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To: Green Hill Solar Farm Limited

Our Ref: EN010170

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Dear Sir/ Madam

**The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended):  
Rule 17 request for further information**

**Application by Green Hill Solar Farm Limited for an order granting development  
consent for the Green Hill Solar Farm project**

We are writing under Rule 17 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended). We request that the following matters are attended to in respect of sites identified through international conventions.

- 1) Please provide an updated final and signed Statement of Common Ground with Natural England clearly setting out:
  - a) its position on the scope of bird surveys used to determine impacts on the Upper Nene Valley Gravel Pits Special Protection Area (SPA); and
  - b) its position on the suitability of the proposed SPA functionally linked land (FLL) mitigation areas as set out in the Habitats Regulations Assessment (Revision A) and the Outline Ecological Protection and Mitigation Strategy (Revision D) (OEPMS), including in respect of the timing of mitigation area provision.
- 2) Please incorporate Natural England's final FLL mitigation requirements (as reflected in its response to Report on the Implications for European Sites question RQ9 in document REP5-129) where necessary (for example, in the OEPMS).
- 3) Please ensure that the final and signed Statement of Common Ground with North Northamptonshire Council precisely explains any remaining areas of disagreement with regard to FLL associated with the SPA.

Reponses on these matters are required by examination deadline 7 (8 April 2026).

Yours faithfully

*Mark Harrison*

**Lead Member of the Examining Authority**

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