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Dear [REDACTED]

Development Consent for Peartree Hill Solar Farm: EN010157

Applicants' submission – Deadline 1 (27 August 2025)

On 29 July 2025, 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 Peartree Hill 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.

Kind regards,

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Summary of Deadline 1 Submission

Please find below a list of documents which form the Applicants submission at Deadline 1 of the Examination of the Peartree Hill Solar Farm DCO Application. Where the document updates a previously submitted document it is confirmed that a clean and tracked version has been submitted.

Response to Relevant Representations

- Response to Relevant Representations [EN010157/APP/8.3 Revision 1]
- Statutory/Non-statutory Sites or Features of Nature Conservation and Habitats of Protected Species, Important Habitats or Other Diversity Features Plan [EN010157/APP/2.11 Revision 3]*
- Habitats Regulations Assessment - Information to inform Appropriate Assessment [EN010157/APP/5.3 Revision 2]*
- ES Volume 2, Chapter 7: Biodiversity [EN010157/APP/6.2 Revision 2]
- ES Volume 4, Appendix 5.5: Water Framework Directive Screening and Scoping Report [EN010157/APP/6.4 Revision 2]
- ES Volume 4, Appendix 5.6: Flood Risk Assessment [EN010157/APP/6.4 Revision 3]
- ES Volume 4, Commitments Register [EN010157/APP/6.4 Revision 2]*
- Outline CEMP [EN010157/APP/7.2 Revision 2]*
- Outline OEMP [EN010157/APP/7.3 Revision 2]*
- Outline DEMP [EN010157/APP/7.4 Revision 2]*
- Outline LEMP [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 3]*
- Outline BSMP [EN010157/APP/7.6 Revision 2]*
- Outline CTMP [EN010157/APP/7.7 Revision 2]*
- Outline SMP [EN010157/APP/7.8 Revision 2]*
- Outline RoWAMP [EN010157/APP/7.9 Revision 2]*
- ES Addendum [EN010157/APP/8.2 Revision 2]*

NOTE: documents identified with an * have also been updated as a result of responses to the Examining Authority's First Written Questions. These documents are not repeated in the list below. Where a document has been updated as a result of either the Relevant Representation or Written Question, the reasons for this has been identified within the relevant response document.

Response to the Examining Authority's First Written Questions

- Response to the Examining Authority's First Written Questions [EN010157/APP/8.5 Revision 1]

- Indicative Layouts and Cross Section Plans [EN010157/APP/2.10 Revision 2]
- Design Parameters Document [EN010157/APP/5.8 Revision 2]
- ES Volume 2, Chapter 9: Cultural Heritage [EN010157/APP/6.2 Revision 2]
- ES Volume 3, Figure 2.1: Environmental Features Plan [EN010157/APP/6.3 Revision 2]
- ES Volume 3, Figure 7.1: Designated sites and ecological environmental mitigation and enhancement areas [EN010157/APP/6.3 Revision 2]
- ES Volume 3, Figure 14.2: Transport Routing and the Existing Highway Network [EN010157/APP/6.3 Revision 2]
- ES Volume 4, Appendix 9.4: Detailed Settings Impact Assessment [EN010157/APP/6.4 Revision 2]

Written summaries of any oral representations made at open floor hearing 1

- Written Summary of oral representation at OFH1 [EN010157/APP/8.6 Revision 1]

Applicants' updates – refer to Annex E of the Rule 6 letter

Statements of Common Ground (SoCG)

- Statement of Commonality [EN010157/APP/9.1 Revision 1]
- Draft SoCG with East Riding of Yorkshire Council [EN010157/APP/9.2 Revision 1]
- Draft SoCG with the Environment Agency [EN010157/APP/9.3 Revision 1]
- Draft SoCG with Natural England [EN010157/APP/9.4 Revision 1]
- Draft SoCG with National Highways [EN010157/APP/9.5 Revision 1]
- Draft SoCG with Historic England [EN010157/APP/9.6 Revision 1]
- Draft SoCG Beverley and North Holderness IDB [EN010157/APP/9.7 Revision 1]
- Draft SoCG with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust [EN010157/APP/9.8 Revision 1]
- Draft SoCG with the Joint Local Access Forum [EN010157/APP/9.9 Revision 1]

Updates to the Book of Reference and Statement of Reasons and Land Rights Tracker

As requested within Annex E of the Rule 6 letter (dated 24 June 2025), the Applicant has submitted a Land Rights Tracker as **Appendix B: Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker** to the **Statement of Reasons [EN010157/APP/4.5]** in the format requested by the ExA alongside up-to-date versions of the Book of Reference and Statement of Reasons.

- Book of Reference [EN010157/APP/4.2 Revision 4]
- Statement of Reasons [EN010157/APP/4.1 Revision 3]
- Statement of Reasons Appendix B: Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [EN010157/APP/4.5 Revision 1]

Updates to the Draft Development Consent Order and Explanatory Memorandum

- Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 4]
- Explanatory Memorandum [EN010157/APP/3.2 Revision 3]
- Schedule of Changes to the Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/8.1 Revision 3]

It is noted that Annex E also requests a copy of the draft Development Consent showing tracked changes to the application version. The Applicant is not proposing to submit this comparison version at each deadline and instead will submit a comparison of the draft Development Consent against the application version at Deadline 5.

Schedule of the latest versions of the applicant's submission documents and documents to be certified

- Introduction to the Application [EN010157/APP/1.2 Revision 4]

For updated versions of the DCO Application documents being submitted at Deadline 1, the Applicant has applied the Proposed Developments reference system and included the Revision number within this in order to clearly indicate which is the most up to date version of that document. For clarity, when the Applicant has referred to DCO Application documents that have not been updated for this deadline, the Examination Library reference provided by the Planning Inspectorate has been used.

It is considered that this Cover Letter along with the ES Addendum [EN010157/APP/8.2 Revision 2] provides the necessary detail on the purpose of new documents and plans and also the reasons of changes to any document or plan included in each update. As such. It is not proposed to produce a 'Schedule of New and Updated Document and Plan Updates' at each deadline.

It is noted that Annex E also requests a copy of any updated documents or plans that are to be certified showing tracked changes to the application version. The Applicant is not proposing to submit this comparison version at each deadline and instead will submit a comparison of each relevant amended document against the application version at Deadline 5.

Schedule of progress in securing other consents

As there has been no change to what is covered within the Other Consents or Licenses document [APP-151] for Deadline 1, an updated version of this document has not been submitted.

Additional Submissions

The following documents are also submitted to the Examining Authority at Deadline 1:

- **Cover letter** (this letter)
- **Grid Connection Cable Route Bird Survey Report** [EN010157/APP/8.4 Revision 1]

This document presents details of the survey methodology and results of surveys undertaken to record wintering and passage birds present within an in close proximity to the proposed grid connection corridor for the Proposed Development. The surveys to inform this document were still ongoing at the time of DCO Submission (21 February 2025) therefore this document was not submitted at that time. Since submission, these surveys have been completed.

- **Archaeological Management Strategy** [EN010157/APP/7.11 Revision 2]

This Strategy has been updated following further engagement with Historic England.