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Section 55(2) Acceptance of Applications				
1	Within 28 days (starting day after receipt) the Planning Inspectorate must decide whether or not to accept the application for Examination.	Date received	28-day due date	Date of decision
Section 55(3) – the Planning Inspectorate may only accept an application if it concludes that:		Planning Inspectorate comments		
Section 55(3)(a) and s55(3)(c): It is an application for an order granting development consent				
2	In accordance with sections(s) 14 to 30 of the Planning Act 2008 (the PA2008), is the development a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) (or does it form part of an NSIP); and does the application state on the face of it that, in accordance with s31 of the PA2008, it is an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) under the PA2008, or equivalent words? Does the application specify the development to	<b>Yes.</b> The Proposed Development set out in <b>Schedule 1</b> of the <b>Draft Development Consent Order [EN010163/APP/3.1]</b> includes development that is defined as a Nationally Significant infrastructure Project under Sections 14(1)(a), 15(1) and 15(2) of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008) by virtue of the below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Scheme comprises the construction of a generating station (Section 14(1)(a) of the PA 2008);</li> <li>• It would be located in England (Section 15(2)(a) of the PA 2008);</li> </ul>		

	<p>which it relates (i.e. which category or categories in s14 to 30 does the Proposed Development fall)?</p> <p>If the development does not fall within the categories in s14 to 30, has a direction been given by the Secretary of State under s35 of the PA2008 for the development to be treated as development for which development consent is required?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It would not generate electricity from wind (Section 15(2)(aa) of the PA 2008);</li> <li>• It would not be an offshore generation station (Section 15(2)(b) of the PA 2008);</li> <li>• Its capacity would be more than 50MW (Section 15(2)(c) of the PA 2008);</li> </ul> <p><b>Section 4 of the Application Form [EN010163/APP/1.3] and the Covering Letter [EN010163/APP/1.2] state that the application is for a Development Consent Order.</b></p>
3	<b>Summary: Section 55(3)(a) and s55(3)(c)</b>	The application includes development for which development consent is required.
<b>Section 55(3)(e): The Applicant in relation to the application made has complied with Chapter 2 of Part 5 (pre-application procedure)</b>		
4	<p>In accordance with Regulation 8 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the EIA Regulations), did the Applicant (prior to carrying out consultation in accordance with s42) either (a) request the Planning Inspectorate adopt a Screening Opinion in respect of the development to which the application relates, or (b) notify the Planning Inspectorate in writing that it proposed to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of that development?</p>	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>On the 19 April 2024 the Applicant notified the Planning Inspectorate in accordance with Regulation 8(1)(b) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 of its intention to provide an Environmental Statement (ES) in respect of the Proposed Development. The notification was received before the start of the statutory consultation on the 3 June 2024.</p> <p>A copy of the notification letter is provided at <b>Appendix D-4.2 of the Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>.</p>
5	<p>Have any Adequacy of Consultation Representations been received from 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D' local authorities; and if so, do they</p>	<b>N/A</b> – The adequacy of consultation representations will be requested by the Planning Inspectorate.

	<p>confirm that the Applicant has complied with the duties under s42, s47 and s48?</p> <p>Section 55(4) of the PA2008 provides that the Planning Inspectorate must have regard to the Consultation Report, and any Adequacy of Consultation Representations received.</p>	<p>The <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> explains how, at a project wide level, the Applicant has had regard to consultation responses.</p>
<b>Section 42: Duty to consult</b>		
Did the Applicant consult the applicable persons set out in s42 of the PA2008 about the proposed application?		
6	<p>Section 42(1)(a) persons prescribed?</p> <p>The persons prescribed are the statutory consultees set out in Schedule 1 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (the APFP Regulations).</p>	<p>The Applicant has provided a list of persons consulted under s42(1)(a) in <b>Appendix D-1</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Appendices Part D [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>.</p> <p>A sample of the letters sent to s42(1)(a) consultees is provided at <b>Appendix D-2.1</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Appendices Part D [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>.</p>
7	<p>Section 42(1)(aa) the Marine Management Organisation(MMO)?</p> <p>The MMO must be consulted in any case where the Proposed Development would affect, or would be likely to affect, any of the areas specified in s42(2) of the PA2008.</p>	<p><b>No</b></p> <p>The applicant has not consulted the MMO with the reasoning that the proposed development will not likely affect any of the areas specified in s42(2) of the PA2008. The applicant provided this justification in <b>paragraph 5.4.3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>.</p>
8	<p>Section 42(1)(b) each local authority within s43?</p> <p>Definition of 'local authority' in s43(3) of the PA2008: The 'B' authority where the application land is in the authority's area; the 'A' authority where any part of the boundary of A's area is also</p>	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p><b>Table 13</b> of the <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> lists the relevant local authorities that were identified and consulted under s43 and s42(1)(b) on 20 January 2025.</p>



	a part of the boundary of B's area; the 'C' authority (upper tier) where the application land is in that authority's area; the 'D' authority (upper tier) where such an authority shares a boundary with a 'C' authority.	<p>The host 'B' authority was consulted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bassetlaw District Council</li> </ul> <p>The host 'C' authority was consulted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nottinghamshire County Council</li> </ul> <p>The boundary 'A' authorities were consulted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• West Lindsey District Council</li> <li>• Newark and Sherwood District Council</li> <li>• Mansfield District Council</li> <li>• Bolsover District Council</li> <li>• Nottingham City Council</li> <li>• City of Doncaster Council</li> <li>• Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council</li> </ul> <p>The boundary 'D' authorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lincolnshire County Council</li> <li>• Derbyshire County Council</li> <li>• Leicestershire County Council</li> </ul>
9	Section 42(1)(c) the Greater London Authority (if in Greater London area)?	<p><b>N/A</b></p> <p><b>Paragraph 5.6.1</b> of the <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> provides an explanation as to why the Greater London Authority were not consulted.</p>
10	Section 42(1)(d) each person in one or more of s44 categories?	<b>Yes</b>

	Category 1: owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of land; Category 2: person interested in the land or has power to sell and convey the land or to release the land; Category 3: persons who would or might be entitled to make a relevant claim.	<p><b>Paragraph 5.2.1</b> of the <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> states that all persons identified under s42(1)(d) were consulted on 20 January 2025.</p> <p><b>Section 5.7</b> of the <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> summarise how the applicant made diligent inquiry to seek to identify and consult persons with an interest in lands affected by the draft Development Consent Order <b>[EN010163/APP/3.1]</b>.</p> <p>The full methodology undertaken by the applicant is provided in the <b>Statement of Reasons [EN010163/APP/4.1]</b>. The persons consulted under s42(1)(d) are listed in the <b>Book of Reference [EN010163/APP/4.3]</b>. A sample of the letter is provided at <b>Appendix D-2.2</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Appendices Part D [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>.</p>
<b>Section 45: Timetable for s42 consultation</b>		
11	Did the Applicant notify s42 consultees of the deadline for receipt of consultation responses; and if so was the deadline notified by the Applicant 28 days or more starting with the day after receipt of the consultation documents?	<p>A sample of the letter sent to s42 consultees is provided at <b>Appendix D-2.1, of the Consultation Report Appendices Part D [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>.</p> <p>The letters listed show that all s42 consultees identified, were notified of the deadline for consultation responses, and that each consultee was given at least 28 days or more.</p>
<b>Section 46: Duty to notify the Planning Inspectorate of proposed application</b>		
12	Did the Applicant supply information to notify the Planning Inspectorate of the proposed application; and if so, was the information supplied to the Planning Inspectorate on or before the date it was sent to the s42 consultees? Was this done on or before commencing consultation under s42?	<p>Yes</p> <p>The Applicant gave notice under s46 on 20 January 2025 which was at the beginning of the s42 consultation.</p> <p>A copy of the s46 notification letter is provided at <b>Appendix D-4.2</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Appendices Part D [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>.</p>



Section 47: Duty to consult local community		
13	Did the Applicant prepare a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) on how it intended to consult people living in the vicinity of the land?	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>A copy of the final SoCC is provided at <b>Appendix C-5.3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>.</p>
14	Were 'B' and (where relevant) 'C' authorities consulted about the content of the SoCC; and if so, was the deadline for receipt of responses 28 days beginning with the day after the day that 'B' and, where applicable, 'C' authorities received the consultation documents?	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>The Applicant sent the draft SoCC to the following local authorities on 18 March 2024 and set a deadline of 04 April 2024 for responses; providing more than the required minimum time for responses to be received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bassetlaw District Council ('B' Authority)</li> <li>• Nottinghamshire County Council ('C' Authority)</li> </ul> <p>The draft SoCC is provided in <b>Appendix C-2.3</b> and the email requesting a response from Bassetlaw District Council and Nottinghamshire County Council is provided in <b>Appendix C-2.1 and C-2.2 of the Consultation Report Appendices Part [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>.</p>
15	Has the Applicant had regard to any responses received when preparing the SoCC?	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p><b>Table 11</b> of the <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> provides a summary of the consultation responses from Bassetlaw District Council and Nottinghamshire County Council in respect of the draft SoCC and demonstrates how the applicant had regard to their content.</p> <p>Examples of changes from the draft SoCC to the final SoCC include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The council suggested the Applicant use social media to promote the consultation. In response the Applicant ran a series of Facebook adverts to publicise the consultation.</li> </ul> <p>The Planning Inspectorate is satisfied that the applicant had regard to the</p>

		responses received when preparing the SoCC.
16	Has the SoCC been made available for inspection on a website maintained by or on behalf of the Applicant; and has a notice been published in a newspaper circulating in the vicinity of the land which states where and when the SoCC can be inspected?	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>The final SoCC was made available at the following locations from 20 January 2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gainsborough Library</li> <li>• Retford Library</li> <li>• Sturton Hall and Conference Centre (during opening hours)</li> </ul> <p>A notice stating when and where the final SoCC could be inspected was published in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Retford Times on 9 January, 16 January and 23 January</li> <li>• The Nottingham Post on 16 January and 23 January</li> <li>• The Guardian on 9 January</li> <li>• The London Gazette on 9 January</li> </ul> <p>Clippings of the published advertisements are provided at <b>Appendix C-6.2, C-6.3, C-6.4 and C-6.5</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Appendices Part C [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>. The published SoCC notice, provided at <b>Appendix C-6.1 of the Consultation Report Appendices Part C [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>, states where and when the final SoCC was available to inspect.</p>
17	In accordance with Regulation 12 of the EIA Regulations, does the SoCC set out whether the development is EIA development; and does it set out how the Applicant intends to publicise and	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>Section 2.2 of the final <b>SoCC</b> at <b>Appendix C-5.3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report Appendices Part C</b>.</p>

	consult on the Preliminary Environmental Information?	<b>Appendices Part C [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> sets out that the development is EIA development and sets out how the applicant intended to publicise and consult on the Preliminary Environmental Information.
18	Has the Applicant carried out the consultation in accordance with the SoCC?	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>Section 5.11 of the <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> sets out how the community consultation was carried out in line with the final SoCC.</p> <p>Section 5.17 of the <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> sets out how the Applicant has complied with the commitments set out in the final SoCC. Within this section, the Applicant makes several references to specific appendices in A,C,D,E and H of the <b>Consultation Report Appendices [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> which provide evidence that the commitments with the final SoCC have been carried out.</p>
<b>Section 48: Duty to publicise the proposed application</b>		
19	Did the Applicant publicise the proposed application in the prescribed manner set out in Regulation 4(2) of the (as amended) APFP Regulations 2009?	<p>Yes</p> <p>Paragraph 5.12.2 states:</p> <p>“As per the requirements of Regulation 4 of the APFP Regulations, a notice pursuant to section 48 of the PA 2008 was published:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) for at least two successive weeks in one or more local newspapers circulating in the vicinity in which the proposed development would be situated;</li> <li>b) once in a national newspaper;</li> <li>c) once in the London Gazette and, if land in Scotland is affected, the Edinburgh Gazette; and</li> </ul>

		d) where the proposed application relates to offshore development— i) once in Lloyd's List; and ii) once in an appropriate fishing trade journal.	
		Newspaper(s)	Date
a)	for at least two successive weeks in one or more local newspapers circulating in the vicinity in which the Proposed Development would be situated;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Retford Times</li> <li>Nottingham Post</li> </ul>	9 January 2025, 16 January and 23 January 2025
b)	once in a national newspaper;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Guardian</li> </ul>	9 January 2025
c)	once in the London Gazette and, if land in Scotland is affected, the Edinburgh Gazette; and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The London Gazette</li> </ul>	9 January 2025
d)	where the proposed application relates to offshore development – (i) once in Lloyds List; and (ii) once in an appropriate fishing trade journal?	N/A	N/A
20	Did the s48 notice include the required information set out in Regulation 4(3) of the (as amended) APFP Regulations 2009?	<b>Yes</b> The published s48 notice supplied at <b>Appendix C-6.1 of the Consultation Report Appendices Part C [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> contains the required information as set out below:	
Information		Paragraph	Information
		Paragraph	

a)	the name and address of the Applicant.	1	b)	a statement that the Applicant intends to make an application for development consent to the Secretary of State	1
c)	a statement as to whether the application is EIA development	6	d)	a summary of the main proposals, specifying the location or route of the Proposed Development	5
e)	a statement that the documents, plans and maps were available on a website maintained by or on behalf of the Applicant. The statement must include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The nature and location of the Proposed Development</li> <li>• The address of the website</li> <li>• The place on the website</li> <li>• A telephone number which can be used to contact the Applicant for enquiries in relation to the documents, plans and maps.</li> </ul>	16	f)	the latest date on which those documents, plans and maps will be available for inspection	10
g)	whether a charge will be made for copies of any of the documents, plans or maps and the amount of any charge	16	h)	details of how to respond to the publicity	16
i)	a deadline for receipt of those responses by the Applicant, being not less than 28 days following the date when the notice is last published	17			

21	Are there any observations in respect of the s48 notice provided above?	
	<b>No</b>	
22	Has a copy of the s48 notice been sent to the EIA consultation bodies and to any person notified to the Applicant in accordance with Regulation 13 of the EIA Regulations?	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>A copy of the s48 notice was sent to the EIA consultation bodies as part of the s42 consultation, as confirmed in paragraph 5.6.1 of the <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>. A full list of consultees identified can be found in <b>Appendix D-1 of the Consultation Report Appendices Part D [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b>.</p> <p>A sample of the s42 consultation letter provided at <b>Appendix D-2.1 of the Consultation Report Appendices Part D [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> confirms a copy of the s48 notice was enclosed.</p>
<b>s49: Duty to take account of responses to consultation and publicity</b>		
23	Has the Applicant had regard to any relevant responses to the s42, s47 and s48 consultation?	<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p>Section 6.9 of the <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> identifies the key design changes that were made, including where this was a direct result of consultation feedback. <b>Appendix H of the Consultation Report Appendices [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> sets out the full list of responses to the consultations and regard it had to them, including whether or not responses led to changes to the design of the application.</p> <p>The actions informed by the consultation responses appear to be reflected in the final form of the application as submitted. Where a particular response has not led to a change in the application, it is sufficiently clear that regard was had to it.</p>



<b>S50(3) Regard to guidance about pre-application procedure</b>		
24	<p>To what extent has the Applicant had regard to statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Pre-application stage for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects'?</p> <p>The Planning Inspectorate must have regard to the extent to which the Applicant has had regard to guidance issued under s50.</p>	<p><b>Appendix G-4 of the Consultation Report Appendices Part G [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> state that the Applicant has taken into consideration all relevant statutory and other guidance, including statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process'.</p>
25	<b>Summary: Section 55(3)(e)</b>	The Applicant has complied with Chapter 2 of Part 5 (pre-application procedure) of the Planning Act 2008.
<b>s55(3)(f) and s55(5A): The application (including accompaniments) achieves a satisfactory standard having regard to the extent to which it complies with section 37(3) (form and contents of application) and with any standards set under section 37(5) and follows any applicable guidance under section 37(4)</b>		
26	<p>Is it made in the prescribed form as set out in Schedule 2 of the APFP Regulations, and does it include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a brief statement which explains why it falls within the remit of the Planning Inspectorate; and</li> <li>a brief statement that clearly identifies the location of the application site, or the route if it is a linear scheme?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p><b>Section 4 of the Application Form [EN010163/APP/1.3]</b> explains why the development falls within the remit of the Planning Inspectorate.</p> <p><b>Section 5 of the Application Form [EN010163/APP/1.3]</b> provides a brief non-technical description of the site and section 6 provides the location of the Proposed Development.</p> <p>A <b>Lands Plan [EN010163/APP/2.1]</b> has been provided showing the location of the DCO Application.</p>
27	Is it accompanied by a Consultation Report?	<b>Yes.</b>

		The application is accompanied by a <b>Consultation Report [EN010163/APP/5.1]</b> .
28	In accordance with Regulation 5(4) of the APFP Regulations, where a plan comprises three or more separate sheets, has a key plan been provided showing the relationship between the different sheets?	<b>Yes.</b>
29	Is it accompanied by the documents and information set out in APFP Regulation 5(2)?	The documents and information required by APFP Regulation 5(2) are set out in the documents and locations within the application as listed below:
<b>Information</b>		<b>Document</b>
a)	Where applicable, the Environmental Statement required under the EIA Regulations and any scoping or screening opinions or directions	Environmental Statement Main Report Chapters <b>[EN010163/APP/6.2.1-6.2.17]</b> .  A copy of the Scoping Opinion is included within Appendix 1.2 of the ES Appendices <b>[EN010163/APP/6.3.1.2]</b> .
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
<b>Information</b>		<b>Document</b>
b)	The draft Development Consent Order (DCO)	Draft Development Consent Order <b>[EN010163/APP/3.1]</b> .
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?	

c)	An Explanatory Memorandum explaining the purpose and effect of provisions in the draft DCO	Draft Explanatory Memorandum <b>[EN010163/APP/3.2]</b> .	d)	Where applicable, a Book of Reference	Book of Reference <b>[EN010163/APP/4.3]</b> .
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
e)	A copy of any Flood Risk Assessment	Flood Risk Assessment <b>[EN010163/APP/5.3]</b> .	f)	A statement whether the proposal engages one or more of the matters set out in section 79(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (statutory nuisances) and if so how the Applicant proposes to mitigate or limit them	Statutory Nuisance Statement <b>[EN010163/APP/5.4]</b> .
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
h)	A Statement of Reasons and a Funding Statement (where the application involves any Compulsory Acquisition)	Statement of Reasons <b>[EN010163/APP/4.1]</b> . Funding Statement <b>[EN010163/APP/4.2]</b> .	i)	A Land Plan identifying:- (i) the land required for, or affected by, the Proposed Development; (ii) where applicable, any land over which	Land Plan <b>[EN010163/APP/2.1]</b> .

j)			k)	<p>it is proposed to exercise powers of Compulsory Acquisition or any rights to use land;</p> <p>(iii) any land in relation to which it is proposed to extinguish easements, servitudes and other private rights; and</p> <p>(iv) any special category land and replacement land</p>	
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
	<p>A Works Plan showing, in relation to existing features:-</p> <p>(i) the proposed location or (for a linear scheme) the proposed route and alignment of the development and works; and</p>	<p>Works Plan <b>[EN010163/APP/2.2]</b>.</p>		<p>Where applicable, a plan identifying any new or altered means of access, stopping up of streets or roads or any diversions, extinguishments or creation of rights of way or public rights of navigation</p>	<p>Access and Public Rights of Way Plan <b>[EN010163/APP/2.3]</b>.</p>

	(ii) the limits within which the development and works may be carried out and any limits of deviation provided for in the draft DCO				
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
l)	<p>Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying:-</p> <p>(i) any statutory or non-statutory sites or features of nature conservation eg sites of geological or landscape importance;</p> <p>(ii) habitats of protected species, important habitats or other diversity features; and</p> <p>(iii) water bodies in a river basin management plan,</p>	<p><b>Plans</b></p> <p>(i) Plans of Statutory and Non-Statutory Nature Conservation <b>[EN010163/APP/2.30]</b>.</p> <p>(ii) Important Hedgerows Plan <b>[EN010163/APP/2.34]</b>.</p> <p>(iii) Plans of Waterbodies in river basin management plan <b>[EN010163/APP/2.28]</b>.</p> <p><b>Assessments</b></p> <p>ES Chapter 7 – Ecology &amp; Biodiversity</p>	m)	<p>Where applicable, a plan with accompanying information identifying any statutory or non-statutory sites or features of the historic environment, (eg scheduled monuments, World Heritage sites, listed buildings, archaeological sites and registered battlefields) together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features or structures likely to be caused by the Proposed Development</p>	<p>Statutory and Non-Statutory Features of Historic or Schedule Monument Sites <b>[EN010163/APP/2.30]</b>.</p> <p>ES Chapter 13: Cultural Heritage <b>[EN010163/APP/6.2.9]</b>.</p> <p>ES Chapter 13 Appendix 9.1 - Cultural Heritage Technical Baseline <b>[EN010163/APP/6.3.9.1]</b>.</p> <p>ES Chapter 13 Appendix 9.2 - Magnitude Surveys Geophysical Survey Interim Report <b>[EN010163/APP/6.3.9.2]</b>.</p> <p>ES Chapter 13 Appendix 9.3 - Archaeological Mitigation Statement <b>[EN010163/APP/6.3.9.3]</b>.</p> <p>ES Chapter 13 Appendix 9.4 - Outline Written Scheme of</p>

n)	together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features, habitats or bodies likely to be caused by the Proposed Development	<b>[EN010163/APP/6.2.7]</b> . Habitat Regulation Assessment <b>[EN010163/APP/5.5].</b>	o)		Investigation for Archaeological Works <b>[EN010163/APP/6.3.9.4].</b>
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Is this of a satisfactory standard?	
	Where applicable, a plan with any accompanying information identifying any Crown land	N/A		Any other plans, drawings and sections necessary to describe the development consent proposal showing details of design, external appearance, and the preferred layout of buildings, structures, drainage, surface water management, means of vehicular and pedestrian access, any car parking and landscaping	Access and Public Rights of Way <b>[EN010163/APP/2.3].</b> Plans of waterbodies in river basin management plan <b>[EN010163/APP/2.28].</b>
	Is this of a satisfactory standard?			Are they of a satisfactory standard?	



p)	Any of the documents prescribed by Regulation 6 of the APFP Regulations:	Grid Connection Statement <b>[EN010163/APP/5.8]</b> .	q)	Any other documents considered necessary to support the application	Cover Letter <b>[EN010163/APP/1.2]</b> . Application Form <b>[EN010163/APP/1.3]</b> . Application Guide <b>[EN010163/APP/1.4]</b> . ES Appendix 4.1 Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan <b>[EN010163/APP/6.3.4]</b> ES Appendix 4.2 Outline Decommissioning Plan <b>[EN010163/APP/6.3.4]</b> . ES Appendix 7.14 Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan <b>[EN010163/APP/6.3.7]</b> . Details of other Consents and Licenses <b>[EN010163/APP/5.9]</b> . Planning Statement <b>[EN010163/APP/7.1]</b> . Design and Access Statement <b>[EN010163/APP/7.3]</b> . ES Appendix 4.3 - Outline Fire Risk Management Plan <b>[EN010163/APP/6.3.4]</b> .
	Are they of a satisfactory standard?			Are they of a satisfactory standard?	

30	Are there any observations in respect of the documents provided at Box 29 (a) to (q) above?	
31	In accordance with Regulation 5(2)(g) of the APFP Regulations, is the application accompanied by a report identifying any European site(s) to which Regulation 48 of The Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 applies; or any Ramsar site(s), which may be affected by the Proposed Development, together with sufficient information that will enable the Secretary of State to make an appropriate assessment of the implications for the site if required by Regulation 48(1)?	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p>A <b>Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) Report</b> has been provided [EN010163/APP/5.5].</p> <p>The HRA report identifies relevant European sites and the likely effects on those sites.</p> <p>The Proposed Development does not affect any European site(s) to which Regulation 48 of The Conservation (Natural Habitats, &amp;c.) Regulations 1994 applies; or any Ramsar site(s).</p>
32	In accordance with Regulation 5(2)(r) of the APFP Regulations, if requested by the Planning Inspectorate, have two paper copies of the application form and other supporting documents and plans been provided?	Available on request.
33	Has the Applicant had regard to statutory guidance 'Planning Act 2008: Application form guidance'?	<p><b>Yes.</b></p> <p><b>Section 1.8</b> of the Applicants <b>Covering Letter</b> [EN010163/APP/1.2] and <b>Section 1.3</b> of the <b>Consultation Report appendices</b> [EN010163/APP/5.1] explain how the Applicant has had regard to the statutory guidance on the form of the application.</p>

34	<b>Summary - s55(3)(f) and s55(5A)</b>	The Application complies with the requirements of section 55(3)(f) and section 55(5A) of the Planning AACT 2008. The Applicant considers it is of a satisfactory standard.
<b>The Infrastructure Planning (Fees) Regulations 2010 (as amended)</b>		
<b>Pre-application fee</b>		
35	<p>Were all pre-application fees paid before the application was made?</p> <p>Pre-application services for which a fee can be charged is defined in Regulation 2A(8) and includes services listed within Schedule 1 of the Fees Regulations 2010. Fees for pre-application services apply to all proposed applications, from the inception meeting. These fees must be paid within 28 days of the invoice. If the applicant fails to pay the fee within 28 days, the Planning Inspectorate will not provide the applicant with any further pre-application services or take any further steps in relation to the proposed application.</p>	The pre application fee was paid on 09 <sup>th</sup> May 2025.
<b>Fees to accompany an application</b>		
36	<p>Was the fee paid at the same time that the application was made?</p> <p>The Planning Inspectorate must charge the Applicant a fee in respect of the decision by the Planning Inspectorate under section 55 of the PA2008. If the Applicant fails to pay the fee, the</p>	The fee was paid 06 <sup>th</sup> May 2025 and confirmed as cleared on the 06 <sup>th</sup> May 2025 before the application was made.

	Planning Inspectorate need not consider the application until payment is received. The fee must be paid at the same time that the application is made	
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Role	Electronic signature	Date
Case Manager		
Acceptance Inspector		