

Lincolnshire County Council biodiversity and ecology comments for the One Earth Solar Farm Deadline 3 submission

Draft Development Consent Order (REP2-010)

LCC notes the corrections to the wording of Requirement 9 (2) and is now in agreement with the wording of Requirement 9.

Shadow Habitat Regulations Assessment (REP2-020)

LCC notes that REP2-020 has been updated to include details of the interest features of the Humber Estuary SAC and Ramsar site. LCC defers to natural England on matters relating to the Habitats Regulations Assessment and has no further comments to make at this stage.

Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan (REP2-050)

LCC has previously provided comments (REP2-085) on the need for pre-commencement bird surveys to be designed to ensure that Schedule 1 bird species whose breeding activity may not necessarily be encompassed within the scope of a standard breeding bird survey (e.g. due to the timing of their breeding activity) are accurately recorded. Relevant species will include but may not be restricted to quail and barn owl. This requirement should be included in the OCEMP.

Outline Operational Environmental Management Plan (REP2-052)

LCC notes the updated Outline OEMP (REP2-052) and has no further comments to make in relation to ecology and biodiversity at this stage.

Outline Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan (REP2-054)

LCC notes the updated Outline DEMP (REP2-054) and has no further comments to make in relation to ecology and biodiversity at this stage.

Outline Landscape and Ecology Environmental Management Plan (REP2-056)

LCC welcomes the Applicant's intention to establish an Ecology Steering Group (7.16-7.17). LCC requests that additional clarification on the nature and role of the group is provided as well as how any funding associated with the group will be secured.