	

n)	standard?		o)	standard?	
	Where applicable, a plan with any accompanying information identifying any Crown land	Land and Crown Land Plans <b>EN010153/DR/2.2</b>		Any other plans, drawings and sections necessary to describe the development consent proposal showing details of design, external appearance, and the preferred layout of buildings, structures, drainage, surface water management, means of vehicular and pedestrian access, any car parking and landscaping	Hedgerow Removal Plans <b>EN010153/DR/2.7</b>  The Environmental Statement describes the proposal. Details can be found in Environmental Statement Volume 1, Chapter 2: The Proposed Development <b>EN010153/DR/6.1.</b>  ES Vol 3 Figure 2-3: (a-e) Illustrative Environmental Masterplan <b>EN010153/DR/6.3</b> , and ES Vol 3 Figure 2-5(a-j): Indicative Engineering Drawings <b>EN010153/DR/6.3</b> , illustrate the Proposed Development.
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Are they of a satisfactory standard?	
p)	Any of the documents prescribed by Regulation 6 of the APFP Regulations:	Grid Connection Statement <b>EN010153/DR/7.14</b>	q)	Any other documents considered necessary to support the application	Cover letter <b>EN010153/DR/1.2</b>  Guide to the Application <b>EN010153/DR/1.3</b>  Section 55 Checklist <b>EN010153/DR/1.4</b>



				Application Document Tracker <b>EN010153/DR/1.5</b> Programme Document <b>EN010153/DR/1.6</b> Copies of Newspaper Notices <b>EN010153/DR/1.7</b> Statutory Instrument Validation Report <b>EN010153/DR/3.3</b> Consultation Report <b>EN010153/DR/5.1</b> Consultation Report Appendices <b>EN010153/DR/5.2</b> Other Consents and Licences Statement <b>EN010153/DR/5.5</b> Planning Statement <b>EN010153/DR/5.6</b> Policy Compliance Document <b>EN010153/DR/5.7</b> Design Approach Document <b>EN010153/DR/5.8</b> Potential Main Issues for the Examination
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				<p><b>EN010153/DR/5.9</b> Commitments Register</p> <p><b>EN010153/DR/7.1</b> Design Parameters Statement</p> <p><b>EN010153/DR/7.2</b> Transport Assessment</p> <p><b>EN010153/DR/7.3</b> Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan</p> <p><b>EN010153/DR/7.4</b> Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan</p> <p><b>EN010153/DR/7.5</b> Outline Operational Environmental Management Plan</p> <p><b>EN010153/DR/7.6</b> Outline Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan</p> <p><b>EN010153/DR/7.7</b> Outline Battery Safety Management Plan</p> <p><b>EN010153/DR/7.8</b> Outline Public Rights of Way Management Plan</p>
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				<b>EN010153/DR/7.9</b> Outline Soil Management Plan <b>EN010153/DR/7.10</b> Outline Skills, Supply Chain and Employment Plan <b>EN010153/DR/7.11</b> Biodiversity Net Gain Report <b>EN010153/DR/7.12</b> Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan <b>EN010153/DR/7.13</b> Arboricultural Assessment <b>EN010153/DR/7.15</b>
	Are they of a satisfactory standard?			Are they of a satisfactory standard?
30	Are there any observations in respect of the documents provided at Box 29 (a) to (q) above?			
31	In accordance with Regulation 5(2)(g) of the APFP Regulations, is the application accompanied by a report identifying any European site(s) to which Regulation 48 of The Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 applies; or any Ramsar site(s), which may be affected by the Proposed Development, together with sufficient information that will enable the Secretary of		Yes.  An Information to Inform Habitats Regulations Assessment document is provided with the application [EN010153/DR/5.3].	

	State to make an appropriate assessment of the implications for the site if required by Regulation 48(1)?	
32	In accordance with Regulation 5(2)(r) of the APFP Regulations, if requested by the Planning Inspectorate, have two paper copies of the application form and other supporting documents and plans been provided?	
33	Has the Applicant had regard to statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance'?	Yes.  The Applicant has had regard to the statutory guidance contained within 'Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance' when preparing this application, as such it is of a standard considered satisfactory by the Secretary of State.
34	<b>Summary - s55(3)(f) and s55(5A)</b>	
<b>The Infrastructure Planning (Fees) Regulations 2010 (as amended)</b>		
<b>Pre-application fee</b>		
35	<p>Were all pre-application fees paid before the application was made?</p> <p>Pre-application services for which a fee can be charged is defined in Regulation 2A(8) and includes services listed within Schedule 1 of the Fees Regulations 2010. Fees for pre-application services apply to all proposed applications, from the inception meeting. These fees must be paid within 28 days of the invoice. If the applicant fails to</p>	Yes

	pay the fee within 28 days, the Planning Inspectorate will not provide the applicant with any further pre-application services or take any further steps in relation to the proposed application.	
<b>Fees to accompany an application</b>		
36	<p>Was the fee paid at the same time that the application was made?</p> <p>The Planning Inspectorate must charge the Applicant a fee in respect of the decision by the Planning Inspectorate under section 55 of the PA2008. If the Applicant fails to pay the fee, the Planning Inspectorate need not consider the application until payment is received. The fee must be paid at the same time that the application is made</p>	A fee of £8,946 was paid by BACS transfer to the Planning Inspectorate on the 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2025, prior to the application being made.

Role	Electronic signature	Date
Case Manager		
Acceptance Inspector		

