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To the applicant and all interested parties

Our Ref: EN010162

Date: 27 January 2026

Dear Sir / Madam

Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 – rule 9 and rule 16

Application by Elements Green Trent Limited for an order granting development consent for the Great North Road Solar and Biodiversity Park

Procedural decision on site inspections

We would like to thank all those who have taken the time to suggest locations for the Examining Authority (ExA) to visit and points to note. We have considered the applicant's draft itinerary for site inspections [[REP1-069](#)]. We have also looked at the representations made by Egmont Parish Meeting [[REP1-088](#)] and Eakring Parish Council [[AS-077](#)], as well as other requests for site inspections [[RR-169](#) and [AS-078](#)]. These representations, together with the applicant's response, have helped us formulate the approach to site inspections for this examination.

We note that the majority of locations suggested are publicly accessible and we therefore intend to view those locations on an unaccompanied basis. In addition, we propose to view the following sites on an access required basis:

- Mainwood Farm
- Caunton Lodge Farm
- The Shires, Castle Hill
- Ossington Airfield

A member of the Planning Inspectorate's Case Team will join the ExA at those locations. The ExA will not have any discussion with any other parties present; their role will be solely to grant access, open any locked gates, and direct the ExA to the relevant part of

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the site. This will therefore be an Unaccompanied Site Inspection in accordance with Rule 16(1) of [The Infrastructure Planning \(Examination Procedure\) Rules 2010](#).

The ExA has therefore decided not to hold the Accompanied Site Inspection reserved for week commencing 23 February 2026 referred to in the Examination Timetable in the [Rule 8 letter](#) issued on 2 December 2025.

Yours faithfully

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Lead member of the Examining Authority

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