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River Trust**

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Your Ref EN0110001

Our Ref IPP-229

Wednesday 14 January 2026

Proposal: EN0110001 Keadby Next Generation Power Station Project.

Canal & River Trust Response Submission for the Pre-examination procedural deadline

Following our submission of our relevant representation with respect to the above scheme, please find below our summary of the matters raised.

We can confirm that all comments made by the Trust on the scheme are included in the Relevant Representation (which exceeded 1500 words).

Impact on the Operation of the Stainforth & Keadby Canal

Impact of the Proposed temporary Cofferdam

The proposals would temporarily restrict the navigable width of the Canal by 20m. This would have the effect of closing the canal to traffic. We request that the total restriction in navigable width should be limited to 10m. Cofferdams with of up to 10m were used during the construction of the Keadby 2 project.

Impact on the Operation of Keadby Lock

During the deliveries for the Keadby 2 Power Station Works, which also utilised the same offloading point for ALL deliveries, vessels arrived at the offloading point outside of times agreed by the Trust, obstructing Keadby Lock. Unplanned obstruction of the lock poses a safety risk to boaters trapped on the tidal River Trent as well as causing disruption to waterway users. The safety risk does not appear to have been considered by the Applicant as it is not assessed in the Navigational Risk Assessment [APP-075]. We suggest the safety risk is assessed and addressed by the Applicant and details should be provided to confirm how this risk will be addressed.

Impact on the Canal During Construction

The Trust wish to review the Final CEMP documentation prior to its adoption to ensure that the proposed mitigation to limit harm to the canal (e.g. which could occur as a result of vibration) will be effective and can be accommodated on site.

Visual Impact on the Canal

Replacement trees should be considered to the west of the abstraction site, to soften the appearance of development.

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Abstraction from the canal

Works to install the abstraction require the consent of and grant of a licence from the Trust. An existing abstraction licence requires to be renewed before 31 March 2026. The Trust are in discussions with the Applicant about this.

Canal improvement works are necessary to enable the proposed abstraction to take place. These include works to Keadby Lock, which are discussed in the submitted Environment Statement.

The Trust would need to review exact details of abstraction.

Proposed Compulsory Purchase

The Applicant has not yet specifically engaged the Trust in negotiations for the land and rights it requires. We expect voluntary agreements for the land and rights required for the Project will be in place before the close of the examination and so compulsory acquisition powers over Trust land and rights will not be necessary.

Protective Provisions

The Trust is in the process of agreeing Protective Provisions with the Applicant.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any queries you may have.

Yours sincerely,

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