

SSE Hydrogen Developments Ltd (part of the Thermal Division of the FTSE-listed SSE plc) ('SSE') previously made a relevant representation to the application made by Light Valley Solar Ltd ('the Applicant') for an Order ('the draft Order') for 'Light Valley Solar', a solar farm with associated battery energy storage system (BESS) near Selby, North Yorkshire ('the Project') (EN0110012).

SSE is preparing a DCO application for a new low-carbon power station (Ferrybridge Next Generation Power Station ('Ferrybridge')) at the former Ferrybridge C Power Station Site, Kirkhaw Lane, Ferrybridge. The proposed development includes a c.10km gas pipeline corridor that will extend eastwards to a proposed AGI on the gas transmission system (Feeder 29), near Gateforth. The application is at the pre-application stage (EN0110011). The anticipated submission date was recently revised to June 2027, which is therefore not reflected in the Applicant's latest documentation.

In the relevant representation, SSE requested that the principle of co-location of the Ferrybridge gas pipeline corridor through Site 4 of the Project is secured in the Applicant's DCO, including through a shared collaboration document.

The Applicant has now produced a document entitled 'Interrelationships with other Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects and Major Development Schemes' ('the Interrelationships Report'). This document provides information on the interrelationships between the Project and other NSIPs, including Ferrybridge.

SSE has reviewed the Interrelationships Report and is content that this reflects an accurate summary of the current stage of discussions that it has reached with the Applicant. Of particular importance for SSE is paragraph 4.1.6 of the report which states that SSE is engaged in discussions on both a private commercial agreement and protective provisions with the Applicant. It remains SSE's preference that the protective provisions are included in the Applicant's DCO. SSE is committed to progressing these discussions in a timely manner and will continue to work with the Applicant to secure appropriate arrangements for the co-location of both developments. SSE therefore maintains the position set out in its relevant representation, until these matters are resolved.