

Application by Steeple Solar Farm Limited for an order granting development consent for the Steeple Renewables Project

Issue Specific Hearing 3 on the draft Development Consent Order

Date: 13 February 2026

Venue: West Retford Hotel, 24 North Road, Retford, DN22 7XG and virtually via Microsoft Teams

Action points

No	Party	Action	Deadline
1	Sturton-le-Steeple Parish Council	Submit document showing diversion route through Sturton-le-Steeple.	4
2	Applicant	Article 6 (Disapplication and modification of legislative provisions): Provide clarification on the necessity of the proposed modification to regulation 6 of the Hedgerow Regulations 1997, which provides exemptions to planning permissions, in paragraph (2) applying to a development consent order.	4
3	NCC	Article 9 (Application of the 1991 Act): Provide details on the timings for determining a permit submitted under NCC's permit scheme.	4
4	NCC	Provide comments on the additions of paragraphs (4) to (7) to Article 10 (Power to alter layout, etc., of streets) added by the applicant at deadline 2.	4
5	Applicant	Article 34 (Felling or lopping of trees or removal of hedgerows): Review other orders regarding the content of paragraph (1) and whether 'near any part' can be more precisely defined.	4
6	Applicant	Article 35 (Operational Land): Provide clarification regarding applicability of permitted development rights and need for this to apply across all of the order limits. Explanatory memorandum to be updated to more clearly explain the powers that would be authorised under this article.	4
7	Applicant	Requirement 3 (Detailed design approval): Explain the purpose of the details to be submitted having to accord with the 'site	4

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		location plan' and whether reference is also required to the site layout plan.	
8	NCC	Requirement 3 (Detailed design approval): Update on position regarding securing an independent design review process to input into the detailed design. Also, provide details on how the local community would be consulted and could engage on detailed design proposals.	4
9	Applicant	Requirement 17 (Archaeology): Revised wording has been provided by NCC to the applicant. Applicant to submit details of the wording and provide its comments on its suitability.	4
10	Applicant	Requirement 19 (Construction hours): Review wording to clarify whether 'emergency works' can be more clearly defined to aid understanding of the type of works this would cover. Explain whether a shorter notification period than the 72 hours specified in sub-paragraph (3) would be more appropriate.	4
11	Applicant	Requirement 21 (Decommissioning and restoration): Explain further the process of how the site would be restored if the undertaker went into liquidation and how an insolvency practitioner would take on the responsibility of restoring the site if the proposed development was no longer required within the 40-year period.	4
12	NCC and Applicant	Schedule 2 part 2 (Procedure for discharge of requirements): NCC to confirm whether any other made DCO's have identified other appropriate bodies for discharging details submitted under requirements where different remits exist between authorities. Applicant to confirm whether 'in consultation with local highway authority' should be added to requirements which cover NCC's remit.	4
13	NCC	Schedule 2 paragraph 31 (Fees): Explain further how this paragraph could set out how fees could be split between different local authorities involved with the discharging process and whether this has been accommodated on any other made orders.	4
14	NGET and applicant	Confirm whether the proposed protective provisions for North Humber to High Marnham	4

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		would trigger the tests in sections 127 & 138 of the Planning Act 2008.	
15	Applicant, NCC, NGET, SNSE Ltd	Parties to advise on how improved engagement with local residents will be taken forward.	4