Adequacy of Consultation Representation Proforma

Under Section 55(4)(b) of the Planning Act 2008 (PA2008) the Planning Inspectorate, on behalf of the Secretary of State, must take any adequacy of consultation representation (AoCR) received from a local authority consultee into account when deciding whether to accept an application for development consent, and this will be published should the application be accepted for examination.

An AoCR is defined in s55(5) in PA2008 as "a representation about whether the applicant complied, in relation to that proposed application, with the applicant's duties under sections 42, 47 and 48".

Project name	Great North Road Solar and Biodiversity Park	
Date of request	Tuesday 01 July 2025	
Deadline for AOCR	Tuesday 15 July 2025	
Return to	GreatNorthRoadSolar@planninginspectorate.gov.uk	

Please complete the proforma outlining your AoCR on the above NSIP.

Local Authority Newark and Sherwood District Council (NSDC)

In the opinion of the local authority, has the applicant complied with the legislative requirements listed below?

Please note that this is specifically about the statutory consultation(s) undertaken.

Assessment of Compliance - Required		
S42 Duty to consult	Yes*	
S47 Duty to consult local authority	Yes*	
S48 Duty to publicise	Yes*	

If you would like to give more detail on any of the above, please do so below.

Please keep it as succinct as possible and refer to facts and evidence related to consultation, rather than the merits of the application.

Additional comments - Not compulsory	
S42 Duty to consult	*Yes, in so far as it relates to NSDC as one of the 'host local authorities, but we are not able to offer confirmatory advice on other parties the Applicant has consulted under Section 42.
S47 Duty to consult local authority	*We can confirm the Applicant has met their basic duties to consult NSDC on the Statement of Community Consultation (SOCC) within the minimum required timescales.
S48 Duty to publicise	*In so far as NSDC are aware, but on the basis that the authority has not been asked to or sought to check that all duties to publicise the application in the prescribed manner have been met and given the burden of responsibility for compliance with Section 48 falls with the Applicant.
Any other comments	Please refer to the separate letter with the further comments of NSDC in response to this formal adequacy of consultation request.