

Re, SCHEDULE 1 PROTECTED STONE CURLEWS. Could the Examining Authority ask the applicant & NATURAL ENGLAND/RSPB to address the following questions ?

1/ Can the applicant confirm that previous & ongoing survey work covers all of the Drovers site ?

2/ Can the applicant provide Stone Curlew breeding/territory records for the whole Drovers site, drawing on the Norfolk Biodiversity Information Service, RSPB & Breckland Stone Curlew recording scheme data, for at least the last 5 years. Also can the applicant confirm whether any records exist for fields not covered by the applicant's survey work to date ?

3/ Could the applicant confirm what buffer distance from active, potentially active or historic stone curlew nesting sites has been applied across the whole site & how this is secured within the detailed Landscape & Ecological plan ?

4/ I am again asking for clarification of what further licensed survey work is planned annually over a minimum of 5 years from the latest apparent breeding records for Stone Curlews in 2025 ? It is especially important that there is liaison with Natural England (who provide licences) & the RSPB who monitor the endangered Breckland Stone Curlew population. Can the applicant confirm that a survey licence was previously obtained from NE in view of the known presence of Schedule 1 protected Stone Curlews on this site ?

5/ Can the applicant confirm what post-construction monitoring & reporting for Stone Curlews is proposed across the whole site, for how many breeding seasons, and to whom the results would be reported ?

& 6/ Can NE & the RSPB please confirm that, in the light of all Stone Curlew records for this site, that they are in agreement that previous & future planned Stone Curlew survey work has been/will be adequate to properly assess the impact of any proposed development on the endangered Stone Curlew population using this part of the Brecks ?

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Re. Ecology - GROUND NESTING BIRDS ESPECIALLY HIGHLY PROTECTED SCHEDULE 1 STONE CURLEWS. In the light of evidence of STONE CURLEW BREEDING IN 2025 on the Drovers site etc., can the applicant confirm that they have continued to consult with NATURAL ENGLAND & the RSPB on what further licensed survey work etc. is needed going forward ? In fact the applicant needs to ask NE & the RSPB whether any current mitigation is relevant for Stone Curlews - my understanding is that it would NOT be, as Stone Curlews move breeding sites with the crop rotation.

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Re. Ecology - Stone Curlews & Biodiversity.

Can the applicant confirm that NITROGEN DEPOSITION IMPACTS have been completely addressed ? These impacts form one of the qualifying features of adjacent Breckland SPA which the Drovers site is functionally linked to. The Breckland SPA could be severely & adversely affected by transportation of materials to & from the Drovers site.