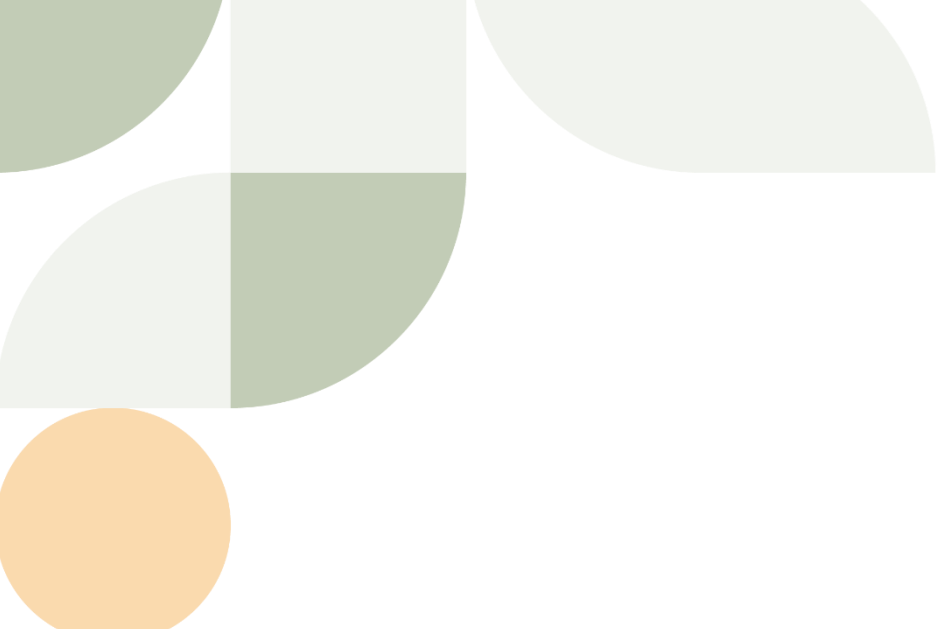




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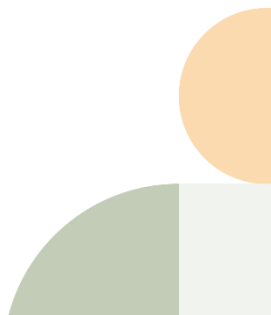
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Statement of Common Ground Signatures

This Statement of Common Ground has been prepared and agreed by Lime Down Solar Park Limited (the Applicant) and Stop Lime Down Wiltshire Ltd.

Signed on behalf of Lime Down Solar Park Limited

Name:

Position:

Date:

Signature:

Signed by Stop Lime Down Wiltshire Ltd

Name:

Position:

Date:

Signature

1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose of this document

- 1.1.1 This Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) has been prepared as part of the proposed Lime Down Solar Park Development Consent Order (the Application) made by Island Green Power (the Applicant) to the Secretary of State for Energy Security & Net Zero (the Secretary of State) pursuant to the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008).
- 1.1.2 This SoCG does not seek to replicate information which is available elsewhere within the Application documents. All documents are available in the deposit locations and/or the Planning Inspectorate website.
- 1.1.3 This SoCG has been produced to confirm to the Examining Authority (ExA) where agreement has been reached between the parties, and where agreement has not yet been reached. SoCGs are an established means in the DCO consenting process of allowing all parties to identify and focus on specific issues that may need to be addressed during the examination.

1.2 Parties to this Statement of Common Ground

- 1.2.1 This SoCG has been prepared by (1) Lime Down Solar Park Limited as the Applicant and (2) Stop Lime Down Wiltshire Ltd
- 1.2.2 Collectively, Lime Down Solar Park Limited and Stop Lime Down Wiltshire Ltd are referred to as 'the parties'.

1.3 Terminology

- 1.3.1 In the tables in Section 3 of this SoCG:
- "Agreed" indicates where the issue has been resolved.
 - "Not Agreed" indicates a final position, and
 - "Under Discussion" indicates where these points will be the subject of ongoing discussion wherever possible to resolve, or refine, the extent of disagreement between the parties.

2 Record of Engagement

2.1 Summary of engagement

2.1.1 The parties have been engaged in consultation since May 2024. A summary of the meetings and correspondence that has taken place between the Applicant and Stop Lime Down is outlined in Table 2-1.

Table 2-1 Summary of engagement

Date	Form of Correspondence	Key Topics Discussed and Key Outcomes
9 May 2024	In-person meeting at Ladyswood Stud between Applicant team and Stop Lime Down members	Overall Development, Ownership, Consultation, Surveys. Next steps and further engagement.
13 February 2025	In-person meeting at Bradfield Manor between Applicant team and Stop Lime Down members	Overall Development, Solar technology, Heritage, Landscape and Visual. Statutory Consultation, BESS & Substation
26 February 2025	In person meeting at Fosse Farm with Applicant team and members of Stop Lime Down	Landscape & AONB (CNL), Traffic plans and movements, Flood Risk, Fire Risk (BESS), Community engagement, Archaeology & Heritage, Solar Panel design, Construction timetable, cable route considerations, Commercial viability of the project, Project term.
1 April 2026	Draft SoCG provided by the Applicant to Stop Lime Down	All SoCG matters.
18 April 2026	Draft SoCG provided by Stop Lime Down to Applicant	All SoCG matters.

Date	Form of Correspondence	Key Topics Discussed and Key Outcomes
20 April 2026	In person meeting with Stop Lime Down members and Applicant team at Mill House to discuss Examination engagement and SoCG	Engagement and Statement of Common Ground
8 June 2026	Draft SoCG provided by Stop Lime Down to Applicant	All SoCG matters.
23 June 2026	Online meeting with Stop's Lime Down and Applicant's Transport consultants	Transport and Access assessment.
24 June 2026	Online meeting with Stop Lime Down's and Applicant's LVIA consultants	Landscape & Visual
25 June 2026	Online meeting with Stop Lime Down's and Applicant's Glint & Glare consultants	Glint & Glare assessment
20 July 2026	Online meeting with Stop Lime Down's and Applicant's Heritage consultants	Heritage assessment
22 July 2026	Online meeting with Stop Lime Down's and Applicant's Hydrology consultants	Hydrology assessment
22 July 2026	Online meeting with Stop Lime Down including Counsel and the Applicant to discuss format of the SoCG	Statement of Common Ground
23 July 2026	Online meeting with Stop Lime Down's and Applicant's Noise consultants	Noise and Vibration assessment.
3 August 2026	Online meeting with Stop Lime Down's and	Transport and Access assessment.

Date	Form of Correspondence	Key Topics Discussed and Key Outcomes
	Applicant's Transport consultants	
4 August 2026	Draft SoCG provided by Applicant to Stop Lime Down.	All SoCG matters.
6 August 2026	Online meeting with Stop Lime Down's and Applicant's Ecology consultants	Ecology and biodiversity.
6 August 2026	Draft SoCG provided by Stop Lime Down to Applicant	All SoCG matters.
7 August 2026	Email	Applicant responded to Stop Lime Down to confirm that the initial draft SoCG was to be submitted at Deadline 5 and to confirm intention to have ongoing engagement on the SoCG.
14 August 2026	Draft SoCG provided by Applicant to Stop Lime Down	Updates to Applicant's position on Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage, Traffic and Access and Noise and Vibration
19 August 2026	Email	Stop Lime Down confirming that no response will be provided to the SoCG before Deadline 6. Applicant responded to confirm receipt of email and the inform Stop Lime Down the revised SoCG will be submitted at Deadline 6.

2.1.2 The parties have also been engaging throughout the examination period via written representations submitted to the ExA. Within these documents, both

parties have asserted their positions in detail on matters raised about the application and responded to points raised by the other SoCG party. A summary of documents submitted is provided in **Table 2-2** below. The details recorded in these documents have not been replicated in this SoCG.

Table 2-2 Summary of written representations

SoCG Party	Document Name	Doc. Ref.	Summary
Stop Lime Down	Relevant Representation	RR-4495	Stop Lime Down's representation against the application
Applicant	Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations (Part 1)	PDA-009	The Applicant provided a response to Stop Lime Downs Relevant Representations
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation	REP1-167	Written Representation from Stop Lime Down against the application by Lime Down Solar Park Ltd.
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation summary	REP1-168	Stop Lime Down's summary of Written Representation against the application.
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix A (Planning Position Statement)	REP1-169	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for planning position matters raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix B (Landscape and Visual Impact Report)	REP1-170	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Landscape and Visual matters raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix C (Heritage and Archaeology Report)	REP1-171	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Heritage and Archaeology matters raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix D	REP1-172	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Transport matters raised in the Written Representation

SoCG Party	Document Name	Doc. Ref.	Summary
	(Transport Report)		
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix E (Ecology and Biodiversity Report)	REP1-173	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Ecology matters raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix F1 (Critique of Applicant's Flood Risk Assessment)	REP1-174	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Flood Risk Assessment concerns raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix F2 (Runoff from solar panels)	REP1-175	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for concerns relating to runoff from solar panels raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix F3 (Observations of Flood Extent above Corston during an Extreme Rainfall Event)	REP1-176	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for concerns relating to Observations of Flood Extent above Corston during an Extreme Rainfall Event raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix F4 (Flood Risk due to reduced evaporation at Lime Down)	REP1-177	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for concerns relating Flood Risk due to reduced evaporation at Lime Down raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix G (Glint and Glare Assessment)	REP1-178	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Glint and Glare assessment concerns raised in the Written Representation

SoCG Party	Document Name	Doc. Ref.	Summary
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix H (Acoustic Report)	REP1-179	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Acoustic matters raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix I1 (Human Health Impacts of Lime Down Solar Park)	REP1-180	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Human Health matters raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix I2 (Air Pollution Modelling from a BESS Fire at Lime Down)	REP1-181	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for concerns relating to Air Pollution Modelling from a BESS Fire raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix J1 (Review of Applicant's ES Chapter 7 on Climate Change (APP-059))	REP1-182	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Climate Change matters raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix J2 (Reduced Evaporation) – <i>(This submission has been withdrawn – Moved to AS-020)</i>	N/A	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for concerns relating to Reduced Evaporation raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix K1 (Soils and	REP1-184	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Soils and Agriculture matters raised in the Written Representation

SoCG Party	Document Name	Doc. Ref.	Summary
	Agriculture Impact Report)		
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix K2 (Soil Site Report)	REP1-185	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Soil Site report to support Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix L (Site Selection and Alternative Sites Assessment)	REP1-186	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Site Selection and Alternative Sites Assessment matters raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix Y (Lime Down Public Rights of Way Survey)	REP1-187	Stop Lime Down main evidence base for Public Rights of Way matters raised in the Written Representation
Stop Lime Down	Written Representation, Appendix Z- Combined Baseline and Project Information Plan v10.5	REP1-188	Interactive layered map which Stop Lime Down has used to assist its understanding of how various environmental effects overlap
Applicant	Written Summary of the Applicant's Oral Submissions and Responses at Issue Specific Hearing 1 and Responses to Action Points (Rev 1)	REP1A-012	The Applicant's summary of oral submissions and responses at Issue Specific Hearing 1 and Responses to Action Points
Stop Lime Down	Post hearing submissions	REP1A-022	Stop Lime Down (SLD) post-hearing submissions in relation to the Preliminary Meeting held on 21 April 2026 and ISH 1 on 22 April 2026.

SoCG Party	Document Name	Doc. Ref.	Summary
Applicant	Applicant's Response to Written Representations	REP2-039	Applicant's response to Written Representations from Stop Lime Down provided from page 362 to page 735.
Applicant	Applicant's Response to Deadline 1A Submissions	REP2-040	Applicant's response to Stop Lime Down's Deadline 1A submission provided in Table 2-6.
Applicant	Applicant's Detailed Response to Stop Lime Down Deadline 1 Submission on BESS Fire Emissions	REP2-042	Technical Note prepared on behalf of the Applicant in response to the Written Representation submitted by Stop Lime Down at Deadline 1
Applicant	Applicant's Response to Stop Lime Down Written Representation Appendix B Landscape and Visual Report	REP2-044	Document prepared by Applicant in response to Stop Lime Down Written Representation, Appendix B (Landscape and Visual Impact Report)
Stop Lime Down	Comments on submissions received at deadlines 1 and 1A	REP2-051	Stop Lime Down's comments on the Applicant's submissions at Deadline 1 and 1A.
Applicant	Applicant's Response to the Examining Authority's First Written Questions	REP3-128	Applicant's response to the Examining Authority's first written questions, which includes questions also directed to Stop Lime Down
Applicant	Applicant's Response to Comments Received at Deadline 2	REP3-129	Applicant's response to Stop Lime Down's Deadline 2 submission provided in Table 3-3.

SoCG Party	Document Name	Doc. Ref.	Summary
Applicant	Climate Response to Wiltshire Council Appendix B of Written Rep and Stop Lime Down Appendix J1	REP3-132	Document prepared by Applicant in response to Wiltshire Council and Stop Lime Down's comments on ES Chapter 7: Climate Change [APP-059].
Applicant	Applicant's Response to Stop Lime Down Written Representation Appendix D Transport Report	REP3-133	Document prepared by Applicant in response to Stop Lime Down's comments on transport and access at Deadline 1 and Deadline 2.
Stop Lime Down	Responses to the ExA's first written questions (ExQ1)	REP3-173	Stop Lime Down's Deadline 3 submission containing Stop Lime Down's responses to the Examining Authority's first written questions, comments on documents submitted by the Applicant at Deadline 2, and comments on documents submitted by other Interested Parties at Deadline 2.
Stop Lime Down	Appendix Z- Combined Baseline and Project Information Plan (Version 13 - June 2026) - Accepted at the discretion of the Examining Authority	AS019	Stop Lime Down guidance on using the SLD Digital Map (SLD WR Appendix Z):
Stop Lime Down	Appendix J2 of Written Representation (Rev 2) - Accepted at the discretion of the	AS-020	Stop Lime Down confirm withdrawal of REP1-183 (Appendix J2 from Deadline 1) and replace it with the attached correct contents for Appendix J2 of the Stop Lime Down Written Representation.

SoCG Party	Document Name	Doc. Ref.	Summary
	Examining Authority		
Applicant	Applicant's Response to Other Parties' Responses to Examining Authority's First Written Questions	REP4-081	Applicant's response to Stop Lime Down's responses to the Examining Authorities first written questions provided in Table 2-15.
Applicant	Applicant's Response to Deadline 3 Submissions	REP4-082	Applicant's response to Stop Lime Down's comments at Deadline 3 provided in section 3.6.
Applicant	Written Summary of the Applicant's Oral Submissions and Responses at Issue Specific Hearing 2 and Responses to Action Points	REP4-085	The Applicant's summary of submissions at hearing to consider landscape and visual assessment and responses to action points.
Applicant	Written Summary of the Applicants Oral Submissions and Responses at Issue Specific Hearing 3 and Responses to Action Points	REP4-086	The Applicant's summary of submissions at hearing to consider traffic and transport and ecology and biodiversity assessments and responses to action points.
Applicant	Written Summary of the Applicants Oral Submissions and Responses at Issue Specific Hearing 4 and Responses to Action Points	REP4-087	The Applicant's summary of submissions at hearing to consider the Development Consent Order and responses to action points.

SoCG Party	Document Name	Doc. Ref.	Summary
Applicant	Written Summary of the Oral Submissions at the Open Floor Hearing 2 and the Applicant's Responses	REP4-088	Applicant's response to oral submissions made to the Planning Inspectorate at Open Floor Hearing 2.
Stop Lime Down	Post hearing submissions	REP4-132	Stop Lime Down provided its Post hearing submission, comments on responses to the ExA's first written questions and comments on any submissions received at Deadline 3.
Applicant	Statement of Common Ground with Stop Lime Down	REP5-090	Initial draft of the Statement of Common Ground.
Applicant	Applicant's Response to Submissions Received at Deadline 4	REP5-098	Applicant's response to Stop Lime Down's comments at Deadline 4 provided in section 2.11.
Applicant	Applicant's Response to Landscape and Visual Matters in Stop Lime Down Issue Specific Hearing 2 Post Hearing Summary	REP5-101	Technical Note prepared by the Applicant to provide responses to the matters raised within Section 2.2 ISH2 – Landscape and Visual Impact and Section 3 Comments on Deadline 3 Submissions as well as commentary to Stop Lime Down's responses to ExA First Written Questions LV1.6, LV1.7 and LV1.12.
Applicant	Highways Technical Note in response to Appendix A of the SLD Deadline 4 Submission	REP5-107	Technical Note prepared by to address matters raised in Appendix A of the 'Stop Lime Down Deadline 4 Comments [REP4-132].
Applicant	Climate Change Response to	REP5-108	Climate Change Response to Stop Lime Down Appendix D

SoCG Party	Document Name	Doc. Ref.	Summary
	Stop Lime Down Appendix D University of Derby's response to [REP3-132]		
Stop Lime Down	Responses to the ExA's second written questions (ExQ2)	REP5-130	Stop Lime Down's comments on any submissions received at Deadline 4 and comments on the ExA's second written questions.

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3 Matters Raised

3.1.1 This section sets out a table for each relevant topic, identifying where matters are agreed, still under discussion, or not agreed.

3.2 Principle of Development

Table 3-1 Principle of Development

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.1.1	Policy and Planning Balance – Location and scale	Stop Lime Down consider that the scale of this development is inappropriate in this location. As a result, it produces far more significant planning harms than the typical NSIP solar scheme. For that reason the policy tests for the grant of development consent are not met and the application should be refused. Stop Lime Down's analysis of the planning balance is at [REP1-169] .	The Applicant has assessed adverse impacts arising from the Scheme and has also set out within the Environmental Statement the steps taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible, and has prepared a number of management plans that will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum. These management plans are secured in the Draft Development Consent Order (DCO) [REP4-004] . The Applicant has applied the planning balance in the Planning Statement [REP3-081] and considers that the identified substantial benefits of the Scheme outweigh the residual harms that would arise.	Not Agreed
3.1.2	Policy and Planning	Stop Lime Down agree that there will be adverse impacts on the community as a result of the Scheme, which is a source of	The Applicant acknowledges that there will be impacts on the community as a result of the Scheme, which may be a	Not Agreed

	Balance – Principle	concern for local residents. The extent of those impacts is not agreed. Those impacts must be weighed in the planning balance (whether or not the CNP Infrastructure Presumption applies). Stop Lime Down does not agree that the Applicant has complied with the mitigation hierarchy.	source of concern for local residents. The Secretary of State will balance those potential impacts and changes with the benefits of the scheme in the context of national policy against the urgent need and critical national priority for the Scheme as set out in Government policy. The Applicant has assessed adverse impacts arising from the Scheme and has also set out within the Environmental Statement the steps taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible, and has prepared a number of management plans that will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum. These management plans are secured in the Draft DCO [REP4-004] .	
3.1.3	Policy and planning balance – agreed matters on lifetime of scheme	Stop Lime Down agree that the typical lifetime of 40 years in NPS EN-3 is not an upper limit, and that in principle the policy does not weigh against schemes with a lifetime longer than 40 years where that is justified. Stop Lime Down agree that other schemes have been consented with a 60-year operational lifetime. Stop Lime Down agree that Scheme is temporary in nature.	The Applicant is seeking a time limited consent for 60 years, as secured by Requirement 20 of the Draft DCO [REP4-004] , which provides that the date of decommissioning for each part of the authorised development (i.e. the Scheme) must be no later than 60 years following the date of final commissioning. Therefore, the Scheme is temporary in nature.	Agreed
3.1.4	Policy and planning	Stop Lime Down note that, while temporary, the Scheme will not be	The Applicant is seeking a time limited consent for 60 years, as secured by	Under Discussion

	balance – not agreed matters on lifetime of scheme	experienced as temporary by the Community. In addition, Stop Lime Down consider that relevant to assessing the effects of the scheme is that policy favours extending the life of solar schemes, and repowering solar schemes. For the reasons in [REP1-169] this is relevant to the planning balance now.	Requirement 20 of the Draft DCO [REP4-004] , which provides that the date of decommissioning for each part of the authorised development (i.e. the Scheme) must be no later than 60 years following the date of final commissioning. Therefore, the Scheme is temporary in nature.	
3.1.5	Approach to Consultation	Stop Lime Down are concerned about the approach of the Applicant to consultation.	The Applicant considers that the statutory consultation has been robust, thorough and undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008, the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) regulations, and the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009.	Not Agreed
3.1.6	Policy and planning balance – solar support	Stop Lime Down agree that the Government has set out strong policy support for large scale solar projects in the UK. That support includes the Critical National Priority Infrastructure presumption set out in NPS EN-1 and applied to PV generation (including by reference for NPS EN-3). Stop Lime Down accepts that the Government's policy is that large scale solar is an essential part of the UK's generation mix.	The government has confirmed that there is a Critical National Priority (CNP) for nationally significant low carbon infrastructure such as the Scheme and government policy supports the development of large-scale solar projects to meet its targets for decarbonisation, security of supply and affordability to end users. The Scheme provides an opportunity to substantially contribute to the UK's portfolio of renewable energy generation, which is urgently needed to	Under Discussion

			meet the Government's decarbonisation targets.	
3.1.7	Policy and planning balance – CNP Infrastructure Presumption	Stop Lime Down does not agree that the CNP Infrastructure Presumption applies. Whether or not the CNP Infrastructure Presumption applies, SLD does not agree that the planning balance weighs in favour of development consent being granted (as set out in its analysis of the planning balance at [REP1-169]).	The Applicant has set out why the CNP presumption applies to the Scheme in the Planning Statement [REP3-081] section 9.5. The Applicant considers that even without applying the CNP presumption, the planning case is firmly in favour of development consent being granted	Not Agreed
3.1.8	Policy and planning balance – local planning policy	Stop Lime Down agree that the Applicant has identified the local planning policy that are relevant and important to the Scheme.	The Applicant considers that it has identified and appropriately considered all applicable legislation and policy in the Environmental Statement and in the Planning Statement [REP3-081] .	Under Discussion

3.3 Development Consent Order

Table 3-2 Development Consent Order

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.2.1	Schedules, articles and requirements	Stop Lime Down's comments as at Deadline 4 are contained in (1) its Written Representation [REP1-167] ; and, (2) its Deadline 2 submission [REP2-051] . Stop Lime Down will provide further comments on the draft DCO throughout the Examination without prejudice to its primary position that development consent should be withheld.	The Applicant has responded to Stop Lime Down's comments presented in its Written Representation [REP1-167] in 9.22 Applicant's Response to Written Representations [REP2-038] and the Deadline 2 submissions [REP2-051] in 9.30 Applicant's Response to Comments Received at Deadline 2 [REP3-129] .	Under Discussion
3.2.2	Protective Provisions	Stop Lime Down have no comments in respect of the Protective Provisions in Schedule 15. This is without prejudice to any submission Stop Lime Down has or will make in respect of the effects of the Scheme.	The Protective Provisions are presented in Schedule 15 of the Draft DCO [REP4-004] .	Agreed
3.2.3	Draft DCO	SLD will continue to make comments on the dDCO and management plans, and to seek to agree terms where appropriate.	The Applicant is confident that the proposed management and mitigation measures are comprehensive and robust and that the Scheme aligns with national and local planning policy; this is outlined in the Planning Statement [REP3-081] .	Under Discussion
3.2.4	Lifetime of DCO	Stop Lime Down agree that the terms of the DCO should secure an operational	Requirement 20 of the Draft DCO [REP4-004] states that the date of	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		period for the Scheme limited to a maximum of 60 years.	decommissioning must be no later than 60 years, following the initial date of final commission.	
3.2.5	Environmental effects	Stop Lime Down agree that the DCO may permit flexibility in the detailed design phase where such flexibility does not result in any materially new or materially different environmental effects in comparison with those reported in the Environmental Statement.	The Draft DCO [REP4-004] does not permit the Applicant to undertake any works which will likely give rise to any materially new or materially different effects that have not been assessed in the Environmental Statement.	Agreed

3.4 Alternatives and Design Evolution

Table 3-3 Alternatives and Design Evolution

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.3.1	Legislation and Policy identified	Stop Lime Down agrees with the legislation and policy identified in relation to site selection and approach to the assessment of alternatives and design evolution. Specifically: • Stop Lime Down agree that that the primary source of the duty to consider and describe reasonable alternatives is reg.14 and Schedule 4 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017/572. • Stop Lime Down agree that the duty in s.85 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 is relevant to the requirement to assess alternatives, and the approach to the assessment of alternatives and design evolution in the context of the Scheme.	The Applicant's has identified the correct legislation and policy in the approach to site selection. accords with the relevant policy requirements.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.3.2	Legislation and Policy – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down note that an Environmental Statement must be adequate, and that adequacy is a threshold requirement for such a Statement to be lawful. Stop Lime Down note policy NPS EN-1 para 4.3.22 and that the assessment of alternatives must be proportionate. Stop Lime Down note policy NPS EN-1 para 4.3.24 and that there can be situations where an alternative site could be a reason to refuse when considered in combination with other aspects of policy and law.	The Applicant considers that it has submitted an adequate Environmental Statement. In accordance with the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the EIA Regulations), the Applicant has set out the reasonable alternatives it studied in ES Volume 1, Chapter 4: Alternatives and Design Evolution of the Environmental Statement [APP-056] which are relevant to the Scheme and its characteristics.	Under Discussion
3.3.3	Methodology – site selection	Stop Lime Down does not consider that the methodology adopted for the assessment of alternatives in respect of site selection is adequate or meets the tests in law or policy.	The Applicant considers its methodology on site selection to be appropriate and logical based on the policy tests regarding consideration of alternatives.	Not Agreed
3.3.4	Assessment Results – site selection	Stop Lime Down does not consider the assessment results produced for the assessment of alternatives in respect of site selection is adequate or meets the tests in law or policy.	The Applicant considers its assessment results to be appropriate.	Not Agreed

3.5 Climate Change

Table 3-4 Climate Change

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.4.1	Legislation and Policy considered	Stop Lime Down agrees with the legislation and policy identified for the climate change assessment.	The Applicant considers that ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 Climate Change [APP-059] has identified all applicable legislation and policy.	Agreed
3.4.2	Legislation and Policy application	Stop Lime Down does not agree with the application of the legislation and policy used for the climate change assessment	The Applicant considers that ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 Climate Change [APP-059] has appropriately considered all applicable legislation and policy.	Not Agreed
3.4.3	Methodology – matters agreed	Stop Lime Down agrees the methodology adopted for the calculation of energy output of the Scheme, notwithstanding there is some disagreement over the precise figure.	The Applicant considers that the methodology used in ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 Climate Change [APP-059] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Agreed
3.4.4	Methodology – matters not agreed	Save for the above, Stop Lime Down disagrees with the remainder of the methodology used for the climate change assessment for the reasons set out in [REP1-182] and [REP4-132]. Stop Lime Down note that further methodological matters may be open to agreement.	The Applicant considers that the methodology used in ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 Climate Change [APP-059] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.4.5	Baseline – matters agreed	Stop Lime Down agrees with the baseline adopted for the calculation of the energy output of the Scheme, notwithstanding there is some disagreement over the precise figure.	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 Climate Change [APP-059] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Agreed
3.4.6	Baseline – matters not agreed	Save for the above, Stop Lime Down disagrees with the remainder of the baseline used for the climate change assessment for the reasons set out in [REP1-182] and [REP4-132]. This includes disagreement with the rainfall figures taken from the Met Office station at Yeovilton (68km distance from the centre of the Scheme) used in the baseline data. Stop Lime Down note that further methodological matters may be open to agreement, including those matters identified in its draft of the SoCG provided to the Applicant on 8 June 2026.	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 Climate Change [APP-059] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Under Discussion
3.4.7	Assessment Results –	Stop Lime Down consider that matters of assessment result may still be open to agreement in the future.	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
	matters under discussion		Volume 1, Chapter 7 Climate Change [APP-059] are correct.	
3.4.8	Assessment Results – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down consider that the ES does not assess all likely significant effects of the Scheme on the climate. Stop Lime Down has concerns that the climate change chapter of the ES underestimates embedded carbon of the Scheme.	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 Climate Change [APP-059] are correct.	Under Discussion
3.4.9	Mitigation and Management Plans	Stop Lime Down consider that matters of mitigation and management plans may still be open to agreement in the future. Stop Lime Down consider that a legally binding carbon limit would be appropriate given the emissions of the Scheme.	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 Climate Change [APP-059], Outline CEMP [REP4-049], Outline OEMP [REP4-051], Outline Site Waste Management Plan [REP1-102] and Outline Decommissioning Strategy [REP3-096] are robust and proportionate.	Under Discussion

3.6 Landscape and Visual

Table 3-5 Landscape and Visual

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.5.1	Legislation and Policy identified	Stop Lime Down agrees with the legislation and policy identified for the landscape and visual assessment	The Applicant considers that ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 Landscape and Visual [REP3-025] has identified all applicable legislation and policy.	Agreed
3.5.2	Legislation and Policy application	Stop Lime Down does not agree with the application of legislation and policy in the landscape and visual assessment	The Applicant considers that ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 Landscape and Visual [REP3-025] has considered all applicable legislation and policy.	Not Agreed
3.5.3	Methodology – matters agreed	Stop Lime Down accepts that the Applicant has aimed to apply GLVIA3, and that GLVIA3 is not a mandatory set of rules. However, a good reason to depart from GLVIA3 should be provided where that is done, as is considered to be best practice. SLD would welcome this row reflecting the discussions at the meeting of the landscape experts on 24 June 2026 in the next version of this SoCG. That includes the discussion of and justification for	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 Landscape and Visual [REP3-025] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		departure for the guidance explored in [REP4-081] at LV1.2.		
3.5.4	Methodology – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is not agreed on the following (where lists of this nature are provided, Stop Lime Down has not attempted to list all points of disagreement): • The methodology applied has resulted in an underestimation of visual receptor sensitivity. • Methodology applied has not factored in the cause and nature of many of the impacts and effects likely to arise from the Scheme which could adversely affect landscape and views, resulting in underestimation of levels of magnitudes of effect, and thus underestimation of levels of overall adverse landscape and visual effects. • The methodology has failed to assess the CNL appropriately as a National Landscape that must be afforded “extra protection due to their statutory	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 Landscape and Visual [REP3-025] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		purpose" (NPS EN-3, para 2.10.157). SLD would welcome this row reflecting the discussions at the meeting of landscape experts on 24 June 2026 in the next version of this SoCG.		
3.5.5	Baseline – matters agreed	Stop Lime Down consider that matters of baseline may still be open to agreement. SLD would welcome this row reflecting all of the discussions at the meeting of landscape experts on 24 June 2026 in the next version of this SoCG.	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 Landscape and Visual [REP3-025] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.	Under Discussion
3.5.6	Baseline – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is not in agreement about the following: The lack of granular baseline study and analysis resulting in levels of landscape and visual receptor sensitivity having been underestimated, and thus levels of overall adverse landscape and	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 Landscape and Visual [REP3-025] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		visual effects having been underestimated. • The approach to sensitivity adopted by the Applicant. • That the Applicant's photomontages do not show winter Year 15, do not illustrate the changes that would be experienced by people travelling along PRowS crossing the solar sites and factor in the effects of light conditions on the PV arrays. • The extent of the setting of the National Landscape. SLD would welcome this row reflecting the discussions at the meeting of landscape experts on 24 June 2026 in the next version of this SoCG.	discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.	
3.5.7	Assessment Results – matters agreed	Stop Lime Down agrees that the significant adverse effects that the Applicant identifies are properly identified as significant, albeit there is a dispute as to the levels of effect.	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 Landscape and Visual [REP3-025] are correct. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		Stop Lime Down consider that further matters of assessment result may still be open to agreement. SLD would welcome this row reflecting all of the discussions at the meeting of landscape experts on 24 June 2026 in the next version of this SoCG.	discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.	
3.5.8	Assessment results – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is not agreed on the following matters: - The levels of the effects identified by the Applicant as significant. Stop Lime Down also considers that there are further significant adverse effects of the Scheme that the Applicant has failed to identify. - Stop Lime Down does not agree with the LVIA's conclusion that after 15 years of operation, apart from at ten of the assessed viewpoints, not only would effects on character and views no longer be significant adverse, but also, effects on character would be significant beneficial.	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 Landscape and Visual [REP3-025] are correct. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		• That direct effects on the sites' overall character not having been reported, with only effects on what the LVIA calls the sites' 'fabric' which is limited to the 'soft' / 'natural parts of the Scheme and not the 'hard' / man-made parts, as advised by GLVIA3. • The assessment of impacts and effects on the Cotswolds National Landscape and Fosse Way • The LVIA's assessment of cumulative landscape and visual effects (both inter- and intra-project) is unsatisfactory. It does not provide an accurate indication of the extent and levels of adverse cumulative effects, which would be greater and higher than the LVIA predicts • Overall, Stop Lime Down consider that the Applicant's LVIA will need to be revised.		

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		SLD would welcome this row reflecting the discussions at the meeting of landscape experts on 24 June 2026 in the next version of this SoCG.		
3.5.9	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters under discussion	Stop Lime Down consider that matters of mitigation/management may still be open to agreement. SLD would welcome this row reflecting all of the discussions at the meeting of landscape experts on 24 June 2026 in the next version of this SoCG.	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 Landscape and Visual [REP3-025] and Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (OLEMP) [REP3-100] are robust and proportionate. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.	Under Discussion
3.5.10	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is not agreed on the following matters: - Over-reliance on existing and proposed vegetation to screen views to reduce otherwise significant adverse landscape and visual effects. - The proposed screen planting would give rise to adverse visual effects, in terms of a) being	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 Landscape and Visual [REP3-025] and Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (OLEMP) [REP3-100] are robust and proportionate. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		uncharacteristic, and / or b) resulting in the total loss of a view. • The maintenance regime for any proposed vegetation in the oLEMP. • The conflation of mitigation measures and enhancement measures. SLD would welcome this row reflecting the discussions at the meeting of landscape experts on 24 June 2026 in the next version of this SoCG.	discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.	

3.7 Ecology and Biodiversity

Table 3-6 Ecology and Biodiversity

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.6.1	Legislation and Policy identified	Stop Lime Down agrees with the legislation and policy identified for the ecology and biodiversity assessment	The Applicant considers that ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 Ecology and Biodiversity [REP4-010] has identified all applicable legislation and policy.	Agreed
3.6.2	Legislation and Policy application	Stop Lime Down does not agree with the application of legislation and policy identified for the ecology and biodiversity assessment	The Applicant considers that ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 Ecology and Biodiversity [REP4-010] has appropriately considered all applicable legislation and policy.	Not Agreed
3.6.3	Methodology – matters agreed	A discussion was held between the Applicant's and Stop Lime Down's expert on 6 August 2026. At present, no issue is taken with the following aspects of the assessment methodology: - Desk Study methodology - No issue taken with assessment methodology in relation to statutory sites - The significance criteria relied upon - The mitigation hierarchy as described in Chapter 9 (although there remains disagreement as to whether the Applicant's approach	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 Ecology and Biodiversity [REP4-010] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		complies with the mitigation hierarchy).		
3.6.4	Methodology – matters not agreed	Matters not agreed include: - Stop Lime Down remains concerned in respect of the lack of species-specific surveys relied upon by the Applicant - Stop Lime Down remains concerned about the Applicant's extrapolation from the studies conducted in the Solar PV Sites to make conclusions in respect of the CRC Stop Lime Down welcome the opportunity to discuss matters further and consider whether further issues can be agreed.	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 Ecology and Biodiversity [REP4-010] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The Applicant will seek to continue discussions with Stop Lime Down before the next submission.	Under Discussion
3.6.5	Baseline – matters agreed	Currently, arising out of the meeting on 6 August 2026, matters of baseline are not agreed. However, Stop Lime Down would welcome the opportunity to discuss such matters further.	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 Ecology and Biodiversity [REP4-010] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.6.6	Baseline – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is concerned that the Applicant has failed to provide baseline survey data for brown hare, hedgehog, polecat, dormice, harvest mice, reptiles, invertebrates, otters, water voles, and white-clawed crayfish. Stop Lime Down welcome the opportunity to discuss matters further and consider whether further issues can be agreed.	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 Ecology and Biodiversity [REP4-010] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The Applicant will seek to continue discussions with Stop Lime Down before the next submission.	Under Discussion
3.6.7	Assessment results – matters under discussion	Having regard to Table 9-12, SLD agree that the importance of hedgerows is ‘District’ and that, even after mitigation, the effects will be Adverse-Significant at Local level in the short term. SLD consider that the residual effect of the loss of hedgerow will be neutral in the long-term. SLD agree with the importance of breeding birds, ground nesting and birds of open habitats as being “district” and that the residual effects will remain significant adverse after mitigation for skylark, yellow	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 Ecology and Biodiversity [REP4-010] are correct. The Applicant will seek to continue discussions with Stop Lime Down before the next submission.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		wagtail, corn bunting, grey partridge and quail. SLD agree that there should be no adverse effects on hare, hedgehog and reptiles during the construction phase provided the Applicant's proposed mitigation is followed. SLD also consider the proposed mitigation for otter and water voles to be sufficient, but consider that there should be at least two visits when conducting surveys for these species – given their seasonality. SLD note that the above arose out of the meeting on 6 August 2026. Stop Lime Down welcome the opportunity to discuss matters further and consider whether further issues can be agreed.		
3.6.8	Assessment results – matters not agreed	SLD do not agree that the significant adverse effects on skylark will be only “local” after mitigation. SLD note that 71.5% of skylark will remain displaced even after mitigation is applied. Accordingly, the significant adverse effect will remain at the district level.	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 Ecology and Biodiversity [REP4-010] are correct.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		In respect of yellow wagtail, corn bunting, grey partridge and quail, SLD consider the effects likely to reduce to the Local level, but remain more than Site level after mitigation. SLD does not agree that the likely adverse effects of will be effectively mitigated to review any adverse effect on dormice, white-clawed crayfish or invertebrates. In particular, SLD consider significant adverse effects on invertebrates to be likely. The Applicant accepts that invertebrates are present in the area. The Applicant's proposed approach is to assume presence without undertaking any species specific surveys, but relies solely on pre-clearance works and checks by the EcoCOW to mitigate harm. However, pre-clearance checks are generally understood to be ineffective at identifying invertebrates. In the circumstances, it is very likely the Applicant's removal of hedgerow and other boundary habitats will have an adverse effect on invertebrates – but there	The Applicant will seek to continue discussions with Stop Lime Down before the next submission.	

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		is no practical proposed means for the EcoCoW to provide significant input at the preclearance stage, mitigation or compensation to remove the significant adverse effect. SLD note that the above arose out of the meeting on 6 August 2026. Stop Lime Down welcome the opportunity to discuss matters further and consider whether further issues can be agreed.		
3.6.9	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters under discussion	These remain under discussion and SLD hope to be in a position to update the points of agreement at Deadline 7.	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 Ecology and Biodiversity [REP4-010] and Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (OLEMP) [REP3-100] are robust and proportionate.	Under Discussion
3.6.10	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is not agreed on the following mitigation and management issues: - Concern about the efficacy of the Ecological Clerk of Works, including that they would not be on site most of the time. - The Environmental Statement failing to propose or sufficiently	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 Ecology and Biodiversity [REP4-010] and Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (OLEMP) [REP3-100] are robust and proportionate.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		detail any mitigation measures in relation to potential commute route disruption and the exclusion of fauna from the solar panel fields due to newly-installed boundary fencing. • The failure to propose sufficient mitigation or compensation for invertebrates. • Concerns about the extent of removal of hedgerow, and the mitigation and compensation for such works. SLD note that the above arose out of the meeting on 6 August 2026. Stop Lime Down welcome the opportunity to discuss matters further and consider whether further issues can be agreed.		
3.6.11	Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment	The BNG agreement is not yet agreed between the Applicant and SLD.	The Applicant consider the Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment Report [APP-273] is robust and proportionate.	Under Discussion

3.8 Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage

Table 3-7 Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.7.1	Legislation and Policy identified	Stop Lime Down agrees with the legislation and policy identified for the hydrology, flood risk and drainage assessment	The Applicant considers that ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage [REP4-012] has identified and appropriately considered all applicable legislation and policy.	Agreed
3.7.2	Legislation and Policy application	Stop Lime Down does not agree with the application of legislation and policy for the hydrology, flood risk and drainage assessment	The Applicant considers that ES Volume 1, Chapter 11: Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage [REP4-012] has identified and the supporting Flood Risk Assessments and Drainage Strategies appropriately considered all applicable apply the relevant legislative and policy framework. The Environment Agency has agreed the legislation and policy— position in its SoCG with the Applicant and has not identified any policy non-compliance, with its detailed comments focused on evidencing and technical clarification. Wiltshire Council also acknowledges that the relevant national and local policy framework has been identified, with its	Not Agreed

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			<u>remaining concerns focused principally on the implementation, monitoring and assurance of the measures relied upon by the assessment rather than the underlying policy approach.</u> <u>The Applicant therefore does not agree with Stop Lime Down that the relevant legislation and policy have been incorrectly applied.</u>	
3.7.3	Methodology – matters under discussion	Stop Lime Down would welcome this row reflecting matters of agreement arising out of the meeting on 22 July 2026. Stop Lime Down consider certain methodological matters are open to agreement in this SoCG.	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage [REP4-012] is <u>compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance and proportionate.</u> <u>The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. The parties agree on the principal factors relevant to the hydrological response of Solar PV</u>	<u>Under DiscussionAgreed</u>

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			Panelled Areas and that the Risk of Flooding from Surface Water mapping provides a reasonable and proportionate proxy for flood risk from smaller watercourses where more detailed information is unavailable. The remaining methodological disagreements are addressed in 3.7.4.	
3.7.4	Methodology – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is concerned that the Scheme has not been assessed in accordance with NPS EN-1 concerning the sequential test, exception test, and increased flood risk. As above, Stop Lime Down would welcome this row reflecting discussions held on 22 July 2026.	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage [REP4-012] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. The Applicant considers that the Sequential and Exception Tests have been applied in accordance with NPS EN-1. The Applicant does not agree that application of the Exception Test indicates that the Sequential Test has been failed. NPS EN-1 expressly provides	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			for application of the Exception Test where the Sequential Test alone cannot deliver an acceptable site.	
3.7.5	Baseline – matters agreed	Stop Lime Down would welcome this section reflecting matters of agreement arising out of the meeting on 22 July 2026. Stop Lime Down consider certain baseline matters are open to agreement in this SoCG.	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage [REP4-012] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. The Applicant agrees that existing flooding within the wider area is relevant to the baseline assessment and that available flood mapping, historic flood information and local evidence should be considered alongside the other technical evidence. At the meeting on 22 July 2026, the parties also agreed that the standard rainfall dataset used within the	Under DiscussionAgreed

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			hydrological assessment is an appropriate source of baseline rainfall information.	
3.7.6	Baseline – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is concerned that flood is a serious issue in the area around the Scheme, and is a matter of great concern to local people. It has provided evidence of the considerable flood risk over that assessed by the Applicant. Surface water flooding on local roads, sufficient to cause diversions, occurs every year. As above, Stop Lime Down would welcome this row reflecting discussions held on 22 July 2026.	The Applicant does not dispute that flooding occurs within the wider area, including surface water flooding affecting local roads. The Applicant does not, however, agree that the evidence presented by Stop Lime Down demonstrates that the baseline flood risk has been underestimated. In particular, the parties remain in disagreement regarding Stop Lime Down's interpretation of observed flows, historic flooding and the Storm Bert evidence in relation to the Gauze Brook and Rodbourne Brook hydraulic assessments. The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage [REP4-012] has been prepared in accordance, together with the relevant planning policy supporting site-specific Flood Risk Assessments and hydraulic modelling where appropriate industry standard guidance.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes, provides a suitable basis for assessment of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. Scheme.	
3.7.7	Assessment results – matters agreed	Stop Lime Down accept that that the proposed development will not materially decrease floodplain storage. Stop Lime Down agree that the BESS and most substations are positioned in flood-resilient locations onsite, subject to adequate local drainage arrangements. Stop Lime Down welcome further engagement on this issue and consider further assessment matters are open to agreement in this SoCG. Stop Lime Down consider further matters might be recorded here arising out of the meeting on 22 July 2026.	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage [REP4-012] are correct. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. The Applicant welcomes Stop Lime Down's agreement that the Scheme will not materially reduce floodplain storage and that the BESS and most substations are located in flood-resilient areas, subject to appropriate local drainage arrangements. <u>The parties also agree that the potential hydrological effects of Solar PV Panelled Areas are principally influenced by soil</u>	Agreed

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			condition, vegetation cover, compaction, erosion and hydrological connectivity. The remaining disagreement relates to the extent to which those effects require further quantification or mitigation, as addressed in 3.7.8.	
3.7.8	Assessment results – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is not agreed on the following assessment results: • While Stop Lime Down accepts the proposed development will not materially decrease floodplain storage, it is not agreed that this makes a material difference to the increase in flood risk off-site. • Assessment of surface water runoff and the potential for flooding and soil erosion on site. • How the SuDS schemes would be integrated into the site, as required by NPS EN-1. • There is also no assessment of the dynamic effects of flooding, contrary to NPS EN-1. • No assessment of climate change effects and rainfall.	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage [REP4-012] are correct and the supporting Flood Risk Assessments and Drainage Strategies are appropriate. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. The Applicant does not agree that the assessment omits the potential for increased off-site flood risk, surface water runoff and erosion, climate change, SuDS or the dynamic effects of flooding. These matters have been assessed using methods proportionate to the nature and sensitivity of the flood risk at each part of	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		- In respect of the Area C substation, Stop Lime Down does not accept that this substation is positioned in a flood-resilient locations onsite; however, subject to adequate local drainage arrangements, a strategy to mitigate surface water flooding may be acceptable here and reserves the position to comment further. - The assessment and proposed management of flood for the Scheme is poor, and reflects a site selection process which failed properly to have regard to Flood Zone 2 and Flood Zone 3 and the knock-on effects. - There is no assessment of the current status of field drainage, or any commitment to restore drainage after construction. Stop Lime Down note that this reflects some of the matters discussed at the meeting on 22 July 2026. Stop Lime Down would welcome matters of agreement from that meeting being reflected in the next version of the SoCG.	the Scheme, including detailed hydraulic modelling where appropriate. The Applicant acknowledges the specific surface water flood risk associated with the Lime Down C1 substation area and considers that this can be appropriately addressed through the final siting, detailed drainage design and, where required, further site-specific assessment and mitigation. Existing agricultural drainage is also addressed through the construction management framework, including requirements to identify, record and protect existing drainage systems and reinstate affected drainage where necessary.	

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.7.9	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters under discussion	Stop Lime Down would welcome this section reflecting matters of agreement arising out of the meeting on 22 July 2026. Stop Lime Down consider certain baseline matters are open to agreement in this SoCG.	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and management plansmeasures presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage [REP4-012], Outline CEMP [REP4-049], Outline OEMP [REP4-051], Outline Soil Resources Management Plan [REP4-053], Outline Water Resources Strategy [APP-290] and Outline Battery Safety Management Plan [APP-286] are robust and proportionate provide an appropriate framework for managing hydrology, flood risk and drainage effects. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. At the meeting on 22 July 2026, the parties agreed that soil condition and vegetation cover are important controls on surface water runoff and that compaction, erosion and deterioration in vegetation condition require appropriate management and monitoring.	Under DiscussionAgreed

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			The remaining disagreement relates to whether the secured management measures provide sufficient detail and control, as addressed in 3.7.10.	
3.7.10	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down considers that mitigation measures concerning flood and hydrology, including set out in the oCEMP, is not sufficient. Stop Lime Down note that this reflects some of the matters discussed at the meeting on 22 July 2026. Stop Lime Down would welcome matters of agreement from that meeting being reflected here.	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and management measures presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 Hydrology, Flood Risk and Drainage [REP4-012], Outline CEMP [REP4-049], Outline OEMP [REP4-051], and Outline Soil Resources Management Plan [REP4-053], Outline Water Resources Strategy [APP-290] and Outline Battery Safety Management Plan [APP-286] are robust and proportionate. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. The parties agree on the principal hydrological risks requiring management, including soil compaction, vegetation condition, erosion and runoff. The remaining disagreement is whether the measures and level of detail within the outline management plans are sufficient. The Applicant considers that the necessary principles and controls are	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			<u>established at this stage, with detailed measures developed through the relevant secured plans. The Environment Agency has confirmed that this approach provides an appropriate mechanism for securing the Water Management Plan and has not sought a standalone plan.</u>	

3.9 Cultural Heritage

Table 3-8 Cultural Heritage

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.8.1	Legislation and Policy identified	Stop Lime Down accept that the Applicant has identified the relevant legislation and policy and guidance in the cultural heritage assessment.	The Applicant considers that the assessment provided in ES Volume 1, Chapter 12: Cultural Heritage [REP3-017] has identified the correct legislation.	Agreed
3.8.2	Legislation and Policy application	Stop Lime Down does not accept that the Applicant has applied the relevant legislation and policy and guidance correctly in the cultural heritage assessment.	The Applicant considers that the assessment provided in ES Volume 1, Chapter 12: Cultural Heritage [REP3-017] is in line with appropriate legislation, policy and guidance.	Not Agreed
3.8.3	Methodology – matters agreed	With the exception of the matters outlined below, (see Reference 3.8.4 below), Stop Lime Down agrees with the methodology used for the Cultural Heritage assessment. While SLD remains of the view that there are concerns as to the approach to scoping predominantly or entirely based on direct intervisibility between heritage assets and the Scheme, it is agreed that the proposed development is unlikely to have a significant effect on any asset that was incorrectly scoped out.	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 12: Cultural Heritage [REP3-017] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Agreed

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.8.4	Methodology – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is concerned the scoping of heritage assets for assessment did not use a detailed Zone of Theoretical Visibility.	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 12: Cultural Heritage [REP3-017] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Not Agreed
3.8.5	Baseline – matters agreed	With the exception of Bradfield Manor, Stop Lime Down agrees with the baseline used for the Cultural Heritage assessment	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 12: Cultural Heritage [REP3-017] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Agreed
3.8.6	Assessment results – matters agreed	Stop Lime Down agrees that effects on all heritage assets constitute less than substantial harm. Save for the assets identified below (see Reference 3.8.7) it is agreed that effects on heritage assets are not significant in EIA terms. Dispute remains in respect of the assessment of non-significant effects.	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 12: Cultural Heritage [REP3-017] are correct.	Agreed
3.8.7	Assessment results –	Stop Lime Down consider that there will be significant adverse effects in EIA terms on (to which, see [REP1-171]):	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in	Not Agreed

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
	matters not agreed	- Bradfield Manor - Norton Manor - Fosse Way - Archaeological asset D24-01 - Pillow mound 280m south west of Surrendell Farm (NHLE: 1018610) Stop Lime Down consider that other adverse effects in excess of those identified by the Applicant are set out in [REP1-171], but are not significant in EIA terms.	ES Volume 1, Chapter 12: Cultural Heritage [REP3-017] are correct.	
3.8.8	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters under discussion	Given the effects identified above and the concerns about mitigation below, Stop Lime Down have concerns about the efficacy of mitigation and the management plans. However, Stop Lime Down remain open to agreement on matters in relation to non-significant effects on heritage assets.	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and management plans presented in 6.1 ES Volume 1, Chapter 12: Cultural Heritage [REP3-017] , ES Volume 3, Appendix 12-6: Outline Archaeological Mitigation Strategy [APP-230] and Outline CEMP [REP4-049] are robust and proportionate.	Under Discussion
3.8.9	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down does not consider that strip map and record excavation does invariably reduces the effect of the Scheme on archaeological assets to negligible.	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and management plans presented in 6.1 ES Volume 1, Chapter 12: Cultural Heritage [REP3-017] , ES Volume 3, Appendix 12-6: Outline Archaeological Mitigation Strategy [APP-230] and	Not Agreed

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		Stop Lime Down consider that the outline plans should provide more detailed for detailed archaeological briefings prior to works.	Outline CEMP [REP4-049] are robust and proportionate.	

3.10 Transport and Access

Table 3-9 Transport and Access

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.9.1	Legislation and Policy	Stop Lime Down accept that the Applicant has identified the relevant legislation and policy in the transport and access assessment. Stop Lime Down agrees that the key test is that set out in NPS EN-1 para 5.14.21 which directs that highways grounds for refusing development will arise where there is an “unacceptable impact on highway safety” or where “residual cumulative impacts on the road network would be severe”. Stop Lime Down considers that adverse transport and access effects must be weighed in the planning balance.	The Applicant considers that the assessment provided in ES Volume 1, Chapter 13: Transport and Access [REP4-014] is in line with appropriate legislation, policy and guidance.	Under Discussion
3.9.2	Methodology – matters agreed	SLD would welcome this row reflecting all of the discussions at the meeting of traffic experts on 23 June 2026 and 3 August 2026 in the next version of this SoCG. Stop Lime Down considers further matters on methodology may be open to agreement.	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 13: Transport and Access [REP4-014] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			<u>The Further to ongoing discussion the Applicant will update its position based considers that agreement can be reached on the outcomes following:</u> <u>• The assessment of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next vulnerable road users - following submission— of Highways Technical Note – Non Motorised User Surveys [EN010168/EXAM/9.70] provided at Deadline 6</u> <u>• The assessment of the construction routes - following the inclusion of further topographical base mapping on swept-path and highway improvement drawings in the revised Outline CTMP [EN010168/APP/7.22] and Transport Assessment [EN010168/APP/6.3] at Deadline 6</u> <u>• The calculation of trip generation – following meeting with SLD on 3 August and submission of updated trip generation calculations at Deadline 5 in Highways Technical Note in response to Appendix A</u>	

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			of the SLD Deadline 4 Submission [REP5-107]. The correct assessment of impact on the national landscape -following meeting with SLD on 3 August and submission of updated trip generation calculations at Deadline 5 in [REP5-107].	
3.9.3	Methodology – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is not agreed on the methodology used due to the following: - Failure to survey vulnerable highway users. - Failure properly to assess impact on country lanes. - Under-estimations of construction HGV trip generation. - Under-estimations of impact on National Landscape. Stop Lime Down note that this reflects some of the matters discussed at the meeting on 23 June 2026 and 3 August 2026. Stop Lime Down would welcome matters of agreement from that meeting being reflected in the next version of the SoCG.	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 13: Transport and Access [REP4-014] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The As stated above, further to ongoing discussion the Applicant will update its position based considers that agreement can be reached on the outcomes following: The assessment of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next vulnerable road users - following submission— of Highways Technical Note – Non Motorised User Surveys [EN010168/EXAM/9.70] provided at Deadline 6	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			• The assessment of the construction routes - following the inclusion of further topographical base mapping on swept-path and highway improvement drawings in the revised Outline CTMP [EN010168/APP/7.22] and Transport Assessment [EN010168/APP/6.3] at Deadline 6 • The calculation of trip generation – following meeting with SLD on 3 August and submission of updated trip generation calculations at Deadline 5 in Highways Technical Note in response to Appendix A of the SLD Deadline 4 Submission [REP5-107]. • The correct assessment of impact on the national landscape -following meeting with SLD on 3 August and submission of updated trip generation calculations at Deadline 5 in [REP5-107].	
3.9.4	Baseline – matters under discussion	SLD would welcome this row reflecting all of the discussions at the meeting of traffic experts on 23 June 2026 and 3 August 2026 in the next version of this SoCG. Stop Lime Down considers some matters	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 13: Transport and Access [REP4-014] has been prepared in accordance with the	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		of baseline may remain open to agreement.	relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. <u>The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.—The matters under discussion at the meeting with SLD on 3 August 2026 included for the following:</u> <u>The assessment of construction route widths, highway improvements and opportunities for vehicles and road users to pass</u> <u>Trip Generation Calculations</u> <u>Further to the meeting the Applicant considers that agreement can be reached as a result of the following:</u> <u>The inclusion of further topographical base mapping on swept-path and highway improvement drawings in the Outline CTMP [EN010168/APP/7.22] and</u>	

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			Transport Assessment [EN010168/APP/6.3] at Deadline 6 • Submission of updated trip generation calculations at Deadline 5 in Highways Technical Note in response to Appendix A of the SLD Deadline 4 Submission [REP5-107].	
3.9.5	Baseline – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is not agreed on the baseline used due to the following: • Flawed measurements of road dimensions throughout the site. • Improper assessment of PRow user numbers. Stop Lime Down note that this reflects some of the matters discussed at the meeting on 23 June 2026 and 3 August 2026. Stop Lime Down would welcome matters of agreement from that meeting being reflected in the next version of the SoCG.	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 13: Transport and Access [REP4-014] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the As stated above, further to ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for and provision of additional information the Applicant considers that agreement can be reached on the following: • The inclusion of further topographical base mapping on swept-path and highway	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			<u>improvement drawings in the next submission. — Outline CTMP [EN010168/APP/7.22] and Transport Assessment [EN010168/APP/6.3] at Deadline 6</u> <u>Submission of updated trip generation calculations at Deadline 5 in Highways Technical Note in response to Appendix A of the SLD Deadline 4 Submission [REP5-107].</u>	
3.9.6	Assessment results – matters under discussion	SLD would welcome this row reflecting all of the discussions at the meeting of traffic experts on 23 June 2026 and 3 August 2026 in the next version of this SoCG. Stop Lime Down considers further matters under assessment results remain open to agreement	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 13: Transport and Access [REP4-014] are correct. <u>The Further to ongoing discussion the Applicant will update its position based considers that agreement can be reached on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next following:</u> <u>users - following submission. — of Highways Technical Note – Non Motorised User Surveys</u>	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			[EN010168/EXAM/9.70] provided at Deadline 6 - The assessment of the construction routes - following the inclusion of further topographical base mapping on swept-path and highway improvement drawings in the revised Outline CTMP [EN010168/APP/7.22] and Transport Assessment [EN010168/APP/6.3] at Deadline 6 - The calculation of trip generation – following meeting with SLD on 3 August and submission of updated trip generation calculations at Deadline 5 in Highways Technical Note in response to Appendix A of the SLD Deadline 4 Submission [REP5-107]. - The correct assessment of impact on the national landscape -following meeting with SLD on 3 August and submission of updated trip generation calculations at Deadline 5 in [REP5-107].	
3.9.7	Assessment results –	Stop Lime Down is not agreed on the following assessment on the following points:	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
	matters not agreed	- Effects on traffic and transport during construction (including installation of the cable), operation and decommissioning, including whether the proposed development would enhance active, public and shared transport provision and accessibility. - The Scheme is reliant on only three primary routes for all traffic during construction and maintenance of the proposal; there is no allowance for any “alternative” access should one or more of these routes be compromised, - Unacceptable impacts on cyclists. - Impact on trees, hedgerows and roadside walls. - Unacceptable adverse transport environmental impacts on residents. - Information submitted in support of the Application does not provide any confidence that the proposal would not have a	ES Volume 1, Chapter 13: Transport and Access [REP4-014] are correct. <u>The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions on matters raised:</u> <u>Following meeting with Stop Lime Down for the next SLD on 3 August and submission of updated trip generation calculations at Deadline 5 in Highways Technical Note in response to Appendix A of the SLD Deadline 4 Submission [REP5-107], the effects on traffic and transport during construction (including installation of the cable), operation and decommissioning can be agreed;</u> <u>Outline CTMP [EN010168/APP/7.22] now includes mitigation if routes become compromised and can be agreed;</u> <u>Following submission of Highways Technical Note – Non Motorised User Surveys</u>	

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		significant adverse impact on the local highway network, nor that there would not be an unacceptable risk to highway safety. - Quantification of the number of HGVs. - The Applicant fails to assess the cumulative impact of solar array and cable route construction activities despite the cable route generating around an additional 77% (Applicant's figures) of the HGVs generated by the solar array areas. Stop Lime Down note that this reflects some of the matters discussed at the meeting on 23 June 2026 and 3 August 2026. Stop Lime Down would welcome matters of agreement from that meeting being reflected in the next version of the SoCG.	[EN010168/EXAM/9.70], the assessment of vulnerable road users including cyclists and highway safety can be agreed; Following the inclusion of further topographical base mapping on swept-path and highway improvement drawings at Deadline 6, the impact on trees, hedgerows and roadside walls as been full assessed and can be agreed; and Following meeting with SLD on 3 August and submission of updated trip generation calculations at Deadline 5 in Highways Technical Note in response to Appendix A of the SLD Deadline 4 Submission [REP5-107], the quantification of the number of HGVs and cumulative assessment of solar array and cable route construction activities can be agreed.	
3.9.8	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters	SLD would welcome this row reflecting all of the discussions at the meeting of traffic experts on 23 June 2026 and 3 August 2026 in the next version of this SoCG. Stop Lime Down considers some matters	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and management plans presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 13: Transport and Access [REP4-014], Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
	under discussion	of mitigation and management remain open to agreement.	(CTMP) [REP4-057] and Outline Public Rights of Way (PRoW) and Permissive Paths Management Plan [APP-282] are robust and proportionate. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.	
3.9.9	Mitigation / Management Plans –matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is concerned about the lack of information regarding highway improvement areas: the supporting transport information fails to provide details of mitigation along narrow country lanes at proposed access points and at other junctions used by construction vehicles where safe visibility cannot be achieved. Stop Lime Down have raised concern about the efficacy of a number of the measures proposed by the Applicant to mitigate effects (e.g. parking HGVs away from site and using a booking system, banksmen, etc.).	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and management plans presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 13: Transport and Access [REP4-014], Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) [REP4-057] and Outline Public Rights of Way (PRoW) and Permissive Paths Management Plan [APP-282] are robust and proportionate.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		Stop Lime Down note that this reflects some of the matters discussed at the meeting on 23 June 2026 and 3 August 2026. Stop Lime Down would welcome matters of agreement from that meeting being reflected in the next version of the SoCG.		

3.11 Noise and Vibration

Table 3-10 Noise and Vibration

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.10.1	Legislation and Policy identified	Stop Lime Down accept that the Applicant has identified the relevant legislation and policy in the Noise and Vibration assessment.	The Applicant considers that the assessment provided in ES Volume 1, Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration [REP1-021] has identified the appropriate legislation, policy and guidance.	Agreed
3.10.2	Legislation and Policy application	Stop Lime Down considers that policy relating to the protection and enhancement of PRowS is related to this issue. For example, it is relevant to look back at the requirement in para 2.10.42 of NPS EN-3 which directs that applicants “are encouraged to design the layout... of the site to ensure continued recreational use of public rights of way where possible... in particular during the operation of the site.” Stop Lime Down considers that certain guidance issued by the World Health Organisation (for “Outdoors in parkland and conservation areas”) should be used by the Applicant in respect of PRowS.	The Applicant considers that the assessment provided in ES Volume 1, Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration [REP1-021] is in line with appropriate legislation, policy and guidance. This matter, relating to PRowS, was responded to in the Applicant's Response to Written Representations [REP2-039], item SLD-230.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.10.3	Methodology – matters agreed	SLD would welcome this row reflecting all of the discussions at the meeting of noise experts on 23 July 2026 in the next version of this SoCG. Stop Lime Down consider some matters of methodology should be agreeable.	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration [REP1-021] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. At the meeting on 23 July 2026 there was broad agreement on the construction methodology as well as the use of BS4142 as a relevant standard and the penalty applied to the rating level in the operational assessment.	Under Discussion
3.10.4	Methodology – matters not agreed	While Stop Lime Down agree that the baseline data for LT8 for 28 October 2023 should be excluded as an outlier, it does not agree that this has no material effect on the background levels for assessment. More generally, the Applicant did not monitor weather conditions during the operational background noise surveys, nor appropriately filter the data accordingly at	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration [REP1-021] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		any location to exclude unsuitable periods. This is therefore not compliant with the relevant standards or industry guidance. The majority of monitoring locations were close to roads. For those which were not (e.g. LT3), there were low average LAeq levels ranging 35-45 dBLaqT during the daytime. This is indicative of ambient levels away from the transport network, which would be the majority of PRowWs. Stop Lime Down remains concerned about the use of a background level which is set at a figure which does not align with measured levels. Stop Lime Down note that this reflects some of the matters discussed at the meeting on 23 July 2026. Stop Lime Down would welcome matters of agreement from that meeting being reflected in the next version of the SoCG.	<u>next submission.—The Applicant has accepted that weather conditions should have been monitored during the survey and has also evaluated the derivation of background levels including the exclusion of periods of adverse weather and this does not materially affect the results.</u> <u>The Applicant accepted the observation around monitoring locations, and their relationship to LAeq ambient levels on the PRow network, in item SLD-229 of the Applicant's Response to Written Representations [REP2-039]. Importantly the locations are still relevant with respect to residential dwellings since (a) most properties are also next to roads and (b) noise from the lightly trafficked local roads would not unduly impact the measured LA90,T background levels.</u> <u>The Applicant acknowledges the disagreement around the derivation of the typical LA90,T background levels, covered in prior representations and discussed on the 23 July 2026. The Applicant has reaffirmed their position in the Applicant's</u>	

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			Response to Submissions Received at Deadline 3 [REP4-082], item SLD-016.	
3.10.5	Baseline – matters agreed	Stop Lime Down would welcome this row reflecting all of the discussions at the meeting of noise experts on 23 July 2026 in the next version of this SoCG. Stop Lime Down considers certain further matters on baseline should be agreeable.	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration [REP1-021] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. Following the meeting on 23 July 2026, the Applicant considers that there was broad agreement on the number of monitoring locations and duration of the surveys.	Under Discussion
	Baseline – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down remains concerned that baseline figures that are chosen for background noise in the area around the Scheme are not representative of the background noise levels of the site and its surrounding area.	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration [REP1-021] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		As above, Stop Lime Down would welcome this row reflecting all of those discussions at the meeting between the experts.	The Applicant will update its position based on <u>acknowledges this disagreement, the outcomes pertinent points of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission which are covered in item 3.10.4 above.</u>	
	Assessment results – matters agreed	SLD would welcome this row reflecting all of the discussions at the meeting of noise experts on 23 July 2026 in the next version of this SoCG. Stop Lime Down considers some matters under this heading should be agreeable.	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration [REP1-021] are correct The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. <u>Following the meeting on 23 July 2026, the Applicant considers that there is broad agreement on the calculated levels and modelling assumptions. The disagreement appears to primarily concern the interpretation of the results.</u>	Under Discussion
	Assessment results –	Stop Lime Down is not agreed on the issue of assessment on the following points:	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
	matters not agreed	- The potential change in ambient noise climate is not properly recognised or considered in the Environmental Statement. - Informed by the noise monitoring surveys undertaken, the Applicant has selected and applied a single background noise level value for receptors. This has been apparently selected from a 'median value' of the representative datasets. However, this means that for 50% of the time, background levels would be lower than the figure used and the resultant impact from the Applicant's noise sources would be greater than shown for a significant proportion of the time. - Stop Lime Down notes and accepts the use of calibrated Class 1 sound level meters. However, the methodology using those sound level meters remains under discussion. - The noise assessment methodology also disregards	ES Volume 1, Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration [REP1-021] are correct. The Applicant <u>will update its acknowledges the SLD position-based, which was discussed on the outcomes</u> 23 July 2026. <u>With respect to the highlighted points:</u> <u>The rating levels from the Scheme, as found in Table 8 and 9 of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down Appendix 14-4 Noise Modelling [REP1-061], are lower than the average ambient levels, summarised in Table 1 of Appendix 14-3 Baseline Noise Survey [APP-236], so the Applicant does not consider that further commentary is required in this regard.</u> <u>This is acknowledged and the Applicant has reaffirmed their position in the Applicant's Response to Submissions Received at Deadline 3 [REP4-082], item SLD-016.</u>	

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		background levels lower than 30dBLA₉₀, using this value as a fixed lower threshold background level and defining anything below this as a 'low' background level Stop Lime Down identifies in excess of 10 PRowS likely to experience plant noise levels over 50 dBLA_{eq}. A number of these routes access the CNL. Stop Lime Down considers this to be significant. As above, Stop Lime Down would welcome this row reflecting all of those discussions at the meeting between the experts.	This is noted and discussed above in item 3.10.4 in this SoCG. This is acknowledged. The Applicant maintains that there is no evidence or precedent for the next submission. setting SOAEL below 35 dB and notes that Wiltshire Council are in agreement, see for example Wiltshire Council's response to the ExA's Second Written Questions [REP5-112]. This is acknowledged but the levels above 50 dB LAeq are only in the immediate vicinity of the conversion units and not along the full extent of the PRowS. Therefore, exposure to these levels would be for a very limited duration. The Applicant does not consider this significant.	

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters under discussion	Stop Lime Down agrees that there are no practicable options for mitigation of external noise levels to residential dwellings. For residents, internal mitigation can be achieved through keeping windows closed and finding other methods of ventilation. Stop Lime Down note that other methods of ventilation are not addressed by the Applicant. Stop Lime Down would welcome the Applicant reflecting all of the discussions at the meeting of noise experts on 23 July 2026 in the next version of this SoCG. Stop Lime Down consider further matters under this subject should be agreeable.	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and management plans presented ES Volume 1, Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration [REP1-021], Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) [REP4-057], and Outline CEMP [REP4-049], and Outline Decommissioning Strategy [REP3-096] are robust and proportionate. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. Given the low levels of external noise from the Scheme, a worst-case external specific level of 35 dB, the Applicant does not consider methods of ventilation for residents to be necessary. <u>Following the meeting on the 23 July 2026, the Applicant and SLD agreed that further information concerning the mitigation of levels between LOAEL and SOAEL should be provided.</u>	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			This was also requested by the ExA in their second round of questions and, as such, the Applicant directs interested parties to the Applicant's Response to the Examining Authority's Second Written Questions [REP5-097], item NV2.4.	
	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters not agreed	The avoidance of night-time HDD is not secured in the Outline CEMP. It should be so secured to achieve avoidance. Stop Lime Down will consider any text which is secured in the Outline CEMP to secure this, and the nature of the mitigation proposed. The Applicant's noise modelling contains sparse detail in relation to the embedded mitigation measures proposed, stating that "all reasonable measures to reduce operational noise levels at receptors to a minimum have been taken into account." A level of uncertainty remains as to whether additional mitigation measures (barrier, enclosure, equipment silencing) are available to reduce noise emissions levels.	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and management plans presented ES Volume 1, Chapter 14: Noise and Vibration [REP1-021], Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) [REP4-057], and Outline CEMP [REP4-049], and Outline Decommissioning Strategy [REP3-096] are robust and proportionate. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission. The avoidance of significant noise effects from night-time HDD is secured in the Outline CEMP [REP4-049] and therefore the Applicant considers it acceptable to leave open the potential for night-time HDD works, which	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		Additionally, only 7 of the 166 conversion units have been allocated silencers within the assessment. Stop Lime Down considers all such units should be silenced. Stop Lime Down does not agree with a mitigation approach adopted by the Applicant which aims to keep noise effects below SOAEL rather than LOAEL. Stop Lime Down does not consider this compliant with the Noise Policy Statement for England. As above, Stop Lime Down would welcome this row reflecting all of those discussions at the meeting between the experts<u>experts</u>.	<u>would be very short-lived, in case they are required.</u> <u>Night-time HDD works would not normally be undertaken and would be avoided wherever practicable. Exceptions may be necessary where stopping and restarting drilling operations could give rise to safety risks, equipment failure or bore instability, in which case continuous working would be maintained for the safe completion of the activity.</u> <u>Following the meeting on the 23 July 2026, the Applicant and SLD agreed that further information concerning the mitigation of levels between LOAEL and SOAEL should be provided.</u> <u>This was also requested by the ExA in their second round of questions and, as such, the Applicant directs interested parties to Applicant's Response to the Examining Authority's Second Written Questions [REP5-097], item NV2.4.</u>	

3.12 Air Quality

Table 3-11 Air Quality

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.11.1	Legislation and Policy	Stop Lime Down accept that the Applicant has identified the relevant legislation and policy in the air quality assessment	The Applicant considers that ES, Volume 1, Chapter 15: Air Quality [REP2-008] of the ES has identified and appropriately considered all applicable legislation and policy.	Under Discussion
3.11.2	Methodology – matters agreed	Save for the matter identified below, Stop Lime Down agrees the air quality methodology adopted by the Applicant.	The methodology adopted within ES, Volume 1, Chapter 15: Air Quality [REP2-008] of the ES has been derived from the information obtained through consultation with stakeholders and by reviewing relevant guidance and studies and is considered acceptable.	Agreed
3.11.3	Methodology – matters not agreed	The methodology adopted for the assessment of air quality arising from BESS fire is not agreed. Stop Lime Down remain open to further discussion on this issue in the future.	The methodology adopted within ES, Volume 1, Chapter 15: Air Quality [REP2-008] of the ES has been derived from the information obtained through consultation with stakeholders and by reviewing relevant guidance and studies and is considered acceptable.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.11.4	Baseline – matters agreed	Stop Lime Down agrees the air quality baseline adopted by the Applicant.	The baseline conditions which are detailed in ES, Volume 1, Chapter 15: Air Quality [REP2-008] of the ES are representative of the baseline site conditions.	Agreed
3.11.5	Assessment Results – matters agreed	With the exception of the matters outlined below, (see Reference 3.11.6 below), Stop Lime Down agrees with the assessment results presented in air quality assessment.	The assessment results set out within ES, Volume 1, Chapter 15: Air Quality [REP2-008] of the ES, including likely significant effects anticipated, are acceptable.	Agreed
3.11.6	Assessment Results – matters not agreed	The exceptions are (1) air quality related to BESS fire; and, (2) air quality arising out of traffic volume numbers. Stop Lime Down remain open to further discussion on this issue in the future.	The assessment results set out within ES, Volume 1, Chapter 15: Air Quality [REP2-008] of the ES, including likely significant effects anticipated, are acceptable.	Under Discussion
3.11.7	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters agreed	With the exception of the matters outlined below, (see Reference 3.11.8 below), Stop Lime Down agrees with the mitigation and management presented in air quality assessment.	The proposed mitigation measures set out within ES, Volume 1, Chapter 15: Air Quality [REP2-008] of the ES, and secured within Section 3.10 of the Outline CEMP [REP4-049], Outline CTMP [REP4-057], Outline Battery Safety Management Plan [REP3-106], Outline Operational Environmental Management Plan [APP-278] and Outline Decommissioning Strategy [APP-279] referenced in Schedule 2 of the	Agreed

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
			Draft DCO [APP-016] are considered acceptable.	
3.11.8	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters not agreed	The exceptions are (1) air quality related to BESS fire; and, (2) air quality arising out of traffic volume numbers. Stop Lime Down remain open to further discussion on this issue in the future.	The proposed mitigation measures set out within ES, Volume 1, Chapter 15: Air Quality [REP2-008] of the ES, and secured within Section 3.10 of the Outline CEMP [REP4-049], Outline CTMP [REP4-057], Outline Battery Safety Management Plan [REP3-106], Outline Operational Environmental Management Plan [APP-278] and Outline Decommissioning Strategy [APP-279] referenced in Schedule 2 of the Draft DCO [APP-016] are considered acceptable.	Under Discussion

3.13 Socio-Economic Tourism Recreation

Table 3-12 Socio Economic Tourism Recreation

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.12.1	Socio-economic tourism and recreation	Stop Lime Down notes that parties remain far apart and this issue has not yet been subject to attempts to agree matters between the parties, but that the matter may be explored in the future.	The Applicant considers that the assessment provided in ES Chapter 16: Socio-Economics, Tourism and Recreation [APP-068] is in line with appropriate legislation, policy and guidance, the assessment results are correct and proposed mitigations are robust and appropriate.	Not Agreed

3.14 Soils and Agriculture

Table 3-13 Soils and Agriculture

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.13.1	Legislation and Policy identified	Stop Lime Down accept that the Applicant has identified the relevant legislation and policy in the Soils and Agriculture assessment.	The Applicant considers that the assessment provided in ES Volume 1, Chapter 17: Soils and Agriculture [REP3-021] has identified the appropriate legislation, policy and guidance.	Agreed
3.13.2	Legislation and Policy application	Stop Lime Down does not agree that the Applicant has applied the relevant legislation and policy in the Soils and Agriculture assessment.	The Applicant considers that the assessment provided in ES Volume 1, Chapter 17: Soils and Agriculture [REP3-021] is in line with appropriate legislation, policy and guidance.	Not Agreed
3.13.3	Methodology	At this stage, Stop Lime Down can agree that the methodology adopted for the assessment of Agricultural Land Classification (where it has been assessed) is agreed and not challenged. Other matters remain under discussion.	The Applicant considers that the methodology applied to ES Volume 1, Chapter 17: Soils and Agriculture [REP3-021] is compliant with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Agreed
3.13.4	Baseline	At this stage, Stop Lime Down can agree that the baseline adopted for Agricultural Land Classification (where it has been assessed) is agreed. Other matters remain under discussion.	The Applicant considers that the baseline presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 17: Soils and Agriculture [REP3-021] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance.	Agreed

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.13.5	Assessment results – matters agreed	At this stage, Stop Lime Down can agree the assessment results for Agricultural Land Classification of land used within the Scheme (where that has been assessed). Other matters remain under discussion, and this is subject to the below.	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 17: Soils and Agriculture [REP3-021] are correct.	Agreed
3.13.6	Assessment results – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down is not agreed on the following assessment on the following points: • Assessment of effects on BMV land • Assessment of effects on from change in soil health, soil characteristics and as a result of compaction • Assessment of effects of storage of soils Other matters remain under discussion.	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 17: Soils and Agriculture [REP3-021] are correct.	Under Discussion
3.13.7	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters agreed	This matter remains under discussion and is subject to the next row. Stop Lime Down agrees that the Applicant has not secured grazing as a mitigation and as a result it cannot be relied upon as part of assessments.	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and management plans presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 17: Soils and Agriculture [REP3-021], Outline CEMP [REP4-049], Outline SRMP [APP 280], and Outline LEMP [REP3-100] are robust and proportionate.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.13.8	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down has significant concerns about the approach to the handling of soils when wet, and that this is insufficiently managed in the outline plan. Stop Lime Down has significant concerns about the Applicant's approach to stockpiling, including how those stockpiles will be maintained, the number and size of them, and how nutrient loss will materialise and be managed.	The Applicant considers that the mitigation and management plans presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 17: Soils and Agriculture [REP3-021], Outline CEMP [REP4-049], Outline SRMP [APP 280], and Outline LEMP [REP3-100] are robust and proportionate	Under Discussion

3.15 Human Health

Table 3-14 Human Health

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.14.1	Human Health	Stop Lime Down notes that parties remain far apart and this issue has not yet been subject to attempts to agree matters between the parties, but that the matter may be explored in the future.	The Applicant considers that the assessment provided in ES Volume 1, Chapter 18: Human Health [APP-070] is in line with appropriate legislation, policy and guidance, the assessment results are correct and proposed mitigations are robust and appropriate.	Not Agreed

3.16 Ground Conditions

Table 3-15 Ground Conditions

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.15.1	Legislation and Policy identified	Stop Lime Down accept that the Applicant has identified the relevant legislation and policy in the Ground Conditions assessment.	The Applicant considers that Volume 1: Chapter 19 Ground Conditions & Contamination [APP-071] of the ES has identified all applicable legislation and policy.	Agreed
3.15.2	Legislation and Policy application	Stop Lime Down accept that the Applicant has identified the relevant legislation and policy in the Ground Conditions assessment.	The Applicant considers that Volume 1: Chapter 19 Ground Conditions & Contamination [APP-071] of the ES has appropriately considered and applied all applicable legislation and policy.	Not Agreed
3.15.3	Methodology	Stop Lime Down agrees with the methodology used for the Ground Conditions assessment.	The methodology adopted within Volume 1: Chapter 19 Ground Conditions & Contamination [APP-071] of the ES has been derived from the information obtained through consultation with stakeholders and by reviewing relevant guidance and studies and is considered acceptable.	Agreed

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.15.4	Baseline	Stop Lime Down agrees with the baseline used for the Ground Conditions assessment.	The baseline conditions which are detailed in Volume 1: Chapter 19 Ground Conditions & Contamination [APP-071] of the ES are representative of the baseline site conditions.	Agreed
3.15.5	Assessment Results – matters agreed	With the exception of the matters raised in 3.15.6 below, Stop Lime Down agrees with the assessment presented in the Ground Conditions assessment.	The assessment results set out within Volume 1: Chapter 19 Ground Conditions & Contamination of the ES, including likely significant effects anticipated, are acceptable.	Agreed
3.15.6	Assessment Results – matters not agreed	While Stop Lime Down agree the approach to the assessment of the release of pre-existing contamination on the site, it does not agree the assessment of new contamination arising from the proposed development. Stop Lime Down consider the possibility of groundwater contamination to be a significant issue. Notwithstanding the measures set out in the Environmental Statement by the Applicant, Stop Lime Down remain concerned that the Scheme presents an unacceptable risk of groundwater pollution, which the Applicant's high-level assessment does not properly consider, and the proposed	The assessment results set out within Volume 1: Chapter 19 Ground Conditions & Contamination of the ES, including likely significant effects anticipated, are acceptable.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		mitigation measures do not properly address. Stop Lime Down consider that the “high-level” assessment of hydrogeological risks carried out by the Applicant is inadequate. Stop Lime Down also have specific concerns about the effects of piling and horizontal directional drilling (including their mitigation and management) as set out in its Deadline 2 submission [REP2-05].		
3.15.7	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters agreed	Noting those remaining matters set out in the not agreed section on assessment results above, and noting the concerns about specifics of certain outline plans below, Stop Lime Down can otherwise accept the mitigation / management plans.	The proposed mitigation measures set out within Volume 1: Chapter 19 Ground Conditions & Contamination [APP-071] of the ES, and secured within Section 3 of Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan [APP-277] are considered acceptable.	Agreed
3.15.8	Mitigation / Management Plans – matters not agreed	Stop Lime Down has concerns about the management of horizontal directional drilling and the controls on where and how this can be done. It also has concerns about the management of effects of piling, and groundwater contamination.	The proposed mitigation measures set out within Volume 1: Chapter 19 Ground Conditions & Contamination [APP-071] of the ES, and secured within Section 3 of Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan [APP-277] are considered acceptable.	Under Discussion

3.17 Other Environmental Matters

Table 3-16 Other Environmental Matters

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.16.1	Legislation and Policy -Glint and Glare	Stop Lime Down have concerns about the use of the Pager Power guidance without critical analysis, including its approach to the assessment of the sensitivity of receptors such as local roads. Stop Lime Down would welcome this row being updated to reflect discussions held between the Applicant's and Stop Lime Down's experts on 25 June 2026. Stop Lime Down does consider matters for agreement remain open.	The Applicant considers that Appendix 20-4: Solar Photovoltaic Glint and Glare Study [APP-261] has identified all applicable legislation and policy.	Under Discussion
	Glint and Glare Methodology	Stop Lime Down would welcome this row being updated to reflect discussions held between the Applicant's and Stop Lime Down's experts on 25 June 2026. Stop Lime Down does consider matters for agreement remain open. Notwithstanding this, Stop Lime Down have concerns which extend to including: The lack of detail provided by the Applicant about how the glint and	The methodology adopted within Appendix 20-4: Solar Photovoltaic Glint and Glare Study [APP-261] has been derived from the information obtained through consultation with stakeholders and by reviewing relevant guidance and studies and is considered acceptable. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		glare methodology has been applied, including the underlying thresholds used to identify effects. - The methodology adopted for assessing the sensitivity of various receptors, including local roads and the railway. (Including a focus on the number of users rather than the severity of effects). - The methodology applied for the assessment of glare on pedestrians, cyclists, and equestrians making use of PRowS.	discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.	
	Glint and Glare Assessment	Stop Lime Down would welcome this row being updated to reflect discussions held between the Applicant's and Stop Lime Down's experts on 25 June 2026. Stop Lime Down does consider matters for agreement remain open. Notwithstanding this, Stop Lime Down have concerns which extend to including: Understanding the underlying calculations and assessment parameters that have been applied for the Applicant to reach the conclusions that it has on sensitivity.	The Applicant considers that the assessment results presented in Appendix 20-4: Solar Photovoltaic Glint and Glare Study [APP-261] are correct. The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.	Under Discussion

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
		The approach adopted to cumulative and multi-directional effects.		
	Glint and Glare Mitigation / Management Plans	Stop Lime Down would welcome this row being updated to reflect discussions held between the Applicant's and Stop Lime Down's experts on 25 June 2026. Stop Lime Down does consider matters for agreement remain open. Notwithstanding this, Stop Lime Down have concerns which extend to including the extent and effects of screening to avoid significant adverse effects on road and rail users.	The Applicant considers that the mitigation recommended in Appendix 20-4: Solar Photovoltaic Glint and Glare Study [APP-261] are robust and proportionate The Applicant will update its position based on the outcomes of the ongoing discussions with Stop Lime Down for the next submission.	Under Discussion

3.18 Cumulative Effects

Table 3-17 Cumulative and In-Combination Effects

Reference	Sub-topic	Stop Lime Down Position	Applicants Position	Status
3.17.1	Cumulative and In-Combination Effects	Stop Lime Down notes that parties remain far apart on this matter. and this issue has not yet been subject to attempts to agree matters between the parties, but that the matter may be explored in the future.	The Applicant considers that the assessment of Cumulative and In-Combination Effects as presented in ES Volume 1, Chapter 21: Cumulative and In-Combination Effects [APP-074] and associated Appendices [APP-264] has been prepared in accordance with the relevant planning policy and appropriate industry standard guidance and the results are correct. .	Not Agreed