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Dear Inspector,

NSIP Reference Name / Code: EN010157
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Title: Natural England's comments in respect of the Peartree Hill Solar Farm Project, promoted by RWE Renewables UK Solar and Storage Limited (Deadline 3).

Examining Authority's submission deadline with a date of 06 October 2025.

Natural England has been engaging positively with the applicant to progress the outstanding issues. We are currently awaiting updated assessments to review, following these discussions, and will therefore provide an updated issues table following the receipt of updated Deadline 3 documents from the applicant.

Please see below responses to the Examining Authority's second written questions.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

For any further advice on this consultation please contact the case officer [REDACTED] [\[REDACTED\]@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@naturalengland.org.uk) and copy to consultations@naturalengland.org.uk.

Yours faithfully

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Natural England

Natural England's response to the Examining Authority's (ExA's) second written questions with a deadline of 06 October 2025

Table 1: Natural England's response to Examiner's second written questions			
ExA question ref	Question addressed to	Question	Answer
2.6.6	Natural England	<p>HRA</p> <p>An update to the HRA [REP2-071] was provided to reflect the Change Request. Please confirm if you agree with the applicant's conclusions regarding the effects of the Change Request on European sites from all phases of the proposed development, including in-combination effects.</p>	<p>Natural England has reviewed the proposed changes and confirms that they do not substantially affect the conclusions of the assessments presented in the shadow HRA submitted at Deadline 2.</p> <p>Please refer to our Deadline 2 response [REP2-154] for our outstanding comments regarding the shadow HRA and associated documents.</p>