

Transboundary screening undertaken by the Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) on behalf of the Secretary of State (SoS) for the purposes of regulation 32 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (The 2017 EIA Regulations)

Project name:	Great North Road Solar and Biodiversity Park
Address/Location:	Land to the north west of Newark on Trent, west of A1 and north of A617
Planning Inspectorate Ref:	EN010162
Date(s) screening undertaken:	First screening – 19 December 2023 Second screening – 31 July 2025

TRANSBOUNDARY SCREENING

The Inspectorate undertook transboundary screening of the proposed development in the Scoping Opinion, which was adopted on 19 December 2023. The Inspectorate concluded that the proposed development is unlikely to have a significant effect either alone or cumulatively on the environment in a European Economic Area State. The Scoping Opinion is available from:

https://nsip-documents.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/published-documents/EN010162-000012-EN010162%20Great%20North%20Road%20Solar%20Park%20-%20Scoping%20Opinion.pdf

Document(s) used for transboundary screening:

Environmental Statement Main Chapters [APP-043] – [APP-063]

Environmental Statement Figures [APP-064] – [APP-189]

Environmental Statement Appendices [APP-190] – [APP-295]

Consultation Report [APP-296] – [APP-314]

Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Report [APP-316]

The Inspectorate has re-considered the likelihood of transboundary effects resulting from the proposed development, taking into account any changes that have been made to the proposed development since the previous transboundary screening process was undertaken.

The Inspectorate considers that the proposed development is unlikely to have a significant effect either alone or cumulatively on the environment in a European Economic Area State. This position will remain under review and will have regard to any new or materially different information coming to light which may alter that decision.

Action: No further action required at this stage.

Date: 31 July 2025

Note: The SoS' duty under regulation 32 of The 2017 EIA Regulations continues

throughout the application process.

Note:

The Inspectorate's screening of transboundary issues is based on the relevant considerations specified in the annex to its Advice Page, Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects: Advice on Transboundary Impacts and Process, available on the Advice page collection at gov.uk: 'Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects: Advice on Transboundary Impacts and Process'.