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Status of Negotiations with Statutory Undertakers (Clean)

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1. Introduction

1.1. Purpose of this document

- 1.1.1. This Status of Negotiations with Statutory Undertakers document has been prepared on behalf of Rosefield Energyfarm Limited ('the Applicant') to set out the status of various negotiations with statutory undertakers with a primary focus on protective provisions in relation to the Development Consent Order Application ('Application') for the construction, operation (including maintenance), and decommissioning of the Rosefield Solar Farm (hereafter referred to as the 'Proposed Development'). The Applicant has prepared this document in response to the **Rule 6 letter [PD-008]** and has updated it at Deadline 3 and Deadline 5 to reflect the latest position. The document was also updated at Deadline 6 in response to the **Rule 17 letter [PD-019]**. The document references have not been updated from the original submission. Please refer to the **Guide to the Application [EN010158/APP/1.2.12]** for the list of current versions of documents.
- 1.1.2. It is noted that while telecommunication operators are not statutory undertakers, they have been included in the table at section 1.2 for completeness as persons identified with an interest or apparatus in the Order Limits who are subject to compulsory acquisition as part of the Application.
- 1.1.3. The table at section 1.2 sets out the relevant affected organisation and the nature of its undertaking, relevant plot numbers and a description of the rights sought over that land. The table also sets out the Applicant's position in respect of whether section 127(3)(a) or (b), section 127(6)(a) or (b) or 138(4) of the Planning Act 2008 ('PA2008') are engaged. Finally, the table confirms whether bespoke PPs and a commercial agreement are required and provides an update on the current status of negotiations between the Applicant and the relevant statutory undertaker / organisation.
- 1.1.4. The Applicant's general position in respect of the tests in section 127 and section 138 of PA2008 are set out at section 8.3 of the **Statement of Reasons [APP-016]**.
- 1.1.5. This document includes all relevant information requested in the **Rule 6 letter [PD-008]**. The Applicant notes that aspects of the information provided in this document are also included in Table 3 (Status of negotiations with Statutory Undertakers) of the **Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought [AS-016]** (including affected organisation, plot numbers, description of rights sought and status of negotiations).

- 1.1.6. The Applicant intends to update this Schedule of Negotiations with Statutory Undertakers at regular intervals throughout examination in accordance with the **Rule 6 letter** [\[PD-008\]](#).
- 1.1.7. Accordingly, the Applicant considers that this document replaces Table 3 in the **Schedule of Negotiations and Powers Sought** [\[AS-016\]](#).

1.2. Status of Negotiations with Statutory Undertakers

Affected organisation & nature of undertaking	Plot number(s)	Description of rights sought	S127(3)(a) / (b), s127(6)(a) / (b) or s138(4) PA 2008 engaged?	Bespoke PPs required and DCO reference (once known)?	Commercial agreement required?	Summary of progress
Anglian Water Services Limited (AWS) <i>Water and sewage</i>	2/4, 3/2, 3/3, 3/7, 3/10, 3/12, 6/6, 6/8, 7/7, 7/8, 7/10	Permanent acquisition of land etc; permanent acquisition of new rights; and temporary possession and use 6 – Grid Connection Cabling Corridor 7 – Interconnecting Cabling Corridor(s) 9 – Highway Works 10B – Internal access to mitigation areas only	Yes, s.127 is engaged because AWS has made a representation to the Planning Inspectorate [RR-012] . Yes, s.138 is engaged because the plots are necessary for the purposes of carrying out Work Numbers 6, 7, 9 and 10B. The Applicant considers that AWS will be adequately protected once bespoke protective provisions are agreed. The bespoke protective provisions will enable the Secretary of State to be satisfied that any extinguishment of right or removal of apparatus is necessary for the Proposed Development and is done so with adequate protections in place for the statutory undertaker.	Yes	No	Negotiations to agree bespoke protective provisions are progressing positively. AWS provided the Applicant with a copy of its standard form protective provisions. The Applicant returned comments on 2 February 2026. Outstanding issues include powers in relation to apparatus in stopped up streets, powers in relation to protective works to buildings and administrative points in relation to expenses and costs incurred under the protective provisions. The parties are also seeking to confirm whether AWS owns any decommissioned apparatus within the Order Limits. The Applicant provided further information to AWS regarding possible decommissioned / redundant pipes / assets within the Order Limits on 3 February 2026. The Applicant followed up with AWS on 2 April 2026. AWS indicated that its legal team had no further comments and that it would be in a position to finalise its response to the decommissioned / redundant pipes query in the week commencing 13 April 2026. The parties discussed the outstanding decommissioned / redundant pipes query and the Applicant confirmed to AWS on 6 May 2026 that it considers that this issue had been resolved. AWS stated that it was seeking internal confirmation on that point on 18 May 2026. The Applicant and AWS have resolved all outstanding issues, and the bespoke protective provisions were agreed on 15 July 2026. The Applicant confirms that it has included the agreed protective provisions in Schedule 15 (protective provisions) of the Draft Development Consent Order (DCO) [EN010158/APP/3.1.9]. The Applicant considers that the bespoke protective provisions will provide adequate protection to this statutory undertaker and enables land and rights to be acquired for the Proposed Development without serious detriment to the carrying on of the undertaking concerned.
British Telecommunications PLC	See Openreach Limited	See Openreach Limited	No, s.127 is not engaged because it does not apply to	No	No	Openreach Limited confirmed in correspondence of January 2026 that Openreach Limited is managing the protection of British Telecommunications PLC's apparatus within the relevant plots.

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<i>Telecommunications</i>			telecommunications operators per s.127(8). Yes, s.138 is engaged because the plots are necessary for the purposes of carrying out Work Numbers 1, 3A, 3B, 6, 7, 8A, 9, 10A and 10B. The Applicant considers that the bespoke protective provisions or other form of commercial agreement being negotiated with Openreach Ltd (as the entity managing the protection of British Telecommunications' assets) will enable the Secretary of State to be satisfied that any extinguishment of right or removal of apparatus is necessary for the Proposed Development and is done so with adequate protections in place for the statutory undertaker.			As a result, the Applicant has engaged with Openreach Limited directly and negotiations are progressing positively. See Openreach Limited entry below. The Applicant also refers to the Openreach Limited entry below for its explanation as to how British Telecommunications PLC's interests would be adequately protected in the event that protective provisions are not agreed as requested in the Rule 17 letter [PD-019].
Buckingham & River Ouzel Internal Drainage Board (IDB) <i>Internal Drainage Board</i>	1/1, 6/9, 6/10, 6/12, 6/13, 7/3, 7/4, 7/8, 7/9, 7/11, 7/12, 7/13	Permanent acquisition of land, etc; permanent acquisition of new rights; temporary possession and use 1– Ground Mounted Solar PV Generating Station	No, s.127 is not engaged because the IDB has not made a representation about the Applicant's DCO Application. Yes, s 138 is engaged in relation to this statutory undertaker because the plots are necessary for the purposes of carrying out	Yes Schedule 15, Part 4 – For the protection of Buckingham and River Ouzel Internal	No	Bespoke protective provisions are agreed and included at Schedule 15, Part 4 of the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.2] [AS-010]. The IDB provided its consent by way of letter dated 25 September 2025 to the relevant disapplications of statute reflected in the current drafting at Article 6(1) of the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.2] [AS-010]. The Applicant submitted the relevant letter from the IDB at Deadline 1 as an attachment to the covering letter (Appendix 2 to Deadline 1 Cover Letter [REP1-001]).

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		2A – Rosefield Substation Compound 2B – Abnormal Indivisible Load Corridor 5 – Main Collector Compound 6 – Grid Connection Cabling Corridor 7 – Interconnecting Cabling Corridor(s) 8A – Primary Temporary Construction and Decommissioning Compounds 8B – Secondary Temporary Construction and Decommissioning Compounds 9 – Highway Works 10A – Green and Blue Infrastructure Negotiations in the context of disapplying legislation in the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1].	Work Numbers 1. 2A, 2B, 5, 6, 7, 8A, 8B, 9 and 10A. The Applicant and the IDB consider that the bespoke protective provisions as agreed and included in the dDCO provide adequate protection for the IDB. The Applicant considers that this will enable the Secretary of State to be satisfied that any extinguishment of right or removal of apparatus is necessary for the Proposed Development and is done so with adequate protections in place for the statutory undertaker.	Drainage Board		
Environment Agency (EA) <i>Environment</i>	N/A	Negotiations in the context of whether legislation needed to be disappplied in the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1].	The statutory tests are not engaged. While the EA submitted a representation to the Planning Inspectorate [RR-081], the EA does not have any registered interests in the	No	No	The EA has confirmed that it does not require bespoke protective provisions. The EA and the Applicant are agreed that there is no need for Flood Risk Activity Permits (FRAPs) for the Proposed Development. This is confirmed in the EA's email correspondence of 18 December 2025 which the Applicant submitted at Deadline 1 as an attachment to the covering letter (Appendix 2 to Deadline 1 Cover Letter [REP1-001]).

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			Book of Reference [APP-018].			As a result, the Applicant amended Article 6(1) (Disapplication and modification of statutory provisions) of the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.2] [AS-010] at Deadline 1 to remove the references at Article 6(1)(d) and 6(1)(f) to the Water Resources Act 1991 and the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 respectively.
GIGACLEAR Limited <i>Telecommunications</i>	7/10	Temporary possession and use 9 – Highway Works	No, s.127 is not engaged because it does not apply to telecommunications operators per s.127(8). Yes, s 138 is engaged in relation to this statutory undertaker because the plots are necessary for the purposes of carrying out Work Number 9. The Applicant considers that the standard protective provisions in Part 2 of Schedule 15 of the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.2] [AS-010] will enable the Secretary of State to be satisfied that any extinguishment of right or removal of apparatus is necessary for the Proposed Development and is done so with adequate protections in place for GIGACLEAR Ltd.	No	No	GIGACLEAR Ltd has confirmed it does not require bespoke protective provisions. The Applicant has included the standard protective provisions for the operators of electronic communications code in Part 2 of Schedule 15 of the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.2] [AS-010] , and considers that these protective provisions provide adequate protection to GIGACLEAR Ltd and enables land and rights to be acquired for the Proposed Development without serious detriment to the operations concerned.
National Grid Electricity Distribution (East Midlands) Plc (NGED)	4/10, 4/11, 5/1, 5/3, 6/1, 6/2, 6/4, 6/5, 6/12, 6/13, 7/1, 7/3,	Permanent acquisition of land etc; permanent acquisition of new rights	Yes, s.127 is engaged because NGED has made a representation to the Planning Inspectorate [RR-200] .	Yes	Yes	The Applicant and NGED reached agreement on 16 February 2026 that the protective provisions and related commercial agreement are now agreed. The Applicant confirms that the commercial agreement has been signed by both parties and will be dated and completed shortly after Deadline 6.

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<i>Electricity Distributor</i>	7/5, 7/9, 7/11, 7/12	1– Ground Mounted Solar PV Generating Station 2A – Rosefield Substation Compound 2B – Abnormal Indivisible Load Corridor 3A -Satellite Collector Compounds 3B – Satellite Collector Compound Transformer 4 - BESS 5 – Main Collector Compound 6 – Grid Connection Cabling Corridor 7 – Interconnecting Cabling Corridor(s) 8A – Primary Temporary Construction and Decommissioning Compounds 8B – Secondary Temporary Construction and Decommissioning Compounds 9 – Highway Works 10A – Green and Blue Infrastructure	Yes, s.138 is engaged because the plots are necessary for the purposes of carrying out Work Numbers 1, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8A, 8B, 9 and 10A. The Applicant considers that NGET will be adequately protected by the bespoke protective provisions and side agreement. Once executed, this will enable the Secretary of State to be satisfied that any extinguishment of right or removal of apparatus is necessary for the Proposed Development, and is done with adequate protections in place for this statutory undertaker.			The commercial agreement has effect between the parties and the parties do not intend that any further protective provisions will be separately inserted into the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.9]. NGED has informed the Applicant that it hopes to be able to remove its objection to the Proposed Development once the commercial agreement has been completed but that the objection remains in place until that time. The Applicant considers that the bespoke protective provisions and commercial agreement will provide adequate protection to this statutory undertaker and enables land and rights to be acquired for the Proposed Development without serious detriment to the carrying on of the undertaking concerned.
National Grid Electricity Distribution Plc	1/1, 1/2, 1/4, 2/4, 3/5, 3/7, 3/10, 3/11,	Permanent acquisition of land etc; permanent acquisition of new	Refer to the response for National Grid Electricity Distribution (East Midlands) Plc.	Refer to the response for	Refer to the response for National Grid	Refer to the response for National Grid Electricity Distribution (East Midlands) Plc.

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<i>Electricity Distributor</i>	3/12, 3/13, 3/14, 3/16, 4/10, 4/11, 5/1, 5/3, 6/1, 6/2, 6/13, 7/3, 7/7, 7/8, 7/9, 7/10, 7/11, 7/12	rights; temporary possession and use 1 – Ground Mounted Solar PV Generating Station 2A – Rosefield Substation Compound 2B – Abnormal Indivisible Load Corridor 3A -Satellite Collector Compounds 3B – Satellite Collector Compound Transformer 4 - BESS 5 – Main Collector Compound 6 – Grid Connection Cabling Corridor 7 – Interconnecting Cabling Corridor(s) 8A – Primary Temporary Construction and Decommissioning Compound 8B – Secondary Temporary Construction and Decommissioning Compound 9 – Highway Works 10A – Green and Blue Infrastructure 10B – Internal access to mitigation areas only		National Grid Electricity Distribution (East Midlands) Plc.	Electricity Distribution (East Midlands) Plc.	

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National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc (NGET) <i>Electricity Transmitter</i>	6/8, 6/10, 6/11, 6/12, 6/13, 7/3, 7/4, 7/5, 7/7, 7/8, 7/9, 7/10, 7/11, 7/12	Permanent acquisition of land etc; permanent acquisition of new rights; temporary possession and use 1 – Ground Mounted Solar PV Generating Station 2A – Rosefield Substation Compound 2B – Abnormal Indivisible Load Corridor 5 – Main Collector Compound 6 – Grid Connection Cabling Corridor 7 – Interconnecting Cabling Corridor(s) 8A – Primary Temporary Construction and Decommissioning Compound 8B – Secondary Temporary Construction and Decommissioning Compound 9 – Highway Works 10A – Green and Blue Infrastructure	Yes, s.127 is engaged because NGET has made a representation to the Planning Inspectorate [RR-201] and related correspondence [AS-037] . Yes, s.138 is engaged because the plots are necessary for the purposes of carrying out Work Numbers 1, 2A, 2B, 5, 6, 7, 8A, 8B and 9. The Applicant considers that NGET will be adequately protected once the bespoke protective provisions and any necessary side agreement with NGET are agreed. Once agreed, this will enable the Secretary of State to be satisfied that any extinguishment of right or removal of apparatus is necessary for the Proposed Development, and is done so with adequate protections in place for this statutory undertaker.	Yes	Yes	Negotiations to agree bespoke protective provisions are progressing positively. Outstanding issues include interactions between the Proposed Development and NGET's proposed East Claydon Project, powers in relation to compulsory acquisition and matters related to rights and facilities for alternative apparatus and expenses and costs incurred. NGET provided comments on the draft protective provisions on 19 March 2026, and confirmed that it was preparing a draft side agreement. The Applicant provided comments on the draft protective provisions on 7 May 2026 and NGET returned comments on 19 May 2026, together with a draft commercial agreement. The Applicant and NGET have resolved all outstanding issues in relation to the bespoke protective provisions which were in agreed form on 14 July 2026. The bespoke protective provisions are subject to the ongoing negotiation of the draft commercial agreement between the Applicant and NGET. The Applicant will submit the bespoke protective provisions into Examination or update the Secretary of State directly as appropriate when the draft commercial agreement is agreed and completed. The Applicant provided comments on the draft commercial agreement to NGET on 15 July 2026 for review. The Applicant received updated comments on the draft commercial agreement on 6 August 2026 which the Applicant is currently reviewing. The two parties have also attended various meetings to discuss remaining issues. The Applicant is confident that all remaining issues can be resolved and that the commercial agreement will be agreed before the end of examination or shortly thereafter. The Applicant considers that the agreed form of bespoke protective provisions (and related commercial agreement) will provide adequate protection to this statutory undertaker and enables land and rights to be acquired for the Proposed Development without serious detriment to the carrying on of the undertaking concerned.
Openreach Limited (Openreach) <i>Telecommunications</i>	1/2, 1/4, 1/5, 2/4, 2/7, 3/2, 3/3,	Permanent acquisition of land etc; permanent acquisition of new	No, s.127 is not engaged because it does not apply to telecommunications operators per s.127(8).	TBC	No	Openreach has issued draft bespoke protective provisions for the Applicant's review.

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	3/4, 3/5, 3/7, 3/10, 3/12, 3/17, 3/18, 7/7, 7/8, 7/10	rights; temporary possession and use 1 – Ground Mounted Solar PV Generating Station 3A -Satellite Collector Compounds 3B – Satellite Collector Compound Transformer 6 – Grid Connection Cabling Corridor 7 – Interconnecting Cabling Corridor(s) 8A – Primary Temporary Construction and Decommissioning Compound 9 – Highway Works 10A – Green and Blue Infrastructure 10B – Internal access to mitigation areas only	Yes, s. 138 is engaged because the plots are necessary for the purposes of carrying out Work Numbers 1, 3A, 3B, 6, 7, 8A, 9, 10A and 10B. The Applicant considers that the bespoke protective provisions or other form of commercial agreement will, once agreed, enable the Secretary of State to be satisfied that any extinguishment of right or removal of apparatus is necessary for the Proposed Development and is done so with adequate protections in place.			The Applicant reviewed the draft protective provisions and provided its response on 23 March 2026. The Applicant considers that bespoke protective provisions are not required on the basis that the draft protective provisions provided by Openreach do not differ materially from the standard protective provisions for operators of electronic communications code networks included in Part 2 of Schedule 15 of the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.4] (Standard ECC PPs). Openreach confirmed it had passed this response on to its legal team on 24 March 2026, and on 10 April 2026 confirmed that it was liaising on this internally. The Applicant sought an update from Openreach on 19 May 2026 and Openreach confirmed on 20 May 2026 that the matter was being considered internally. The Applicant sought an update from Openreach on 30 June 2026 and 17 July 2026. Openreach has been consistently following up with the relevant internal team as confirmed by emails dated 30 June 2026, 21 July 2026, 22 July 2026 and 23 July 2026. The Applicant has continued to seek an update from Openreach via emails dated 3 August 2026, 4 August 2026 and 10 August 2026. Openreach confirmed via email on 4 August 2026 that the relevant internal team was considering the matter and sent through comments on 11 August 2026 requesting two amendments to the Standard ECC PPs which the Applicant is currently reviewing. The Applicant will continue to progress negotiations with Openreach and seek to agree a position that is acceptable to both parties but notes that, in any case, the Standard ECC PPs apply to protect British Telecommunications PLC's apparatus within the Order Limits. The Standard ECC PPs accord with the standard form protective provisions for the protection of operators of electronic communications code networks included in various recent made Orders for solar farm projects such as The Cottam Solar Project Order 2024, The Springwell Solar Farm Order 2025, The Heckington Fen Solar Park Order 2025, The West Burton Solar Project Order 2025 and The Fenwick Solar Farm Order 2026.

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						The Applicant notes that the Standard ECC PPs ensure at paragraph 13 that any exercise of power under article 33 (statutory undertakers) in the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.9] is subject to Part 10 (undertakers' works affecting electronic communications apparatus) of the electronic communications code. Further, the Applicant notes that paragraph 14 of the Standard ECC PPs provides the relevant operator with sufficient, standard and accepted coverage in the event that, as the result of the authorised development or its construction, or of any subsidence resulting from any of those works, the relevant operator suffers any damage to its apparatus or property or there is any interruption in supply of service provided by the operator. As noted above, the Applicant will continue to progress negotiations with Openreach and is confident that a mutually acceptable position can be agreed before the end of examination or shortly thereafter. The Applicant will provide an update to the Examining Authority or the Secretary of State (as relevant). However, the Applicant considers that the Standard ECC PPs are sufficient to provide adequate protection to British Telecommunications PLC's apparatus and enables land and rights to be acquired for the Proposed Development without serious detriment to the operations concerned.
Scottish and Southern Energy Power Distribution Limited (SSE) <i>Electricity Distributor</i>	7/7, 7/8	Permanent acquisition of new rights 6 – Grid Connection Cabling Corridor	No, s.127 is not engaged because SSE has not made a representation about the Applicant's DCO Application. Yes, s.138 is engaged because the plots are necessary for the purposes of carrying out Work Number 6. The Applicant considers that the standard protective provisions in Part 1 of Schedule 15 of the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.2] [AS-010] will enable the Secretary of State to be	No	No	In October 2025, Scottish and Southern Energy Power Distribution Limited confirmed it did not require bespoke protective provisions. The Applicant has included the standard protective provisions for electricity, gas, water and sewerage undertakers in Part 1 of Schedule 15 of the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.2] [AS-010] and considers that these protective provisions provide adequate protection to this statutory undertaker, and enables land and rights to be acquired for the Proposed Development without serious detriment to the carrying on of the undertaking concerned.

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			satisfied that any extinguishment of right or removal of apparatus is necessary for the Proposed Development and is done so with adequate protections in place for the statutory undertaker.			
Statkraft UK Ltd (Statkraft) <i>Electricity</i>	7/2	Permanent acquisition of new rights 6 – Grid Connection Cabling Corridor	Yes, s.127 is engaged because Statkraft has made a representation to the Planning Inspectorate [RR-252] . Yes, s.138 is engaged because the plot is necessary for the purposes of carrying out Work Number 6. The Applicant considers that Statkraft will be adequately protected once the commercial agreement is agreed with Statkraft. This will enable the Secretary of State to be satisfied that any extinguishment of right or removal of apparatus is necessary for the Proposed Development and that adequate protections are in place for Statkraft.	No	Yes	Negotiations to agree a commercial agreement are progressing positively. The parties agree that an Interface Agreement is the most appropriate mechanism (in lieu of protective provisions) because Statkraft's project has been submitted under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and the Interface Agreement is necessary to provide reciprocal protections. Statkraft issued a draft Interface Agreement to the Applicant on 30 April 2026. The Applicant returned comments on the draft Interface Agreement on 8 July 2026 and Statkraft issued a response with further comments on 16 July 2026. The Applicant has reviewed these further comments and provided a response on 7 August 2026. The remaining issues to be resolved in the draft Interface Agreement are commercial in nature but broadly relate to compensation / costs recovery, dispute resolution, the approval process for certain works, emergency works, works programming in times of overlap and other administrative clauses. The Applicant acknowledges that Statkraft intends to prepare and submit a set of preferred protective provisions for inclusion in the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.9] at Deadline 6. However, the Applicant confirms that the points in dispute continue to reduce with each draft of the Interface Agreement and that the Applicant is confident that all remaining issues can be resolved. Because of this progress, and given that both parties are seeking to acquire cable rights in the plot, the Applicant is confident that the Interface Agreement will be agreed before the end of examination or shortly thereafter. The Applicant will provide an update to the Examining Authority or the Secretary of State (as relevant). Statkraft's interests as the proponent of the East Claydon Greener Grid Park project will be adequately protected once the Interface Agreement is completed.

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Thames Water Utilities Ltd (TWUL) <i>Water and sewerage</i>	8/1, 8/2, 8/3, 8/4, 8/5, 8/6, 8/7, 8/8	Temporary possession and use; permanent acquisition of land etc 9 – Highway Works	Yes, s.127 is engaged because TWUL has made a representation to the Planning Inspectorate [AS-032] . Yes, s.138 is engaged because the plots are necessary for the purposes of carrying out Work Number 9. The Applicant considers that TWUL will be adequately protected once bespoke protective provisions are agreed. The bespoke protective provisions will enable the Secretary of State to be satisfied that any extinguishment of right or removal of apparatus is necessary for the Proposed Development and is done so with adequate protections in place for the statutory undertaker.	Yes	No	Negotiations to agree bespoke protective provisions are progressing positively. TWUL provided the Applicant with a copy of its standard form protective provisions in late January 2026, and the Applicant responded with its comments on 15 April 2026. The Applicant received TWUL's comments on the protective provisions on 20 May 2026. The Applicant returned comments on 7 July 2026 and both parties confirmed that the protective provisions are agreed on 8 July 2026. The Applicant has included the agreed protective provisions in Schedule 15 (protective provisions) of the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.9] . The Applicant considers that the protective provisions will provide adequate protection to this statutory undertaker and enables land and rights to be acquired for the Proposed Development without serious detriment to the operations concerned.
UK Power Networks Limited (UKPN) <i>Electricity Transmitter</i>	5/1, 5/2	Permanent acquisition of land etc 1 – Ground Mounted Solar PV Generating Station 7 – Interconnecting Cabling Corridor(s) 10A – Green and Blue Infrastructure	No, s.127 is not engaged because UKPN has not made a representation about the Applicant's DCO Application. Yes, s.138 is engaged because the plots are necessary for the purposes of carrying out Work Numbers 1, 7 and 10A.	TBC	Yes	The Applicant is currently engaging with UKPN to seek to agree protective provisions (if required) and a commercial agreement. The Applicant provided UKPN with its comments on the draft commercial agreement on 10 March 2026 and is awaiting comments from UKPN. The Applicant sought an update from UKPN on 2 April 2026 and 19 May 2026 and UKPN confirmed on both occasions that the matter was being considered internally. The Applicant sought an update from UKPN on 30 June 2026, 17 July 2026 and 29 July 2026. UKPN confirmed via email dated 30 June 2026 that it was following up internally in respect of this matter.

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			The Applicant considers that the protective provisions for the protection of electricity, gas, water and sewerage undertakers at Schedule 15 (protective provisions), Part 1 of the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.9] and commercial agreement will, once agreed, enable the Secretary of State to be satisfied that any extinguishment of right or removal of apparatus is necessary for the Proposed Development and is done so with adequate protections in place for the statutory undertaker.			The Applicant received comments on the draft commercial agreement on 31 July 2026 which the Applicant is currently reviewing. The Applicant considers that the draft commercial agreement is close to completion and confirms that only one substantive point relating to the payment of costs and compensation under the agreement remains. The Applicant considers that, because of the small number of remaining issues, it is possible that the commercial agreement will be agreed before the end of examination. The Applicant will provide an update to the Examining Authority or the Secretary of State (as relevant). In any case, the Applicant notes that UKPN has not requested bespoke protective provisions and the Applicant understands that UKPN is comfortable that the protective provisions for the protection of electricity, gas, water and sewerage undertakers at Schedule 15 (protective provisions), Part 1 of the Draft DCO [EN010158/APP/3.1.9] (Standard PPs) apply to protect UKPN's apparatus within the Order Limits. The Standard PPs accord with the standard form protective provisions for the protection of electricity, gas, water and sewerage undertakers included in various recent made Orders for solar farm projects such as The Cottam Solar Project Order 2024, The Springwell Solar Farm Order 2025, The Heckington Fen Solar Park Order 2025, The West Burton Solar Project Order 2025 and The Fenwick Solar Farm Order 2026. The Applicant notes that the Standard PPs ensure at paragraphs 6 and 8 that UKPN's approval is required for any works (including technical details) that may require the removal of UKPN's apparatus or that will or may affect UKPN's apparatus or related structures. The Standard PPs also mandate at paragraph 5 that the undertaker cannot acquire any apparatus otherwise than by agreement. Finally, the Applicant notes that paragraph 10 of the Standard PPs provides UKPN with sufficient, standard and accepted coverage in the event that, by reason or in consequence of the construction of any works to remove existing UKPN apparatus, UKPN suffers any damage to its property or there is any interruption in supply or service provided by UKPN.

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						The Applicant will continue to negotiate and agree the draft commercial agreement with UKPN but it considers that the Standard PPs are sufficient to provide adequate protection to the statutory undertaker of its apparatus while enabling land and rights to be acquired for the Proposed Development without serious detriment to the carrying on of the undertaking concerned.
Vodafone Limited <i>Telecommunications</i>	7/7, 7/8, 7/9, 7/10, 7/11	Permanent acquisition of land, etc; permanent acquisition of new rights; temporary possession and use 1 – Ground Mounted Solar PV Generating Station 2A – Rosefield Substation Compound 2B – Abnormal Indivisible Load Corridor 5 – Main Collector Compound 6 – Grid Connection Cabling Corridor 7 – Interconnecting Cabling Corridor(s) 8B – Secondary Temporary Construction and Decommissioning Compound 9 – Highway Works 10A – Green and Blue Infrastructure	No, s.127 is not engaged because it does not apply to telecommunications operators per s.127(8). Yes, s.138 is engaged because the plots are necessary for the purposes of carrying out Work Numbers 1, 2A, 2B, 5, 6, 7, 8B, 9 and 10A. The Applicant considers that the commercial agreement reached between the parties provides Vodafone Ltd adequate protection and enables the Secretary of State to be satisfied that any extinguishment of right or removal of apparatus is necessary for the Proposed Development and is done so with adequate protections in place for Vodafone Ltd.	No	Yes	The parties agreed a commercial agreement in December 2025. The Applicant considers that the commercial agreement provides adequate protection to Vodafone Ltd of its apparatus and enables land and rights to be acquired for the Proposed Development without serious detriment to the operations concerned.



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