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Your Ref:

Our Ref: EN010155

Date: 25 July 2025

Dear Sir/ Madam

Planning Act 2008 – Section 89 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 – rule 8 and 9

Application by FVS Dean Moor Limited for an order granting development consent for the Dean Moor Solar Farm

# **Examination timetable and procedure**

This letter (the rule 8 letter) provides important information about the examination of this application. The letter includes:

- The examination timetable
- An invitation to submit written representations
- Details of the publication of the Examining Authority's (ExA) written questions
- A request for, and clarification over, statements of common ground
- A request for local impact reports from local authorities
- Other procedural decisions made by the ExA
- Information about hearings and accompanied site inspections
- Information about the availability of examination documents
- Guidance on the use of the 'Have your say' tab on the project webpage

All documentation associated with this examination, including a note of the preliminary meeting and the recording of that meeting, can be viewed under the <u>documents tab</u> on the project webpage of the Find a National Infrastructure Project website (<u>project webpage</u>).



#### The examination timetable

I have made a procedural decision about the way the application will be examined. The final examination timetable is attached at **annex A** to this letter.

The examination timetable replaces, but does not alter, the draft timetable that was included in my <u>rule 6 letter</u>.

Please note that the examination timetable contains a number of deadlines for receipt of information by the Planning Inspectorate. All deadlines are at 23:59 on the date specified. Please ensure submissions arrive by the deadline. If you do not make your submissions by the dates specified in the timetable, I may disregard them.

I request that all interested parties make their submissions using the 'Have your say' page on the project webpage on or before the applicable deadline. **annex E** to this letter provides further information about using the 'Have your say' page.

If I consider it necessary to vary the examination timetable during the examination, notification will be sent to interested parties, statutory parties, and other persons invited to the preliminary meeting. The changes will be published on the <u>project webpage</u>.

## Written representations

All interested parties are now invited to submit written representations and any comments on the relevant representations already submitted. These should be submitted by **deadline 2** in the examination timetable.

Written representations can cover any relevant matter and are not restricted to the matters set out in my <u>initial assessment of principal issues</u> or to the content of my written questions (see next heading below).

Any person, other than the applicant, who submits a written representation must identify those parts of the application with which they agree and those parts with which they do not agree, explaining the reasons why. Interested parties should also provide with their written representations any data, methodology and assumptions used to support their submissions to avoid delays in the examination (see paragraph 009 of the <u>government's guidance on the examination stage for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects</u> for further information about written representations).

I have requested further types of written submissions at various points in the examination (see **annex A**).

Any written representations and any further written submissions requested during the examination, that exceed 1500 words, should also be accompanied by a summary which should not exceed 10% of the original text. The summary should set out the key facts of the written submission and must be representative of the submission made.

Representations **must not include hyperlinks** to documents/ evidence hosted on third party websites. See the Planning Inspectorate's Advice for members of the public: Advice



<u>for submitting representations or comments</u> for important information about making written submissions.

# **Examining Authority's written questions**

I have prepared written questions (ExQ1) about the application and the representations received so far. These questions are published on the project webpage and can be accessed at the following link:

Examining Authority's First Written Questions (ExQ1)

Responses to ExQ1 must be provided by **deadline 2** (Tuesday 26 August 2025) in the examination timetable.

If you require an editable Microsoft Word version of ExQ1, please contact the Case Team using the contact details at the top of this letter.

## Other procedural decisions made by the Examining Authority

**Annex B** to this letter contains important details and clarifications about other procedural decisions I made at, or following, the preliminary meeting. These include:

- information on local impact reports
- additional submissions
- the status of Cumbria Wildlife Trust
- additional information relating to statements of common ground
- several other points relating to the examination.

#### Format of examination events

Both blended (part in-person and part virtual) and fully virtual events will form part of the operating model. I remain flexible and will confirm the format of any hearings when I provide formal notification of each hearing in advance of it taking place.

## **Hearings and site inspections**

The examination of the application will principally be a written process supplemented where necessary by various types of hearings. See the Planning Inspectorate's <u>Advice for members of the public: The stages of the NSIP process and how you can have your say for more information.</u>

The Planning Inspectorate's advice for members of the public also provides important information about hearing procedures:

- What to expect at a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project event
- Registering to speak at, or attend, a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project event



On this basis the examination timetable at **annex A** to this letter includes periods of time reserved for any hearings to be held, and I will notify all interested parties of any hearings scheduled as part of the examination in advance of them taking place. That notification will include a deadline for interested parties to inform the Planning Inspectorate if they wish to participate at the notified hearing(s).

I will also undertake site inspections. Where I am able to view the site from public land I am likely to do this unaccompanied and a note of the site inspection will be published on the project webpage. The examination timetable also reserves time for me to undertake an accompanied site inspection (ASI) during the week commencing 15 September 2025. I will consider each suggested site location, including those provided in the applicant's draft itinerary, to determine if it could be viewed from public land on an unaccompanied basis or if it is necessary to view it on an accompanied basis. I will also consider if it would be appropriate to make arrangements for access only to be provided to specific sites such that they could be inspected as part of an unaccompanied site inspection on an access required basis.

**Annex C** provides details about what interested parties should include in a request to be heard at a hearing, and the procedure that will be followed at hearings. It also provides important information about the accompanied site inspection and attendance at the inspection.

## Managing examination correspondence

The Examining Authority draws your attention to the Planning Inspectorate's guidance on the use of artificial intelligence (AI). If you have chosen to use AI please mark your document as required. View: <u>use of artificial intelligence in casework evidence.</u>

Given the volume and frequency of letters the Planning Inspectorate needs to send to interested parties during an examination, we aim to communicate with people by email as electronic communication is more environmentally friendly and cost effective for the taxpayer.

If you have received a letter from the Planning Inspectorate but are able to receive communications by email, please inform the Case Team using the contact details at the top of this letter as soon as possible.

As the examination process makes substantial use of electronic documents, it will be useful for you to become familiar with the project webpage.

A <u>'Have your say' page</u> is available on the website which provides a portal through which parties should make written submissions at relevant deadlines during the examination. Further information about the Have your say page is provided at **annex E** to this letter.

There is also a function on the right-hand side of the project webpage called 'E-mail updates'. This provides you with an opportunity to register to receive automatic e-mail updates at key stages during the examination.



#### Your status in the examination

You have received this letter because you are a person or organisation who is involved in the NSIP process. See the Planning Inspectorate's <u>Advice for members of the public:</u> <u>National Infrastructure Projects and the people and organisations involved in the process for further details.</u>

If, having read the advice, you are still unsure about how you are involved in the process please contact the Case Team using the details at the top of this letter.

#### Awards of costs

All parties will normally be expected to meet their own costs. Costs can be awarded against a party who has acted unreasonably and has caused the party applying for the award of costs to incur unnecessary or wasted expense during the examination. You should be aware of the relevant costs guidance <a href="#">Awards of costs: examinations of applications for development consent orders.</a>

# **Management of information**

Information, including representations, submitted in respect of this examination (if accepted by the Examining Authority) and a record of any advice which has been provided by the Planning Inspectorate is published on the <u>project webpage</u>.

Please note that in the interest of facilitating an effective and fair examination, it is necessary to publish some personal information. To find out how we handle your personal information please view our <a href="Privacy Notice">Privacy Notice</a>.

I look forward to working with all parties in the examination of this application.

Yours faithfully

Matthew Woodward

## **Examining Authority**

#### **Annexes**

- **A** Examination timetable
- **B** Other procedural decisions made by the Examining Authority
- **C** Requests to appear and procedure to be followed at hearings
- **D** Examination documents
- E Information about the 'Have your say' page

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# **Examination Timetable**

The Examining Authority (ExA) is under a duty to **complete** the examination of the application by the end of the period of six months beginning with the day after the close of the preliminary meeting.

The examination of the application primarily takes the form of the consideration of written submissions. The ExA will also consider any oral representations made at hearings.

Item	Matters	Date
1.	Procedural deadline A  Deadline for receipt by the ExA of:  • written submissions on the examination procedure, including any submissions about the use of virtual methods  • requests to be heard orally at the preliminary meeting	Tuesday 8 July 2025
2.	Preliminary meeting (virtual event only)	Tuesday 22 July 2025
3.	<ul> <li>Issue by the ExA of:</li> <li>the Examination timetable</li> <li>the ExA's first written questions (ExQ1)</li> </ul>	As soon as practicable following the Preliminary Meeting
4.	<ul> <li>Deadline 1</li> <li>For receipt by the ExA of:</li> <li>comments on relevant representations (RR) and any additional submissions</li> <li>notification by statutory parties of their wish to be considered an interested party (IP) by the ExA</li> <li>requests from IPs to speak at the first open floor hearing (OFH)</li> <li>requests by Affected Persons (defined in Section 59(4) of the Planning Act 2008) to be heard at compulsory acquisition hearing (CAH)</li> <li>submissions by the applicant, IPs and APs of suggested locations for site inspections (accompanied or unaccompanied), including reason(s) for the</li> </ul>	Tuesday 12 August 2025

	nomination, issues to be observed and whether the location(s) require access to private land	
	<ul> <li>responses to any further information requested by the ExA under rule 17 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010</li> </ul>	
5.	Deadline 2	Tuesday 26
	For receipt by the ExA of:	August 2025
	<ul> <li>written representations (WR) and summaries for any that exceed 1500 words</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>comments on any additional submissions accepted by the ExA</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>responses to the ExA's first written questions (ExQ1)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>requests to attend/speak at first issue specific hearing (ISH1)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>notification of wish to attend ASI</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>any further information requested by the ExA under rule 17 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010</li> </ul>	
	From local authorities only:	
	local impact reports (LIR)	
	From applicant only:	
	<ul> <li>statements of common ground – see annex E to rule</li> <li>6 letter</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>drafts of any DCO obligations (s106) if necessary</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>updated documents (if relevant) including clean version and version showing tracked changes of:</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>draft Development Consent Order</li> <li>explanatory memorandum</li> <li>book of reference</li> <li>funding statement</li> <li>statement of reasons</li> <li>updated land and rights negotiation tracker</li> </ul>	
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	proposed itinerary for the accompanied site inspection (if held)	
6.	Hearings (if required):  Dates reserved for:  open floor hearing (OFH)  issue specific hearing(s) (ISH)  compulsory acquisition hearing (CAH)  Accompanied site inspection (if held)	Week commencing- 15 September 2025
7.	<ul> <li>Deadline 3</li> <li>For receipt by the ExA of:</li> <li>written summaries of oral submissions made at OFH, ISH and CAH</li> <li>comments on the responses given to the ExA's first written questions (ExQ1)</li> <li>comments on the submissions received at Deadline 2</li> <li>comments on LIRs</li> <li>any further information requested by the ExA under rule 17 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010</li> <li>From applicant only:</li> <li>updated land and rights negotiation tracker</li> <li>updated guide to the application document</li> </ul>	Tuesday 30 September 2025
8.	<ul><li>Issue by ExA of:</li><li>the ExA's further written questions (ExQ2) (if required)</li></ul>	Tuesday 14 October 2025
9.	<ul> <li>Deadline 4</li> <li>For receipt by the ExA of:</li> <li>comments on submissions received at Deadline 3</li> <li>responses to ExA's further written questions (ExQ2)</li> <li>comments on the ExA's schedule of changes to the draft Development Consent Order (if required)</li> <li>requests from interested parties to be heard at a further open floor hearing (OFH)</li> <li>requests to attend/speak at further issue specific hearings (ISH)</li> </ul>	Tuesday 28 October 2025

	any further information requested by the ExA under rule 17 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010	
	From applicant only:	
	updated statements of common ground – see annex E to rule 6 letter	
	<ul> <li>updated land rights and negotiations tracker</li> <li>updated guide to the application document</li> </ul>	
10.	Hearings (if required)	Week
	Dates reserved for:	Commencing 10 November
	<ul><li>further open floor hearing (OFH)</li><li>further issue specific hearings (ISH)</li></ul>	2025
11.	Issue by ExA of:	Tuesday 18
	<ul> <li>report on the Implications for European Sites (RIES) (if required)</li> </ul>	November
12.	Deadline 5	Tuesday 25
	For receipt by the ExA of:	November 2025
	written summaries of oral submissions made at OFH and ISH (if held)	2023
	comments on submissions received at Deadline 4	
	any further information requested by the ExA under rule 17 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010	
	From applicant only:	
	updated statements of common ground - see annex E     to rule 6 letter	
	<ul> <li>updated documents (if relevant) including clean version and version showing tracked changes of:</li> <li>draft Development Consent Order</li> </ul>	
	- explanatory memorandum	
	- book of reference	
	<ul><li>funding statement</li><li>statement of reasons</li></ul>	
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	<ul><li>updated land rights and negotiations tracker</li><li>updated guide to the application document</li></ul>	

13.	Issue by ExA of:	Friday 5
	the ExA's commentary on, or schedule changes to, the dDCO (if required)	December 2025
14.	<ul> <li>Deadline 6</li> <li>comments on submissions received at Deadline 5</li> <li>comments on the RIES (if required)</li> <li>comments on the ExA's schedule of changes to the draft Development Consent Order (if required)</li> <li>any further information requested by the ExA under rule 17 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010</li> </ul>	Monday 22 December 2025
	<ul> <li>From applicant only:</li> <li>final dDCO – to be submitted by the applicant in the SI template with the SI template validation report</li> <li>final dDCO in word format</li> <li>final book of reference, statement of reasons, funding statement and explanatory memorandum</li> <li>final statements of common ground</li> <li>final signed and dated S106 planning obligations (if necessary)</li> <li>final land rights tracker</li> <li>final guide to the application document</li> </ul>	
15.	Close of Examination by the ExA	Monday 5 January 2020

## **Close of Examination**

The ExA intends to close the examination on the date specified in the examination timetable (which is less than six months). The Examining Authority is under a duty to complete the examination of the application by the end of the period of six months beginning with the day after the close of the Preliminary Meeting. The ExA may however decide to close the examination earlier and on the date specified in the timetable if it considers that the application and relevant matters have been examined adequately.

#### Submission times for deadlines

The time for submission of documents at any deadline in the timetable is 23:59 on the relevant deadline date, unless instructed otherwise by the ExA.

## **Publication dates**

All information received will be published on the <u>project webpage</u> as soon as practicable after the deadlines for submissions.

## Report on the Implications for European Sites (RIES)

Where an applicant has provided a No Significant Effects Report or a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Report with the application, the ExA may decide to issue a RIES during the examination. The RIES is a factual account of the information and evidence provided to the ExA on HRA matters during the examination up to the date of the publication of the RIES, for the purposes of enabling the Secretary of State, as competent authority, to undertake its HRA. It is not the ExA's opinion on HRA matters. Comments on the RIES will be invited by the ExA and any received will be taken into account as part of the ExA's recommendation to the Secretary of State. The ExA may also raise questions in the RIES to confirm or clarify matters that remain outstanding.

The Secretary of State may rely on the consultation on the RIES to meet its obligations under regulation 63(3) of The Habitats Regulations 2017 and/or Regulation 28 of The Offshore Marine Regulations.

## Other procedural decisions made by the Examining Authority (ExA)

I have made a number of procedural decisions following the preliminary meeting:

#### 1. Examination timetable

I have decided to issue the examination timetable, as set out in **annex A** to this rule 8 letter, which is the same as the draft examination timetable set out in **annex D** to the rule 6 letter.

# 2. Examining Authority's written questions

My written questions (ExQ1) have been published alongside this rule 8 letter. Whilst most of my written questions are directed at specific parties, no other party should feel inhibited or restricted in responding to any question I ask, even if it is directed elsewhere.

All relevant statutory parties are requested to check my written questions carefully in order that they may identify and respond to any questions posed to them.

For the avoidance of doubt, statutory parties are defined as the parties listed in schedule 1 to The Infrastructure Planning (Interested Parties and Miscellaneous Prescribed Provisions) Regulations 2015. Statutory parties, including relevant local authorities, that have not already registered to become an interested party should consider notifying the ExA of their wish to be considered as an interested party, under Section 89(2A)(b) of the Planning Act 2008 (PA2008) as soon as possible.

## 3. Local impact reports (LIR)

A LIR is a report in writing giving details of the likely impact of a proposed development on a local authority's area (or any part of that area). For more information about the importance and content of LIRs see the Planning Inspectorate's <u>Advice for local</u> authorities.

Local authorities, defined in section 56A of the Planning Act 2008, are invited to submit LIRs by **deadline 2 (Tuesday 26 August 2025).** 

## 4. Changes to land interests

When the applicant becomes aware that there has been a change in ownership, or a new interest, in relevant land the applicant is requested to make the relevant person aware that they can make a request to the ExA to become an interested party under section 102A of the PA2008. They should inform them that information about how to do this can be found in the Planning Inspectorate's advice for members of the public: <a href="Nationally Significant">Nationally Significant</a> Infrastructure Projects and the people and organisations involved in the process.

The examination timetable includes various deadlines for the submission of an updated book of reference and schedule of changes to the book of reference, which should include confirmation that relevant persons have been informed of their rights under section 102A.

## 5. Status of the Applicant's Examination Documents

I request that the applicant provides, at each deadline, an updated 'Status of the Applicant's examination documents' document which provides a list of the most up-to-date status of the documents submitted, including which copies have been superseded in whole or in part. A final version must be submitted before the close of the examination. All examination documents submitted should include a version number and date.

## 6. Additional submissions

In addition to the documentation submitted at procedural **deadline A**, I have exercised my discretion and made a procedural decision to accept additional submissions as follows:

- landscape and visual impact assessment review from Cumberland Council [AS-005]
- comments from Cumberland Council highways and local lead flood authority [AS-004]
- comments from Cumberland Council [AS-003].

The applicant should prepare appropriate responses to these submissions by **deadline 2** (Tuesday 26 August 2025).

I have also accepted the following documents submitted by the applicant:

various documents submitted in response to S51 advice [AS-006, AS-007, AS-008, AS-009, AS-010, AS-011, AS-012, AS-013, AS-014, AS-015, AS-016, AS-017].

The <u>examination library</u> has been updated accordingly.

#### 7. Status of Cumbria Wildlife Trust

I have made the decision to allow **Cumbria Wildlife Trust** to participate in the examination as an 'other person', which means that they will be permitted to make written and oral submissions to the examination at my discretion.

## 8. Statements of common ground

Notwithstanding the statements of common ground (SoCG) requested in **annex E** to the <u>rule 6 letter</u>, the ExA recognises that a number of neighbouring 'boundary A' local authorities [PD-002] did not submit relevant representations and according to the applicant, do not wish to provide a SoCG. Either the applicant or the following relevant local authorities should confirm that they do not wish to enter into a SoCG with the applicant: - **Dumfries and Galloway Council, Northumberland County Council, Northumberland National Park Authority, Scottish Borders Council or Westmorland and Furness Council by deadline 1 (Tuesday 12 August 2025).** 

This does not alter the status or rights of these parties to participate in the examination moving forwards.

The other SoCGs as requested in **annex E** to the <u>rule 6 letter</u> are required.

In addition to the above, a further SoCG is requested between the applicant and **Cumbria Wildlife Trust**, to include, but not necessarily limited to:

 matters relating to the potential impact on the Dean Moor County Wildlife Site, including mitigation and enhancement.

The ExA recognises that applicant has agreed to produce a further SoCG with the **Mining Remediation Authority**. This should include:

• matters relating to legacy mining impacts on the proposed development, including mitigation and how such mitigation is to be secured.

## **Arrangements for hearings**

My examination will be principally undertaken through the exchange of written submissions however the examination timetable reserves periods of time for hearings to be held (if required).

## Requests to participate at hearings

Interested parties are required to notify the Examining Authority (ExA) in writing of their wish to take part in an open floor hearing (OFH) or compulsory acquisition hearing (CAH) on or before **Tuesday 12 August 2025** (see **deadline 1**).

Any request to participate in a hearing **should include** the following information:

- Name and unique reference number (found at the top of any letter or email from the Planning Inspectorate)
- Email address (if available) and contact telephone number
- Name and unique reference number of any person/ organisation that you are representing (if applicable)
- For blended events, confirmation of whether you will participate virtually or inperson
- Confirmation of the hearing(s) you wish to participate in, the agenda item(s) on which you wish to speak and/ or brief details of the topic(s) that you would like to raise
- For CAHs, the plot number(s) of the relevant land provided in the <u>Book of Reference</u> and the <u>Land Plans</u>
- The <u>Examination Library</u> reference number (with paragraph/ page number where appropriate) of any documents you wish to refer to.

The ExA will provide reasonable notice of the time, date and place of any hearings to all interested parties.

Requests to participate should be made using an **event participation form** which will be provided with the notification of the hearing.

Please contact the Case Team using the contact details at the top of this letter if you require any support or assistance to attend an event, either virtually or in person.

If no written requests to take part in an OFH or CAH are received by the above deadline, I am not required to hold such a hearing, although I may choose to do so nonetheless.

I may also choose to hold issue specific hearings (ISH) about topics that I think need to be explored orally. The decision to hold an ISH about a particular topic is not connected to how relevant or important I consider an issue or topic to be.

## **Hearing agendas**

For ISHs and CAHs the ExA will publish a detailed draft agenda on the project website at least five working days in advance of the hearing date. However, the actual agenda on the day of each hearing may be subject to change at the discretion of the ExA. For OFHs an agenda may not be published.

# Procedure at hearings

The examination of the application will principally be a written process supplemented where necessary by various types of hearings. See the Planning Inspectorate's <u>Advice for members of the public: The stages of the NSIP process and how you can have your say for more information.</u>

The procedure to be followed at hearings is set out in rule 14 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010. The ExA is responsible for the oral questioning of a person giving evidence and the process affords very limited scope to allow cross-questioning between parties.

## Hearing livestream and recording

A link to a livestream for each hearing will be made available on the <u>project webpage</u> shortly before any hearing is due to open. The livestream is available to anybody who wishes to observe a hearing in real time.

All hearings are recorded, and the recordings will be made available on the <u>project</u> <u>webpage</u> as soon as practicable after the close of the hearing. The recordings allow any member of the public who is interested in the application and the examination to find out what has been discussed.

## Accompanied site inspection (ASI) and requests to attend

Time has been reserved in the examination timetable to undertake an ASI during the week commencing 15 September 2025.

As requested in **annex D** to my <u>rule 6 letter</u>, suggestions, including justification, for locations to be included in the ASI are required by **deadline 1 (Tuesday 12 August 2025)**.

#### **Examination documents**

The application documents and relevant representations can be inspected on the <u>project</u> <u>webpage</u>.

## How to stay up to date

All further documents submitted in the course of the examination will also be published under the <u>documents tab</u> of the project webpage.

You can also sign up to get email updates.

If you have any questions about the process, examination events or how to access the documents, you can email <u>project mailbox email address</u> or contact us on 0303 444 5000.

## **The Examination Library**

For ease of navigation, please refer to the <u>Examination Library</u> (EL) which is accessible by clicking the blue button under the documents tab. The EL is updated regularly throughout the examination.

The EL records and provides a hyperlink to:

- each application document
- each representation and submission made to the examination
- each procedural decision made by the Examining Authority.

Each document is given a unique reference number which will be fixed for the duration of the examination. Please quote the unique reference number from the EL when referring to any examination documents in any future submissions that you make.

## Information about the 'Have your say' page

The 'Have your say' page is available on the project webpage.

You will need to enter your unique reference number ('Your ref' found at the top your letter or email from The Planning Inspectorate). If you are making a submission on behalf of another person or organisation, and do have not your own unique reference number, then you should enter the unique reference number of the person or organisation you are representing. If you are not a registered interested party then it is at the discretion of the Examining Authority whether or not your submission is accepted.

Submissions will be published on the <u>project webpage</u> as soon as practicable following the close of the relevant deadline. For further information about publishing submissions please view our <u>Privacy Notice</u>.

You will be able to submit a document (upload file), make a text representation or both. It is possible to upload multiple files for each individual submission item. Electronic attachments should be clearly labelled with the subject title and not exceed 50MB.

Submissions **must not include hyperlinks** to documents/ evidence hosted on a third party website, for example technical reports, media articles and so on. See the Planning Inspectorate's <u>Advice for members of the public: Advice for submitting representations or comments</u> for important information about making written submissions. All submissions must be made in a format that can be viewed in full on the National Infrastructure Planning website. Any submissions that exceed 1500 words should also be accompanied by a summary; this summary should not exceed 10% of the original text.

You should select the relevant deadline for your submission and then, on the next webpage, select the appropriate submission item as described in the examination timetable at **annex A** to this letter. Please ensure you make a separate submission for each submission item and **do not duplicate your submission**. If you consider that your submission does not fit the description of any of the submission items then please select the submission item 'Other' and ensure that it is titled appropriately.

If you experience any issues when using the 'Have your say' page please contact the Case Team using the contact details at the top of this letter and they will assist.