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Dear Examining Authority,

Lime Down Solar Park Development Consent Order – Deadline 8 Submissions

Planning Inspectorate Case Reference: EN010168

Further to the updated **Rule 8(3) Letter [PD-018]**, published on 25 September 2026, I am writing to provide the Applicant's submissions for Deadline 8 of the Lime Down Solar Park Development Consent Order Examination.

The documents submitted at Deadline 8 are set out in tabulated form in Appendix A (new documents) and Appendix B (updated documents) of this letter.

Deadline 7 Submissions

The Applicant has not provided a response to submissions made at Deadline 7 by other parties, however, it has reviewed all submissions made. As a number of parties have provided further clarification on some issues, where applicable the Applicant has made reference to the relevant submissions made at Deadline 7 in the **Applicant's Closing Statement [EN010168/EXAM/9.92]**.

It is noted in Wiltshire Council's Deadline 7 submission that comments were made on management plans. The Applicant has reviewed these



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comments, and considers that the requested amendments have been addressed at Deadline 7, or at previous deadlines.

Deadline 8 Submissions

The Applicant is mindful that the Examining Authority has been clear that Deadline 8 is for the submission of Closing Statements and Statements of Common Ground only. However, as a result of ongoing engagement with Wiltshire Council, the **Access Plan [EN010168/APP/2.6]** (Revision 3), **Outline Ecological Protection and Mitigation Strategy [EN010168/APP/7.19]** (Revision 8) and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10-1: Arboricultural Impact Assessment and Outline Arboricultural Method Statement [EN010168/APP/6.3]** (Revision 3) have been updated and submitted at Deadline 8.

The **Draft DCO [EN010168/APP/3.1]** (Revision 8) is also submitted at Deadline 8 primarily in order to reflect updates to protective provisions, and to amend drafting in relation to the definition of 'maintain'. A Draft DCO Statutory Instrument Validation confirmation is also provided at Deadline 8. The final Validation Report will follow post submission to reflect changes made to the Draft DCO at Deadline 8.

Agreements with Wiltshire Council

The **Draft Section 106 Agreement [EN010168/EXAM/9.93]** between the Applicant and Wiltshire Council is submitted at Deadline 8, which is in an agreed form between the two parties. The Applicant is unable to submit a final version of the S106 Agreement at Deadline 8 as approval from the relevant landowners is currently outstanding.

In addition to the Section 106 Agreement, the Applicant and Wiltshire Council are in discussions in relation to a post consent Planning Performance Agreement to cover post consent engagement.

Furthermore, the Applicant is continuing discussions with Wiltshire Council regarding provision of funding for Public Rights of Way, with the intention for this to be via a Section 111 Agreement under the Local Government Act 1972 between the parties, as part of the Community Benefit Fund.



Statements of Common Ground

The Applicant notes the revised timetable set out within the **Rule 8(3) Letter [PD-018]**. The timetable revision clarifies that final Statements of Common Ground (SoCGs) should be submitted at Deadline 8, rather than Deadline 7. The following final SoCGs have been submitted at Deadline 8:

- **Statement of Common with Wiltshire Council**
[EN010168/EXAM/8.2] (Revision 6)
- **Statement of Common Ground with Natural England**
[EN010168/EXAM/8.4] (Revision 5)
- **Statement of Common Ground with Historic England**
[EN010168/EXAM/8.5] (Revision 4)
- **Statement of Common Ground with Environment Agency**
[EN010168/EXAM/8.6] (Revision 4)
- **Statement of Common Ground with Cotswolds National Landscape Board** [EN010168/EXAM/8.7] (Revision 3)
- **Statement of Common Ground with National Highways**
[EN010168/EXAM/8.8] (Revision 3)
- **Statement of Common Ground with Network Rail**
[EN010168/EXAM/8.9] (Revision 2)
- **Statement of Common Ground with Wessex Water**
[EN010168/EXAM/8.10] (Revision 1)
- **Statement of Common Ground with the British Horse Society (Wiltshire Access Team)** [EN010168/EXAM/8.16] (Revision 2)
- **Statement of Common Ground with Wiltshire Bridleways Association** [EN010168/EXAM/8. 17] (Revision 4)
- **Statement of Common Ground with Stop Lime Down**
[EN010168/EXAM/8.18] (Revision 3)

Whilst a draft Statement of Common Ground with National Grid Electricity Transmission was provided early in examination, this only captured matters related to the protective provisions and so the Applicant did not consider it would be helpful to provide this for Deadline 8. The Applicant has separately provided an update on the status of those protective provisions in the **Applicant's Closing Statement** [EN010168/EXAM/9.92].



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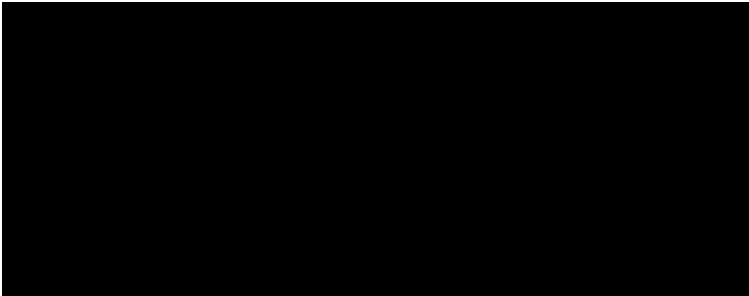
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The **Statement of Commonality [EN010168/EXAM/8.1]** (Revision 9), which provides an update on SoCGs with all SoCG parties, is also submitted at Deadline 8.

If there are any queries about the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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On behalf of Lime Down Solar Park Limited



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Appendix A - New Documents Submitted at Deadline 8

Document Reference	Document title	Version Number
EN010168/EXAM/8.10	Statement of Common Ground with Wessex Water	1
EN010168/EXAM/9.92	Applicant's Closing Statement	1
EN010168/EXAM/9.93	Draft Section 106 Agreement	1



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Appendix B - Updated Documents Submitted at Deadline 8

Document Reference	Document title	Version Number	Reason for Submission
EN010168/APP/1.5	Guide to the Application (Clean and Tracked)	13	Updated to reflect submissions made at Deadline 8.
EN010168/APP/2.2	Land Plan	5	Applicant due diligence.
EN010168/APP/2.6	Access Plan	4	Updated to reflect amendments requested by Wiltshire Council.
EN010168/APP/3.1	Draft Development Consent Order (Clean and Tracked, and Tracked from Application Version) (PDF and Word)	8	Updated to reflect submissions made at Deadline 8.
EN010168/APP/3.2	Explanatory Memorandum (Clean and Tracked)	7	Updated to reflect submissions made at Deadline 8.
EN010168/APP/4.3	Book of Reference (Clean and Tracked)	6	Updated to reflect submissions made at Deadline 8.
EN010168/APP/6.3	ES Volume 3, Appendix 10-1: Arboricultural Impact Assessment and Outline Arboricultural Method Statement	3	Updated to reflect amendments requested by Wiltshire Council

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	(Clean and Tracked)		
EN010168/APP/7.19	Outline Ecological Protection and Mitigation Strategy (Clean and Tracked)	8	Updated to reflect amendments requested by Wiltshire Council
EN010168/EXAM/8.1	Statement of Commonality (Clean and Tracked)	9	Updated to reflect submissions made at Deadline 8.
EN010168/EXAM/8.2	Statement of Common Ground with Wiltshire Council (Clean and Tracked)	6	Submission of the final version of the Statement of Common Ground.
EN010168/EXAM/8.4	Statement of Common Ground with Natural England (Clean and Tracked)	5	Submission of the final version of the Statement of Common Ground.
EN010168/EXAM/8.5	Statement of Common Ground with Historic England (Clean and Tracked)	4	Submission of the final version of the Statement of Common Ground.



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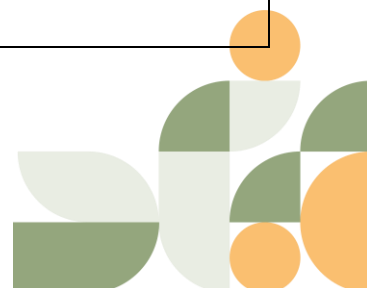
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EN010168/EXAM/8.6	Statement of Common Ground with Environment Agency (Clean and Tracked)	4	Submission of the final version of the Statement of Common Ground.
EN010168/EXAM/8.7	Statement of Common Ground with Cotswolds National Landscape Board (Clean and Tracked)	3	Submission of the final version of the Statement of Common Ground.
EN010168/EXAM/8.8	Statement of Common Ground with National Highways (Clean and Tracked)	3	Submission of the final version of the Statement of Common Ground.
EN010168/EXAM/8.9	Statement of Common Ground with Network Rail (Clean and Tracked)	2	Submission of the final version of the Statement of Common Ground.
EN010168/EXAM/8.16	Statement of Common Ground with the British Horse Society (Wiltshire Access Team) (Clean and Tracked)	2	Submission of the final version of the Statement of Common Ground.



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EN010168/EXAM/8.17	Statement of Common Ground with the Wiltshire Bridleways Association (Clean and Tracked)	4	Submission of the final version of the Statement of Common Ground.
EN010168/EXAM/8.18	Statement of Common Ground with Stop Lime Down (Clean and Tracked)	3	Submission of the final version of the Statement of Common Ground.
EN010168/EXAM/9.11	Schedule of Changes to the Book of Reference	5	Updated to reflect the updated Book of Reference.
EN010168/EXAM/9.16	Schedule of Changes to the Draft Development Consent Order	7	Updated to reflect the updated Draft Development Consent Order.

