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Appendix G-1.1 consists of a table listing consultees identified under Schedule 1 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 as amended under The Infrastructure Planning (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2024. Where a consultee only relates to Scotland, Wales, or Northern Ireland, they have not been included in the table.

Schedule 1 Description	Circumstances when that person must be consulted about a proposed application	Consulted as part of statutory consultation?	Explanation for inclusion, if necessary	Organisation
The Secretary of State for Defence	All proposed applications likely to affect the current or future operation of a site identified in a safeguarding map and all developments in the marine area	No	The Scheme does not propose any development that is likely to affect any site identified in a safeguarding map nor is it located within the marine area.	n/a
The relevant parish council	All proposed applications	Yes	n/a	Weston Parish Council
				Crowland Parish Council
				Cowbit Parish Council
				Whaplode Parish Council
				Holbeach Parish Council
				Fleet Parish Council
				The Moultons Parish Council
				Deeping St. James Parish Council

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				Gedney Parish Council
				Deeping St. Nicholas Parish Council
				Pinchbeck Parish Council
				Gedney Hill Parish Council
				Surfleet Parish Council
				Kirton Parish Council
				Algarkirk Parish Council
				Fosdyke Parish Council
				Thorney Parish Council

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				Newborough and Borough Fen Parish Council
The Environment Agency	All proposed applications likely to affect land in England	Yes	n/a	The Environment Agency
Natural England	All proposed applications likely to affect land in England	Yes	n/a	Natural England
The Forestry Commission	All proposed applications likely to affect the protection or expansion of forests and woodlands in England	Yes	While there did not appear to be any forests or woodlands within the red line boundary presented at statutory consultation, as it was not fixed, the Forestry Commission was consulted to ensure compliance.	The Forestry Commission
Relevant AONB Conservation Board	All proposed applications likely to affect an AONB	No	There are no national landscapes within or near the red line	n/a

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	that is managed by a Conservation Board		boundary presented at statutory consultation. The Norfolk Coast National Landscape is approximately 20km from the Scheme.	
Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England (known as Historic England)	All proposed applications likely to affect land in England	Yes	n/a	Historic England
Joint Nature Conservation Committee	All proposed applications likely to affect the marine environment	No	The Scheme will not impact the marine environment. The Wash is approximately 10km from the Scheme.	n/a
The Maritime and Coastguard Agency	All proposed applications likely to affect the maritime or coastal environment, or the shipping industry	No	The proposal will not affect maritime, the coastal environment or shipping. The Wash is approximately 10km from the Scheme.	n/a

Schedule 1 Description	Circumstances when that person must be consulted about a proposed application	Consulted as part of statutory consultation?	Explanation for inclusion, if necessary	Organisation
The relevant Internal Drainage Board	All proposed applications likely to increase the risk of flooding in that area or where the proposals relate to an area known to be an area of flood risk	Yes	The Scheme is located within Flood Zone 3.	South Holland Internal Drainage Board
				North Level District Internal Drainage Board
				Welland and Deepings Internal Drainage Board
The Canal & River Trust	All proposed applications likely to have an impact on inland waterways or land adjacent to inland waterways in England and Wales	No	The Scheme would not have an impact on inland waterways or land adjacent to inland waterways.	n/a
Trinity House	All proposed applications likely to affect navigation in tidal waters	No	No works are expected to impact navigation in tidal waters.	n/a
The relevant Highways Authority	All proposed applications likely to have an impact on the road network or the volume of traffic in the vicinity of the proposal	Yes	n/a	Lincolnshire County Council (Highways)
				National Highways

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The Secretary of State for Transport	All proposed applications likely to affect road or transport operation and/or planning on roads for which the Secretary of State for Transport is the highway authority	Yes	n/a	Heidi Alexander MP, The Secretary of State for Transport
Integrated Transport Authorities (ITAs) and Passenger Transport Executives	All proposed applications likely to affect transport within, to or from the relevant integrated transport area of the ITA or PTE	No	The Scheme is not located near or within an ITA or PTE.	n/a
Transport for London	All proposed applications likely to affect transport within, to or from Greater London.	No	The Scheme is not located in London.	n/a
Civil Aviation Authority	All proposed applications relating to airports, or which are likely to affect an airport or its current or future operation.	Yes	The Crowland Airfield is located adjacent to Development Area A. Fenland Airfield is located to the north-	Civil Aviation Authority

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			west of Development Area B.	
The Health and Safety Executive	All proposed applications	Yes	n/a	Health and Safety Executive
The United Kingdom Health Security Agency, an executive agency of the Department of Health and Social Care	All proposed applications likely to involve chemicals, poisons or radiation which could potentially cause harm to people and are likely to affect significantly public health	Yes	n/a	UK Health Security Agency
NHS England	All proposed applications likely to affect land in England and Wales	Yes	n/a	United Lincolnshire Hospitals Trust
				NHS England
Relevant statutory undertakers	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	Yes	Relevant statutory undertakers	Esp Utilities Group Limited
				Intergen (UK) Limited

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				Fulcrum Pipelines Limited Last Mile Asset Management Limited National Gas Transmission Plc Bring Energy Limited Bt Group Plc Cityfibre Limited Colt Technology Services Gtc Utility Construction Limited Lumen Technologies Uk Limited Mobile Broadband Network Limited

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				Network Rail Limited
				Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) Plc
				Sota Solutions Limited
				Utility Assets Limited
				Verizon Uk Limited
				Virgin Media Limited
				Vodafone Group Public Limited Company
				Yorkshire Water Services Limited
				Bassetlaw District Council
				Severn Trent Water Limited

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				Cadent Gas
				Anglian Water Limited
				National Grid Electricity Distribution (East Midlands) plc
				Network Rail Infrastructure Limited
				National Grid Electricity Transmission plc
				National Grid Electricity Distribution plc
				Eastern Power Networks
Mining Remediation Authority (previously known as The Coal Authority)	All proposed applications that lie within areas of past, present, or future coal mining	Yes	n/a	Mining Remediation Authority

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The Crown Estate Commissioners	All proposed applications likely to impact on the Crown Estate	Yes	n/a	The Crown Estate
The relevant police authority	All proposed applications	Yes	n/a	Lincolnshire Police
The relevant ambulance service	All proposed applications	Yes	n/a	East Midlands Ambulance Service
The relevant fire and rescue service	All proposed applications	Yes	n/a	Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue
Host local authorities	If the land is in the authority's area.	Yes	Either a unitary council or a lower-tier district council in which the development is situated ('B'). Upper-tier county council in which the development is situated ('C').	Lincolnshire County Council (C)
				South Holland District Council (B)
Neighbouring authorities	If the land is in the area of another local	Yes	A neighbouring local authority (s43)(3)) that	North East Lincolnshire Council (D)

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	<p>authority, and any part of the boundary is shared between A and Bs area.</p>		<p>shares a boundary with a unitary council or lower-tier district council within whose area the development is situated ('A').</p> <p>Either a unitary council or an upper tier county council which shares a boundary with a host 'C' authority (s43(3)) ('D').</p>	<p>North Lincolnshire Council (D)</p> <p>Nottinghamshire County Council (D)</p> <p>Leicestershire County Council (D)</p> <p>Peterborough City Council (D)</p> <p>Cambridgeshire County Council (D)</p> <p>Norfolk County Council (D)</p> <p>Boston Borough Council (A)</p> <p>North Kesteven District Council (A)</p> <p>South Kesteven District Council (A)</p>

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				Fenland District Council (A)
				King's Lynn and West Norfolk District Council (A)
Neighbouring authorities	If the land is in the area of another local authority, and any part of the boundary is shared between A and Bs area.	Yes (following an omission during the stage two consultation period, the neighbouring authorities listed were notified on 2 December 2025. See Sections 7.2.6-7.2.7 of the Consultation Report for further details).	A neighbouring local authority (s43(3)) that shares a boundary with a unitary council or lower-tier district council within whose area the development is situated ('A'). Either a unitary council or an upper tier county council which shares a boundary with a host 'C' authority (s43(3)) ('D').	Rutland County Council (D) North Northamptonshire (D)
Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero	Required under Section 46 of the PA2008	Yes	As required for Section 46 of the PA2008.	Ed Miliband, The Secretary of State for

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				Energy Security and Net Zero
In addition to those consultees identified under Scheduled 1 in this table, the Applicant also consulted with the following organisations				National Highways Historical Railways Estate
				Royal Mail Group
				Homes England
				Northern Gas Networks Limited
				Scotland Gas Networks Plc
				Southern Gas Networks Plc
				CNG Services Limited
				Energy Assets Pipelines Limited

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				Harlaxton Gas Networks Limited
				Independent Pipelines Limited
				Indigo Pipelines Limited
				Inovyn Enterprises Limited
				Leep Gas Networks Limited
				Mua Gas Limited
				Quadrant Pipelines Limited
				Squire Energy Limited
				Aidien Limited
				Eclipse Power Network Limited

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				Energy Assets Networks Limited Harlaxton Energy Networks Limited Independent Distribution Connection Specialists Limited Independent Power Networks Limited Indigo Power Limited Leep Electricity Networks Limited Mua Electricity Limited Optimal Power Networks Limited Squire Energy Metering Limited

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				The Electricity Network Company Limited UK Power Distribution Limited Vattenfall Networks Limited
The Applicant did not consult the Greater London Authority ('the GLA') under Section 42(1)(c) of the PA2008, as the Scheme area is not located within Greater London and therefore the GLA is not a relevant consultee.				
The Applicant did not consult the Marine Management Organisation under Section 42(1)(aa) of the PA2008, as the Scheme is not considered likely to affect any of the areas specified in subsection (2) of Section 42 (e.g. tidal or offshore areas) or Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations.				

