East Pye Solar

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose of the Document

1.1.1 An application (the Application) was made to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero for a Development Consent Order (DCO) under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008) for East Pye Solar (the Scheme). The Application was submitted by East Pye Solar Limited (the Applicant) on 5 March 2026 and was accepted for Examination on 2 April 2026.

1.1.2 The period for registering as an Interested Party through the submission of a Relevant Representation (RR) ran from Wednesday 29 April 2026 to Wednesday 10 June 2026. The Planning Inspectorate (PINS) has published a total of 2,033 RRs submitted to the Examining Authority by Interested Parties relating to the Application for the Scheme. These were published on the PINS website on Wednesday 1 July and Thursday 2 July 2026.

1.1.3 This documents provides the Applicant's response to RRs submitted by members of the public and those who may otherwise be noted within the **Book of Reference [APP-022]**.

1.1.4 It forms part of the Applicant's response to RRs submitted. The Applicant has submitted its response to RRs submitted by other Interested Parties in the following documents at Procedural Deadline A (1 September 2026):

- **The Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations Part 1: Host and Neighbouring Authorities [EN0110014/EXAM/8.6]**;
- **The Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations Part 2: Statutory Bodies, Undertakers and Notable Parties with whom the Applicant is seeking a Statement of Common Ground [EN0110014/EXAM/8.7]**;
- **The Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations Part 3: Other Statutory Bodies, Undertakers and Notable Parties [EN0110014/EXAM/8.8]**; and
- **The Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations Part 4: Parish and Town Councils, Parish Meetings and MPs [EN0110014/EXAM/8.9]**.

1.2 Structure of the Report

1.2.1 This document provides a response from the Applicant to the matters raised in the RR and is structured as follows:

- **Table 1.1** sets out the list of acronyms used for key documents and management plans that form part of the Application and may have been referred to by the Applicant in responding to RRs. The wider range of acronyms used by the Applicant can be found in the **Contents, Glossary and Abbreviations [APP-036]**.
- **Table 1.2** lists all of the RRs as summarised in the Relevant Representation Library published by the Planning Inspectorate on 6 July 2026.
- **Section 2** of this document sets out responses to RRs, split out by topic. Each comment has a Comment ID number. Some topics have been split by general comments and detailed comments for ease of navigation.

1.2.2 All documents submitted to PINS on 5 March 2026 carry '/APP/' within their document reference. Submissions made to PINS post-submission and during the pre-examination stage carry '/AS/' instead of '/APP/' within the document reference, to reflect the submission being made during the pre-examination stage.

Table 1.1 List of Acronyms of Submission Documents

Reference	Submission Document
DCO	Development Consent Order
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
ES	Environmental Statement
EqIA	Equality Impact Assessment
DAD	Design Approach Document
PMIE	Potential Main Issues for Examination
BNG	Biodiversity Net Gain
Shadow HRA	Shadow Habitat Regulations Regulation
Outline CEMP	Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan
Outline OEMP	Outline Operational Environmental Management Plan
Outline DEMP	Outline Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan
Outline SRMP	Outline Soil Resource and Management Plan

Reference	Submission Document
Outline PRoWPPMP	Outline Public Rights of Way and Permissive Paths Management Plan
Outline LEMP	Outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan
Outline ESSCS	Outline Employment, Skills and Supply Chain Strategy
Outline BSMP	Outline Battery Safety Management Plan
Outline CTMP	Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan
Outline OTMP	Outline Operational Traffic Management Plan

Table 1.2 Relevant Representations (as summarised in the PINS Examination Library)

Reference ID	Interested Party	Book of Reference Party	Plot Numbers (If Applicable)
RR-0001	2 Hollies Farm Barns		
RR-0002	A Chadwick		
RR-0003	Aaron Briggs		
RR-0004	Aaron Cargill		
RR-0005	Abigail Holden		
RR-0006	Adam Conrad	Yes	03-001
RR-0007	Adam Coombes		
RR-0008	Adam James Nelson		
RR-0009	Adelaide Leeder		
RR-0010	Adele Dewick Godsmark		
RR-0011	Adrian Charles Harris Olivier		
RR-0012	Adrian F Toll		
RR-0013	Adrian Smith		
RR-0014	Adrienne Elizabeth Watts		
RR-0015	Adrienne Wolfendale		
RR-0016	Agnès Lacovazzo		

Reference ID	Interested Party	Book of Reference Party	Plot Numbers (If Applicable)
RR-0017	Aileen Newman		
RR-0018	Aisha Eagling		
RR-0019	AJ Alexander C Sons	Yes	01-013, 02-040, 02-047, 04-007, 04-010, 04-011, 04-012, 04-013, 04-015, 04-026, 06-002, 06-013, 07-007, 07-022, 08-003, 08-015, 08-016, 15-012, 15-019, 15-024, 17-003, 17-004, 17-005, 17-009, 17-015, 17-016, 17-017, 17-023, 17-024, 17-029, 17-033, 17-038, 17-039, 18-001, 18-002, 18-004, 19-007
RR-0020	Alan Dawson		
RR-0021	Alan Garrec		
RR-0022	Alan Graham		
RR-0023	Alan Hadley		
RR-0024	Alan John Clapham		
RR-0025	Alan Martin Ives		
RR-0026	Alan Mayes		
RR-0027	Alan Pask		
RR-0028	Alan Potter		
RR-0029	Alan Robert Macartney		
RR-0030	Alastair Scott		
RR-0031	Aldona Burt		
RR-0032	Aldridge Lansdell, Chartered Surveyors C Estate Agents		
RR-0033	Aleksandr Pashchenko		

Reference ID	Interested Party	Book of Reference Party	Plot Numbers (If Applicable)
RR-0034	Alex Blanshard		
RR-0035	Alex Sellers		
RR-0036	Alex Terry		
RR-0037	Alexander Franjieh		
RR-0038	Alexander Graham Ball		
RR-0039	Alexandra Ferguson		
RR-0040	Alice Drury		
RR-0041	Alice Grainger		
RR-0042	Alice Manson		
RR-0043	Alice Strike		
RR-0044	Alice Westgate		
RR-0045	Alice Wright		
RR-0046	Alicia Dow		
RR-0047	Alison Chambers		
RR-0048	Alison Fiander		
RR-0049	Alison Howes		
RR-0050	Alison Joy Miners		
RR-0051	Alison Priehs		
RR-0052	Alison Schwier		
RR-0053	Alison Smith		
RR-0054	Alison Thomas		
RR-0056	Allen Preston		
RR-0057	Allison Ann Cotes		
RR-0058	Allyson Rae		
RR-0060	Alyson Jane Read		
RR-0061	Amanda Brown	Yes	Category 3
RR-0062	Amanda Buffin		
RR-0063	Amanda Cooper		
RR-0064	Amanda Dunham		
RR-0065	Amanda Littlewood		

Reference ID	Interested Party	Book of Reference Party	Plot Numbers (If Applicable)
RR-0066	Amanda Seaward		
RR-0067	Amelia Tahiri		
RR-0068	Amelie Oak Foster		
RR-0069	Amy Phillips-Jones		
RR-0070	Amy Pilkington		
RR-0071	Amy Prendergast		
RR-0072	Amy Walker		
RR-0073	Andre Santander		
RR-0074	Andre Wingfield		
RR-0075	Andrea Caroline Snowden		
RR-0076	Andrea Snowden		
RR-0077	Andreas Mavroudis		
RR-0078	Andrei Lykowski		
RR-0079	Andrew Bailey		
RR-0080	Andrew Collins		
RR-0081	Andrew Curtis		
RR-0082	Andrew Daniell		
RR-0083	Andrew David Gowing		
RR-0084	Andrew Fearn		
RR-0085	Andrew Fryer		
RR-0086	Andrew Gibson		
RR-0087	Andrew Hipper		
RR-0088	Andrew Hornsby	Yes	15-022
RR-0089	Andrew Hutton		
RR-0090	Andrew J Pleavin		
RR-0091	Andrew Jaggard		
RR-0092	Andrew Keeler		
RR-0093	Andrew Michael Scarsbrook		
RR-0094	Andrew Neal Burrage	Yes	11-017

Reference ID	Interested Party	Book of Reference Party	Plot Numbers (If Applicable)
RR-0095	Andrew Pettitt	Yes	03-001
RR-0096	Andrew Rae		
RR-0097	Andrew Robert Gibson		
RR-0098	Andrew Rodwell	Yes	Category 3
RR-0099	Andrew Seaton Hogg		
RR-0100	Andrew Stawarz		
RR-0101	Andrew Stephens		
RR-0102	Andrew Stowers		
RR-0103	Andrew Watt		
RR-0104	Andy Hall		
RR-0105	Andy Petty		
RR-0106	Angela Ann Barker		
RR-0107	Angela Braddick		
RR-0108	Angela Collins		
RR-0109	Angela Dorothy Nelson		
RR-0110	Angela Edgar		
RR-0111	Angela Marion Folkes		
RR-0112	Angela Mary Johns		
RR-0113	Angela Pyke		
RR-0115	Anita Barry		
RR-0116	Anita Dixon		
RR-0117	Anita E Manning		
RR-0118	Ann Blowers		
RR-0119	Ann Catherine Miles	Yes	10-002, 10-005, 10-005
RR-0120	Ann Elizabeth Donkin		
RR-0121	Ann Jane Waterhouse		
RR-0122	Ann Kennedy		
RR-0123	Ann Margaret Stothard		

Reference ID	Interested Party	Book of Reference Party	Plot Numbers (If Applicable)
RR-0124	Ann Mumford		
RR-0125	Ann Stevens		
RR-0126	Anna Dow		
RR-0127	Anna Hiscox		
RR-0128	Anna Lloyd		
RR-0129	Anna Savage		
RR-0130	Anna Toulson		
RR-0131	Anna Ward		
RR-0132	Annabel Joan Brooke		
RR-0133	Annabel Thomson		
RR-0134	Anna-Christina Richards		
RR-0135	Anne Fry	Yes	03-001
RR-0136	Anne Huckle		
RR-0137	Anne Kathleen Clitheroe		
RR-0138	Anne Lacovazzo		
RR-0139	Anne Lingley		
RR-0140	Anne M M Dinsdale		
RR-0141	Anne O'Halleron		
RR-0142	Annetta Berry		
RR-0143	Annette Jane Pointer	Yes	Category 3
RR-0144	Annette Nunn		
RR-0145	Annette Smith		
RR-0146	Annie Edwards		
RR-0147	Anthony Edward Collins		
RR-0148	Anthony James Newman		
RR-0149	Anthony Kemp		
RR-0150	Anthony Lacovazzo		
RR-0151	Anthony Michael		

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	Rowson		
RR-0152	Anthony Paul Spurgeon		
RR-0153	Anthony Peter Russell		
RR-0154	Anthony Richard Mcdonald		
RR-0155	Anthony Shipley		
RR-0156	Anthony Walter Jackson		
RR-0157	Anton Kirczenow		
RR-0158	Antony Hall		
RR-0159	Antony Rhoades		
RR-0160	Aoife Joan Rowden		
RR-0161	April Stowers		
RR-0162	Arthur Mixer		
RR-0163	Ashleigh Garrett		
RR-0164	Ashley Murphy		
RR-0165	Ashley Rowe		
RR-0167	Audrey Penman		
RR-0168	Audrey Smith		
RR-0169	Avril Houseago		
RR-0170	Aynsley Evoli		
RR-0171	Barbara Faircloth		
RR-0172	Barbara Jane		
RR-0173	Barbara Jeffery		
RR-0174	Barbara Trevanion	Yes	Category 3
RR-0175	Barrie Keith Shulver		
RR-0176	Barry Paul Gray		
RR-0177	Barry Wright		
RR-0178	Becky Louise Turner		
RR-0180	Belinda Wade		

Reference ID	Interested Party	Book of Reference Party	Plot Numbers (If Applicable)
RR-0181	Ben Buxton		
RR-0182	Ben Houghton		
RR-0183	Ben Jarvis		
RR-0184	Ben White		
RR-0185	Ben Williams		
RR-0186	Benedict Wright		
RR-0187	Benjamin John Felton		
RR-0188	Benjamin Ter-Berg		
RR-0190	Berenice June Fenn		
RR-0192	Bernard Ian Webb		
RR-0193	Beryl Rout		
RR-0194	Beverley Lawrence		
RR-0195	Beverley Price		
RR-0196	Beverley Shibley		
RR-0197	Beverley Wilding		
RR-0198	Bevin Currie		
RR-0199	Bill Starling		
RR-0201	Bradley Collins		
RR-0202	Brenda Unwin		
RR-0203	Brendon Bernard		
RR-0204	Brendon King		
RR-0205	Brian Anderson	Yes	18-008, 18-010, 18-010 Category 3
RR-0206	Brian Beadle		
RR-0207	Brian Bush		
RR-0208	Brian Delaney		
RR-0209	Brian Kenneth Goodare		
RR-0210	Brian Orland		
RR-0211	Brian Reynolds	Yes	03-001
RR-0212	Brian Rosser		

Reference ID	Interested Party	Book of Reference Party	Plot Numbers (If Applicable)
RR-0213	Bridget Lorna Pestell		
RR-0214	Bridget Santander		
RR-0215	Bridgitt Riches		
RR-0218	Bruce Seaman Farms Ltd		
RR-0219	Brynley Howard Morgan		
RR-0220	Brynley John Austin		
RR-0221	Byron Stitt		
RR-0222	C G Moore C Sons		
RR-0223	C R Cawston Ltd		
RR-0224	Caitlin Wallis		
RR-0225	Callum Marc Robert Sculfor		
RR-0226	Cally Harding		
RR-0227	Cameron Guy		
RR-0228	Candida Guy		
RR-0229	Carina Hill		
RR-0230	Carl Smith		
RR-0231	Carol Bailey		
RR-0232	Carol Tyson		
RR-0233	Carole Smith		
RR-0234	Caroline Bean		
RR-0235	Caroline Buck		
RR-0236	Caroline Collier		
RR-0237	Caroline Cooper		
RR-0238	Caroline Cushion		
RR-0239	Caroline Delf		
RR-0240	Caroline Dixey		
RR-0241	Caroline Greenwood		
RR-0242	Caroline Howard		
RR-0243	Caroline J Evans		

Reference ID	Interested Party	Book of Reference Party	Plot Numbers (If Applicable)
RR-0244	Caroline Jewson-Boon		
RR-0245	Caroline Melilli		
RR-0246	Caroline Ramsay	Yes	12-009 Category 3
RR-0247	Caroline Sauverin		
RR-0248	Caroline Squires		
RR-0249	Caroline Williamson		
RR-0250	Carolyn Ann Burrage	Yes	11-017
RR-0251	Carolyn Ann English		
RR-0252	Carolyn Dare		
RR-0253	Carolyn Louise Dare		
RR-0254	Carolyn Moulton		
RR-0255	Carolyn Robinson		
RR-0256	Carolyn Rush	Yes	03-006
RR-0257	Carrie Burridge		
RR-0258	Carrie Hayes		
RR-0259	Carys Fisher		
RR-0260	Catharine Greig		
RR-0261	Catherine Anne Green		
RR-0262	Catherine Betts		
RR-0263	Catherine Bevington		
RR-0264	Catherine Coulton		
RR-0265	Catherine Mary Cunningham-Elliott	Yes	Category 3
RR-0266	Catherine Rebecca Haslam		
RR-0267	Catherine Savage		
RR-0268	Catherine Scott	Yes	13-004
RR-0269	Cathy Harvey		
RR-0270	Catrina Lykowski		
RR-0271	Celia Blyth		

Reference ID	Interested Party	Book of Reference Party	Plot Numbers (If Applicable)
RR-0272	Ceres Property LLP		
RR-0273	Charles Birch		
RR-0274	Charles Peter Rogers		
RR-0275	Charles Richard Painter		
RR-0276	Charlotte Ann Bennett		
RR-0277	Charlotte Black		
RR-0278	Charlotte Connor Baylis		
RR-0279	Charlotte Mary Harrison	Yes	03-001
RR-0280	Charlotte Miller		
RR-0281	Charlotte Saul		
RR-0282	Charlotte Stone		
RR-0283	Charmain Negm		
RR-0284	Chelsie Preston		
RR-0285	Cher Parnell		
RR-0286	Cheryl Furness		
RR-0287	Cheryl Griffiths		
RR-0288	Cheryl Joy Hewett		
RR-0289	Cheryl Vrinten		
RR-0290	Chivonne Heath		
RR-0291	Chloe Kelly		
RR-0292	Chloe Saunders		
RR-0293	Chloe Scott		
RR-0294	Chris Backhouse		
RR-0295	Chris Guy	Yes	02-017, 02-019
RR-0296	Chris Judge		
RR-0297	Chris Laxton		
RR-0298	Chris Lewis		
RR-0299	Chris Little		

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RR-0300	Chris Pallant		
RR-0301	Chris Scott		
RR-0302	Chris White		
RR-0303	Chris Wilden		
RR-0304	Chris Williams		
RR-0305	Christina Ann Mattocks		
RR-0306	Christina Elizabeth Morley		
RR-0307	Christine Abbott		
RR-0308	Christine Burton		
RR-0309	Christine Dwight		
RR-0310	Christine Fances Ellis		
RR-0311	Christine Farrow		
RR-0312	Christine Flynn		
RR-0313	Christine Frances Barnes		
RR-0314	Christine Lesley Beacom		
RR-0315	Christine Lilian Potter		
RR-0316	Christine Lucy Flint		
RR-0317	Christine Mary Jones		
RR-0318	Christine May Magrath		
RR-0319	Christine Pedder		
RR-0320	Christine Tunmore		
RR-0321	Christine Wright		
RR-0322	Christine Youngman		
RR-0323	Christopher Bayliss		
RR-0324	Christopher Clements		
RR-0325	Christopher David Lacey		

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RR-0326	Christopher Drewery		
RR-0327	Christopher Freemantle		
RR-0328	Christopher Humphrey		
RR-0329	Christopher John Ward		
RR-0330	Christopher Napier		
RR-0331	Christopher Scott		
RR-0332	Christopher Stammers		
RR-0333	Christopher Streamer		
RR-0334	Christopher Tyacke		
RR-0335	Christopher Wayne Miller		
RR-0336	Christopher Westgate		
RR-0337	Christopher William Payne	Yes	13-023, 13-025, 13-027, 14-001, 14-002, 14-003, 14-005
RR-0338	Cindy Joyce Stringer	Yes	13-006
RR-0339	Clair Louise Burrows		
RR-0340	Claire Beckett		
RR-0341	Claire Blackburn		
RR-0342	Claire Caird		
RR-0343	Claire Calton-Moore		
RR-0344	Claire Coote		
RR-0345	Claire Dove		
RR-0346	Claire Drewery		
RR-0347	Claire Fielder		
RR-0348	Claire Gormley		
RR-0349	Claire Hall		
RR-0350	Claire Hill		

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RR-0351	Claire Kathleen Rennie		
RR-0352	Claire Matthews		
RR-0353	Claire Noakes		
RR-0354	Claire Seaman		
RR-0355	Claire Smith		
RR-0356	Claire Stammers		
RR-0357	Clare Bowler		
RR-0358	Clare Chenery		
RR-0359	Clare Donovan		
RR-0360	Clare Farleigh		
RR-0361	Clare Higgins		
RR-0362	Clare Oakley		
RR-0363	Claudio Correia		
RR-0364	Clayton James Hudson		
RR-0365	Clifford Boardman		
RR-0366	Clive Edward Davies		
RR-0367	Clive Goodwin		
RR-0368	Colin Basil Tunmore		
RR-0369	Colin Clarkson		
RR-0370	Colin Foster		
RR-0371	Colin Francis Cownden		
RR-0372	Colin Gary Pyke		
RR-0373	Colin John Walpole		
RR-0374	Colin Mackie		
RR-0375	Colin Paul Shearing		
RR-0376	Colin Rounding	Yes	02-029, 02-032, 02-039
RR-0377	Colleen Hayter	Yes	Category 3
RR-0378	Connie Turner		

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RR-0379	Coraline Foster		
RR-0381	Courtenay Rednall		
RR-0383	Craig Forder		
RR-0384	Cressida Landless		
RR-0385	Cristian Paduraru		
RR-0386	Cudden And Colmans		
RR-0387	Cynthia Brookes		
RR-0388	D Phillips		
RR-0389	Daisy Letch		
RR-0390	Dan Edwards		
RR-0391	Daniel Calver		
RR-0392	Daniel Clarke		
RR-0393	Daniel Craig Mcdonald		
RR-0394	Daniel Scott		
RR-0395	Daniel Scrivener		
RR-0396	Daniel White		
RR-0397	Danielle Wright		
RR-0398	Danny Collingbine		
RR-0399	Danny Roache		
RR-0400	Daphne Jean Luce		
RR-0401	Daphne Tate		
RR-0402	Darrell Wood		
RR-0403	Darryl Kemp		
RR-0404	David C Joan Kilbon		
RR-0405	David Abbott		
RR-0406	David Alden		
RR-0407	David Alexander		
RR-0408	David And Elaine Wilson	Yes	David Wilson - 15-010, 15-011, 15-014, 15-015, 15-

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			016, 15-017, 15-018, 15-019, 15-021, 15-024, 15-025, 15-027, 15-028, 15-031 Elaine Wilson - 15-019, 15-024
RR-0409	David And Joan Hewitt		
RR-0410	David Armes		
RR-0411	David Asprey		
RR-0412	David Bell		
RR-0414	David Brake		
RR-0415	David Broadway		
RR-0416	David Bunkell		
RR-0417	David Carr	Yes	03-007 And Category 3
RR-0419	David Charles Bean		
RR-0420	David Cooper		
RR-0421	David Edleston		
RR-0422	David Edwards		
RR-0423	David Elverson		
RR-0424	David Evans		
RR-0425	David Ferre		
RR-0426	David Fine		
RR-0427	David Garrec		
RR-0428	David George	Yes	18-008, 18-010 Category 3
RR-0429	David Hook		
RR-0430	David Howard		
RR-0431	David Howes		
RR-0432	David John Green		
RR-0433	David John Mcleavy Hill		

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RR-0434	David John Speed		
RR-0435	David Jones		
RR-0436	David Ledsham		
RR-0437	David Lee Dixon		
RR-0438	David Leslie Dent		
RR-0439	David Lloyd		
RR-0440	David Martin		
RR-0441	David Merrick		
RR-0442	David Metcalf		
RR-0443	David Mitchell		
RR-0444	David Newman		
RR-0445	David Palmer		
RR-0446	David Paul Mullett		
RR-0447	David Phipps		
RR-0448	David Pointer	Yes	Category 3
RR-0449	David Robert Godsmark		
RR-0450	David Rose		
RR-0451	David Sidney Barrett		
RR-0452	David Splatt		
RR-0453	David Stothard		
RR-0454	David T Dye		
RR-0455	David Tewson		
RR-0456	David Tooms		
RR-0457	David Trevanion	Yes	Category 3
RR-0458	David Webberley		
RR-0459	David Whitehead		
RR-0460	David William Fox		
RR-0461	David Wright		
RR-0462	Dawn Amanda Benns		

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RR-0463	Dawn Chrystal		
RR-0464	Dawn Jennifer Mcdonald		
RR-0465	Dawn Smith		
RR-0466	Dawn Turnbull		
RR-0467	Dean Mills		
RR-0468	Debbie Maceke		
RR-0469	Debi Bester		
RR-0470	Deborah Adams	Yes	Category 3
RR-0471	Deborah Ashford		
RR-0472	Deborah Brown		
RR-0473	Deborah Eastmead		
RR-0474	Deborah Goodwin		
RR-0475	Deborah Hodges		
RR-0476	Deborah Jayne White		
RR-0477	Deborah Jayne Willcox		
RR-0478	Deborah Oldfield	Yes	Category 3
RR-0479	Deborah Wood		
RR-0480	Debra Bradley		
RR-0481	Debra Karen Wade		
RR-0482	Deirdre Luff		
RR-0484	Denise Crabb		
RR-0485	Denise Emmerson-Green		
RR-0486	Denise Holland		
RR-0487	Denise Leonard		
RR-0488	Dennis George Cooper		
RR-0489	Dennis Gibbs		
RR-0490	Derek Allnutt		
RR-0491	Derek Cheek		

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RR-0492	Derek Everitt		
RR-0493	Derek Fulton		
RR-0494	Des Lavender		
RR-0495	Di Anderson		
RR-0496	Diana Grace Michelle Martin		
RR-0497	Diane Goodwin		
RR-0498	Diane Hood		
RR-0499	Diane Manley		
RR-0500	Diane Margaret Freeman		
RR-0501	Diane Mitchell		
RR-0502	Dianne Linda Gibson		
RR-0503	Dina Mcalpine		
RR-0504	Dinah Braddick		
RR-0505	Dominic Bradbury		
RR-0506	Dominic House	Yes	19-009, 19-010, 19-012 Cat 3
RR-0507	Dominic Parravani		
RR-0508	Dominique Sutton		
RR-0509	Don Gyton		
RR-0510	Donald Mckenzie		
RR-0511	Donna Asbey		
RR-0512	Donna Jones		
RR-0513	Donna Phipps		
RR-0514	Donna Rae Walls		
RR-0515	Donna Youngman		
RR-0516	Doris Sylvia Littlechild		
RR-0517	Dorothy Anne Banner		
RR-0518	Douglas Maxwell Johnstone		

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RR-0519	Dr Emma Louise Harrold		
RR-0520	Dr Stephen Christopher Bamber		
RR-0521	Dudley James Garner		
RR-0522	Duncan Alexander Yates		
RR-0523	Dylan Roddy		
RR-0524	Eammon Andrews		
RR-0525	Earsham Estate		
RR-0527	Ebony Brooklyn Sillett		
RR-0528	Ebony Joyce		
RR-0529	Edgar Cecil Peachment		
RR-0530	Edward Hegarty		
RR-0531	Edward Hildreth		
RR-0532	Edward Howard		
RR-0533	Edward William Mussett		
RR-0534	Edwina Peck	Yes	12-001, 12-002
RR-0535	Elaine Gray		
RR-0536	Elaine Hill		
RR-0537	Elaine Hodson		
RR-0538	Elaine Phipps		
RR-0539	Eleanor Henson		
RR-0540	Elinor Vaughan Pugh		
RR-0541	Eliot Lyne		
RR-0542	Elisabeth Rosalie Spry		
RR-0543	Eliza Bolton		
RR-0544	Elizabeth Allen	Yes	02-047, 07-008, 07-009, 07-010, 07-015, 07-018, 07-019, 07-020, 07-023, 08-007,

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			08-011, 08-012, 08-013
RR-0545	Elizabeth Blake		
RR-0546	Elizabeth Butler		
RR-0547	Elizabeth Cameron		
RR-0548	Elizabeth Chubbock		
RR-0549	Elizabeth Fernandes		
RR-0550	Elizabeth Hawes		
RR-0551	Elizabeth Henson		
RR-0552	Elizabeth Hesp		
RR-0553	Elizabeth J Last		
RR-0554	Elizabeth Lim		
RR-0555	Elizabeth Lord And Adrian Lord		
RR-0556	Elizabeth Mccrea	Yes	Category 3
RR-0557	Elizabeth Mitchell		
RR-0558	Elizabeth Randell		
RR-0559	Elizabeth Rose		
RR-0560	Elizabeth Service		
RR-0561	Elizabeth Stocker		
RR-0562	Elizabeth Utting	Yes	03-003, 03-006 And Category 3
RR-0563	Elizabeth Watts		
RR-0564	Elizabeth Williams		
RR-0565	Ella Ferguson		
RR-0566	Ella Hill		
RR-0567	Ellen Fleming		
RR-0568	Ellen Margrethe Ellwood		
RR-0569	Elliot King		
RR-0570	Emilie Hildreth		
RR-0571	Emily Dines		

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RR-0572	Emily Smith		
RR-0573	Emily Strike		
RR-0574	Emily Webb		
RR-0575	Emma Collier		
RR-0576	Emma Jane Larner		
RR-0577	Emma Jane Quinton		
RR-0578	Emma M Quinn		
RR-0579	Emma Maxey		
RR-0580	Emma Mead		
RR-0581	Emma Slater		
RR-0582	Emma Smith		
RR-0583	Emma Spamer		
RR-0584	Emma Stevenson		
RR-0585	Emma Tomlin		
RR-0586	Emma Wood		
RR-0588	Eric Norman Pestell		
RR-0589	Eric Popp	Yes	18-022
RR-0590	Erika Izzard		
RR-0591	Erika Webster		
RR-0592	Esther Marshall		
RR-0593	Ethan Quinn		
RR-0594	Eve Joyner		
RR-0595	Faith Irene Phillips		
RR-0596	Faith Whinney		
RR-0597	Fiona Gordon		
RR-0598	Fiona Jane Lambert		
RR-0599	Fiona Matthews		
RR-0600	Fiona Mccrostie		
RR-0601	Fiona Webb		
RR-0602	Flora Sophia Evoli		

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RR-0603	Florence Morimont		
RR-0607	Frances Hornor		
RR-0608	Frances Joan Miles		
RR-0609	Frances Wallis		
RR-0610	Francesca Melinda Sheppeck		
RR-0611	Franchesca Atkins		
RR-0612	Francis Fry		
RR-0613	Francis James Rogers		
RR-0614	Frank Mitchell		
RR-0615	Fraser Rush		
RR-0616	Frederick John Bradfield		
RR-0617	G Ashby		
RR-0618	Gabriel Wilding		
RR-0619	Gabriella Cawston		
RR-0620	Garden Studio at Park Farm, Furnished Holiday Let		
RR-0621	Gareth Jenkins	Yes	15-022
RR-0622	Gareth Trelford		
RR-0623	Gareth Wade		
RR-0624	Garry Craske		
RR-0625	Garth Raymond Jeffery		
RR-0626	Gary Arthur		
RR-0627	Gary Bloomfield		
RR-0628	Gary Breeze		
RR-0629	Gary Crawley		
RR-0630	Gary Holmes		
RR-0631	Gary James Dean		

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RR-0632	Gary Littlechild		
RR-0633	Gary Smith		
RR-0634	Gary Webster		
RR-0635	Gary William Miles		
RR-0636	Gavin D Macfarlane		
RR-0637	Gavin Edward Last		
RR-0638	Gavin Howe		
RR-0639	Gavin Thurston		
RR-0640	Gavin Townsend		
RR-0641	Gaynor Collin		
RR-0642	GDPR- ESP -028		
RR-0643	GDPR-ESP -009		
RR-0644	GDPR-ESP -010		
RR-0645	GDPR-ESP -011		
RR-0646	GDPR-ESP -014		
RR-0647	GDPR-ESP -015		
RR-0648	GDPR-ESP -017		
RR-0649	GDPR-ESP -018		
RR-0650	GDPR-ESP -019		
RR-0651	GDPR-ESP -020		
RR-0652	GDPR-ESP -021		
RR-0653	GDPR-ESP -022		
RR-0654	GDPR-ESP -023		
RR-0655	GDPR-ESP -024		
RR-0656	GDPR-ESP -025		
RR-0657	GDPR-ESP -026		
RR-0658	GDPR-ESP -027		
RR-0659	GDPR-ESP -029		
RR-0660	GDPR-ESP -030		
RR-0661	GDPR-ESP-016		

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RR-0662	Gemma Godsmark		
RR-0663	Gemma Scott		
RR-0665	Geoff Knight		
RR-0666	Geoffrey Bolton Denton		
RR-0667	Geoffrey James Blyth		
RR-0668	Geoffrey Timms		
RR-0669	George Albert Bennett		
RR-0670	George Boyd		
RR-0671	George Durrant And Sons Ltd		
RR-0672	George Elmar	Yes	17-030, 17-035
RR-0673	George Ryan		
RR-0674	Georgia Kelly	Yes	02-008
RR-0675	Georgia Ryan		
RR-0676	Georgina Elizabeth Warne		
RR-0677	Gerrard Naylor		
RR-0678	Gilbert Girling		
RR-0679	Gill Vowles		
RR-0680	Gill Walker		
RR-0681	Gillian Anne Potter		
RR-0682	Gillian Crosby		
RR-0683	Gillian Marklew Allen		
RR-0684	Gillian Mary Edden		
RR-0685	Gillian Mcarthur		
RR-0686	Gillian Mixer		
RR-0687	Gillian Pyke		
RR-0688	Gillian Tewson		
RR-0689	Gillian Worrell		
RR-0690	Gina Hupton		

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RR-0691	Gina Mcfarlane		
RR-0692	Glyn Luff		
RR-0693	Glyn Pugh		
RR-0694	Gordon Hazell		
RR-0695	Gordon K Ingram-Smith		
RR-0696	Gordon Michael Sheppeck		
RR-0697	Gordon Mussett		
RR-0698	Gordon Mussett		
RR-0699	Gordon Willcox		
RR-0700	Grace Aitken		
RR-0701	Grace Crawley		
RR-0702	Grace Thomas		
RR-0703	Graham Parke		
RR-0704	Grant Podmore		
RR-0708	Gregory James Weal		
RR-0709	Gregory Munson		
RR-0710	Grizelle Britton		
RR-0711	Guy William Plenderleith		
RR-0712	Gwenda Elizabeth Oughton		
RR-0713	Gwendoline Elizabeth May		
RR-0714	Gwendolyn Rand		
RR-0715	Gwenyth Sharp		
RR-0716	H Christopher		
RR-0717	H Fraser Consulting Ltd		
RR-0718	H Lewis		
RR-0719	Hamish Mccombie Rose		

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RR-0720	Hannah Ampleford		
RR-0721	Hannah Gray		
RR-0722	Hannah Jarvis		
RR-0723	Hannah Morris		
RR-0724	Harriet Daynes		
RR-0725	Harriet Kendall		
RR-0726	Harriet Lockwood		
RR-0727	Harry Day		
RR-0728	Harry Ryan		
RR-0729	Harvey Seager		
RR-0730	Hayley Jones		
RR-0731	Hayley Michelle Hurst		
RR-0732	Hazel Frost		
RR-0733	Hazel Kate Elizabeth Simmons		
RR-0734	Heather Foster		
RR-0735	Heather Isabel Jackson		
RR-0736	Heather Jeary		
RR-0737	Heather Smith	Yes	Category 3
RR-0738	Heather Thom		
RR-0739	Hector Ross Garden		
RR-0741	Heidi Marie Martin		
RR-0742	Heidi Pretty		
RR-0743	Helen Alexander		
RR-0744	Helen Baczkowska		
RR-0745	Helen Carlile		
RR-0746	Helen Katherine Miller		
RR-0747	Helen Mcgrath-Doherty	Yes	03-001
RR-0748	Helen Naunton		
RR-0749	Helen Pauline Pye	Yes	03-001

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RR-0750	Helen Phillips		
RR-0751	Helen Roebuck	Yes	13-023, 13-025, 13-027, 14-001, 14-003, 14-005
RR-0752	Helen Smith		
RR-0753	Helen Stokes-Hart		
RR-0754	Helen Trelford		
RR-0755	Helen Upton		
RR-0756	Helen Victoria Reynolds		
RR-0757	Helen Yates		
RR-0758	Helena Linda Collins		
RR-0759	Hellen Hammond		
RR-0761	Henri Mutel		
RR-0762	Henry Gribble		
RR-0763	Henry Lambert		
RR-0764	Henry Walker		
RR-0765	Henry Worley		
RR-0766	Hilary Battye		
RR-0767	Hilary Culbertson		
RR-0768	Hilary Ware		
RR-0770	Holly Burton		
RR-0771	Hope Gray		
RR-0772	Hopkins		
RR-0773	Howard Roderick Bolton		
RR-0774	Hugo Evoli		
RR-0775	Hugo Osborne Evoli		
RR-0776	Huw Jones		
RR-0777	Iain Fisher		
RR-0778	Ian Alexander Bowmaker		

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RR-0779	Ian Dines		
RR-0780	Ian Edward Anderson		
RR-0781	Ian Head		
RR-0782	Ian Hetherington		
RR-0783	Ian James Nelson		
RR-0784	Ian Kenneth Hayward		
RR-0785	Ian Levett		
RR-0786	Ian Maceke		
RR-0787	Ian Murray Brackenridge		
RR-0788	Ian Neave		
RR-0789	Ian Pask		
RR-0790	Ian Pilkington		
RR-0791	Ian Robin Jessett		
RR-0792	Ian Thomas Pittock		
RR-0793	Ian Zdzislaw Garstka		
RR-0794	Imogen Sanchez-Harvey		
RR-0795	Imogen Wright		
RR-0796	Ina Webb		
RR-0797	Ingrid Facius		
RR-0798	Isabel Kate Welch		
RR-0799	Isabel Timms		
RR-0800	Ishbel Lochhead		
RR-0801	Ivan Blowers		
RR-0802	Jack Caswell-Dodd		
RR-0803	Jack Crawley		
RR-0804	Jack Lowe		
RR-0805	Jackie Gibbs		
RR-0806	Jackie Lee-Smith		
RR-0807	Jackie Trenavin		

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RR-0808	Jacqueline Cass		
RR-0809	Jacqueline Harlow		
RR-0810	Jacqueline Leggett		
RR-0811	Jacqueline Mowforth		
RR-0812	Jacqueline Yvonne Harvey	Yes	17-026, 17-028, 17-030, 17-035, 17-036, 17-037, 17-037
RR-0813	Jade London		
RR-0814	Jade Priehs		
RR-0815	Jade Saunders-Watling		
RR-0816	James Allen		
RR-0817	James Brooke		
RR-0818	James Crawley	Yes	06-002, 06-013
RR-0819	James Dawes		
RR-0820	James Drury		
RR-0821	James Garrec		
RR-0822	James Ireson		
RR-0823	James Jason Crawley	Yes	06-002, 06-013
RR-0824	James Malcolm Furber Clarke		
RR-0825	James Mccrea		
RR-0826	James Nott		
RR-0827	James Quinn		
RR-0828	James Steggles		
RR-0829	James Warren		
RR-0830	Jamie Brodie		
RR-0831	Jamie Elliot Scott Mather		
RR-0832	Jamie Steward		
RR-0833	Jan Morley		

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RR-0834	Jan Wilson		
RR-0835	Jane Andrews		
RR-0836	Jane Bond		
RR-0837	Jane Crawley		
RR-0838	Jane Dixon		
RR-0839	Jane English		
RR-0840	Jane Hope		
RR-0841	Jane Howell		
RR-0842	Jane Mears		
RR-0843	Jane P Bond		
RR-0844	Jane Patricia Garrec		
RR-0845	Jane Read		
RR-0846	Jane Shearer		
RR-0847	Jane Stevens		
RR-0848	Jane Whiteman		
RR-0849	Janet Bell		
RR-0850	Janet Bell		
RR-0851	Janet Margaret Alden		
RR-0852	Janet Rosemary Watson		
RR-0853	Janet Stevenson		
RR-0854	Janet Vidler		
RR-0855	Janette Franks	Yes	Category 3
RR-0856	Janette Jeeves		
RR-0857	Janice Daniels		
RR-0858	Janice Elizabeth Kelly		
RR-0859	Janice Warren		
RR-0860	Janise Wood		
RR-0861	Jasmine Patterson		
RR-0862	Jason Crawte		

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RR-0863	Jay Bater		
RR-0864	Jayne Ackland-Snow		
RR-0865	Jayne Benson		
RR-0866	Jayne Bettridge		
RR-0867	Jean Edmunds		
RR-0868	Jean Madelaine Brand		
RR-0869	Jean Mutel		
RR-0870	Jean Whiteman		
RR-0871	Jeanette Newman		
RR-0872	Jeanette Walpole		
RR-0873	Jeffrey Ellis		
RR-0874	Jennie Edwards		
RR-0875	Jennifer Ann Clarke		
RR-0876	Jennifer Anne Cook		
RR-0877	Jennifer Ashcroft		
RR-0878	Jennifer Braddock		
RR-0879	Jennifer Johnson		
RR-0880	Jennifer Land		
RR-0881	Jennifer Margaret Shelton		
RR-0882	Jennifer Price		
RR-0883	Jennifer Tanner		
RR-0884	Jennifer Utting		
RR-0885	Jennifer White		
RR-0886	Jenny Clarke		
RR-0887	Jenny Sewell		
RR-0888	Jenny Trett		
RR-0889	Jenny Whitehead		
RR-0890	Jeremy Sindall		
RR-0891	Jeremy Warnes		

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RR-0892	Jess Borges		
RR-0893	Jessica Chaney		
RR-0894	Jessica Holyoak		
RR-0895	Jessica Luce-Rackham		
RR-0896	Jessica Payne		
RR-0897	Jessica Smith		
RR-0898	Jill Bignell	Yes	03-001
RR-0899	Jill Elizabeth Madge Turner		
RR-0900	Jill Halliday		
RR-0901	Jill Leithall		
RR-0902	Jill M Guy	Yes	02-017, 02-019
RR-0903	Jill Masters-Holmes		
RR-0904	Jill Paine		
RR-0905	Jill Quantrell		
RR-0906	Jill Whitley		
RR-0907	Jillian Cherry		
RR-0908	Jim Webber		
RR-0909	JK Westfield		
RR-0910	Jo Linney		
RR-0911	Jo Spear		
RR-0912	Joan Cann		
RR-0913	Joan Loader		
RR-0914	Joan, Richard And Andrew Ford		
RR-0915	Joanna Chilvers		
RR-0916	Joanna Emms		
RR-0917	Joanna Loring-Fisher		
RR-0918	Joanna Sheen		
RR-0919	Joanna Stevenson		

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RR-0920	Joanne Beynon And Michael Beynon		
RR-0921	Joanne Grimmer		
RR-0922	Joanne Law		
RR-0923	Joanne Lisa Gray		
RR-0924	Joanne Mcgrath		
RR-0925	Joanne Sanders	Yes	03-001, 03-007
RR-0926	Joanne Sutherland		
RR-0927	Jodie London		
RR-0928	Joe Duggan		
RR-0929	Joe Quinn		
RR-0930	John Albert		
RR-0931	John Anthony Fry	Yes	03-001
RR-0932	John Chaplin		
RR-0933	John Clarke	Yes	18-018, 18-025, 18-026
RR-0934	John Cockram		
RR-0935	John Connor		
RR-0936	John Ellis	Yes	07-022, 08-014, 08-015, 08-016, 11-001, 11-002, 11-002, 11-003, 11-005, 11-006, 11-009, 11-010, 11-012, 11-014
RR-0937	John Fagg		
RR-0938	John Formston		
RR-0939	John Gage		
RR-0940	John Gage		
RR-0941	John Goodban		
RR-0942	John Henderson		
RR-0943	John Hodgson		
RR-0944	John Houchen	Yes	03-006
RR-0945	John Keable Collard		

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RR-0946	John Kelly		
RR-0947	John Lawson		
RR-0948	John Maurice Beeson		
RR-0949	John Nolan		
RR-0950	John Richard Vincent Ash		
RR-0951	John Robert Cawston	Yes	02-010
RR-0952	John Shibley		
RR-0953	John Trafford		
RR-0954	John Welch		
RR-0955	John Whiteman		
RR-0956	Jolyon David Morris		
RR-0957	Jon James Treby		
RR-0958	Jon Large		
RR-0959	Jon Phipps		
RR-0960	Jonathan Allen		
RR-0961	Jonathan Cole		
RR-0962	Jonathan David Hook		
RR-0963	Jonathan Gray		
RR-0964	Jonathan Heddle		
RR-0965	Jonathan Hodson		
RR-0966	Jonathan Holland		
RR-0967	Jonathan Kit Edwards		
RR-0968	Jonathan Page		
RR-0969	Jonathan Soar		
RR-0970	Jonathon Edwards		
RR-0971	Joseph Giffard Tutt		
RR-0972	Joseph Giffard Tutt		
RR-0973	Joseph Kelly		

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RR-0974	Joseph Long		
RR-0975	Joseph Mears		
RR-0976	Josh Bailey		
RR-0977	Josh Simmonds		
RR-0978	Joshua Spruce		
RR-0979	Judith Anne Ransome		
RR-0980	Judith Behagg		
RR-0981	Judith Foster		
RR-0982	Judith Gage		
RR-0983	Judith Haslam		
RR-0984	Judith Mary Bamber		
RR-0985	Judith Newbery		
RR-0986	Judith Olivier		
RR-0987	Judith Prentice		
RR-0988	Judy Randon		
RR-0989	Judy Webb		
RR-0990	Julia Payne		
RR-0991	Julia Rickman-Jenkins		
RR-0992	Julia Sells		
RR-0993	Julian Howes		
RR-0994	Julian Wells		
RR-0995	Julie Adams		
RR-0996	Julie Brown		
RR-0997	Julie Collier		
RR-0998	Julie Dickerson		
RR-0999	Julie Graham		
RR-1000	Julie Hodder		
RR-1001	Julie Jenkins	Yes	15-022
RR-1002	Julie Saunders		

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RR-1003	Julie Trafford		
RR-1004	Kainan Shaw		
RR-1005	Karen Burton	Yes	01-006
RR-1006	Karen Chapman		
RR-1007	Karen Fisher		
RR-1008	Karen Hazell		
RR-1009	Karen Holland		
RR-1010	Karen Keenan		
RR-1011	Karen Macfarlane		
RR-1012	Karen O'Brien		
RR-1013	Karen Peck		
RR-1014	Karen Ward		
RR-1015	Karis Youngman		
RR-1017	Karrie Metcalf		
RR-1018	Kate Blincoe		
RR-1019	Kate Fisher		
RR-1020	Kate Hart		
RR-1021	Kate Irvine	Yes	08-004, 08-008, 08-013, 09-004, 09-007, 09-010, 09-012, 09-014
RR-1022	Kate Martin		
RR-1023	Kate Nottage		
RR-1024	Kate Tarn		
RR-1025	Katherine E Lane		
RR-1026	Katherine E Tarn		
RR-1027	Katherine Orland		
RR-1028	Katherine Sankey		
RR-1029	Katherine Shaw		
RR-1030	Kathleen Gunning		
RR-1031	Kathleen Lister		

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RR-1032	Kathleen Mary Beeson		
RR-1033	Kathleen Reynolds	Yes	03-001
RR-1034	Kathleen Sojka		
RR-1035	Kathryn Ann Birch		
RR-1036	Kathryn Burnell		
RR-1037	Kathryn Cross		
RR-1038	Kathryn James		
RR-1039	Kathryn Mcpherson		
RR-1040	Kathryn Moore		
RR-1041	Kathryn Wick		
RR-1042	Kathy Graham Ceramics		
RR-1043	Kathy Thomson		
RR-1044	Katie Beacom		
RR-1045	Katie Cawdery		
RR-1046	Katie Elizabeth Curtis		
RR-1047	Katie Ellenor		
RR-1048	Katie Long		
RR-1049	Katie Rose Lightfoot		
RR-1050	Katie Roseanna Thornton		
RR-1051	Katie Stafford		
RR-1052	Katie Utting		
RR-1053	Katy Bassingthwaighte		
RR-1054	Katy Graham		
RR-1055	Kay Baldwin		
RR-1056	Kay Durrant		
RR-1057	Kay Mason Billig		
RR-1058	Keely Mccluskey		
RR-1059	Keith Bailey		

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RR-1060	Keith Batchelor		
RR-1061	Keith Heazle		
RR-1062	Keith Holder		
RR-1063	Keith Manning		
RR-1064	Keith Mayer		
RR-1065	Keith Parbery		
RR-1066	Keith Player		
RR-1067	Keith Stubbings		
RR-1068	Keith Travis		
RR-1069	Keith Upton		
RR-1070	Keith Utting	Yes	15-014, 15-016, 15-021
RR-1071	Kenneth David O'Leary		
RR-1072	Kenneth Mcallan Munro		
RR-1073	Kenneth Perkins		
RR-1074	Kerry Alexander		
RR-1075	Kerry Brownhill		
RR-1076	Kerry Holden		
RR-1077	Kerry J. A. I'Anson		
RR-1078	Kevin Adams	Yes	Category 3
RR-1079	Kevin Andrews		
RR-1080	Kevin Andrews		
RR-1081	Kevin Haslam	Yes	02-005, 02-006
RR-1082	Kevin Haylock		
RR-1083	Kevin Jones		
RR-1084	Kevin O'Brien		
RR-1085	Kevin Riches		
RR-1086	Kevin Scott		
RR-1087	Kim Dyke		
RR-1088	Kim Hubbard		

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RR-1089	Kim Hutton		
RR-1090	Kim Morgan		
RR-1091	Kim Prentice		
RR-1092	Kim Whitfield		
RR-1093	Kimberly Rose Carsok		
RR-1095	Kirsteen Mills		
RR-1096	Kirsty Leithall		
RR-1097	Kirsty Robinson		
RR-1098	Kizzy Thompson		
RR-1099	Kristina Renshaw		
RR-1100	L C Tully		
RR-1101	L Maughan		
RR-1102	LARRAINE Collingbine		
RR-1103	Laura Abigail Wenham		
RR-1104	Laura Adam		
RR-1105	Laura Ann Calver		
RR-1106	Laura Cary		
RR-1107	Laura Chellis		
RR-1108	Laura Cook		
RR-1109	Laura Dolton		
RR-1110	Laura Rosemary Barber	Yes	15-012
RR-1111	Lauren Coleman		
RR-1112	Lauren Squire		
RR-1113	Laurence Petch		
RR-1114	Lee Cozens		
RR-1115	Lee Pitelen		
RR-1116	Lee Scrivener		
RR-1117	Legood And Vincent		

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RR-1118	Leilia Edwards		
RR-1119	Lesley Anne Mitchenall		
RR-1120	Lesley Helen Nelson		
RR-1121	Lesley Kay Bradfield		
RR-1122	Lesley Monroe		
RR-1123	Lesley Nixon		
RR-1124	Lesley Oldfield		
RR-1125	Leslie John Britcher		
RR-1126	Leslie Phillips		
RR-1127	Lester Saunders		
RR-1128	Lewis Reason		
RR-1129	Liam Tanner		
RR-1130	Liandra Rams Ramachenderam		
RR-1131	Libby Alexander		
RR-1133	Linda Ann Riley		
RR-1134	Linda Finney		
RR-1135	Linda Graham		
RR-1136	Linda Gray		
RR-1137	Linda Hazell		
RR-1138	Linda Isherwood		
RR-1139	Linda Lloyd		
RR-1140	Linda O'Leary		
RR-1141	Linda Rose Preece		
RR-1142	Linda Woolterton		
RR-1143	Lindi Staunton		
RR-1144	Lindsay Mary Heywood		
RR-1145	Lindsey J Lane		
RR-1146	Lindsey Wright		
RR-1147	Lindy Blanchard		

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RR-1148	Lisa Blowfield		
RR-1149	Lisa Cameron		
RR-1150	Lisa Cornish		
RR-1151	Lisa Finch		
RR-1152	Lisa Hayward	Yes	04-001, 04-002
RR-1153	Lisa Holt		
RR-1154	Lisa Jane Smith		
RR-1155	Lisa Matthews		
RR-1156	Lisa Mccartney		
RR-1157	Lisa Overton-Neal		
RR-1158	Lisa Quinn		
RR-1159	Lisa Read		
RR-1160	Lisa Spurgeon		
RR-1161	Lisa Vincent		
RR-1162	Lissa Wilks		
RR-1163	Lois Feldman		
RR-1164	Long Stratton Eyecare		
RR-1166	Loretta Dunmore		
RR-1167	Lorna Elizabeth Pyke		
RR-1168	Lorna Mears-King		
RR-1169	Lorraine Titlow		
RR-1170	Lorry Sweeney		
RR-1171	Lotte Cardoe		
RR-1172	Louise Adamson		
RR-1173	Louise Barnes		
RR-1174	Louise Elizabeth Thurgar		
RR-1175	Louise Hutton		
RR-1176	Louise Langham-Hill		
RR-1177	Louise Nunn		

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RR-1178	Louise Proctor		
RR-1179	Louise Zucchi		
RR-1180	Lucie Anne Bradlaugh		
RR-1181	Lucielle Newton Crampton		
RR-1182	Lucinda Barton	Yes	03-001
RR-1183	Lucinda Penelope Popp		
RR-1184	Lucy Anne Clark		
RR-1185	Lucy Cranfield		
RR-1186	Lucy Hook		
RR-1187	Luke Boobyer		
RR-1188	Luke Howes		
RR-1189	Luke Middlege		
RR-1190	Luke Peter Giffard Tutt		
RR-1191	Lynda Marian Stone		
RR-1192	Lynda Scrivener		
RR-1193	Lyndon Ireland		
RR-1194	Lynette Yaxley-Watts		
RR-1195	Lynn Clarke		
RR-1196	Lynn Woods		
RR-1197	Lynne Cooper		
RR-1198	Lynne Rhona Fulton		
RR-1199	M Robertson		
RR-1200	M Sparrow		
RR-1201	Madeline Boobyer		
RR-1202	Magaret Beamish		
RR-1203	Magdalene Elizabeth Knights	Yes	13-023, 13-025, 13-027, 14-001, 14-002, 14-003, 14-005 And

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			Category 3
RR-1204	Malcolm Manley		
RR-1205	Malcolm Walton		
RR-1206	Mandy Louise Forder		
RR-1207	Mandy Ramm	Yes	18-008, 18-010 Category 3
RR-1208	Marcelle Ida Pyne		
RR-1209	Marcus Johnson		
RR-1210	Marcus Keith Read		
RR-1211	Maresa Rohrer		
RR-1212	Margaret Ann Bunkell		
RR-1213	Margaret Blake		
RR-1214	Margaret Ferre		
RR-1215	Margaret Hill	Yes	09-018, 13-001
RR-1216	Margaret Irene Rowson		
RR-1217	Margaret Larson		
RR-1218	Margaret Quantrill		
RR-1219	Margaret Stone		
RR-1220	Margaret Thomas		
RR-1221	Maria Burnell		
RR-1222	Maria Lewis		
RR-1223	Marian May Crummett	Yes	Category 3
RR-1224	Marian Vallely		
RR-1225	Marie Francis		
RR-1226	Marie-Louise Plum		
RR-1227	Marina Jennifer Rose Popp		
RR-1228	Mario Lacovazzo		
RR-1229	Mario Zavanaiu		

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RR-1230	Marion Elizabeth Myra Playford		
RR-1231	Marjorie Clifford		
RR-1232	Mark Bancroft		
RR-1233	Mark Barrett		
RR-1234	Mark Davies		
RR-1235	Mark Dyke		
RR-1236	Mark Edward Jenner		
RR-1237	Mark English		
RR-1238	Mark Ferguson		
RR-1239	Mark Fisher, MVO		
RR-1240	Mark Graham Reeder		
RR-1241	Mark Greenwood		
RR-1242	Mark Hall		
RR-1243	Mark Letcher		
RR-1244	Mark Mattock		
RR-1245	Mark Quinton		
RR-1246	Mark Riches		
RR-1247	Mark Robert Purling		
RR-1248	Mark Ter-Berg	Yes	03-006, Category 3
RR-1249	Mark Williams		
RR-1250	Mark Woods		
RR-1251	Mark Worley		
RR-1252	Mark Youngman		
RR-1253	Marlene King		
RR-1254	Marshal Wilkinson		
RR-1255	Martin Bonser		
RR-1256	Martin Chandler		
RR-1257	Martin Cheetham		
RR-1258	Martin Cornwell Flint		

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RR-1259	Martin J P Oates		
RR-1260	Martin James Collier		
RR-1261	Martin Jenkins	Yes	15-022
RR-1262	Martin Mcalpine		
RR-1263	Martin Muntingh		
RR-1264	Martin Plowman		
RR-1265	Martin R Lane		
RR-1266	Martin Wilkinson		
RR-1267	Martine Pullen		
RR-1268	Martyn Simonds		
RR-1269	Mary Brown		
RR-1270	Mary Curtis		
RR-1271	Mary Elaine Perry		
RR-1272	Mary Elizabeth Fox		
RR-1273	Mary Emily Stebbings		
RR-1274	Mary Laxton	Yes	02-046, 07-006, 08-002
RR-1275	Mary Trudgill	Yes	Category 3
RR-1276	Mathew David Scott	Yes	13-004
RR-1277	Mathew Griffin		
RR-1278	Matias Fagerlund		
RR-1279	Matt Crosby		
RR-1280	Matt Rudling		
RR-1281	Matt Udberg		
RR-1282	Matthew Cawston		
RR-1283	Matthew Cornwall		
RR-1284	Matthew Dane		
RR-1285	Matthew Hammond		
RR-1286	Matthew James Clarke		
RR-1287	Matthew James		

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	Woods		
RR-1288	Matthew Johnson		
RR-1289	Matthew Lee		
RR-1290	Matthew Read		
RR-1291	Matthew Service	Yes	11-017
RR-1292	Matthew Ward		
RR-1293	Matthew Watson		
RR-1294	Matthew Yates		
RR-1295	Maureen Bennett		
RR-1296	Maureen Drury		
RR-1297	Mauricette Wilkinson		
RR-1298	Maxine Shulver		
RR-1299	Maxwell Nersinger		
RR-1300	Maya Shaw		
RR-1301	Megan Hazel Heitzman		
RR-1302	Megan Rose Hogg		
RR-1303	Meike Stepp		
RR-1304	Mel Storer-Needham		
RR-1305	Melanie Barrow		
RR-1306	Melanie Hook		
RR-1307	Melanie Nixon		
RR-1308	Melody Catchpole		
RR-1309	Melvyn Fuller		
RR-1310	Melvyn John Porter		
RR-1311	Melvyn Willin		
RR-1312	Mica Judge		
RR-1313	Michael And Doreen Coe		
RR-1314	Michael Andrew Rumbles		

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RR-1315	Michael Beckett		
RR-1316	Michael Boon		
RR-1317	Michael Brown		
RR-1318	Michael Clarke	Yes	09-018, 13-001
RR-1319	Michael Copsey		
RR-1320	Michael Coxshall		
RR-1321	Michael Cushion		
RR-1322	Michael Daniels		
RR-1323	Michael Dinsdale		
RR-1324	Michael Frederick Pye		
RR-1325	Michael Geoffrey Hall		
RR-1326	Michael Haslam		
RR-1327	Michael Holden		
RR-1328	Michael James Hollamby		
RR-1329	Michael James Woodhouse		
RR-1330	Michael John Curtis		
RR-1331	Michael John Day	Yes	06-006
RR-1332	Michael John Loades		
RR-1333	Michael John Peck	Yes	12-001, 12-002
RR-1334	Michael Kevin Jackson		
RR-1335	Michael Knights		
RR-1336	Michael Lamb		
RR-1337	Michael Leonard Bishop		
RR-1338	Michael Longe		
RR-1339	Michael Newton		
RR-1340	Michael Paine		

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RR-1341	Michael Phillips		
RR-1342	Michael Popp		
RR-1343	Michael Richard Hyman		
RR-1344	Michael Rounding	Yes	02-029, 02-032, 02-039
RR-1345	Michael Roy Liggins		
RR-1346	Michael Spender		
RR-1347	Michael Turner	Yes	02-001, 02-003, 02-004, 02-005, 02-006, 04-030
RR-1348	Michael Yeomans		
RR-1349	Michel Geurts	Yes	Category 3
RR-1350	Michele Evans		
RR-1351	Michele Eveson		
RR-1352	Michele Jane Skitmore	Yes	03-001
RR-1353	Michelle Dove		
RR-1354	Michelle Gould		
RR-1355	Michelle Gruebler		
RR-1356	Michelle Jones		
RR-1357	Michelle Norris		
RR-1358	Michelle Prothero		
RR-1360	Mike Bracey		
RR-1361	Mike Larkin		
RR-1362	Milena Georgieva		
RR-1363	Miles Timothy Savage		
RR-1364	Miranda Tabbanor		
RR-1365	Miranda Waymark		
RR-1366	Miriam Elston		
RR-1367	Mirona Meade		
RR-1368	Mitchelle Macartney		

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RR-1369	Mohammed Negm		
RR-1370	Moira Anne Kibble		
RR-1371	Monika Baranowska-Zavanaiu		
RR-1372	Monty Wood		
RR-1374	Moyra Gibling		
RR-1375	Mr And Mrs Akers		
RR-1376	Mr D Splatt		
RR-1377	Mr David Dawson		
RR-1378	Mr Ivan Walter Thacker	Yes	16-004, 16-005, 16-007, 16-008, 16-009, 16-011, 16-013, 16-014, 16-015, 16-016, 16-017, 16-018, 16-019, 16-020, 16-021, 16-022, 16-023, 16-024, 16-025, 16-026, 16-027, 17-002, 17-007, 17-008, 17-011, 17-012, 17-012, 17-042
RR-1379	Mr J Jackson		
RR-1380	Mr John Beaton		
RR-1381	Mr Keith W Worsley		
RR-1382	Mr Mark Chadwick		
RR-1383	Mr Neville Earl	Yes	09-021
RR-1384	Mr Thomas David Bailey		
RR-1385	Mrs Anne Oakley		
RR-1386	Mrs Beryl Moore		
RR-1387	Mrs Elizabeth A Hoare		
RR-1388	Mrs Elizabeth Fagerlund		
RR-1389	Mrs Janine Jarrett		

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RR-1390	Mrs Joanna S Toll		
RR-1391	Mrs Joanne Jones		
RR-1392	Mrs Karen Clare Blyth	Yes	Category 3
RR-1393	Mrs Lisa Stubbs		
RR-1394	Mrs P Jackson		
RR-1395	Mrs Patricia Eleanor Margaret Gurney		
RR-1396	Mrs Sylvia Weal		
RR-1397	Ms Claire L Womack		
RR-1398	Ms Hannah Giffard		
RR-1399	Ms J Webberley		
RR-1400	Muriel Mirfield		
RR-1401	Myrna Mary Lewis		
RR-1402	Myrtle Bailey		
RR-1403	Naomi Jones		
RR-1404	Natalie Marie Cullum		
RR-1405	Natalie Sanders		
RR-1406	Nathan Harrison		
RR-1411	Neil Bradley		
RR-1412	Neil Freeman		
RR-1413	Neve Elizabeth Burrows		
RR-1414	Neville Clive Stanton Dare		
RR-1415	Nichola Rymes		
RR-1416	Nicholas Astbury		
RR-1417	Nicholas Duckworth		
RR-1418	Nicholas John Burrows		
RR-1419	Nicholas Page		
RR-1420	Nicholas Potter		
RR-1421	Nick Stevenson		

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RR-1422	Nick Ward		
RR-1423	Nicky Blowers		
RR-1424	Nicola Albert-Worman		
RR-1425	Nicola Baggley		
RR-1426	Nicola Barton		
RR-1427	Nicola Eastell		
RR-1428	Nicola Howard		
RR-1429	Nicola Howard		
RR-1430	Nicola Land		
RR-1431	Nicola Leftley		
RR-1432	Nicola Painter		
RR-1433	Nicola Russell		
RR-1434	Nicola Savage		
RR-1435	Nicola Wendy Ter-Berg	Yes	03-006
RR-1436	Nicola Williamson	Yes	Category 3
RR-1437	Nicolas Martin Bridge		
RR-1438	Nicole King		
RR-1439	Nigel Bettridge		
RR-1440	Nigel Cooper		
RR-1441	Nigel Frederick Stringer	Yes	13-006
RR-1442	Nigel Heller		
RR-1443	Nigel John Taxil-Webber		
RR-1444	Nigel Nicholds		
RR-1445	Nigel Paul Baines		
RR-1446	Nigel Pegler		
RR-1447	Nigel Stone		
RR-1448	Niki Hedgecock		
RR-1449	Nikki Hambling		

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RR-1450	Nina Lindh		
RR-1454	Norman Stevens		
RR-1456	Olive Doreen English		
RR-1457	Olive English		
RR-1458	Oliver Skipper		
RR-1459	Oliver Taylor		
RR-1460	Olivia Saul		
RR-1461	Oscar Wood		
RR-1462	Osmond-Davis		
RR-1463	Owen Jones		
RR-1464	Paige Walton		
RR-1465	Pamela Bone		
RR-1466	Pamela Crawley	Yes	06-002, 06-013
RR-1467	Pamela Fletcher		
RR-1468	Pamela Folkard		
RR-1469	Pamela Margaret Newstead		
RR-1470	Pamela Phipps		
RR-1471	Pamela Rose		
RR-1472	Pamela Wright	Yes	19-008, 19-009, 19-010, 19-011, 19-012
RR-1473	Pamela Wright		
RR-1474	Parfitt Family		
RR-1475	Paris Sophia Wood		
RR-1476	Patricia Coffey		
RR-1477	Patricia Leate	Yes	03-001
RR-1478	Patricia M. Graham		
RR-1479	Patricia Margaret Holder		
RR-1480	Patricia Streamer		
RR-1481	Patricia T Perkins		

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RR-1482	Patricia Tyacke		
RR-1483	Patricia Westley		
RR-1484	Paul Anderson		
RR-1485	Paul Anthony Baker		
RR-1486	Paul Arthur Playford		
RR-1487	Paul Blyth	Yes	Category 3
RR-1488	Paul Clark		
RR-1489	Paul Cooke		
RR-1490	Paul Dove		
RR-1491	Paul Dunmore		
RR-1492	Paul Ellis		
RR-1493	Paul Faircloth		
RR-1494	Paul Fisher		
RR-1495	Paul Gibbins		
RR-1496	Paul Holmes		
RR-1497	Paul Martin Dickerson		
RR-1498	Paul Michael Ward		
RR-1499	Paul Rand		
RR-1500	Paul Richard Hartwell		
RR-1501	Paul Scott		
RR-1502	Paul Seamons		
RR-1503	Paul Sills		
RR-1504	Paul Smiddy		
RR-1505	Paul Timothy Bonham		
RR-1506	Paul Utting	Yes	03-003, 03-006 Category 3
RR-1507	Paul Weatherley		
RR-1508	Paul Webster		
RR-1509	Paul White		

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RR-1510	Paul Whiteman		
RR-1511	Paul Woodcock		
RR-1512	Paula Sexton		
RR-1513	Pauline Brookes	Yes	Category 3
RR-1514	Pauline Curtis		
RR-1515	Pauline Earl	Yes	09-021
RR-1516	Pauline Griffiths		
RR-1517	Pauline Mary Beckett		
RR-1518	Pauline Spear		
RR-1519	Pearl Randell		
RR-1520	Penelope June Wilkinson	Yes	Category 3
RR-1521	Penelope Whiting		
RR-1522	Penelope Wilden		
RR-1523	Perry Linsley		
RR-1524	Pete Waters		
RR-1525	Peter Angus Robertson	Yes	Category 3
RR-1526	Peter Anthony Brookes		
RR-1527	Peter Barrett		
RR-1528	Peter C Cotes		
RR-1529	Peter Chapman	Yes	03-007 And Category 3
RR-1530	Peter Frederick Riches		
RR-1531	Peter Geoffrey Sexton		
RR-1532	Peter Gerard Doherty		
RR-1533	Peter Gordon Griffin		
RR-1534	Peter Holland		
RR-1535	Peter Hornor		

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RR-1536	Peter J. H. Barnes		
RR-1537	Peter Jarrett		
RR-1538	Peter Joseph Cane		
RR-1539	Peter Key		
RR-1540	Peter Meachen		
RR-1541	Peter Michael Herbert Knox		
RR-1542	Peter Nicholas Hargreaves	Yes	Category 3
RR-1543	Peter Nunn		
RR-1544	Peter Philip Leonard		
RR-1545	Peter Saunders		
RR-1546	Peter Skipper		
RR-1547	Peter Warton		
RR-1548	Peter William Croxson		
RR-1549	Peter, James,Dennis Harlow		
RR-1550	Phil Bates		
RR-1551	Phil Garnham	Yes	04-004
RR-1552	Philip Bolus	Yes	03-001
RR-1553	Philip Holt		
RR-1554	Philip Taylor		
RR-1555	Philip Vidler		
RR-1556	Philip Vincent		
RR-1557	Philip Whiscombe		
RR-1558	Philipp Gruebler		
RR-1559	Philippa Connellan		
RR-1560	Philippa Drury		
RR-1561	Philippa Jane Taitt		
RR-1562	Philippa Langley		
RR-1563	Philippa Stark		

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RR-1564	Phillip A. N Ramsay		
RR-1565	Phillip Palmer		
RR-1566	Phillip Wilding		
RR-1567	Phillipa Jane Palmer		
RR-1568	Pia Saunders		
RR-1569	Pippa Jennings		
RR-1570	Polly Felton		
RR-1571	Polly Gould		
RR-1572	Polly Kate Crosby		
RR-1573	Professor Anne Marie Minihane	Yes	03-001
RR-1574	Pru Laslett		
RR-1575	Rachael Fraser		
RR-1576	Rachael Hill		
RR-1577	Rachael Miller		
RR-1578	Rachael Waring		
RR-1579	Rachel Andrews	Yes	09-021
RR-1580	Rachel Bocking		
RR-1581	Rachel Booth		
RR-1582	Rachel Brown		
RR-1583	Rachel Ellis		
RR-1584	Rachel Knights		
RR-1585	Rachel Pallant		
RR-1586	Rachel Shreeve		
RR-1587	Rachel Sojka		
RR-1588	Rachel Wells		
RR-1589	Ralph Gillam		
RR-1590	Ralph Merton Jackman		
RR-1591	Ralph Penn	Yes	08-014, 11-001, 11-002, 11-005, 11-006, 11-009,

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			11-010, 11-012, 11-014
RR-1592	Ray Battershall		
RR-1593	Rebecca Anne Elizabeth Taylor		
RR-1594	Rebecca Anne Rene Mayhew		
RR-1595	Rebecca Bisset		
RR-1596	Rebecca Clinton		
RR-1597	Rebecca Nersinger		
RR-1598	Rebecca Parravani		
RR-1599	Rebecca Rickman-Jenkins		
RR-1600	Rebecca Smith		
RR-1601	Redwings Horse Sanctuary	Yes	03-012, 09-001, 09-008
RR-1602	Reef Stingemore		
RR-1603	Renaut		
RR-1604	Rhodri Coleman		
RR-1605	Richard Baldy		
RR-1606	Richard Barrow		
RR-1607	Richard Butler		
RR-1608	Richard Cousens		
RR-1609	Richard David Pither		
RR-1610	Richard David Snowden		
RR-1611	Richard Dunham		
RR-1612	Richard Eminson		
RR-1613	Richard Firth-Godbehere		
RR-1614	Richard Ian Lewis		
RR-1615	Richard James Flindell		
RR-1616	Richard John Delf		

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RR-1617	Richard John Westgate		
RR-1618	Richard Lawrence		
RR-1619	Richard Llewellyn-Lloyd		
RR-1620	Richard Murphy		
RR-1621	Richard Parker		
RR-1622	Richard Trudgill	Yes	Category 3
RR-1623	Richard Weston		
RR-1624	Rick Bowler		
RR-1625	RM Kineavy		
RR-1626	Rob Shipway		
RR-1627	Rob Wilson		
RR-1628	Robert Allison		
RR-1629	Robert Burt		
RR-1630	Robert Colin Wigg		
RR-1631	Robert Hemmings		
RR-1632	Robert Hugh Porter		
RR-1633	Robert James Hazell	Yes	03-001
RR-1634	Robert Leigh		
RR-1635	Robert Lewis Burton		
RR-1636	Robert Marrison		
RR-1637	Robert Pyke		
RR-1638	Robert Spamer		
RR-1639	Robert Stangroom		
RR-1640	Robert Stuart Taylor		
RR-1641	Robert W Maidstone		
RR-1642	Robert Ware		
RR-1643	Robert William Anderson		
RR-1644	Robert William Elliott	Yes	Category 3
RR-1645	Robert William Jeary	Yes	Category 3

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RR-1646	Robert Williams		
RR-1647	Roberta Formston		
RR-1648	Robin Frampton		
RR-1649	Robin Godsmark		
RR-1650	Robin Howell		
RR-1651	Roderick Browne		
RR-1652	Rodney Derek Dennis		
RR-1653	Rodney John Aldis		
RR-1654	Roger Bilton-Hill		
RR-1655	Roger Clark		
RR-1656	Roger Eagle	Yes	Category 3
RR-1657	Roger Higgins		
RR-1658	Roger Jackson		
RR-1659	Roger Trett		
RR-1660	Roland Schreiber		
RR-1661	Ronald Traynor Boyd		
RR-1662	Ronnie Trickett		
RR-1663	Rory Mowser		
RR-1664	Rosa Elizabeth Bolton		
RR-1665	Rosalie Hill		
RR-1666	Rosalind Bacon		
RR-1667	Rosalind Haine		
RR-1668	Rosalind Inns Pittock		
RR-1669	Rosalyn Kate Barrett		
RR-1670	Rose Cook		
RR-1671	Rosemary Anne Fawcett Bennett		
RR-1672	Rosemary Folker		
RR-1673	Rosemary Page-		

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	Davies		
RR-1674	Rosemary Tooms		
RR-1675	Rosemary Vernon		
RR-1676	Rosie Dove		
RR-1677	Rosie Moyce		
RR-1678	Rosie Moyce		
RR-1679	Ross Jolliffe		
RR-1680	Roy Howard Martin		
RR-1681	Rozel Brian Whinney		
RR-1682	Russell Donovan	Yes	18-026
RR-1683	Ruth Elizabeth Bonham		
RR-1684	Ruth Gillett		
RR-1685	S Atkins		
RR-1686	S Curtis		
RR-1687	S Mongor		
RR-1688	Sabrina Jane Windridge		
RR-1689	Sakinah Smith		
RR-1690	Sally Ann Boyd		
RR-1691	Sally Anne Schulz		
RR-1692	Sally Connor		
RR-1693	Sally Hibbler		
RR-1694	Sally Lynch		
RR-1695	Sally Robinson		
RR-1696	Sally Travis		
RR-1697	Sally Usher		
RR-1698	Sally Walker		
RR-1699	Sally-Ann Delf		
RR-1700	Sam Bales		
RR-1701	Sam Morgan		

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RR-1702	Sam Pittaway	Yes	15-012
RR-1703	Samantha J Backhouse		
RR-1704	Samantha Mason		
RR-1705	Samantha Mattocks		
RR-1706	Samantha Mccluskey		
RR-1707	Samantha Parker		
RR-1708	Samantha Pashchenko-Lawson		
RR-1709	Samantha Ray		
RR-1710	Samantha Streamer		
RR-1711	Samantha Taylor		
RR-1712	Samantha Whymark		
RR-1713	Samuel Burrows		
RR-1714	Samuel Dubois		
RR-1715	Samuel Ralph		
RR-1716	Samuel Whitehead		
RR-1717	Sandra Dawson		
RR-1718	Sandra Day		
RR-1719	Sandra Howard		
RR-1720	Sandra Mullett		
RR-1721	Sandy Collins		
RR-1722	Sara Blake-Baldry		
RR-1723	Sara Flower		
RR-1724	Sara Humphreys		
RR-1725	Sara Johnson		
RR-1726	Sara Marsh		
RR-1727	Sara Webber		
RR-1728	Sara Worley		
RR-1729	Sarah Bell		
RR-1730	Sarah Elizabeth	Yes	03-001

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	Conrad		
RR-1731	Sarah Grint		
RR-1732	Sarah Harmer		
RR-1733	Sarah Herrell		
RR-1734	Sarah Horn		
RR-1735	Sarah Hunter		
RR-1736	Sarah Long		
RR-1737	Sarah Louise Webster		
RR-1738	Sarah Manning-Reason		
RR-1739	Sarah Riches		
RR-1740	Sarah Rose Scott		
RR-1741	Sarah Shipley		
RR-1742	Sarah Warren		
RR-1743	Sarah Windle		
RR-1744	Sarah Yates		
RR-1747	Scott Prentice		
RR-1749	Selina Westcott		
RR-1750	Serena Louise Plenderleith		
RR-1751	Seth Rowden		
RR-1752	Shane Plant		
RR-1753	Sharon Chamberlain		
RR-1754	Sharon Dye		
RR-1755	Sharon Joy Brooks-Clark		
RR-1756	Sheena Curran		
RR-1757	Sheila Cheetham		
RR-1758	Sheila King		
RR-1759	Sheila Logan		
RR-1760	Shelley Hallett		

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RR-1762	Sherrie Everitt		
RR-1763	Shirley Ann Mayer		
RR-1764	Shirley Brackenridge		
RR-1765	Shona Heazle		
RR-1766	Shona Scott		
RR-1767	Shoni Vaknin		
RR-1772	Sian Ruth Bailey		
RR-1773	Simon Beacom		
RR-1774	Simon Butler		
RR-1775	Simon David Chidgey	Yes	09-006 Category 3
RR-1776	Simon David Chidgey		
RR-1777	Simon Delf		
RR-1778	Simon Dodd		
RR-1779	Simon Dunham		
RR-1780	Simon Eastmead		
RR-1781	Simon Hardingham		
RR-1782	Simon Maguire		
RR-1783	Simon Muirhead		
RR-1784	Simon Parker		
RR-1785	Simon Proctor		
RR-1786	Simon Randell		
RR-1787	Simon Randon		
RR-1788	Simon Victor White Taylor		
RR-1789	Simon William Cooper		
RR-1790	Simon Wood		
RR-1791	Sir John Soane's Museum		
RR-1792	Sonia Barmby		
RR-1793	Sonja Hunt		

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RR-1794	Sonja Webb		
RR-1797	Spencer Stokes-Hart		
RR-1798	Stanley Peter Youngman	Yes	09-018, 13-001
RR-1799	Stefan Chevous		
RR-1800	Stella Bradey		
RR-1801	Stephanie Ann Routledge		
RR-1802	Stephanie Evans	Yes	Category 3
RR-1803	Stephanie Howard Wilsher		
RR-1804	Stephanie Keer		
RR-1805	Stephanie Mills		
RR-1806	Stephanie Stone		
RR-1807	Stephen Asbey		
RR-1808	Stephen Brownlow		
RR-1809	Stephen Charles Roskilly		
RR-1810	Stephen Dawson		
RR-1811	Stephen Dell		
RR-1812	Stephen Dix		
RR-1813	Stephen E Poyntz		
RR-1814	Stephen Edward Unwin		
RR-1815	Stephen Hart		
RR-1816	Stephen Hazell		
RR-1817	Stephen Hewitt		
RR-1818	Stephen John Mears		
RR-1819	Stephen Kenneth Frost		
RR-1820	Stephen Leate	Yes	03-001
RR-1821	Stephen Leithall		
RR-1822	Stephen Letch		

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RR-1823	Stephen Machaye		
RR-1824	Stephen Michael Hoy		
RR-1825	Stephen Miller		
RR-1826	Stephen Paul Hill		
RR-1827	Stephen Ross		
RR-1828	Stephen Smith		
RR-1829	Stephen Terence Tunmore		
RR-1830	Stephen TERRY		
RR-1831	Steve Buontempo		
RR-1832	Steve Clark		
RR-1833	Steve Graham		
RR-1834	Steve Hawkins		
RR-1835	Steve Sells		
RR-1836	Steven Adam		
RR-1837	Steven Andrew Isherwood		
RR-1838	Steven Clark		
RR-1839	Steven Connellan		
RR-1840	Steven Dunnell		
RR-1841	Steven Hailes		
RR-1842	Steven James Kelly	Yes	02-008
RR-1843	Steven Long		
RR-1844	Steven Mills		
RR-1845	Steven Paul Harrod		
RR-1846	Steven Penfield		
RR-1847	Steven Riches		
RR-1848	Steven Roy Beckett		
RR-1849	Stewart Hull		
RR-1850	Stuart Anthony Eastell		

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RR-1851	Stuart Dobson		
RR-1852	Stuart Folkard		
RR-1853	Stuart John Ellis		
RR-1854	Stuart Kibble		
RR-1855	Stuart Kirby		
RR-1856	Stuart Mayhew		
RR-1857	Stuart Naunton		
RR-1858	Stuart Purling		
RR-1859	Stuart Shearer		
RR-1860	Stuart Thompson		
RR-1861	Stuart Watson		
RR-1862	Sue Cane		
RR-1863	Sue Herring		
RR-1864	Sue Hull		
RR-1866	Summer Haylock		
RR-1867	Susan C Frank Mahon, Tom C Louise Edwards		
RR-1868	Susan Agnes Baines		
RR-1869	Susan Aldis		
RR-1870	Susan Ann Eagle	Yes	Category 3
RR-1871	Susan Astbury		
RR-1872	Susan Bancroft		
RR-1873	Susan Caroline Webb		
RR-1874	Susan Charnock		
RR-1875	Susan Clinch		
RR-1876	Susan Deacon		
RR-1877	Susan Dell		
RR-1878	Susan Elizabeth Allison		
RR-1879	Susan Else Croxson		

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RR-1880	Susan Gowing		
RR-1881	Susan Hull		
RR-1882	Susan Jane Blease		
RR-1883	Susan Keen		
RR-1884	Susan Laws		
RR-1885	Susan Lott		
RR-1886	Susan Mcleavy Hill		
RR-1887	Susan Neave		
RR-1888	Susan Pietrzak		
RR-1889	Susan Smith		
RR-1890	Susan Timewell		
RR-1891	Susanna Claire Cooper		
RR-1892	Susanne Mary Hubbard		
RR-1893	Susie Yates		
RR-1894	Suzanne Alexander		
RR-1895	Suzanne Clarke	Yes	18-018, 18-025, 18-026
RR-1896	Suzanne Floyd		
RR-1897	Suzanne Hillier		
RR-1899	Sylvia Ross		
RR-1900	Sylvia Whalley		
RR-1901	T Sills		
RR-1902	Tania Watt		
RR-1903	Tanya Hampton		
RR-1904	Tara Gillam		
RR-1905	Tariq Ghazouani Fellous		
RR-1906	Tarnya Howard		
RR-1908	Terence David Blowfield		
RR-1909	Terence Edward		

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	Mitchell		
RR-1910	Teresa Elvin		
RR-1911	Teresa Stevens		
RR-1912	Terry Devlin		
RR-1913	Terry Gould		
RR-1914	Terry Warton		
RR-1917	The Goff Family		
RR-1918	The Lazell Household		
RR-1920	The Moyle Family		
RR-1922	The Scott Family, Hempnall		
RR-1923	The Thacker Family		
RR-1924	Thenisa Parke		
RR-1925	Theodore Newstead		
RR-1926	Third Tuesday Walking Group		
RR-1927	Thomas A.P. Lingard		
RR-1928	Thomas Alexander Black		
RR-1929	Thomas Daniel Leffler		
RR-1930	Thomas Haslam		
RR-1931	Thomas James Ryan		
RR-1932	Thomas Lacey		
RR-1933	Thomas Prentice		
RR-1934	Thomas Wyatt		
RR-1935	Thorfinn Armstrong		
RR-1936	Tia L Kidd		
RR-1938	Tim Cary		
RR-1939	Tim Drake		

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RR-1940	Tim James		
RR-1941	Tim Vowles	Yes	Category 3
RR-1942	Timofei Pashchenko		
RR-1943	Timothy David Foster		
RR-1944	Timothy Gowing		
RR-1945	Timothy Highton		
RR-1946	Timothy Procter		
RR-1947	Timothy Wreford		
RR-1948	Tina Beckett		
RR-1949	Tina Howkins		
RR-1950	Tina Newby		
RR-1952	Tobias Ellenor		
RR-1953	Tom Beevor		
RR-1954	Tom Cowley		
RR-1955	Tom Higgin		
RR-1956	Tom Lake		
RR-1957	Tom Waterfall		
RR-1958	Tom Worley		
RR-1959	Tony Hall		
RR-1961	Tracey Fisher		
RR-1962	Tracey Marie Scarsbrook		
RR-1963	Tracy Ann May		
RR-1964	Tracy Dean		
RR-1965	Tracy Jenkins		
RR-1966	Tracy Lilley		
RR-1967	Travis Wilson	Yes	17-040, 18-003, 18-006, 18-008, 18-009, 18-010, 19-013 Category 3
RR-1968	Trevor Catchpole		

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RR-1969	Trevor John Stevens		
RR-1970	Trevor John Thomas		
RR-1971	Trevor John Thomas		
RR-1972	Trevor Lynch		
RR-1973	Trevor Male Potter		
RR-1974	Trevor Paul Savage		
RR-1975	Trina Beare		
RR-1976	Trudie Lavender		
RR-1977	Tunbeck Farm		
RR-1978	TW Gaze		
RR-1979	Tyler Wayne Bloomfield		
RR-1981	Una Jo Chadd		
RR-1982	Val Player		
RR-1983	Val Thornton		
RR-1984	Valerie Cook		
RR-1985	Valerie Fendick		
RR-1986	Valerie Jean Nevill		
RR-1987	Valerie Joy Blakey		
RR-1988	Valerie Rose		
RR-1989	Valerie Yvonne Bailey		
RR-1990	Verity Lowndes-Burt		
RR-1991	Veronica Heath		
RR-1992	Vicki Malcolm		
RR-1993	Vicky Hate		
RR-1994	Victoria Broadway		
RR-1995	Victoria Chandler		
RR-1996	Victoria Kirk		
RR-1997	Victoria Long		
RR-1998	Victoria Purling		

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RR-1999	Virginia Lois Weeks		
RR-2000	Vivian Sprong		
RR-2001	Vivien Nicholds		
RR-2002	Vivienne Dennis		
RR-2003	Vivienne Hewitt	Yes	Category 3
RR-2006	Wayne Anderson		
RR-2007	Wayne Harsent		
RR-2008	Wendy Elizabeth Wilson		
RR-2009	Wendy Latoy		
RR-2010	Wendy Munn		
RR-2011	Wendy Pither		
RR-2012	Wendy Rout		
RR-2013	Wesley James Scammell		
RR-2014	Will Dougal		
RR-2015	William Betts		
RR-2016	William Clendening		
RR-2017	William Cook		
RR-2018	William Mckenzie		
RR-2019	William Moss Foster		
RR-2020	William Walker		
RR-2021	William Worley		
RR-2024	Yasmin Elisha Olney	Yes	03-001
RR-2025	Yasmin Gribble		
RR-2026	Yvonne Davy	Yes	Category 3
RR-2027	Yvonne Penrose		
RR-2028	Zara Owen		
RR-2029	Zoe Addison		
RR-2030	Zoe Beeson		
RR-2031	Zoe Howard		

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RR-2032	Zoe Patricia Monica Cawston	Yes	02-010
RR-2033	Zoe Pope		

2 The Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations by Theme

2.1 The DCO Process

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DCO-001	RR-1592, RR-0891, RR-0822, RR-1288, RR-1375, RR-0573, RR-0872, RR-1558, RR-0332, RR-1099, RR-0332, RR-1698, RR-0532, RR-1772, RR-0077, RR-1382, RR-1566, RR-0398, RR-0043, RR-1166, RR-0373, RR-0094	Respondents stated that the Scheme does not represent sustainable development as defined by the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). One respondent (RR-1375) stated that the Scheme conflicts with several key provisions, including Paragraph 174 (protection of valued landscapes, countryside character and biodiversity); Paragraph 180 (minimising impacts on biodiversity and securing net gains) and Paragraph 183-185 (avoidance of unacceptable noise, pollution and risks to health and safety). One respondent (RR-0573) stated that the Scheme does not reflect NPPF Paragraph 198, which required development to be appropriate to its	The Applicant does not agree that the Scheme represents unsustainable development, nor that it conflicts with planning policy. The **Planning Statement [APP-209]** and **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]** sets out how the Scheme complies with relevant national and local planning policies. The NPPF does not contain specific policies for NSIPs such as the Scheme. The Scheme will primarily be determined in accordance with the National Policy Statements (namely NPSs EN-1, EN-3 and EN-5). However, the NPPF may still be considered by the Secretary of State to the extent it is considered important and relevant to the decision. The NPPF and associated Planning Practice Guidance has been considered, where relevant, in the **Planning Statement**

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		location and to fully consider the 'likely effects (including cumulative effects)' on the natural environment and living conditions. One respondent (RR-0872) stated that the Scheme conflicts with NPPF paragraph 188, which requires poorer quality land to be used in preference where possible.	**[APP-209]** and **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]**. The **Planning Statement [APP-209]** demonstrates national policy compliance and how sustainable development has been achieved through the outcomes of the environmental impact assessment, good design and delivery of economic benefits. A new NPPF was published by government in August 2026. Notably this now no longer refers to 'valued landscapes' and focusses on 'Protected' and 'National' landscapes, none of which are present within the Scheme; states that the previous Ministerial Written Statement *'Solar and protecting our Food Security and Best and Most Versatile (BMV) Land (15 May 2024)'* is now no longer up to date government policy; and removes the concept of 'less than substantial harm' in respect of heritage assets. An update of the implications of the new NPPF on the Scheme will be provided at Deadline 1. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme on the natural environment and health, including cumulative effects, in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**. This includes an assessment of

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			tranquillity in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. The **ES [APP-042 to APP-056]** also outlines the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032].** These management plans include mitigation measures to reduce noise and light pollution to a minimum. Measures to control lighting from the Scheme are described in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** with measures secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. The Applicant notes new NPPF Policy N1 (1) (c) which states: *'….Steer the location of development, including through site allocations, in ways which utilise land of least environmental value where that would be consistent with other policies in this Framework. This should include limiting the scale and extent of development within Protected Landscapes, avoiding the use of*

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			higher quality agricultural land where land of poorer quality is available (Applicant's underlining) *and avoiding and minimising harm to designated sites of importance for nature*'; and Policy 'N2 (1) (b), which states:*'…. if significant development of agricultural land is necessary, use areas of poorer quality land where possible'*. NPS EN-3 acknowledges that ground-mounted solar is not prohibited on Best and Most Versatile (BMV) quality land and that land type should not be a predominating factor in determining the suitability of the site location. NPS EN-3 recognises that, at scale, developments may use some agricultural land, and applicants should explain their choice of site, noting the preference for development to be on suitable brownfield, industrial and low and medium grade agricultural land. The **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]** concludes that no suitable previously developed sites cover a sufficient area to accommodate a utility-scale solar project. Owing to the scale and nature of the Scheme,

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			the Order Limits encompass agricultural land. BMV land was considered during site selection and the design evolution of the Scheme as reported in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]** and **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. As confirmed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 – Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]**, the Order Limits was identified as likely to be some of the lowest quality land in the wider area. It is evident that, in respect of initial site selection within a reasonable distance of the grid connection point, no land is identified as likely to be of a lower quality or overall proportionate lower mix of BMV quality land. The Scheme would contribute substantially to the need for low carbon energy generation and the Government's objectives and commitments for pursuing a Clean Power energy system and cutting GHG emissions to net zero by 2050, as set out within NPS EN-1 Paragraph 2.3.3.
DCO-002	RR-0621, RR-1159, RR-0090, RR-0745, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0505, RR-0761,	Respondents expressed concern about the effectiveness of the Scheme's proposed mitigation	The proposed management and mitigation measures set out in the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]** and are secured through various outline management plans **[APP-196 to APP-**

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	RR-0618, RR-1934, RR-1166, RR-1778	measures and/or the ability to reduce impact on local communities	**205]**. Of particular relevance to the assessment of effects on local communities and mitigation measures are set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**, **Chapter 11 – Transport and Access [APP-047]**, **Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**, **Chapter 13 – Air Quality [APP-049]**, **Chapter 14 - Socio-Economics [APP-050]** and **Chapter 18 - Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**. The specificity of the outline management plans will be provided in the detailed management plans, which will be substantially in accordance with the outline management plans, that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority, in consultation with relevant statutory consultee, where specified in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Paragraph 2(4) of Schedule 15 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** requires the Applicant to confirm when applying for approval of a secured plan whether it would give rise to any materially new or materially different environmental effects in comparison with those reported in the Environmental Statement. This ensures that the effectiveness of the mitigation measures identified in the ES will be secured

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			by ensuring that the final design of the Scheme falls within the framework of the conclusions of that Environmental Statement. Breach of a DCO or failure to comply with Requirements can result in enforcement action. Management plans are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant has prepared a **Statutory Nuisance Statement [APP-208]**. This draws upon the assessment conclusions from Environmental Statement and concludes that the construction, operation and maintenance, and decommissioning of the Scheme would not give rise to any impacts that would constitute a statutory nuisance under Section 79(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.
DCO-003	RR-0099, RR-0395, RR-0573, RR-1398, RR-0972, RR-1776, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1190, RR-0043, RR-1710, RR-1821, RR-1465	Respondent stated that the Draft DCO relies too heavily on later plans, later approvals and later mitigation.	The use of outline management plans is standard practice for solar DCO projects. This reflects the Rochdale Envelope approach, whereby certain design and construction details are refined post-consent, with detailed plans secured through Requirements in the Draft DCO.

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			The likely significant effects of the construction, operation and decommissioning of the Scheme have been comprehensively assessed in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**, which also identifies mitigation measures. The outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]** are designed with the objective of securing the relevant environmental mitigation measures set out within the ES. The detailed management plans will be substantially in accordance with the outline management plans and are secured through Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. These detailed management plans will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. This will ensure that environmental impacts throughout the lifetime of the Scheme are appropriately controlled. Further, the **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]** and the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** are secured by requirement within the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, and as such, the Scheme aligns with the design principles laid out.

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DCO-004	RR-0802, RR-1101, RR-1989, RR-1087, RR-0046, RR-1788, RR-0031, RR-0937, RR-2001	Respondents expressed concern about the Scheme being decided by the Government rather than local planning authorities, parish councils or local residents.	The Scheme has an anticipated generating capacity of approximately 500 MW and therefore exceeds the 100 MW threshold for a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP). As a result, the Scheme is subjected to the Planning Act 2008 and must be consented through a Development Consent Order (DCO), examined by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, rather than determined by the local planning authority. The legislative context for the Scheme is set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**. While the Applicant is legally required to use the Planning Act process for this reason, the local planning authorities still have a significant role in the DCO process. In particular, they have a function in discharging the requirements of the DCO (which operate in a similar way to a condition on a planning permission) and can consult with other statutory bodies as part of that process in informing their decision to approve the discharge of a requirement. They also have a significant role in the monitoring and enforcement of the requirements of the DCO.

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DCO-005	RR-0213, RR-1631, RR-0301, RR-1375, RR-0273, RR-0077	Respondent expressed that Scheme conflicts with local and national planning policy. Some respondents highlighted local plans such as Greater Norwich Local Plan and South Norfolk Local Plan. One respondent (RR-1375) stated that the Greater Norwich Local Plan (GNLP) Policy 1 requires development to balance economic, social and environmental objectives. They stated that the Scheme does not do this, due to visual and environmental impacts, and impacts on the local community. They also stated that it does not comply with GNLP Policy 2 (Sustainable Development), Policy 3 (Environmental Protection and Enhancement), Policy 5 (Homes and Quality of Life (Amenity)).	An appraisal of the Scheme against national and local planning policy is set out within the **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]**. This includes an appraisal against the Greater Norwich Local Plan and South Norfolk Local Plan Development Management Policies Document. It is the Applicant's view that the Scheme complies with relevant national and local planning policy. In relation to Policy 1 (Sustainable Growth Strategy) of the Greater Norwich Local Plan, the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** and the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** explain that the Scheme produces urgently needed low carbon energy generation and, if consented, will contribute to the achievement of delivering sustainable development that enables decarbonisation. Regarding Policy 2 (Sustainable Communities) and 3 (Environmental Protection and Enhancement), during the design process, the natural environment and heritage assets were considered, and the mitigation hierarchy applied to avoid, reduce, mitigate or compensate for, through the design process. The Applicant has identified

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			environmental protection and enhancement measures in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and are secured through various outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]** to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032].** Policy 5 (Homes) and Policy 7.4 (Village Clusters) of the Greater Norwich Local Plan are not considered relevant to the Scheme. The planning balance considering the positive, neutral and negative impacts are set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**. The Secretary of State will balance those potential impacts against the urgent need and critical national priority for the Scheme as set out in Government policy.
DCO-006	RR-1276, RR-1159, RR-1581, RR-1776, RR-1166	Respondents stated that the Applicant had acknowledged that the Scheme would result in significant environmental effects, including residual effects on landscape, wildlife, soils, and heritage assets, following	The Applicant acknowledges that there will be some unavoidable impacts on the environment as a result of the Scheme. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme in the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts

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		the implementation of mitigation measures.	as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. No significant adverse residual effects have been identified in relation to wildlife, soils, and heritage assets. The planning balance considering the positive, neutral and negative impacts are set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**. The Secretary of State will balance those potential impacts against the urgent need and critical national priority for the Scheme as set out in Government policy.
DCO-007	RR-1888, RR-1384, RR-0695, RR-0556, RR-0097	Respondent stated that the Scheme is being forced upon local people.	The Scheme is being brought forward through the statutory framework set out in the Planning Act 2008. The consultation process is set out in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**, which details the Applicant's approach to pre-application consultation. Throughout the consultation periods, anyone was welcome and encouraged to get in touch using any of the free-to-use communication channels provided, including email, freephone, and post. Respondents were also invited to attend

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			the in-person and virtual community information events. The Applicant also notes that the Examination process provides a further opportunity for Interested Parties to comment on the Scheme. This Examination is managed by the independently appointed Examining Authority. Further to this, the Applicant provided an extended Relevant Representation period beyond the minimum statutory timeframe to allow sufficient time for members of the public to review the submitted application documents and register as an Interested Party.
DCO-008	RR-0628, RR-1307, RR-1696	Respondents expressed concern that by reaching consent, this may provide the opportunity for the Applicant to expand sites in the future and/or make significant changes without proper consultation or oversight.	The DCO defines the authorised development, including the parameters, design envelope and approved plans; as well as the lifetime of the Scheme. Any replacement of equipment, including solar panels, during the operation of the Scheme would be undertaken in accordance with the DCO and any requirements attached to it. Such replacement activities have been assessed in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**. Any material change to the authorised development would require further consent in

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			accordance with the Planning Act 2008. The **Draft DCO [AS-032]** does not provide an unrestricted ability to redesign or rebuild the Scheme without further permission.
DCO-009	RR-0429, RR-0773	Respondent stated that the 1947 Town and Country Planning Act that places rules and controls to limit urban sprawl and has until recently shaped planning policy in a way that prevents this.	As a NSIP, the Scheme is determined under the Planning Act 2008 and must be consented through a DCO and examined by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, rather than be determined by the local planning authority under the Town and Country Planning Act. It is the Applicant's view that the Scheme would not contribute to urban sprawl. Further, the Applicant confirms that none of the land for solar development would be classified as brownfield after decommissioning as the land will be reinstated and soils restored to the previous condition, and the land returned to the landowner.
DCO-010	RR-0094, RR-1683	Respondent expressed concern they had previously applied for planning permission to develop agricultural land but were told its outside the development window of village/area, respondent claims this is evidence of	As a NSIP, the Scheme is determined under the Planning Act 2008 and must be consented through a DCO and examined by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero.

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		Scheme proceeding on grounds of uneven planning consent rules.	The Applicant cannot comment on the merits of any separate planning applications for development on agricultural land.
DCO-011	RR-0429	Respondent stated that if there were plans to cover 100 fields with houses those plans would not be treated as one single application.	The Applicant refers to its response to row DCO-010 above. The Planning Act 2008 sets out the thresholds for nationally significant infrastructure projects. The Scheme, as an onshore solar generating station in England with a capacity of more than 100MW, falls within section 15 of the Planning Act 2008. This means the Scheme must be consented through the DCO regime and is treated as a single application. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme as a whole in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.

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DCO-012	RR-1537	Respondent expressed concern Scheme conflicts with South Norfolk and Broadland Council's projects such as Community Grants, Pride in Place, Heritage, Housing and Green Grants Projects.	The Applicant acknowledges these grants. It is the view of the Applicant that the Scheme would not preclude the continuation of existing community grant programmes or the establishment of future grants. The Applicant reaffirms its commitment to the provision of a Community Benefit Fund should the Scheme be consented. Information on the mechanics of the Community Benefit Fund and the areas to which it will contribute will be developed through consultation with South Norfolk Council and Norfolk County Council. The Community Benefit Fund operates (and is to be agreed) entirely outside of the DCO process (it cannot be considered as part of the decision-making process).
DCO-013	RR-0099	Respondent stated that no insight has been given on how this application will meet NPSA standards for critical energy infrastructure.	The Applicant follows UK Government guidance on the security of electrical and electronic equipment. Threats to solar developments are similar to those that can affect all industries and would be managed by robust cyber security processes that identify, prevent, and mitigate against, potential issues.

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			The Applicant has not identified any relevant considerations relating to national security in relation to the Scheme. Security requirements have, however, been embedded into the design of the Scheme and are considered proportionate. The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** set out the parameters and commitments for the design of the Scheme, including security measures, such as fencing, CCTV and security lighting. In accordance with national policy, the delivery of the Scheme would improve the resilience of the UK electricity system against the general threat of war or terror (i.e. in the event another electricity generation project was to be targeted, the Scheme would then ensure continued electricity supply).
DCO-014	RR-0142	Respondent stated that Statements of Common Ground should not be used to close significant issues without clear reasoning. Relevant public bodies should explicitly state: • whether the submitted evidence is adequate;	The purpose of a Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) is to agree factual information with parties. This will identify where agreement has been reached between the Applicant and the party and where there are key differences. The Examining Authority will consider the SoCG alongside all other application documentation, including representations

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		• whether concerns remain; • whether mitigation is sufficient and enforceable; • what additional controls are required; and • whether any unresolved issues affect the deliverability or legality of the Scheme.	from Interested Parties, in reaching its recommendation to the Secretary of State. Interested Parties may review these documents and participate in the Examination in accordance with the procedures set out by the Examining Authority.
DCO-015	RR-1338	Respondent questioned whether planners, i.e. the Examination Authority, have sufficient qualifications and expertise to enable them to make a "sensible" decision?	The appointment of the Examining Authority is a matter for the Planning Inspectorate, acting on behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero. This is governed by the framework set out in the Planning Act 2008.
DCO-016	RR-1943	Respondent expressed concern that Scheme is already a done deal and will be approved regardless.	The application will be examined and determined on its merits in accordance with the statutory framework set out in the Planning Act 2008. No decision has been made or predetermined at this stage and is subject to an Examination by the Examining Authority, with the decision made by the Secretary of State.

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DCO-017	RR-1749	Respondent expressed concern that proposals are fundamentally unjustified and procedurally deficient.	The Applicant considers that the consultation has been robust, thorough and undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008, the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, and the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009. Schedule 4 of the EIA Regulations has been adequately addressed within the ES. Table 1.3 within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 1 – Introduction [APP-037]** provides cross-reference to the relevant documents demonstrating where each of these requirements has been satisfied. The **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]** has been prepared by competent experts with considerable experience assessing similar schemes. Details of qualifications, experience and professional institute membership are provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 1.2 - Statement of Expertise [APP-112]**. The Applicant's **Statement of Need [APP-206]** provides evidence that an unprecedented capacity of new low-carbon generation schemes is urgently needed for the UK to meet its legally binding climate

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			change targets. The Government has confirmed that solar energy is at the heart of the Clean Power 2030 Mission (NPS EN-3 (2025) Paras 2.10.1 & 2.10.2). The **Statement of Need [APP-206]** confirms that the need for the Scheme is urgent and that substantial weight should be given to the need in accordance with NPS EN-1 (2025) Para 3.2.8 and 3.2.9.
DCO-018	RR-0203	Respondents expressed concern that the forthcoming reorganisation of local government in Norfolk (new authorities from 2028) would impair the timely resolution of planning and highways matters relating to the Scheme.	The Applicant is aware of the Local Government Reorganisation. The Applicant has and will continue to work with the Norfolk County Council and South Norfolk Council, which includes considering feedback on the Requirements of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Draft DCO will also be updated to reflect that any South Norfolk Council successor in function will be responsible for discharging the Requirements in the DCO.

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CON-001	RR-0487, RR-0436, RR-1470, RR-1881, RR-0585, RR-1660, RR-1206, RR-0841, RR-1697, RR-0297, RR-1274, RR-1260, RR-0500, RR-0295, RR-0227, RR-0779, RR-0141, RR-0519, RR-0323, RR-0156, RR-0846, RR-0376, RR-0541, RR-1783, RR-1122, RR-0798, RR-1543, RR-0959, RR-1039, RR-0333, RR-0328 RR-0914, RR-0941, RR-0170, RR-0054, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0395, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-0965, RR-0094, RR-0902, RR-0973, RR-1837, RR-1733, RR-0502, RR-1160, RR-1069, RR-1682, RR-0574, RR-0972, RR-0096, RR-1969, RR-1943, RR-0273, RR-0964, RR-1965, RR-1953, RR-1946, RR-0737, RR-0296, RR-1776, RR-0885, RR-0131, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-1820,	Respondents expressed dissatisfaction with the consultation process and/or that the consultation was inadequate. Some respondents expressed that the consultation materials were unclear, hard to read, inaccessible due to individual size/detail and/or misleading. Some respondents expressed dissatisfaction with the level of details consulted on during pre-application consultation.	The Applicant considers that the consultation has been robust, thorough and undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008, the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, and the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009. The Applicant considers the materials provided were adequate and informative, and presented information using standard mapping conventions. It is the Applicant's view that the consultation material provided sufficient information for the emerging Scheme to be understood. The acceptance of the Applicant's DCO application for Examination by the Planning Inspectorate serves as confirmation that the Applicant has fulfilled its statutory pre-application duties. Each of the host and neighbouring authorities provided adequacy of consultation representations **[AoC-001 to**

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	RR-1988, RR-0331, RR-1812, RR-0662, RR-1442, RR-0761, RR-0271, RR-0997, RR-0211, RR-1360, RR-1324, RR-1492, RR-0734, RR-0960, RR-1158, RR-0683, RR-1505, RR-0735, RR-1615, RR-0123, RR-1665, RR-1190, RR-1380, RR-0329, RR-0956, RR-0756, RR-0749, RR-1153, RR-0570, RR-1911, RR-1821, RR-1033, RR-1501, RR-1579, RR-1634, RR-0097, RR-0574, RR-0135, RR-1995, RR-1203, RR-1776, RR-0075, RR-0337, RR-0001		**AoC-008]**, confirming that they considered the Applicant met the statutory consultation requirements. The consultation process is set out in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**, which details the Applicant's approach to pre-application consultation. Throughout the consultation period, anyone was welcome and encouraged to get in touch using any of the free-to-use communication channels provided, including email, freephone, and post. Respondents were also invited to attend the in-person and virtual community information events, where they could view the maps and ask questions or seek clarification directly from the Applicant's project team. The Applicant also notes that the Examination process provides a further opportunity for Interested Parties to comment on the Scheme. This Examination is managed by the independently appointed Examining Authority. Further to this, the Applicant provided an extended Relevant Representation period beyond the minimum statutory timeframe to allow sufficient time for members of the public

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			to review the submitted application documents and register as an Interested Party.
CON-002	RR-0376, RR-0541, RR-1326, RR-1326, RR-1446, RR-1684, RR-1995	Respondents stated they struggled to access and navigate DCO application documents, including the Works Plan.	The Applicant provided a detailed step-by-step explanation on how to access and view the different layers of the Works Plan. The instructions are in the introductory section of the revised **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]**, submitted to the Planning Inspectorate in April 2027. In addition to the above, USB memory sticks with the full suite of application documentation were made available for electronic inspection during the Relevant Representation period via computer, free of charge, at the following libraries: Long Stratton Library, Loddon Library, Poringland Library and Bungay Community Library. The Applicant's Community Relations team has also been available to assist members of the public via a series of free-to-use communication channels (phone, post and email). These channels were publicised through newspaper adverts and press release, on the Applicant's website, in consultation materials and on- site notices.

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			The Applicant welcomed enquiries and feedback from any interested party through these channels. The application documents were made available in hard copy format on request by contacting the Applicant's communication channels, with reasonable printing costs depending on the number/size of documents requested. Furthermore, USB memory sticks were available to be sent directly to individuals upon request. The Applicant's Section 56 Notice **[OD-003]**, which confirmed acceptance of the DCO application by the Planning Inspectorate (on behalf of the Secretary of State), provided further information on obtaining DCO application documents.
CON-003	RR-1514, RR-0872, RR-1326, RR-0060, RR-0373	Respondent expressed that it is been made hard for people who lack access to technology to take part in the consultation process in general, which they deem to be discriminatory.	As detailed in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]** whilst consultation materials were made available online, alternative means of access were also provided for those who were digitally excluded or preferred non-digital engagement during both Phase One consultation and Phase Two consultation events.

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			Physical copies of consultation materials could be requested through via the Applicant's free-to-use communication channels (phone, email and post) which remained available throughout the consultation period to assist individuals accessing documentation and to provide further information about the Scheme. The Applicant therefore considers that proportionate measures were put in place to enable participation from a broad range of stakeholders, irrespective of their access to digital technologies.
CON-004	RR-0295, RR-1418, RR-0902, RR-0973	Respondent stated that the appropriate specialists were not available at consultation events to discuss site specific impacts They stated that this did not give them confidence that meaningful consideration had been given to the impacts of residents.	The Applicant sought to ensure that consultation events were attended by a range of specialist consultants and technical experts to enable discussion of the various topics associated with the Scheme. This included, amongst others, consultants that specialised in landscape, transport and access, ecology, BESS, planning and EIA. The purpose of having a multidisciplinary team present at the consultation events was to provide attendees with access to individuals responsible for undertaking the relevant assessments and to allow concerns

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			across a wide range of environmental and technical topics to be discussed directly with the experts. The Applicant recognises that some questions may have required a more detailed response than could be provided during an event, where this was the case questions were noted by consultants and followed up on.
CON-005	RR-1642, RR-1995, RR-0768	Respondents stated they have been requesting a site visit since January 2026 to show the Applicant their concerns, but that the Applicant has declined the invitation.	The Applicant has undertaken ongoing engagement with local residents and other stakeholders throughout the pre-application stage and has sought to consider issues raised through a variety of communication channels. Where appropriate, the Applicant has undertaken site visits and will continue to engage closely with such requests. The Applicant remains committed to engaging constructively with affected parties and will continue to consider requests for meetings and site visits, where appropriate, as the Scheme progresses through the Examination process.

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CON-006	RR-0295, RR-0731, RR-0905	Respondents described the consultation process as a 'tick box' exercise.	The Applicant was required under Section 49(2) of the Planning Act to have regard to all relevant responses received during statutory consultation when finalising the application for development consent. The **Consultation Report [APP-024]** and its **Appendices [APP-025** to **APP-034]** provide a detailed account of how consultation feedback, including prescribed consultees and public comments, have been considered and, where appropriate, how they have influenced the evolution of the Scheme. Consultation feedback has led to changes to the design through both non-statutory and statutory consultation. A summary of the feedback to the Phase One non-statutory consultation and the Applicant's response is provided in Chapter 5 of the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**. Feedback received during the statutory consultation under Section 47 and the Applicant's response is provided in the **Consultation Report Appendix 10 - Section 47 Applicant Response Table [APP-034]** and the Applicant's response to Section 42 feedback is provided in **Consultation Report**

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			Appendix 11 - Section 42 Applicant Response Table [APP-035].
CON-007	RR-1607, RR-2001, RR-0331	Respondent expressed concern that local people don't know the scale and extent of proposals.	The Applicant has undertaken consultation at multiple stages of the Scheme's development, providing information on the Scheme through consultation materials, public events, the project website, Community Access Points and direct engagement with stakeholders and local communities. Non-Statutory Consultation (Phase One) was undertaken from 23 October to 6 December 2024, with the aim of introducing the Scheme, presenting the emerging proposals and providing an opportunity for individuals and interested parties to share their views. Statutory Consultation (Phase Two) on the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) was subsequently undertaken between 18 June and 6 August 2025, providing a 49-day consultation period which exceeded the statutory minimum requirement. Further Targeted Consultation was undertaken between 22 October and 26 November 2025.

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			To publicise the consultation and maximise awareness of the proposals, the Applicant distributed a community consultation postcard to over 8,400 properties, issued press releases to local and trade media, distributed posters to over 70 local information points, provided hard copies of consultation materials at Community Access Points, maintained project information on the project website, and contacted key stakeholders, including MPs, councillors, parish councils and individuals registered on the Scheme's keep informed list. The Applicant has continued to engage with stakeholders and those who requested project updates throughout the process. Accordingly, the Applicant considers that proportionate and extensive measures were undertaken to communicate the scale and extent of the proposals and to provide opportunities for interested parties to understand and comment on the Scheme.
CON-008	RR-0436, RR-0846	Respondent stated that no sympathy was shown by the Applicant throughout the consultation for damaging and life changing impacts of the Scheme on local residents, a	The Applicant acknowledges the respondent's concerns regarding the potential effects of the Scheme on local residents.

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		very significant majority of whom are fundamentally opposed it to.	Throughout the development of the Scheme, the Applicant has sought to engage openly and constructively with local communities, providing opportunities for residents to express their views and raise concerns through consultation events, community engagement activities and ongoing communication channels. The Applicant remains committed to engaging respectfully with affected communities and to considering issues raised throughout the Examination process.
CON-009	RR-0295, RR-0054	Respondent stated that they agree with the concerns outlined by South Norfolk Council and Norfolk County Council regarding the adequacy of consultation.	The Applicant notes this comment.
CON-010	RR-0291, RR-1418	Respondent stated that they did not feel the project team could answer their questions at consultation events.	The consultation events were attended by members of the project team and specialist consultants with expertise across a range of environmental, technical and planning disciplines. This was intended to provide attendees with opportunities to discuss a wide range of topics and receive information from those responsible for informing the design of

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			the Scheme and undertaking the assessments. The Applicant considers that an appropriate range of specialists was available throughout the consultation process to support engagement on the environmental and technical matters associated with the Scheme. The Applicant recognises that some questions may have required a more detailed response than could be provided during an event, where this was the case questions were noted by consultants and followed up on.
CON-011	RR-1043, RR-1995	Respondent stated that the process is discriminatory as it costs £5,000 to get a copy of the application documents.	The application documents are available electronically free of charge through the Planning Inspectorate's website. While a charge will apply for the provision of a complete printed set of application documents, this reflects the substantial printing and production costs associated with the application documents. Requests for printed documents were considered by on a case-by-case basis and assistance from the Applicant's Community

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			Relations Team was offered to explore alternative and more proportionate means of accessing this information. This included providing a printed copy of the **ES Non-Technical Summary [APP-194]**, identifying and supplying printed copies of specific documents of interest, and helping interested parties navigate the available information to ensure that relevant material could be accessed without incurring the cost associated with the reproduction of the full application. Anyone struggling to access documentations can contact the Applicant's Community Relations Team via a series of free-to-use communication channels (phone, post and email). These channels were publicised on the Applicant's website, in newspaper adverts and press releases, in all consultation materials, and on posters and site notices. The application documentation was also available to access free of charge at four local libraries (Long Stratton Library, Loddon Library, Poringland Library and Bungay Community Library). Furthermore, USB

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			memory sticks were available to be sent directly to individuals upon request USB memory sticks with the full suite of application documentation were made available for electronic inspection during the Relevant Representation period via computer, free of charge, at the following libraries: Long Stratton Library, Loddon Library, Poringland Library and Bungay Community Library. The Applicant's **S56 Notice [OD-004]** also contained information on how to contact the Applicant and how to obtain application documentation.
CON-012	RR-0490, RR-1995	Respondent stated that they do not consider the consultation process to be sufficiently democratic, expressing concern that members of the public may believe their objections are being fully considered when they are required to resubmit or repeat those objections at subsequent stages of the process.	Consultation responses, including objections, were recorded, considered and reported on as part of the consultation process, as evidenced in the **Consultation Report [APP-24]**. Regard has been had to all consultation feedback received. Consultation feedback has also informed the design evolution of the Scheme, as set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**.

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CON-013	RR-1043	Respondents stated that the consultation process was too technical to participate in.	The Applicant provided a range of consultation materials in accordance with legislative requirements. In addition to technical documents provided at Statutory Consultation, such as the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR), the Applicant also produced non-technical documents. This included a PEIR Non-Technical Summary (NTS) which provided an overview of the information and findings set out in the PEIR. A full list of the Applicant's Statutory Consultation materials was available on the Applicant's website and in hard copy at Community Access Points, with further details in Chapter 7 and 8 of the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**. The Applicant also made available communication channels and held seven information events to ensure members of the community could get in touch to discuss any technical information.
CON-014	RR-0126	Respondents stated that the issues raised in their Relevant Representations will be ignored, not considered and/or make no difference.	The Applicant can confirm that all Relevant Representations submitted to the Planning Inspectorate have been recorded by the Planning Inspectorate and provided to the Applicant via the Examination Library.

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			Each Relevant Representation has been assigned a unique reference code by the Planning Inspectorate, ensuring that these can be individually identified and tracked throughout the Examination process. In preparing the Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations, each Relevant Representation has been reviewed and responded to in this document. The Applicant has therefore had regard to all Relevant Representations. The Examining Authority will also consider all Relevant Representations, alongside the Applicant's responses and any subsequent submissions, in reaching a recommendation.
CON-015	RR-0436	Respondent stated that consultation materials and the PEIR played down the detrimental impacts of the Scheme whilst claiming dubious benefits that will never materialise.	The Applicant does not agree that consultation materials or the PEIR understated potential impacts of the Scheme or overstated benefits. The PEIR was prepared by competent experts with considerable experience assessing similar schemes. Details of qualifications, experience and professional institute membership are provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 1.2 - Statement of Expertise [APP-112]**.

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			The Applicant considers that the consultation materials provided a balanced overview of the Scheme, its potential impacts and anticipated benefits, enabling consultees to form an informed view and provide consultation feedback on the Scheme.
CON-016	RR-0585, RR-1634	Respondent stated they received no response to written questions they shared with the Applicant.	The Applicant acknowledges the respondent's comment. The consultation process generated a significant volume of correspondence and enquiries. The Applicant has sought to fully engage and continues to engage with these wherever practicable. The Applicant's records indicate that consultation responses received through the published consultation channels were logged and considered as part of the consultation process. A full record of pre-application consultation activity can be found in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**.
CON-017	RR-1634	Respondent noted maps/figures were hard to view online as website would crash continuously.	The Applicant acknowledges the respondent's comments. During consultation, the Applicant sought to make the navigation of materials as easy as possible via a number of communication

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			channels. Where individuals experienced difficulties accessing documents online, the Community Relations team was available to provide assistance, signpost alternative methods of access and, where requested, arrange for hard copies or alternative versions of consultation materials to be provided. In response to the Planning Inspectorate's Section 51 advice, the Applicant reviewed the document sizes and reduced the MB size of the plans and figures as far as practicable. Where reducing the size of documents was not feasible, the documents were split into Parts (see **Applicant's Response to Advice at Acceptance [AS-001]**).
CON-018	RR-0585	Respondent stated that events were publicised at short notice.	The Applicant's Phase One Consultation was undertaken over a 43-day period, and the Phase Two Statutory Consultation was undertaken over a 49-day period, both providing consultees with a substantial opportunity to review information and submit feedback. The Applicant publicised the Phase Two statutory consultation and information events

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			in line with statutory guidance and the commitments set out in the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC). This included mailing a community consultation postcard to over 8,400 addresses within the core consultation zone, publishing a formal Section 48 Notice in regional and national newspapers, issuing a media release to regional and local media outlets, and sending posters with details of the information events to a number of local information points and parish councils. Further details on the Applicant's approach to publicising the Phase Two consultation can be found in Chapter 8 of the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**. The Applicant therefore considers that consultation events and opportunities to engage were publicised in a timely manner, consistent with statutory requirements and proportionate to the scale of the Scheme.
CON-019	RR-0585	Respondent stated that there were changes to the red line boundary after consultation closed.	The Applicant acknowledges that changes were made to the Scheme following consultation. The boundary of the Cable Route Corridor was reduced during the design evolution of the Scheme to take into

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			account environmental constraints and technical requirements. Further, Targeted Consultation was undertaken between 22 October and 26 November 2025 in relation to small additional parcels of land incorporated into the boundary of the Scheme, which were largely associated with Highway Works and works connecting to the National Grid Substation, as set out in **Consultation Report Appendix 9: Targeted Consultation Materials [APP-033]**.
CON-200	RR-1661	The respondent stated that the public examination should include an accompanied site inspection to ensure the Inspector is fully aware of the proposed development's impacts.	The Applicant notes the respondent's request for an accompanied site inspection. The arrangements for any site inspections during the Examination are matters for the Planning Inspectorate. Interested Parties have an opportunity to make suggestions at Procedural Deadline A for locations that the Examining Authority should visit.
CON-021	RR-0295	Respondent stated they were not identified appropriately as an affected party during the targeted consultation.	The Targeted Consultation held by the Applicant requested community feedback on small additional parcels of land, as described in **Consultation Report Appendix 9: Targeted Consultation Materials [APP-033]**.

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			The Applicant undertook a proportionate land referencing exercise in advance of the Targeted Consultation, using Land Registry records and questionnaire activities to identify parties with a legal interest in, or who may be affected by, the additional land proposed to be included within the Order Limits. The Applicant considers that the land referencing and consultation processes were undertaken in accordance with established guidance and were proportionate to the nature and extent of the proposed amendments.
CON-022	RR-0195	Respondent requested the Applicant visit the local area to see the distress of local communities.	The Applicant's project team has visited the local area on numerous occasions throughout the pre-application stage to undertake surveys and inform the design. The Applicant also held a series of consultation events in the local communities. These visits and consultation events have helped to inform the Applicant's understanding of the local area and the matters of importance to local communities. The Applicant remains committed to engaging with local communities and ensuring that concerns raised are understood and

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			considered as part of the development and Examination of the Scheme.
CON-023	RR-0601	Respondent asked whether consultation had been undertaken with local airfields, RAF / USAF bases.	RAF / USAF aerodromes were not identified in proximity to the Scheme. However, the Applicant has undertaken consultation with the airfields in proximity to the Scheme, notably Tibenham Airfield and Seething Airfield to inform the assessments of the Scheme on aviation activity. The engagement undertaken to inform the ES is listed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 – Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**. The RAF / USAF aerodromes were not identified within the assessment due to their distance from the Scheme. The Applicant intends to continue engagement with Norfolk Gliding Club and the General Aviation Awareness Council though Examination. An **Aviation Position Statement [EN0110014/EXAM/8.4]** has been submitted to the Examining Authority at Procedural Deadline A.
CON-024	RR-0752	Respondent expressed concern that residents of Wacton have not been consulted on plans.	The Applicant does not agree that residents of Wacton were excluded from the consultation process. As detailed in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**, the Core

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			Consultation Zone included Wacton was included within the consultation area. Phase Two Consultation materials were widely distributed, including a community consultation postcard sent to over 8,400 properties, alongside publicity through local media, posters at over 70 community locations, Community Access Points and the project website. The Applicant also engaged with local stakeholders throughout the consultation process and received consultation responses from Wacton Parish Council, which were recorded and considered alongside other feedback received. The Applicant therefore considers that proportionate and extensive measures were undertaken to ensure residents and community representatives in Wacton had opportunities to access information about the Scheme and participate in consultation.
CON-025	RR-1414	Respondent stated that they only saw the site notices in early June, so did not have enough time to provide a response. They stated that the timing	The Applicant acknowledges the respondent's comments regarding the timing of their awareness of the application.

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		and executive of this Application was badly handled and that the application was not publicised well.	Whilst it is not clear which specific notice the respondent is referring to, the Section 56 Notice was published on the Planning Inspectorate's website and the project website on 29 April 2026. More broadly, as detailed in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**, the Scheme was publicised through a range of consultation and communication channels throughout the pre-application stage, including direct mail, local media, community information points, Community Access Points, the project website and engagement with individuals registered on the Scheme's keep informed list.
CON-026	RR-0872, RR-0373	Respondent stated that residents have not been adequately informed about the PINS / Relevant Representation process, with some residents excluded due to the online nature of the process.	The Relevant Representation process is administered by the Planning Inspectorate rather than the Applicant. Information regarding the registration process, deadlines and methods for submitting Relevant Representations was published by Planning Inspectorate through its statutory consultation and examination procedures. Throughout the Relevant Representation process, the Applicant maintained a range of communication channels, which remained available to assist members of the public by signposting them to relevant sources of

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			information, including guidance and consultation materials where appropriate.
CON-027	RR-1501	Respondent expressed concern that they have previously objected to the Scheme and found out all objections have since been deleted.	The Applicant is not aware of any objections submitted through the consultation process being deleted. Responses received during consultation have been retained within the Applicant's consultation records and have been summarised and reported as part of the consultation reporting process. This can be found in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**. The Applicant's responses to comments made by members of the general public can be found in **Consultation Report Appendix 10 - Section 47 Applicant Response Table [APP-034]**.
CON-028	RR-1698	Respondent expressed concern that Scheme utilises a 'copy and paste' method, the websites look the same in everything but name and location for other IGP projects, making 'site specific' reports questionable. This comes at minimal cost, with a pre-tense of engagement with no genuine change.	The Applicant notes the perceived likeliness of the project website to other Island Green Power project websites. However, the content presented for the East Pye website is specific to the Scheme, including information on the Order Limits, consultation activities, documents and opportunities for community engagement.
CON-029	RR-1615	Respondent stated that the Applicant had failed to follow the Gunning	The Applicant disagrees that the Gunning Principles were not followed.

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		Principles with regards to consultation.	The Applicant undertook consultation while the Scheme was still at a formative stage. A six-week Phase One Consultation (Non-Statutory) was held between 23 October and 6 December 2024 to introduce emerging proposals and seek early feedback. Feedback received informed the ongoing design development of the Scheme and the approach to the subsequent Phase Two Statutory Consultation. At the Phase Two Statutory Consultation undertaken between Phase Two Statutory Consultation undertaken between 18 June to 6 August 2025, the Applicant provided consultees with information to enable an informed response, including a PEIR. The PEIR explained the latest Scheme, its likely significant effects and proposed mitigation measures, enabling stakeholders to understand and comment meaningfully on the proposals. The Applicant has had regard to feedback received at all stages of the process and has used this to inform the evolution of the Scheme and mitigation measures, where appropriate.

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			The **Consultation Report [APP-024]** submitted with the Application sets out how feedback was considered and how it influenced the Scheme where relevant.
CON-030	RR-1615	Respondent requested that the Applicant publish consultation response figures.	The Applicant has reported on the consultation response numbers. The **Consultation Report [APP-024]** details the number of responses received at Phase Two Consultation, with Table 12-2 setting out the number of submissions by prescribed bodies at 25, local authorities at 4 and local community feedback at 869.
CON-031	RR-0265	Respondent expressed particular concern for the location of their home not named correctly on the applicants' land maps.	The Applicant notes the comment. The Applicant provided further information to the Interested Party in June 2026 regarding the **Section 56 Notice [OD-004]** and accompanying maps erected on Broaden Lane and Old Market Way. The unregistered plan accompanying the Section 56 notice is provided to assist land interests in identifying the location of unregistered land and is based on Ordnance Survey mapping. Property names are not added as part of the Section 56 notification process and any names that may appear are

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			derived from the underlying Ordnance Survey base mapping. The purpose of the notice is to inform relevant parties of project progress.
CON-032	RR-0429	Respondent stated that the haul access routes were not presented at statutory consultation.	Options for internal haul routes were described in the PEIR at Statutory Consultation, together with likely access points and potential construction routes to the Scheme. Information regarding the proposed access strategy and construction traffic routes were developed through the design process, and the Applicant has continued to refine the access strategy through ongoing engagement with NCC as the Local Highway Authority and other stakeholders. Access points and internal routings are detailed in **ES Volume 2, Figures 11.2 - 11.8 - Likely and Suitable Access Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**. Route descriptions and transport and access effects have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** together with mitigation measures which are secured through the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**.

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CON-033	RR-1698	Respondent noted having stated in their Phase Two Consultation FAQ document, question 5, that, "the access routes strategy has been adjusted such that vehicles are not travelling through [REDACTED] and Poringland", quite the opposite is happening, casting doubt on Scheme statements.	As detailed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]**, general construction Heavy Good Vehicles (HGV) are not proposed to be routed northbound on B1332 through Poringland, however, some staff vehicle movements are anticipated. Traffic management measures are proposed, including a Framework Construction Worker Travel Plan, which is detailed in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. The B1332 has been identified as an AIL route, although this will be confirmed during detailed design and would be confirmed in the detailed CTMP secured by Requirement 15 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The detailed CTMP must be approved by the relevant planning authority in consultation with the relevant highway authority. This effect on the highway network has been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**.
CON-034	RR-1158	Respondent expressed concern that Haulage route for CRC4 was not part of public consultation even though the cable corridor cannot be accessed from any lane since the bypass	The Applicant is aware of the opening of the Long Stratton Bypass and this has informed the preparation of the access strategy. As shown in **ES Volume 2, Figure 11.1 - Indicative Transport and Access Study Area [APP-094]**, the Bypass is included

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		construction which was clearly marked on maps since 2024.	within the Study Area. This is additionally shown in **ES Volume 2 Figures 11.2 - 11.8 Likely and Suitable Access Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**. While CRC 4 itself is not proposed as an internal haul route, construction vehicles will access CRC4 for the construction of the CRC itself. The proposed construction traffic routing and access arrangements for CRC4 have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** alongside management and mitigation measures detailed in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**.
CON-035	RR-0295	Respondent stated that they raised concerns regarding mistakes in the access route plan during statutory consultation, but no one paid attention to this.	The Applicant has considered consultation feedback received from the Statutory Consultation and has continued to refine the access strategy as the Scheme has developed. The Applicant acknowledges that there was a minor error in a route plan, however this did not affect the assessment undertaken for transport and access. The error has been rectified as detailed in **ES Volume 2 Figures 11.2 - 11.8 Likely and**

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			Suitable Access Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]. The proposed access arrangements and construction traffic routeing has been an iterative process and have been informed by ongoing engagement with NCC as the Local Highway Authority. The access strategy has been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**, **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 -Transport Assessment [APP-174-APP to 177],** and **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**.
CON-036	RR-1419, RR-0746, RR-1203, RR-0621,RR-0403, RR-1206, RR-0079, RR-1646, RR-2024, RR-1848, RR-0863, RR-0545, RR-0767, RR-0059, RR-0826, RR-0311, RR-0892, RR-0448, RR-1087, RR-0220, RR-1598, RR-0427, RR-1156, RR-0246, RR-1552,RR-1119, RR-0054, RR-0476, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-1716, RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-0432, RR-1733, RR-1867, RR-0961, RR-0936, RR-1414, RR-0502, RR-1712, RR-0336,	Respondents expressed concern for the use of compulsory purchase and/or compulsory acquisition powers. Some respondents expressed widespread anxiety caused by notices and/or letters regarding compulsory acquisition/purchase powers.	The Applicant's goal is to deliver the Scheme on land where the owner has voluntarily agreed to its use. Meaningful conversations have helped inform the design which in turn assists in avoiding people's land, including homes and gardens. As is standard in NSIP solar schemes, the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** includes provision for compulsory acquisition of land and rights. These powers sought are necessary and proportionate to ensure the deliverability of the Scheme. See the explanation in the **Statement of Reasons [APP-020]**.

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	RR-0758, RR-1383, RR-1701, RR-0273, RR-0463, RR-0161, RR-1749, RR-1971, RR-0744, RR-0093, RR-1457, RR-0373, RR-1403, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-1776, RR-1247, RR-0824, RR-0684, RR-1830, RR-0843, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-0331, RR-1904, RR-0363, RR-1306, RR-0793, RR-1772, RR-1835, RR-1623, RR-1029, RR-1741, RR-0211, RR-0258, RR-1487, RR-1404, RR-0167, RR-1659, RR-0810, RR-1166, RR-1300, RR-1344, RR-1033, RR-1570, RR-1634, RR-0097		The Applicant acknowledges that the wording in letters sent to landowners and properties containing the Land Interest Question (LIQ) letters may have caused concern and confusion. The Applicant provided further information regarding this process in a letter to properties on 24 July 2025. This letter reassured landowners that the Applicant does not intend to seek compulsory acquisition powers for any homes, gardens and buildings and that this has never formed part of the proposal. The scope of the powers sought on the **Land Plan** [**APP-006**] shows that powers for compulsorily acquiring land or rights do not extend to such matters. In addition, Article 31(2) makes it expressly clear that the general power of temporary possession under the DCO does not authorise the undertaker to take temporary possession of any house or garden belonging to a house; or any building (other than a house) if it is for the time being occupied. The Applicant is committed to engaging with landowners in an open, transparent and respectful way. As part of the DCO process, the Applicant is legally required to identify anyone who may have land that could be

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			affected by the Scheme. The LIQ is part of this legal process. The Applicant acknowledges that this can appear formal, but its purpose is to help the Applicant ensure that the land interest information it holds is accurate and up to date. The Applicant updated its website with FAQs relating to the LIQ process during the Phase Two statutory consultation to help address any of the community's concerns. The Applicant confirms that there is no intention to compulsorily purchase any homes or gardens for the Scheme. The Applicant's communication channels including an email address, Freephone number and Freepost address as well as the Land Referencing Team's communication channels, including a dedicated email address and telephone number remain available for any landowner or resident that has questions or concerns regarding this part of the process. The Applicant's preference is to secure necessary land rights under voluntary agreement. However, it is standard practice for developers of NSIPs to seek compulsory

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			acquisition powers to ensure delivery of the project in absence of those agreements. See the explanation in the **Statement of Reasons** [**APP-020**].
CON-037	RR-0328 RR-1256, RR-1067, RR-0231, RR-0398, RR-1995, RR-1611, RR-1713, RR-0398, RR-0094, RR-0620	Respondent believes that they should have been identified as a Category 3 interest.	The Applicant notes the respondent's request to be identified as a Category 3 interest. In preparing the **Book of Reference [APP-022]**, the Applicant undertook a detailed assessment of all land interests that may be affected by the Scheme, drawing on land referencing investigations, environmental assessments and other relevant project information. This assessment was carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008.
CON-038	RR-0408, RR-1591, RR-1923, RR-0019, RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-1867, RR-0961, RR-0936, RR-0019	Respondent states that the Applicant has failed to demonstrate that the extent of land sought is necessary, proportionate, or compliant with the statutory tests under the Planning Act 2008. The land take is therefore unjustified and should not be authorised. The Applicant has not provided adequate justification that the specific land in question is required for the construction,	The Applicant notes the respondent's concerns regarding the extent of land sought. The **Statement of Reasons [APP-020]** sets out that the compulsory acquisition powers sought in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** are necessary to provide sufficient land and rights to construct, operate and decommission the Scheme, and all reasonable alternatives to compulsory acquisition have been explored and where possible secured, for example

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		operation, or maintenance of the proposed cable route. In particular: No engineering evidence has been supplied to demonstrate that the alignment cannot be reasonably adjusted to avoid the landowner's holding. No explanation has been provided as to why alternative corridors—identified in earlier scoping material—were discounted. The Applicant has not demonstrated that the width of the permanent easement or temporary construction corridor is the minimum necessary. The maximum widths have been quoted within Heads of Terms but these are excessive. In the absence of such evidence, the statutory requirement of necessity is not met.	through landowner agreement as evidenced in the **Book of Reference [APP-022]**. As is standard in NSIP solar schemes, the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** includes provision for compulsory acquisition of land and rights, and these powers sought are necessary and proportionate to ensure the deliverability of the Scheme. The environmental considerations and refinement of the CRC is summarised in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]** where the cable route was narrowed from that presented at Statutory Consultation. The refinement of the CRC took into account environmental considerations and technical requirements, whilst keeping the CRC as short and direct as possible. The construction of the cable route has been assessed throughout the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]** with the minimum and maximum parameters set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. This includes parameters for depths and width of cable cables and working corridor width. Construction working methods are

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			described in the **Outline Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216]**. The detailed design and construction of the cable route will be undertaken within the parameters authorised by the DCO. Measures to manage and minimise construction effects are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**.
CON-039	RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-1867, RR-0961, RR-0936, RR-1741, RR-1282, RR-1344	Respondent stated that the proposed cable route imposes a significant and avoidable burden on the landowner's agricultural operations. They stated that the cable route corridor would: • Restrict access for machinery; • Impose long-term constraints on cropping, drainage and land management; • Reduce the economic viability of the farm. Respondent stated that when a route disproportionately impacts a single landholding, the Applicant must provide compelling justification. They	The Applicant notes the concerns raised in respect of impact to the landowners' agricultural operations. As set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 – Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]**, the effects of the Scheme on agricultural land and farming operations have been assessed. There will be temporary impacts within the CRC during installation of the cables. Following installation, the cable trenches would be backfilled, soils reinstated in accordance with the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**, and agricultural use of the land would resume. During construction there would be temporary disruption to farming activities within the CRC. However, the working width is limited

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		stated that this has not been provided.	(see **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Outline Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216]**). The construction methodology has been developed, where reasonably practicable, to maintain access to land on both sides of the corridor, thereby reducing temporary severance effects and enabling farming activities to continue. The Applicant will engage with affected landowners and occupiers regarding access arrangements, the provision of crossing points where necessary, and detailed construction planning to reduce disruption to farming activities in advance of construction works. Any temporary farming business losses because of the works or disruption experienced by affected landowners would be addressed through the statutory compensation framework. The proposed easement will not restrict normal agricultural cultivation practices. With regards to deeper cultivations. This depends on proposed works, noting that for the majority of routine agricultural operations can be undertaken without restriction. Where new field drainage is proposed, or repairs and

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			maintenance to existing drainage systems required, such works will depend on the proximity to the underground apparatus. In these circumstances, the operator's consent may be required to ensure the integrity of the cable is not compromised. Certain activities may also need to be undertaken under the supervision of the operator.
CON-040	RR-1876, RR-0318, RR-1702, RR-1110, RR-1371, RR-1414	Respondent expressed concern that landowners are being forced to sell/lease their land or do not know the extent of the Scheme's impact on their land. One respondent expressed farmers are being paid to stay silent.	The Applicant's intention is to deliver the Scheme through voluntary agreements with affected landowners. The Applicant would like to clarify that the landowners of all Solar PV Sites have voluntarily agreed option agreements. The Applicant remains committed to meaningful engagement with all land interests and wishes to continue discussions regarding Heads of Terms with the respondent and their appointed agent. The Applicant confirms that negotiations are tracked in the **Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [APP-023]**. The Applicant remains committed to securing voluntary agreements wherever possible and will continue to engage constructively with landowners and their appointed advisers throughout the Examination.

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CON-041	RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-1867, RR-0961, RR-0936	Respondent (Durrants on behalf of C G Moore & Sons, P Wright of Great Moulton, Susan & Frank Mahon, Tom & Louise Edwards, John Cole Farms Ltd of Tivetshall, Mr Ellis of Hempnall) stated that the Applicant has not engaged in meaningful consultation with the landowner. Respondent stated that requests for route adjustments, technical justification and mitigation have not been addressed. They stated that the Applicant has been aggressive in their approach to negotiations to acquire the necessary right on a voluntary basis.	The Applicant refutes the allegation of aggressive behaviour with the affected landowners and their appointed agent. The Applicant considers that the Statutory Consultation was undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008, the EIA Regulations, and the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009. This includes publicising the consultation in accordance with Section 47 and Section 48 of the Planning Act 2008. The acceptance of the Applicant's application for Examination by the Planning Inspectorate serves as confirmation that the Applicant has fulfilled its statutory pre-application duties. The Applicant remains committed to meaningful engagement with all land interests and wishes to continue discussions regarding Heads of Terms with the respondents and their appointed agent. The Applicant's engagement with affected landowners and negotiations in respect of land rights are recorded in the **Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [APP-23]**, which demonstrates the ongoing engagement

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			undertaken throughout the pre-application process. The Applicant has sought to secure land required for the Scheme by voluntary agreement. Most recently, the Applicant has proposed another face-to-face Heads of Terms meeting to provide further opportunity for agreements to be reached ahead of Examination. The Applicant remains committed to securing voluntary agreements wherever possible and will continue to engage constructively with landowners and their appointed advisers throughout the Examination.
CON-042	RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-1867, RR-0961, RR-0936	Respondent stated that a voluntary agreement offers the landowner materially greater control over the extent of land taken, the terms of access, the construction methodology, and the level of compensation. It enables the negotiation of protected provisions and bespoke reinstatement obligations that are not available under compulsory acquisition. It also avoids the uncertainty, delay, and	The Applicant remains committed to meaningful engagement with all land interests and wishes to continue discussions regarding Heads of Terms with the respondent and their appointed agent. The Applicant confirms that negotiations are tracked in the **Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [APP-023]**. The Applicant has sought to secure land required for the Scheme by voluntary agreement.

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		adversarial nature of the compulsory acquisition process. For these reasons, entering into a voluntary agreement may be preferable where the landowner can secure terms that adequately protect their interests and mitigate the impacts of the proposed scheme, this has not been possible in respect of the East Pye Scheme.	
CON-043	RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-1867, RR-0961, RR-0936	Respondent stated that the Applicant has not demonstrated that the width of the permanent easement or temporary construction corridor is the minimum necessary. They stated that the maximum widths have been quoted within the Heads of Terms but these are excessive.	The environmental considerations and refinement of the CRC is summarised in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. The construction of the cable route has been assessed throughout the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** with the minimum and maximum parameters set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Outline Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216]**. The detailed design and construction of the cable route will be undertaken within the parameters authorised by the DCO. Measures to manage and minimise construction effects are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**.

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CON-044	RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-1867, RR-0961, RR-0936	Respondent stated that the Applicant seeks a permanent easement and a wide temporary construction corridor, but the following hasn't been supplied: • Engineering drawings (for example, where cable junction boxes will be sited, size frequency etc.) • Safety calculations • Depths of cable • Reinstatement protocols (soil and water management plans are lacking) • Justification for permanent restrictions on cultivation, drainage and structures.	The construction of the cable route has been assessed in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and the proposed management and mitigation measures are secured through various outline management plans **[APP-196 to APP-205]**, including good practice measures in relation to soil handling and management, as secured through **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**. Minimum and maximum parameters are secured in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. The detailed design and construction of the cable route will be undertaken within the parameters authorised by the DCO. Measures to manage and minimise construction effects are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**. Indicative engineering information is provided within the DCO Application, with illustrative cross-sections and layouts included in the **Outline Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216]** at Appendices B (Illustrative Open Cut Trench/Trenchless Crossing Cross Section for 400kV Cables), C (Illustrative Open Cut Trench/Trenchless

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			Crossing Cross Section for 132kV/33kV Cables), D (Illustrative Trenchless Launch/Reception Pit for 400kV Connection) and E (Illustrative Layout of Temporary Construction Compound). The Scheme has been assessed on a Rochdale Envelope basis, which allows detailed engineering design to be developed post-consent. Measures relating to cable installation, reinstatement, soil management and drainage are secured through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline SRMP [APP-204]** and **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213].**
CON-045	RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-1867, RR-0961, RR-0936	Respondent stated that the proposed easement would impose permanent restrictions on the landowner's ability to: • Undertake deep cultivation; • Install or repair drainage; • Erect buildings or structures; • Plant trees or undertake environmental enhancement.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern expressed by the respondents. The Applicant remains committed to meaningful engagement with all land interests and wishes to continue discussions regarding Heads of Terms with the respondents and their appointed agent. The Applicant confirms that negotiations are tracked in the **Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [APP-023]**. The Applicant seeks to minimise disruption to affected farming businesses where

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			practicable and is committed to working with all land interests to achieve this. Where there are any residual impacts on farm businesses, the Applicant will engage with landowners to compensate them through voluntary agreements or the compensation mechanisms available for the use of compulsory acquisition powers. The Applicant is continuing to engage with landowners regarding their businesses and welcomes engagement from the respondent. The CRC is one aspect of the Scheme that requires design flexibility. Decisions are yet to be taken regarding detailed cable routing within the parameters of the CRC. The detailed design and construction of the cable route will be undertaken within the parameters authorised by the DCO. Ongoing engagement with landowners can inform the detailed design stage. Construction works in CRC would be temporary in nature. Once the cable has been laid underground, the land will be reinstated and soils restored to the previous condition, as set out in **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**,

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			allowing for activities such as farming to continue. The proposed easement will not restrict normal agricultural cultivation practices. With regards to deeper cultivations, this depends on proposed works, noting that for the majority of routine agricultural operations can be undertaken without restriction. Where new field drainage is proposed, or repairs and maintenance to existing drainage systems required, such works will depend on the proximity to the underground apparatus. In these circumstances, the operator's consent may be required to ensure the integrity of the cable is not compromised. Certain activities may also need to be undertaken under the supervision of the operator. Restrictions on the construction of new buildings or structures, the planting of trees, and other activities that could damage the apparatus or impede future access within the easement corridor are necessary to protect the underground cable and ensure safe operation, maintenance and repair throughout its operational life. These provisions are

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			standard industry easement restrictions that apply to underground utility infrastructure.
CON-046	RR-0408, RR-1591, RR-1923, RR-0019	Respondent states that the Applicant has not engaged in meaningful consultation with the landowner. Requests for route adjustments, technical justification, and mitigation have not been addressed. This falls short of the standards expected under the Planning Act 2008 and undermines the credibility of the Applicant's case. The Applicant has been aggressive in their approach to negotiations to acquire the necessary right on a voluntary basis. There has been no meaningful attempt at negotiations. The meetings that have been held have been un-constructive and the Applicant`s position has been that we will obtain consent for our scheme and the statutory framework for compensation will prevail and there is no reason for us to exceed the statutory basis. This is not a negotiating position this is a closed position which is difficult for a landowner to comprehend.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern expressed by the respondents. The Applicant remains committed to meaningful engagement with all land interests and wishes to continue discussions regarding Heads of Terms with the respondents and their appointed agent. The Applicant's engagement with affected landowners and negotiations in respect of land rights are recorded in the **Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [APP-023]**, which demonstrates the ongoing engagement undertaken throughout the pre-application process. The Applicant has sought to secure land required for the Scheme by voluntary agreement. Most recently, the Applicant has proposed another face-to-face Heads of Terms meeting to provide further opportunity for agreements to be reached ahead of Examination. The Applicant remains committed to securing voluntary agreements wherever possible and will continue to engage constructively with

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		A voluntary agreement offers the landowner materially greater control over the extent of land taken, the terms of access, the construction methodology, and the level of compensation. It enables the negotiation of protective provisions and bespoke reinstatement obligations that are not available under compulsory acquisition. It also avoids the uncertainty, delay, and adversarial nature of the compulsory acquisition process. For these reasons, entering into a voluntary agreement may be preferable where the landowner can secure terms that adequately protect their interests and mitigate the impacts of the proposed scheme, this has not been possible in respect of the East Pye Scheme.	landowners and their appointed advisers throughout the Examination. Construction works in CRC would be temporary in nature. Once the cable has been laid underground, the land will be reinstated and soils restored to the previous condition, as set out in **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**, allowing for activities such as farming to continue. Further mitigation and management measures are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**.
CON-047	RR-1414, RR-1969, RR-1326	Respondent expressed concern regarding the compulsory purchase of a pavement area need The Street and the side of the War Memorial in Saxlingham Nethergate.	The Applicant can confirm that no part of the registered title of Saxlingham Nethergate War Memorial falls within the Order Limits. Accordingly, no powers of compulsory acquisition or acquisition of rights are sought over are within the scope of the works for the Scheme.

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			As set out in the **Land Plan [APP-006]** (page 5 (sheet 3)) and **the Book of Reference [APP-022]** the only land plots in this location for which rights are sought are Plots 03-001 and 03-002. Both plots are located wholly within adopted highway land. No rights are sought over land outside the adopted highway, including any land forming part of the curtilage of the War Memorial or The Old Rectory, for AIL movements or any other purpose. Whilst the adjacent public highway may be used on occasion for the movement of AILs, any such movements will be carefully planned and managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** to ensure the protection of nearby assets, including the War Memorial and The Old Rectory. Requirements for AIL will be determined through the detailed design process and in consultation with statutory consultees. As part of the management of AIL, the selected hauler must notify the police, highway authorities and bridge owners when planning to transport AILs.

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CON-048	RR-0018, RR-0990, RR-0231	Respondent stated that they are expected, as local landowners, to bear the brunt of disruption and loss without receiving fair benefits or adequate compensation.	The Applicant confirms that option agreements have been entered into with all of the Solar PV Site landowners and negotiations are ongoing with landowners within the CRC and land associated with the works of the overhead lines in Site 1. The Applicant has submitted the **Book of Reference [APP-022]**. This includes persons who may be eligible to claim compensation if the DCO is granted. Under Part 1 of the Land Compensation Act 1973, property owners (Category 3) are eligible to claim compensation for any physical impacts from the operation of the Scheme, such as noise and vibration. However, compensation is not available for loss of value due to visual impacts or diminished views—this is consistent with established planning law. The Applicant will comply with statutory process for any compensation claims submitted and will review and assess each claim in accordance with the relevant legislation under which it is made.
CON-049	RR-0914, RR-0223, RR-1344	Respondent stated that no meaningful discussion has taken place about cable route alignment, working methods or compound and	The Applicant acknowledges the concern expressed by the respondents. The Applicant remains committed to meaningful engagement with all land interests and

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		haul road specifications. Respondent stated that critical information is missing from the Application documents, including cable depth and working corridor width.	wishes to continue discussions regarding Heads of Terms with the respondents and their appointed agent. The Applicant's engagement with affected landowners and negotiations in respect of land rights are recorded in the **Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [APP-023]**, which demonstrates the ongoing engagement undertaken throughout the pre-application process. The construction of the cable route has been assessed throughout the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** with the minimum and maximum parameters set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. This includes parameters for depths and width of cable cables and working corridor width. Construction working methods are described in the **Outline Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216]**.
CON-050	RR-0539, RR-0654	Respondent asked how they will receive compensation as a Category 3 person.	The **Book of Reference [APP-022]** includes persons who may be eligible to claim compensation if the DCO is granted and the Scheme developed. Under Part 1 of the Land Compensation Act 1973, qualifying property owners may be entitled to claim compensation for depreciation in the value of

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			their interest in land resulting from physical factors caused by the use of the Scheme, including noise, vibration, fumes, smoke, artificial lighting and the discharge of substances. However, compensation is not available for loss of value due to visual impacts or diminished views. This is consistent with established planning law. The Applicant will comply with statutory process for any compensation claims submitted and will review and assess each claim in accordance with the relevant legislation under which it is made.
CON-051	RR-0949, RR-0758	Respondent stated that the Applicant has already shown contempt for the local countryside by allowing their early planning notices to litter fields around Busseys Loke.	As set out in Chapter 7 of the **Statement of Reasons [APP-020]**, all notices erected by the Applicant were monitored on a weekly basis for a defined period to ensure that they remained in place. Where notices were found to be damaged or missing, replacement notices were erected. At the end of the monitoring period, notices were removed and appropriately disposed of. Where notices were identified as missing, reasonable efforts were made to locate and recover them through searches of both the

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			immediate vicinity and the wider surrounding area. The Applicant is satisfied that it has fulfilled all relevant statutory requirements and adhered to the process described in the **Statement of Reasons [APP-020]**. Nevertheless, it acknowledges that there may have been isolated instances where notices could not be recovered due to factors beyond the Applicant's control, such as adverse weather conditions or third-party interference. In such circumstances, the Applicant considers that all reasonable steps were taken to recover the notices and minimise any unintended littering or environmental impacts.
CON-052	RR-0268, RR-1344	Respondent expressed concern that their land has been included within the Book of Reference, but no direct notification received from by the Scheme or agents.	The Applicant acknowledges that the respondents' interests have been included within the **Book of Reference [APP-022]** under Plots 13-004 and 02-039. The extent of this can be found within the **Land Plan [APP-006]** (page 4 (sheet 2) and page 15 (sheet 13)). The Applicant notes that correspondence has been issued to the respondent's address regarding their land interest and the Scheme. The Applicant remains committed to meaningful engagement with all land interests. The Applicant confirms that

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			negotiations are tracked in the **Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [APP-023]**.
CON-053	RR-1383, RR-1515	Respondent stated that their property is marked in blue on the Lands Plan but no one has explained what they want from their home or garden.	The Applicant has reviewed the ownership extent for the respondent's land interest. Whilst the land interest is unregistered and the exact extent is yet to be confirmed by the respondent, there is no inclusion of the land interest within the Order Limits of the Scheme. The Applicant considers there may be a misunderstanding in relation to the adjacent land plot, Plot 09-021, which the respondent is included against within Part 1 of the **Book of Reference [APP-022]** as an adjoining landowner to the public highway and may hold interests in the subsoil beneath the highway. These interests relate solely to subsoil rights and do not affect the ownership or occupation of homes, gardens or buildings, as clarified in the Applicant's letter of 24 July 2025.
CON-054	RR-1312, RR-0296	Respondent reported that their property is not in the Book of Reference with a category 3 status. Respondent noted they previously asked the Applicant to include their	The Applicant acknowledges the request from the respondent to be identified as a Category 3 interest as part of the Scheme. However, in preparing the **Book of Reference [APP-022]**, the Applicant undertook a comprehensive

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		property and now request that this is done.	assessment to identify all potential land interests affected by the Scheme. This assessment was informed by the Applicant's land referencing investigations, environmental assessments and other relevant project information, and was undertaken in accordance with the Planning Act 2008. Following completion of this assessment, the respondent was not identified as meeting the statutory definition of a Category 3 interest. Accordingly, the respondent has not been included within the **Book of Reference [APP-022]** as a Category 3 party. The Applicant remains satisfied that the Book of Reference accurately identifies those persons who, based on the evidence available, meet the relevant statutory criteria.
CON-055	RR-0463, RR-0161	Respondent would like to register an interest on the plot recorded as Unregistered 622. This is their late father's property (Redacted) (Redacted)(Redacted). As his eldest daughter, and executive of his will, the Respondent would like more information on the planned	The Applicant encourages the respondent to contact the Applicant to clarify the nature and extent of any interest that may hold in Unregistered Plot 622. The Applicant can confirm that this plot is not within the Order Limits but plot number 03-006, as set out in the **Land Plan [APP-006]** (page 5 (sheet 3)), is an adjoining public highway plot and therefore the respondent may hold interests in the subsoil beneath the highway. These

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		proposals and how this will impact the land and property Respondent queried why they have not been contacted by the Applicant / land agents. Respondent understands there is a CPO for the land and asked how this will impact the property's value.	interests relate solely to subsoil rights and do not affect the ownership or occupation of homes, gardens or buildings. During the pre-application stage, the Applicant undertook diligent inquiry, as required by Section 57 of the Planning Act 2008 to identify owners of any unregistered land that may be affected by the proposals. While "diligent inquiry" is not defined within the Planning Act 2008, the Applicant followed established practice through the use of Unknown Landowner Site Notices, inviting any persons with a land interest to contact the Applicant so that their interests could be recorded and reflected within the **Book of Reference [APP-022]**. The Applicant notes the concerns around the impacts on property prices and confirms that this is not a matter for the EIA. There is a lack of empirical evidence to suggest that solar farms result in significant long-term adverse effects on property values. While there have been studies from the USA and Netherlands, they indicate that external factors, such as broader property market trends, macroeconomic conditions, and the

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			quality of local services, are more influential drivers of property price fluctuations. Furthermore, the Applicant points to the need to differentiate between potential short-term impacts on property saleability i.e. during the construction peak and the maintained long-term value once the Scheme is operational and the planned landscape mitigation has matured.
CON-056	RR-0463, RR-0161	Respondent further reported that they only became aware of the CPO on Saturday 6th June when a neighbour knocked on the door to tell them. The only information the respondent could find was a notice on a stake in the village (unspecified), about a mile away from the house. As such, the respondent has not had time to understand what this means for them at this stage. Respondent stated that they do suspect they will be unable to sell the property as planned. Respondent stated they will need legal advice on how to move forward.	The Applicant considers that the statutory consultation was undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008, the EIA Regulations, and the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009. This includes publicising the consultation in accordance with Section 47 and Section 48 of the Planning Act 2008. The acceptance of the Applicant's application for Examination by the Planning Inspectorate serves as confirmation that the Applicant has fulfilled its statutory pre-application duties. This process is set out in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**. The Applicant determined a Core Consultation Zone to which consultation information leaflets were mailed to. The respondent can find further details on
CON-057	RR-0147, RR-1995	Respondent expressed several planning notices have been posted in locations where the persons affected	

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		by them are unlikely to see them or, if they did, would not regard them as relating to their property. The implication is that these are deliberate attempts to deny the property owner the right to contest the applications. This should be investigated and, if doubts exist, the procedure should be correctly reapplied in all instances.	how the Applicant determined the Core Consultation Zone in Chapter 6-7 of the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**. The Applicant also sought to consult with those beyond the Core Consultation Zone and raised awareness of the consultation in the following ways: • Directly notifying any individual who has registered to receive information about the Scheme, including those who have expressed concern or opposition to the proposals; • Published a Section 48 notice in the local and national press and London Gazette; • Advertised the consultation in local media outlets reaching audiences beyond the Core Consultation Zone; and • Published consultation materials so they are available to view online. The Applicant maintained a series of free to-use communication channels (phone, post and email) throughout the pre-application period. These channels were publicised

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			throughout the Applicant's literature (such as newspaper adverts and press releases, on the project website, and on literature including leaflets and posters). The Applicant welcomed enquiries and feedback from any Interested Party through these channels. The Applicant does not intend to seek compulsory acquisition powers for any homes, gardens and buildings and that this has never formed part of the proposal. The scope of the powers sought on the **Land Plan [APP-006]** shows that powers for compulsorily acquiring land or rights do not extend to such matters. In addition, Article 31(2) makes it expressly clear that the general power of temporary possession under the DCO does not authorise the undertaker to take temporary possession of any house or garden belonging to a house; or any building (other than a house) if it is for the time being occupied.
CON-058	RR-0914, RR-0223	Respondent stated that the refusal to cover reasonable agent fees undermines proper participation.	The Applicant's approach to the reimbursement of professional fees has been communicated to affected landowners and their appointed representatives throughout the pre-application process. In developing

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			that approach, the Applicant has had regard to the principles set out in the RICS professional standard Surveyors Advising in Respect of Compulsory Purchase and Statutory Compensation (2nd edition, September 2024). Whilst the Compensation Code provides for the recovery of reasonable professional fees in prescribed circumstances where compulsory acquisition powers are exercised, the Applicant has nevertheless made proposals to reimburse professional fees incurred during the negotiation of voluntary agreements. This reflects the Applicant's commitment to securing voluntary agreements wherever possible.
CON-059	RR-0914, RR-0223	Respondent stated that their client remains willing to engage but requires urgent, meaningful engagement to resolve these matters and progress a legally binding voluntary agreement.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern expressed by the respondents. The Applicant remains committed to meaningful engagement with all land interests and wishes to continue discussions regarding Heads of Terms with the respondent and their appointed agent. The Applicant's engagement with affected landowners and negotiations in respect of land rights are recorded in the **Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [APP-023]**, which
CON-060	RR-0272	Respondent (Ceres Property LLP) expressed concern that Scheme has not engaged with landowner (not specified) in a meaningful way.	

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			demonstrates the ongoing engagement undertaken throughout the pre-application process. The Applicant has sought to secure land required for the Scheme by voluntary agreement. Most recently, the Applicant has proposed another face-to-face Heads of Terms meeting to provide further opportunity for agreements to be reached ahead of Examination. The Applicant remains committed to securing voluntary agreements wherever possible and will continue to engage constructively with landowners and their appointed advisers throughout the Examination.
CON-061	RR-1414	Respondent expressed concern regarding the compulsory purchase of a whole private house and associated garden area 'Pisces'. They stated that the owners were not aware of this and the site notice itself was hidden from view.	The Applicant does not intend to seek compulsory acquisition powers for any homes, gardens and buildings and that this has never formed part of the proposal. The scope of the powers sought on the **Land Plan [APP-006]** shows that powers for compulsorily acquiring land or rights do not extend to such matters. In addition, Article 31(2) makes it expressly clear that the general power of temporary

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			possession under the DCO does not authorise the undertaker to take temporary possession of any house or garden belonging to a house; or any building (other than a house) if it is for the time being occupied. The Applicant notes that the respondent has contacted the Applicant on this matter.
CON-062	RR-0373	Respondent expressed that some members of the community only recently discovered that their homes could be compulsory purchased.	The Applicant does not intend to seek compulsory acquisition powers for any homes, gardens and buildings and that this has never formed part of the proposal. The scope of the powers sought on the **Land Plan [APP-006]** shows that powers for compulsorily acquiring land or rights do not extend to such matters. In addition, Article 31(2) makes it expressly clear that the general power of temporary possession under the DCO does not authorise the undertaker to take temporary possession of any house or garden belonging to a house; or any building (other than a house) if it is for the time being occupied.
CON-063	RR-0279	Respondent stated they are a category 1 interest, with the land materially increasing their concern	There are a number of land interests identified under the ad medium filum presumption. The ad medium filum

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		regarding the direct and permanent impacts of the proposed works.	presumption is a legal presumption that, where land abuts an unregistered road, the ownership of the adjoining land may extend to subsoil beneath to the centre line of the road. In certain cases, adjoining landowners have been included within plots covering the public highway in Part 1 of the **Book of Reference [APP-022]** because they may hold interests in the subsoil beneath the highway. The respondent's interests relate solely to Plot 03-012 as set out in the **Land Plan [APP-006]** (page 5 (sheet 3)) which are subsoil rights and do not affect the ownership or occupation of homes, gardens or buildings, as clarified in the Applicant's letter of 24 July 2025. The respondent's potential interest in the subsoil rights would be affected by a temporary mitigation works for Abnormal Indivisible Load (AIL) movements along Church Lane as set out in the **Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan [APP-201]** (page 20).
CON-064	RR-1276	Respondent stated that part of their land is in the Book of Reference and is required as part of the Scheme, but they have not received any	The Applicant acknowledges that the respondents' interests have been included within the **Book of Reference [APP-022]** (Plot 13-004). The extent of this can be found within the **Land Plan [APP-006]** (page 15

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		notification or contact about this. [Site 5]	(sheet 13)). The Applicant notes that correspondence has been issued to the respondent's address regarding their land interest and the Scheme. The Applicant confirms that the land is currently identified in connection with proposed hedgerow management. Engagement regarding the specific rights required and the form of any voluntary agreement will be progressed with the respondent in due course.
CON-065	RR-0621	Respondent stated their family home has been identified as potential for compulsory purchase, which is unreasonable because one of the residents has disabilities and will be unable to move.	There are a number of land interests identified under the ad medium filum presumption. The ad medium filum presumption is a legal presumption that, where land abuts an unregistered road, the ownership of the adjoining land may extend to subsoil beneath to the centre line of the road. In certain cases, adjoining landowners have been included within plots covering the public highway in Part 1 of the **Book of Reference [APP-022]** because they may hold interests in the subsoil beneath the highway. The respondent's interests relate solely to Plot 15-022 as set out in the **Land Plan [APP-006]** (page 17 (sheet 15)) which are

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			subsoil rights and do not affect the ownership or occupation of homes, gardens or buildings, as clarified in the Applicant's letter of 24 July 2025. The Applicant does not intend to seek compulsory acquisition powers for any homes, gardens and buildings and that this has never formed part of the proposal. The scope of the powers sought on the **Land Plan [APP-006]** shows that powers for compulsorily acquiring land or rights do not extend to such matters. In addition, Article 31(2) makes it expressly clear that the general power of temporary possession under the DCO does not authorise the undertaker to take temporary possession of any house or garden belonging to a house; or any building (other than a house) if it is for the time being occupied.
CON-066	RR-1127	Respondent expressed concern that their property (adjacent to Site 7) will be compulsory purchased.	The Applicant does not intend to seek compulsory acquisition powers for any homes, gardens and buildings and that this has never formed part of the proposal. The scope of the powers sought on the **Land Plan [APP-006]** shows that powers for

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			compulsorily acquiring land or rights do not extend to such matters. In addition, Article 31(2) makes it expressly clear that the general power of temporary possession under the DCO does not authorise the undertaker to take temporary possession of any house or garden belonging to a house; or any building (other than a house) if it is for the time being occupied.
CON-067	RR-0601	Respondent stated that because of the narrowing and bending of the road through Saxlingham Nethergate extensive removal of hedges and tree work will be required impinging on private property, but there has been no notification to or discussion with the affected owners.	The Applicant acknowledges the respondents concern regarding vegetation removal for construction access and highway visibility splays. The Applicant refers the respondent to Plot 03-001 as set out in the **Land Plan [APP-006]** (page 5 (sheet 3)). The Applicant wishes to reassure the respondent that these plots are wholly within the adopted highway and do not impact private property. Saxlingham Nethergate will not be used for general construction HGV traffic and the only construction traffic expected will be for the movement of AILs. For visibility splay for vehicles and highway works associated with AIL movements, vegetation may be required to be trimmed and, in some cases, vegetation

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			removed when absolutely necessary to maintain the required sight lines for safety and to accommodate oversail. Site access, visibility splays and swept-path analysis is detailed in Appendix C of **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 -Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]**.
CON-068	RR-0541	Respondent stated that, despite land outside their drive being subject to a CPO, they have not been contacted by IGP or their "aggressive" land agents.	The Applicant does not intend to seek compulsory acquisition powers for any homes, gardens and buildings and that this has never formed part of the proposal. The scope of the powers sought on the **Land Plan [APP-006]** shows that powers for compulsorily acquiring land or rights do not extend to such matters. In addition, Article 31(2) makes it expressly clear that the general power of temporary possession under the DCO does not authorise the undertaker to take temporary possession of any house or garden belonging to a house; or any building (other than a house) if it is for the time being occupied.
CON-069	RR-0427	Respondent expressed concern that to enable the Saxlingham Nethergate construction traffic route, Grade I and	The Applicant can confirm that no part of the registered title of Saxlingham Nethergate War Memorial falls within the Order Limits. Accordingly, no powers of compulsory

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		II listed buildings are to be purchased via CPOs.	acquisition or acquisition of rights are sought over are within the scope of the proposed development works.
CON-070	RR-0246	Respondent stated that the proposals could potentially adversely affect their rights of access over their adjacent field which allows access to one of their property gates, as agreed via a paid easement over landowner by the neighbouring landowner within the Scheme Order Limits. They are concerned that impacts described in the Application as temporary may in practice continue for prolonged periods due to the scale and sequencing of the construction works and the possibility of repeated or recurring disruption.	The Applicant acknowledges the respondents concern over the potential impact of the Scheme on their private right of access. The Applicant would welcome the opportunity to discuss this matter further and encourages the respondent to contact the Applicant to confirm the nature and extent of their interest in the land.
CON-071	RR-0671	Respondent noted they act for a number of clients who are directly and indirectly impacted by the proposal. In particular in respect of cables which are planned to be installed in their land. We will be making representations on behalf of	The Applicant acknowledges the concern expressed by the respondent. The Applicant remains committed to meaningful engagement with all land interests and wishes to continue discussions regarding Heads of Terms with the respondents and their appointed agent. The Applicant's engagement with affected landowners and negotiations in respect of land rights are

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		landowners as part of the examination process.	recorded in the **Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [APP-023]**, which demonstrates the ongoing engagement undertaken throughout the pre-application process. The Applicant has sought to secure land required for the Scheme by voluntary agreement. Most recently, the Applicant has proposed another face-to-face Heads of Terms meeting to provide further opportunity for agreements to be reached ahead of Examination. The Applicant remains committed to securing voluntary agreements wherever possible and will continue to engage constructively with landowners and their appointed advisers throughout the Examination.
CON-072	RR-1261	Respondent states that their house has now been included in the scope of the Scheme but instead of being contacted directly they were notified by a sign installed 500 yards from their property in an accessible location which is of concern particularly because they have mobility issues.	The Applicant understands the respondent's land interest is unregistered and the full extent of the Title is unknown. However, the Applicant can confirm that there is no inclusion of this unregistered land interest within the Order Limits. The Applicant notes that correspondence has been issued to the respondent's address regarding their land interest and the Scheme.

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			As set out in the **Land Plan [APP-006]** (page 17 (sheet 15)) and the **Book of Reference [APP-022]** the only land plot in this location for which rights are sought is Plot 15-022. This plot is located wholly within adopted highway land. No rights are sought over land outside the adopted highway, and this is intended for AIL movements.
CON-073	RR-0221	Respondent expressed concern for acquisition powers for a strip of historic woodland in Spring Lane.	The Applicant can confirm that the access route through Spring Wood Ancient Woodland, which was previously included within Site 3 during the Statutory Consultation, has been removed from the Order Limits. This amendment is reflected in the **Land Plan [APP-006]** (page 14, Sheet 12).
CON-074	RR-0656	Respondent expressed concern that their property (adjacent to Site 5) has been partly included in the Book of Reference, but they have not received direct notification from the Scheme.	The Applicant has been unable to investigate the circumstances of this Relevant Representation in detail due to the absence of sufficient identifying information and is therefore unable to comment on the respondent's specific case. Notwithstanding this, under Section 44 of the Planning Act 2008, the Applicant has a duty to consult, following diligent inquiry, all persons who fall within one or more of the categories set out in that section. The Applicant considers that all

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			persons identified within those categories were provided with direct notification of the Scheme prior to the submission of the DCO Application. The Applicant further considers that the diligent inquiry process undertaken, as described in Chapter 7 of the **Statement of Reasons [APP-020]**, was sufficient to satisfy the requirements of Section 44 of the Planning Act 2008. The Applicant acknowledges that there has been some misunderstanding regarding the potential use of compulsory acquisition powers in relation to residential properties. To address this, the Applicant issued a letter to affected properties on 24 July 2025, providing further clarification on the matter. The letter confirmed that the Applicant does not intend to seek compulsory acquisition powers over any homes, gardens or residential buildings, and that such powers have never formed part of the Scheme. The Applicant also considers that there may be some misunderstanding regarding land interests identified under the ad medium filum presumption. In certain cases, adjoining landowners have been included within plots covering the public highway in Part 1 of the

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			Book of Reference [APP-022] because they may hold interests in the subsoil beneath the highway. These interests relate solely to subsoil rights and do not affect the ownership or occupation of homes, gardens or buildings, as clarified in the Applicant's letter of 24 July 2025.
CON-075	RR-1210	Respondent stated that the cable route will go over 200 acres of their land which would affect day to day working on their farm and make some of the land unviable to farm.	The Applicant notes the concerns raised in respect of impacts to the landowners' agricultural operations. As set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 – Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051],** the effects of the Scheme on agricultural land and farming operations have been assessed. There will be temporary impacts during installation of the cable. Following installation, the cable trenches would be backfilled, soils reinstated in accordance with **the Outline SRMP [APP-204]**, and agricultural use of the land would resume. Construction works in CRC would be temporary in nature. Once the cable has been laid underground, the land will be reinstated and soils restored to the previous condition (as set out in **Outline SRMP [APP-204])**,

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			allowing for activities such as farming to continue. The Applicant will engage with affected landowners and occupiers regarding access arrangements, the provision of crossing points where necessary, and detailed construction planning to reduce disruption to farming activities in advance of construction works. Any temporary farming business losses as a result of the works or disruption experienced by affected landowners would be addressed through the statutory compensation framework. The construction of the cable route has been assessed throughout the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** with the minimum and maximum parameters set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. This includes parameters for depths and width of cable cables and working corridor width. Construction working methods are described in the **Outline Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216]**.
CON-076	RR-0914	Respondent stated that the Scheme will affect their client's tourism business (including a maize maze,	The Applicant acknowledges the respondent's concerns regarding the potential

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		pumpkin patch and play facilities). No mitigation or safeguarding has been discussed.	effects of the Scheme on their client tourism business. Throughout the development of the Scheme, the Applicant has sought to engage openly and constructively with local communities, providing opportunities for businesses to express their views and raise concerns through consultation events, community engagement activities and ongoing communication channels. The Applicant remains committed to engaging respectfully with affected communities and to considering issues raised throughout the Examination process.
CON-077	RR-1210	Respondent stated that the planning for the Cable Route Corridor has not involved landowners at all and are placed for convenience of the construction company and not for the landowner.	The construction of the cable route has been assessed throughout the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** with the minimum and maximum parameters set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. This includes parameters for depths and width of cable cables and working corridor width. Construction working methods are described in the **Outline Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216]**. The detailed design and construction of the cable route will be undertaken within the

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			parameters authorised by the DCO. Measures to manage and minimise construction effects are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline SRMP [APP-2024]**. The Applicant acknowledges the concern expressed by the respondents. The Applicant remains committed to meaningful engagement with all land interests and wishes to continue discussions regarding Heads of Terms with the respondents and their appointed agent. The Applicant's engagement with affected landowners and negotiations in respect of land rights are recorded in the **Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [APP-23]**, which demonstrates the ongoing engagement undertaken throughout the pre-application process.
CON-078	RR-1978	Respondent noted they are working for a large number of landowners' who are being pressurised into signing terms for an option for an electricity cable through their land. So far the developer, Island Green, and their agents, Dalcour Maclaren, have not been the easiest to engage with. I	The Applicant acknowledges the concern expressed by the respondent. The Applicant remains committed to meaningful engagement with all land interests and wishes to continue discussions regarding Heads of Terms with the respondent. The Applicant's engagement with affected landowners and negotiations in respect of

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		have clients who feel they are being pressurised into agreeing to grant options for cables through their land without due time to consider or without exposing themselves to potentially abortive professional fees to take proper advice. We have been trying to agree terms direct with Island Green yet whilst this is happening their agents persist in contacting landowners directly (even when they know they have appointed an agent), and applying pressure to them to agree when they know their agent is discussing the matter with the developer.	land rights are recorded in the **Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [APP-023]**, which demonstrates the ongoing engagement undertaken throughout the pre-application process. The Applicant has sought to secure land required for the Scheme by voluntary agreement. Most recently, the Applicant has proposed another face-to-face Heads of Terms meeting to provide further opportunity for agreements to be reached ahead of Examination. Where landowners have appointed professional advisers, the Applicant's has been engaging through those advisers. However, the Applicant has also communicated directly with affected landowners on matters such as project updates and to offer meetings to ensure landowners remain informed throughout the process. The Applicant's approach to the reimbursement of professional fees has been communicated to affected landowners and their appointed representatives throughout the pre-application process. In developing

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			that approach, the Applicant has had regard to the principles set out in the RICS professional standard Surveyors Advising in Respect of Compulsory Purchase and Statutory Compensation (2nd edition, September 2024). The Applicant remains committed to meeting reasonable professional fees in accordance with the agreed arrangements and continues to engage with the Respondent in an effort to conclude Heads of Terms. The Applicant welcomes continued engagement from the Respondent.
CON-079	RR-1594	Respondent stated that the cable route will cut their farm in two, rendering half their land inaccessible and threatening their shop and restaurant.	The Applicant notes the respondent's concern that the proposed cable route for the project will bisect their farm. Construction works in CRC would be temporary in nature. Once the cable has been laid underground, the land will be reinstated and soils restored to the previous condition (as set out in **Outline SRMP [APP-204]).** Re-instatement of soils disturbed by cable installation should occur as soon as reasonably possible after the installation of the cables. Reinstatement will be described further in the detailed SRMP which is

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			controlled by DCO Requirement 18 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. During construction there would be temporary disruption to farming activities within the CRC. However, the working width is limited and construction methodology has been developed, where reasonably practicable, to maintain access to land on both sides of the corridor, thereby reducing temporary severance effects and enabling farming activities to continue. The Applicant will engage with affected landowners and occupiers regarding access arrangements, the provision of crossing points where necessary, and detailed construction planning to reduce disruption to farming activities in advance of construction works. Any temporary farming business losses as a result of the works or disruption experienced by affected landowners would be addressed through the statutory compensation framework. The Applicant met with the respondent in early 2026 to discuss these impacts and remains committed to working with the

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			respondent to minimise disruption and would welcome a further meeting in person.
CON-080	RR-0951	Respondent stated that there has been no consultation between them and IGP or their representatives as to the route this cable should take. It will go through the centre of their land, causing great disruption to their arable crop planning and fodder provision of their 200 herd of Pedigree Holsteins, Pedigree Jerseys and beef animals, noting the movement, feeding and husbandry for the 200 plus animals on the farm.	The Applicant acknowledges the concerns raised by the respondent regarding the proposed cable route across their land. The Applicant has engaged directly with the respondent and met with them in person in 2025 to discuss the Scheme. Since that meeting, the Applicant has continued engaging through the respondent's appointed agent regarding the proposed Heads of Terms for cable routing. The Applicant recognises the respondent's concerns regarding the potential impact of the proposed cable corridor on their farming operations. The Applicant notes that the proposed Heads of Terms include provisions for compensation in respect of the rights sought and any losses arising from the construction and operation of the cable route. Construction works in CRC would be temporary in nature. Once the cable has been laid underground, the land will be reinstated and soils restored to the previous condition (as set out in **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**),

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			allowing for activities such as farming to continue. The Applicant will engage with affected landowners and occupiers regarding access arrangements, the provision of crossing points where necessary, and detailed construction planning to reduce disruption to farming activities in advance of construction works. Any temporary farming business losses as a result of the works or disruption experienced by affected landowners would be addressed through the statutory compensation framework.

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APL-001	RR-0722, RR-0487, RR-1592, RR-0290, RR-1526, RR-1174, RR-0148, RR-0644, RR-1184, RR-1567, RR-1470, RR-1589, RR-1180, RR-1553, RR-1881, RR-0746, RR-0585, RR-1908, RR-0910, RR-1602, RR-0799, RR-0583, RR-0763, RR-1294, RR-1349, RR-1841, RR-0751, RR-1500, RR-1233, RR-0643, RR-1900, RR-0871, RR-1798, RR-1690, RR-1853, RR-1332, RR-0322, RR-1007, RR-2029, RR-1962, RR-0666, RR-0571, RR-1843, RR-0602, RR-1460, RR-0999, RR-1130, RR-0469, RR-0064, RR-1450, RR-1626, RR-1508, RR-1660, RR-1535, RR-0403, RR-1827, RR-0070, RR-0790, RR-0256, RR-0659, RR-1206, RR-1273, RR-0079, RR-1572, RR-0854, RR-1646, RR-1608, RR-0270, RR-0366,	Respondents objected to and/or oppose the Scheme.	The Applicant's **Statement of Need [APP-206]** provides evidence that an unprecedented capacity of new low-carbon generation schemes is urgently needed for the UK to meet its legally binding climate change targets. The Government has confirmed that solar energy is at the heart of the Clean Power 2030 Mission (NPS EN-3 (2025) Paras 2.10.1 and 2.10.2). The **Statement of Need [APP-206]** confirms that the need for the Scheme is urgent and that substantial weight should be given to the need in accordance with NPS EN-1 (2025) Para 3.2.8-3.2.9. The proposed management and mitigation measures set out in the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]** are comprehensive and robust and the Scheme aligns with national and local planning policy; this is outlined in

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	RR-0377, RR-0811, RR-0013, RR-0841, RR-1624, RR-0357, RR-0207, RR-1172, RR-0632, RR-1614, RR-1555, RR-0151, RR-0044, RR-1617, RR-0727, RR-1127, RR-1810, RR-1495, RR-2024, RR-0891, RR-0401, RR-1347, RR-1905, RR-0300, RR-1585, RR-0515, RR-1009, RR-1696, RR-1691, RR-1350, RR-1365, RR-1216, RR-1548, RR-1879, RR-0530, RR-0863, RR-1071, RR-1309, RR-1183, RR-0646, RR-1411, RR-0808, RR-0018, RR-0372, RR-0641, RR-1609, RR-0184, RR-0381, RR-0816, RR-0685, RR-1217, RR-1046, RR-1655, RR-0493, RR-0520, RR-0827, RR-0545, RR-1284, RR-1179, RR-0934, RR-0136, RR-0495, RR-0385, RR-1800, RR-1020, RR-1815, RR-0837, RR-1528, RR-1551, RR-1497, RR-1662, RR-1318, RR-1270, RR-1195, RR-0084, RR-0806, RR-1163, RR-1106, RR-0561, RR-1834, RR-1438, RR-0884, RR-1619, RR-1260,		the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** and **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]**. The Applicant considers that the Scheme is in accordance with national energy policy, national planning policy, and any relevant development plan when considered as a whole. In the event of a conflict between the development plan and the NPS, the NPS prevails for the purpose of the Secretary of State decision making given the national significance of the Scheme.

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	RR-0314, RR-0500, RR-1757, RR-1045, RR-1439, RR-1968, RR-1580, RR-0826, RR-0648, RR-0404, RR-0213, RR-0304, RR-0511, RR-0138, RR-0774, RR-0897, RR-1025, RR-0980, RR-1078, RR-0266, RR-0082, RR-0299, RR-0016, RR-0374, RR-1836, RR-1104, RR-1467, RR-0351, RR-0693, RR-1150, RR-1709, RR-0327, RR-1228, RR-1458, RR-0310, RR-1679, RR-1631, RR-1584, RR-0639, RR-0544, RR-1538, RR-1285, RR-0920, RR-1773, RR-0076, RR-0821, RR-0448, RR-0036, RR-1702, RR-0375, RR-1110, RR-1681, RR-0130, RR-1727, RR-1970, RR-0378, RR-0680, RR-0291, RR-0779, RR-1384, RR-0518, RR-0747, RR-1539, RR-0429, RR-0572, RR-0615, RR-1503, RR-0572, RR-0757, RR-0569, RR-0788, RR-0323, RR-1140, RR-1443, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-0257, RR-1507, RR-0233, RR-0230, RR-0601, RR-1097, RR-1171, RR-0541,		

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	RR-2032, RR-1732, RR-1885, RR-0301, RR-1389, RR-0004, RR-0115, RR-1783, RR-0338, RR-1595, RR-1147, RR-1543, RR-0959, RR-0507, RR-0905, RR-1794, RR-0903, RR-0467, RR-0218, RR-0877, RR-1854, RR-1223, RR-0888, RR-0340, RR-1317, RR-1787, RR-1371, RR-0725, RR-1169, RR-1327, RR-0822, RR-1304, RR-1039, RR-1791, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1131, RR-1299, RR-0356, RR-0254, RR-1083, RR-1948, RR-0228, RR-1707, RR-0468, RR-1287, RR-1552, RR-0066, RR-1251, RR-1159, RR-0791, RR-1715, RR-1717, RR-0214, RR-0745, RR-1006, RR-1577, RR-1289, RR-1245, RR-0567, RR-0929, RR-1976, RR-1563, RR-0929, RR-1243, RR-1123, RR-0170, RR-0041, RR-0708, RR-1603, RR-1288, RR-1114, RR-1581, RR-1868, RR-1672, RR-1817, RR-1774, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-1540, RR-0140, RR-0626,		

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	RR-0610, RR-1688, RR-1055, RR-1363, RR-0696, RR-1432, RR-0342, RR-0104, RR-2030, RR-0144, RR-0094, RR-1648, RR-1857, RR-1472, RR-1816, RR-0902, RR-1021, RR-2020, RR-1175, RR-1649, RR-0264, RR-0973, RR-1261, RR-1001, RR-1138, RR-1837, RR-1235, RR-1375, RR-1560, RR-1833, RR-0925, RR-1897, RR-1716, RR-1436, RR-1310, RR-1168, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-0248, RR-1733, RR-1858, RR-1788, RR-0573, RR-0780, RR-0309, RR-1338, RR-0502, RR-0711, RR-1750, RR-1990, RR-1278, RR-0872, RR-1398, RR-0521, RR-1069, RR-1712, RR-0574, RR-0150, RR-1215, RR-0765, RR-2025, RR-1426, RR-0558, RR-0445, RR-0908, RR-0795, RR-1201, RR-0135, RR-0695, RR-0339, RR-0203, RR-0317, RR-1205, RR-0071, RR-0649, RR-1683, RR-1531, RR-1975, RR-1293, RR-1969, RR-1355, RR-1558, RR-0506, RR-0433,		

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	RR-1214, RR-0975, RR-0668, RR-1469, RR-0514, RR-1963, RR-0332, RR-0006, RR-1801, RR-0697, RR-0698, RR-1799, RR-0492, RR-0552, RR-0315, RR-1326, RR-1052, RR-0937, RR-0682, RR-0450, RR-0237, RR-1943, RR-1596, RR-0775, RR-1958, RR-1286, RR-0343, RR-1108, RR-0497, RR-1077, RR-0458, RR-1474, RR-0658, RR-0235, RR-0616, RR-0702, RR-1121, RR-0003, RR-0277, RR-1987, RR-0631, RR-1154, RR-1070, RR-0656, RR-0996, RR-0964, RR-0463, RR-0161, RR-1753, RR-0021, RR-1312, RR-1256, RR-1262, RR-1178, RR-0186, RR-1965, RR-1964, RR-1392, RR-0660, RR-1396, RR-1000, RR-0819, RR-0478, RR-0819, RR-1557, RR-1668, RR-0424, RR-1950, RR-1847, RR-1693, RR-1953, RR-0721, RR-1953, RR-0744, RR-0188, RR-1275, RR-0101, RR-0032, RR-0371, RR-0917, RR-0473, RR-0592, RR-0687, RR-1093,		

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	RR-1424, RR-1049, RR-1226, RR-0527, RR-0484, RR-1946, RR-0737, RR-1308, RR-1484, RR-1421, RR-0981, RR-0345, RR-0581, RR-0283, RR-1187, RR-1645, RR-0464, RR-1493, RR-1597, RR-1860, RR-1427, RR-0883, RR-0733, RR-1569, RR-1098, RR-0245, RR-1703, RR-1124, RR-2031, RR-0091, RR-1637, RR-0242, RR-0406, RR-0225, RR-0204, RR-0726, RR-0842, RR-0373, RR-1378, RR-0275, RR-1388, RR-0263, RR-0608, RR-0197, RR-0298, RR-1099, RR-0060, RR-1689, RR-0175, RR-1298, RR-1323, RR-1776, RR-1670, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-0280, RR-0296, RR-0848, RR-0454, RR-0158, RR-0065, RR-1207, RR-0449, RR-0134, RR-0885, RR-1247, RR-1627, RR-0568, RR-1808, RR-1139, RR-1519, RR-1871, RR-1599, RR-0259, RR-2011, RR-1896, RR-1017, RR-0332, RR-0442, RR-0450, RR-1549, RR-1004, RR-0499, RR-1730,		

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	RR-0488, RR-0447, RR-0687, RR-0762, RR-2021, RR-0538, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-0513, RR-0853, RR-1483, RR-1067, RR-0409, RR-0074, RR-0600, RR-1041, RR-0611, RR-1342, RR-0281, RR-0843, RR-0405, RR-0437, RR-0729, RR-1348, RR-1988, RR-0143, RR-0460, RR-1594, RR-1842, RR-1269, RR-1728, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-0331, RR-0971, RR-1192, RR-0594, RR-1698, RR-1454, RR-0603, RR-1812, RR-1236, RR-1351, RR-1306, RR-0505, RR-0691, RR-0766, RR-1091, RR-0662, RR-1926, RR-1008, RR-1442, RR-0748, RR-1023, RR-0712, RR-0243, RR-1134, RR-0761, RR-1726, RR-0289, RR-1736, RR-0083, RR-1784, RR-1658, RR-1775, RR-0083, RR-0575, RR-1979, RR-0154, RR-0163, RR-0118, RR-1029, RR-1370, RR-1654, RR-0577, RR-0759, RR-1092, RR-0037, RR-1628, RR-0077, RR-0715, RR-0907, RR-1562, RR-0970,		

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	RR-1292, RR-0786, RR-1024, RR-0348, RR-0178, RR-1194, RR-1997, RR-1918, RR-0234, RR-1741, RR-1576, RR-0155, RR-0753, RR-1282, RR-1051, RR-0550, RR-1678, RR-0997, RR-0612, RR-0211, RR-0307, RR-0258, RR-1961, RR-2008, RR-0818, RR-1382, RR-1248, RR-0086, RR-0080, RR-0139, RR-0108, RR-1934, RR-1126, RR-0481, RR-1324, RR-1487, RR-1257, RR-1081, RR-1566, RR-0056, RR-1492, RR-1819, RR-1158, RR-0844, RR-1832, RR-0443, RR-0556, RR-1751, RR-0001, RR-0579, RR-1075, RR-1466, RR-0523, RR-0499, RR-0588, RR-1048, RR-1505, RR-1280, RR-1117, RR-0700, RR-1117, RR-1694, RR-0588, RR-0250, RR-1700, RR-1218, RR-0029, RR-0194, RR-1181, RR-0398, RR-0398, RR-1102, RR-0741, RR-0453, RR-0974, RR-1041, RR-1920, RR-0010, RR-1659, RR-0043, RR-1268, RR-0329, RR-0951, RR-2033,		

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	RR-0956, RR-0482, RR-1710, RR-1986, RR-0159, RR-1544, RR-0159, RR-1633, RR-0067, RR-1494, RR-1680, RR-0279, RR-0749, RR-0647, RR-2019, RR-1831, RR-1153, RR-0570, RR-2001, RR-0147, RR-1911, RR-0126, RR-2019, RR-0149, RR-1344, RR-1998, RR-1444, RR-1198, RR-1059, RR-0177, RR-0525, RR-1821, RR-1821, RR-1418, RR-1780, RR-0796, RR-1033, RR-0866, RR-0942, RR-1322, RR-0857,RR-0674, RR-1501, RR-1579, RR-1634, RR-1465, RR-0097, RR-1995, RR-1611		
APL-002	RR-0491, RR-0062, RR-0709, RR-1336, RR-0978, RR-0831, RR-1135, RR-1782, RR-0614, RR-0958, RR-0935, RR-0103, RR-1613, RR-0665, RR-0982, RR-0394, RR-1955, RR-0940, RR-0645, RR-1241, RR-0396, RR-0501, RR-0007, RR-0645, RR-0935	Respondents expressed general support for the Scheme.	The Applicant notes that representations have been submitted which express support for the Scheme, and the Applicant looks forward to continuing the constructive engagement during the Examination.

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APL-003	RR-0585, RR-0939, RR-0491, RR-1231, RR-1297, RR-1157, RR-1020, RR-1815, RR-0378, RR-1491, RR-0822, RR-0072, RR-0958, RR-0502, RR-0042, RR-0940, RR-0030, RR-1093, RR-0851, RR-1099, RR-0172, RR-1067, RR-1092, RR-1713, RR-1166, RR-1322, RR-1611	Respondents stated that they registered as an Interested Party because they wish to be kept informed about the Scheme. Some respondents stated they wish to provide comments on the Scheme and/or take part in hearings.	The Applicant welcomes continued engagement with members of the public and stakeholders throughout the Examination process. Information relating to the Scheme, including the application documents, is publicly available on the Planning Inspectorate's website. The full suite of application documents can be accessed within the Examination Library, including the **Consultation Report [APP-024]** and the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]**. Interested Parties may review these documents and participate in the Examination in accordance with the procedures set out by the Examining Authority.
APL-004	RR-0583, RR-1588, RR-0864, RR-1880, RR-1007, RR-2029, RR-1636, RR-0628, RR-0403, RR-1206, RR-0878, RR-1307, RR-1765, RR-0366, RR-0998, RR-1624, RR-0357, RR-1127, RR-1018, RR-0300, RR-1585, RR-1297, RR-1547, RR-1705, RR-1216, RR-0966, RR-0372, RR-0882, RR-1489, RR-0767, RR-1065, RR-1497, RR-0084,	Respondents expressed concern that the Scheme was motivated by financial profit and/or characterised the motivation as 'greed'. Some respondents referred to 'greenwashing' and/or expressed scepticism that the developer was genuinely concerned with climate change and/or achieving net zero targets.	The Applicant notes the concerns about the reasons behind the Scheme. The **Statement of Need [APP-206]** provides evidence that the Scheme aims to help meet national targets for clean energy and net zero targets set out in legislation and policy. The aim is to deliver long term environmental benefit alongside a secure energy supply. The Applicant is committed to meeting planning and environmental policies and

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	RR-1439, RR-0560, RR-0299, RR-1773, RR-1875, RR-0448, RR-0390, RR-0779, RR-0615, RR-0731, RR-1087, RR-1443, RR-1043, RR-0014, RR-0541, RR-0047, RR-1509, RR-1122, RR-0247, RR-0905, RR-1088, RR-1371, RR-0932, RR-0356, RR-1673 RR-0137, RR-1006, RR-0494, RR-0034, RR-1114, RR-1119, RR-1672, RR-1058, RR-1042, RR-1716, RR-1858, RR-1824, RR-1917, RR-0502, RR-1072, RR-1699, RR-0153, RR-0804, RR-1069, RR-1478, RR-0397, RR-0068, RR-0320, RR-0758, RR-0339, RR-1701, RR-0273, RR-0458, RR-0773, RR-1392, RR-1557, RR-1146, RR-0895, RR-0676, RR-1484, RR-0132, RR-0835, RR-0031, RR-0373, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-0466, RR-0131, RR-1399, RR-0259, RR-0450, RR-1054, RR-0684, RR-0687, RR-0817, RR-1406, RR-0650, RR-1855, RR-0095, RR-0843, RR-0729, RR-1988, RR-1586, RR-0009,		standards. The Scheme is being developed in line with legal and regulatory requirements, with engagement with all statutory and non-statutory bodies, ensuring quality and accountability throughout.

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	RR-1698, RR-1721, RR-0363, RR-1222, RR-1306, RR-0509, RR-0107, RR-1370, RR-1829, RR-0249, RR-0077, RR-0907, RR-1894, RR-1057, RR-0716, RR-1360, RR-1642, RR-1487, RR-0056, RR-0734, RR-1819, RR-0909, RR-0556, RR-1505, RR-0700, RR-0704, RR-0881, RR-0398, RR-0398, RR-1102, RR-0167, RR-0991, RR-1376, RR-0832, RR-2033, RR-0274, RR-1259, RR-0379, RR-0313, RR-1059, RR-0675, RR-0440		
APL-005	RR-1007, RR-1962, RR-0878, RR-0366, RR-1127, RR-1352, RR-1609, RR-0931, RR-1800, RR-1065, RR-0390, RR-1443, RR-1043, RR-0601, RR-0541, RR-0785, RR-0047, RR-0247, RR-0330, RR-0905, RR-0498, RR-0254, RR-1552, RR-0034, RR-1119, RR-1868, RR-1042, RR-1445, RR-2020, RR-1225, RR-1310, RR-1824, RR-1917, RR-0336, RR-0397, RR-0068, RR-0397, RR-0320, RR-1701, RR-0273, RR-1392, RR-1557,	Respondents expressed general distrust towards Island Green Power and/or Macquarie. Some respondents raised specific concerns regarding Macquarie's involvement.	The Applicant acknowledges the expression of distrust towards the Scheme and has demonstrated the Scheme's compliance with all statutory requirements under the Planning Act 2008 and applicable legislation such as The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The Applicant is subject to legally binding DCO Requirements. The Planning Act 2008 also contains enforcement provisions regarding compliance with the terms of a DCO.

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	RR-0093, RR-0202, RR-0778, RR-0132, RR-0131, RR-1399, RR-2011, RR-0332, RR-0450, RR-0817, RR-1483, RR-0095, RR-0843, RR-0437, RR-0729, RR-1586, RR-0460, RR-1698, RR-0363, RR-1222, RR-0505, RR-0793, RR-1029, RR-0486, RR-1534, RR-0077, RR-0898, RR-0838, RR-0607, RR-1642, RR-0909, RR-0986, RR-1505, RR-0735, RR-0667, RR-0398, RR-1102, RR-0199, RR-0052, RR-0167, RR-1239, RR-0274, RR-1300, RR-2001, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-0095, RR-0363		The Applicant has a strong track record of developing NSIP scale projects, notably the consented Cottam Solar Project and West Burton Solar Project, alongside a strong pipeline of further applications coming forward. The Applicant confirms that the owners of Island Green Power, Macquarie, has a strong record of long-term UK investment. Since 1999, Macquarie has invested more than £65 billion into UK infrastructure, including energy projects, supporting more than 33,000 UK jobs. The **Funding Statement [APP-021]** provides details of the corporate structure of the Applicant, East Pye Solar Limited, and how the Scheme is being funded.
APL-006	RR-2029, RR-0878, RR-0891, RR-1350, RR-0374, RR-0390, RR-1043, RR-0247, RR-0330, RR-0356, RR-0254, RR-0494, RR-1209, RR-1042, RR-0320, RR-1683, RR-0332, RR-0450, RR-1701, RR-0273, RR-1392, RR-1557, RR-0424, RR-1124, RR-0132, RR-1416, RR-0131, RR-2011, RR-0817, RR-0095,	Respondents raised concerns about foreign investment in the Scheme and whether profits would leave the remits of UK tax authorities and/or what the tax status of the developer is (i.e. liable for UK tax or offshore).	The Applicant, East Pye Solar Limited, is a 100% subsidiary of IGP UK Projects Limited. Both are registered in England and Wales and subject to UK tax law and regulations. Investment may come from a range of sources, including international ones. This is common practice with UK infrastructure schemes and helps fund the transition to clean energy at the scale required.

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	RR-0729, RR-0460, RR-1721, RR-0363, RR-0505, RR-0107, RR-1894, RR-0898, RR-0735, RR-0398, RR-1209		The **Funding Statement [APP-021]** demonstrates that the Scheme is financially viable and adequately funded for the Scheme to be delivered in full.
APL-007	RR-1411, RR-1875, RR-0047, RR-0932, RR-0695, RR-0203, RR-0682, RR-0030, RR-0478, RR-1557, RR-1017, RR-0817, RR-1562, RR-0970, RR-1639, RR-2019, RR-1022, RR-1701, RR-1561, RR-1184, RR-0692	Respondents expressed concern about the overall cost of the Scheme and whether sufficient funding has been secured, with some questioning whether taxpayer funding or subsidies would be used. Some respondents also questioned whether the Scheme would be cost-effective or financially viable in the long term. Respondents also expressed concern about the general size of the financial investment and enquired how financial accounts will work. One respondent asked if the Scheme would be subject to business rates and, more widely, queried what taxes the Applicant will pay. One respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of the cost of land maintenance.	The Applicant acknowledges comments regarding the cost effectiveness and profitability of the Scheme. However, it is important to clarify that the Scheme is a privately financed development. All financial risks associated with the construction, operation, and decommissioning of the Scheme are borne entirely by the developer. The commercial viability of the Scheme has been assessed as part of the developer's investment decision, including the length of the cable and associated infrastructure. The **Funding Statement [APP-021]** demonstrates that the Scheme is financially viable and adequately funded to deliver the Scheme in full, including for the ongoing operation, maintenance, and eventual decommissioning.
APL-008	RR-0625, RR-1188, RR-1626, RR-0173, RR-0207, RR-0151,	Respondents expressed concern that the BESS only has Gate 1 status, not	As set out in the **Grid Connection Statement [APP-207]**, the Applicant confirms

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APL-009	RR-1962, RR-1321, RR-1338, RR-1749, RR-1099, RR-0131, RR-0838	Respondents expressed concern that the developer or associated companies will go bankrupt or not exist by the time the Scheme is decommissioned.	The Applicant confirms that, if consent is granted, they have the capability to build, own and operate the Scheme. The Applicant may also consider the option to sell or transfer the Scheme to another suitably qualified party. Regardless of any future ownership, the undertaker is defined in the DCO will remain bound by the legally enforceable requirements of the DCO. The **Funding Statement [APP-021]** demonstrates that the Scheme is financially viable and the delivery of the Scheme in full can be adequately funded. The **Draft DCO [AS-032]** secures a Requirement for decommissioning and restoration to ensure that the Scheme, apart from the National Grid Substation and the Grid Connection Infrastructure which will remain in-situ, is decommissioned at the end of the 60-year operational lifetime.
APL-010	RR-0585, RR-1890, RR-0931, RR-1234, RR-0036, RR-0390, RR-0356, RR-0334, RR-0708, RR-1521, RR-1338, RR-1557, RR-1484, RR-0269, RR-1099,	Respondents requested to know if a decommissioning bond will be in place and ringfenced funding set aside for the end-of-life activity of the Scheme.	A requirement to decommission the Scheme, except for the National Grid Substation and Grid Connection Infrastructure, is secured under Requirement 21 of the DCO. The requirement to decommission the Scheme would sit with the owner at the time

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	RR-0131, RR-0437, RR-1698, RR-0838, RR-1009, RR-1683	Some respondents mentioned that decommissioning would be funded by the taxpayer.	of decommissioning. Failing to comply with Requirement 21 would be a criminal offence. Decommissioning is also covered in agreements with landowners, which includes decommissioning securities to cover the cost of decommissioning in the event of any breach by the Applicant or in the event of the insolvency of the Applicant. The amount of such decommissioning security is regularly re-valued throughout the lifecycle of the Scheme and topped up if necessary. The Scheme is a privately financed development. All financial risks associated with the construction, operation, and decommissioning of the Scheme are borne entirely by the developer. The commercial viability of the Scheme has been assessed as part of the developer's investment decision, including the length of the cable and associated infrastructure. The **Funding Statement [APP-021]** demonstrates that the Scheme is financially viable and adequately funded to deliver the Scheme in full.
APL-011	RR-0585, RR-1294, RR-0403, RR-1206, RR-1572, RR-1646,	Respondents requested the Examining Authority to recommend	As set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, having had regard to all important and

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	RR-0044, RR-2024, RR-1696, RR-0826, RR-0138, RR-0130, RR-0429, RR-0757, RR-0004, RR-0822, RR-1715, RR-1288, RR-1581, RR-1164, RR-1375, RR-1338, RR-0711, RR-1750, RR-0872, RR-0150, RR-0339, RR-0332, RR-0775, RR-0020, RR-0273, RR-0003, RR-1070, RR-0819, RR-0030, RR-0455, RR-0032, RR-0581, RR-1099, RR-0450, RR-1730, RR-1085, RR-1586, RR-1842, RR-1807, RR-1726, RR-1997, RR-1741, RR-0155, RR-0829, RR-0588, RR-0194, RR-0974, RR-1659, RR-0067, RR-1831, RR-1153, RR-1831, RR-0525, RR-1418, RR-1638	refusal of the Development Consent Order for East Pye Solar.	relevant matters, the Applicant has concluded that there are no adverse impacts of sufficient weight, either individually or collectively, that would mean the DCO should not be made. The adverse impacts identified are clearly outweighed by the substantial public benefits that would arise from providing low-carbon energy to meet the needs identified in NPS EN-1. The **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]** further demonstrates the Scheme's compliance with the relevant NPS.
APL-012	RR-1952, RR-0360, RR-0195, RR-0846, RR-0502, RR-0492, RR-0682, RR-1721, RR-1306, RR-0556, RR-0596, RR-1505, RR-0667, RR-2001, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-1501, RR-1756, RR-0668, RR-1831, RR-1831, RR-1634	Respondent expressed concern that local voices were not heard including local governments. One respondent suggested local planning authorities should have a bigger say in NSIP decisions.	The Scheme has an anticipated generating capacity of approximately 500 MW and therefore exceeds the 100 MW threshold for a NSIP. As a result, the Scheme is subject to the Planning Act 2008 and must be consented through a DCO, examined by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy Security and

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		Some respondents expressed that the Government needs a joined-up approach and sees the Scheme as one of many ad hoc approaches.	Net Zero, rather than determined by the local planning authority. The role and scope of local planning authorities within this process is not within the Applicant's remit to respond to, this is a matter taken by the Government. The Applicant has provided detailed responses to Relevant Representations submitted by local planning authorities **Part 1 of the Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations [EN0110014/EXAM/8.6]**.
APL-013	RR-1765, RR-1071, RR-1616, RR-0949, RR-1164, RR-0804, RR-1323, RR-1326	Respondent stated they support the opposition to the Scheme from local parish councils, South Norfolk Council, Norfolk County Council and CPRE. One respondent stated that their concerns are represented by Hempnall Parish Council.	The Applicant notes this comment. The Applicant has provided detailed responses to comments made by Norfolk County Council and South Norfolk Council in **Part 1 of the Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations [EN0110014/EXAM/8.6]**. The Applicant has provided detailed responses to comments made by local parish councils in **Part 4 of the Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations [EN0110014/EXAM/8.9]**. The Applicant's detailed response to comments made by CPRE Norfolk can be

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			found in **Part 3 of the Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations** [**EN0110014/EXAM/8.8**].
APL-014	RR-0436, RR-1209, RR-1338, RR-1392, RR-0601, RR-1557, RR-0388, RR-0363	Some respondents specified that if the DCO was granted, the Scheme ownership could be sold or change hands.	The Applicant confirms that, if consent is granted, it has the capability to build, own and operate the Scheme. The **Funding Statement [APP-021]** demonstrates that the Scheme is financially viable and adequately funded for the Scheme to be delivered in full. The Applicant may also consider the option to sell or transfer the Scheme to another suitably qualified party. Regardless of any future ownership, the undertaker as defined in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** will remain bound by the legally enforceable requirements in the DCO.
APL-015	RR-1127, RR-1087, RR-0393, RR-0273, RR-0990, RR-1506	Respondents expressed concern that there is no general compensation scheme for homeowners and landowners.	The Applicant's **Book of Reference [APP-022]** includes persons who may be eligible to claim compensation if the DCO is granted and the Scheme developed. Under Part 1 of the Land Compensation Act 1973, property owners (Category 3) are eligible to claim compensation for any physical impacts from the operation of the Scheme, such as noise and vibration. However, compensation is not available for loss of value due to visual

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			impacts or diminished views. This is consistent with established planning law. The Applicant will comply with statutory process for any compensation claims submitted and will review and assess each claim in accordance with the relevant legislation under which it is made.
APL-016	RR-1765, RR-1043, RR-0220, RR-1634	Respondent stated that they support the findings of Block East Pye Solar.	The Applicant notes this comment. The Applicant's detailed response to comments made by Block East Pye Solar can be found in **Part 3 of the Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations [EN0110014/EXAM/8.8]**.
APL-017	RR-1505, RR-1300	Respondent expressed a desire to see Schemes like this be developed and operated by the state.	The Applicant notes this comment
APL-018	RR-0486, RR-1534	Respondents requested that full disclosure of DESNZ and Macquarie engagement relevant to grid connection be made available.	The Applicant does not agree that the matters raised give rise to an appearance of bias in the determination of the Application and the nature of the Scheme's grid connection. No evidence has been provided that the meeting concerned the merits of the Scheme's Application, sought to influence the outcome of the decision-making process, or resulted in any preferential treatment.

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			A meeting in January 2025 between DESNZ officials, the Applicant and Macquarie took place in the context of the Department of Energy Security and Net Zero's (DESNZ) wider policy and delivery responsibilities relating to electricity network infrastructure and the connection of solar and BESS projects to the transmission system. Engagement between DESNZ officials, the Applicant and Macquarie on grid connection matters is consistent with the wider engagement that routinely takes place between government departments, developers, investors, network operators, and other stakeholders in relation to electricity network connections and reform, and does not in itself indicate bias, predetermination or preferential treatment. The Applicant notes that the assertions made in this Relevant Representation regarding the meeting are speculative and are not supported by evidence of bias. NESO has also commented publicly: "*NESO rejects any suggestion that its independent analysis or advice has been influenced by any individual developer. We engage regularly with stakeholders across the energy sector, but*

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			that engagement does not unduly influence NESO's objective advice or assessments". The Planning Act 2008 process includes safeguards intended to ensure that applications for development consent are considered fairly and on the basis of the evidence before the decision maker. The grid connection for the Scheme, including its connection date, secured agreement and timelines are contained within the **Grid Connection Statement [APP-207]**.
APL-019	RR-0873	Respondent noted the Applicant is rushing to get the Scheme through the planning process.	The development timeline is governed by strict statutory requirements of the Planning Act 2008 for NSIP. Prior to submitting the Scheme, the Applicant has spent a substantial period within the pre-application stage undertaking environmental surveys, environmental assessment and an iterative design evolution process, together with Non-Statutory, Statutory Consultation and Targeted Consultation. This application process has given local communities, parish councils and statutory consultees windows to view and comment on the Scheme. Feeback received during these consultations has been

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			formally reviewed and influenced the application documents.
APL-020	RR-0383	Respondent stated that there has been a lack of consideration from the initial source of the electrical supply to the end point.	The Scheme will provide energy to the national transmission network. The wider benefits of the Scheme, including contribution to decarbonisation, energy security and grid resilience, are set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** and **Planning Statement [APP-209]**. Figure 6.2 and Figure 7.3 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** show that the location of the Scheme is well suited to support the UK's energy needs through the development of the proposed large-scale solar and storage scheme to generate, store, and release clean electricity to power homes, vehicles, offices, shops, and factories, both locally and nationally.
APL-021	RR-0520	Respondent expressed concern that the name 'East Pye' is misleading as it suggests entity in harmony with the countryside.	The Applicant selected the name 'East Pye Solar' to reflect the location east of the A140; the modern route of the ancient Roman 'Pye Road' connecting Cromer and Ipswich.
APL-022	RR-0373	Respondent noted the 5 weeks and 6 days registration window for the relevant representations is not sufficient for the scale of the Scheme, noting some members of the	The Applicant notes the respondent's concern regarding the duration of the Relevant Representation registration period. However, the registration period was established and publicised in accordance with the

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		community are still unaware of the status of the Scheme.	requirements of the Planning Act 2008 and the Planning Inspectorate's prescribed process for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects. The period for registering and submitting Relevant Representations exceeded the minimum period ordinarily required for such applications, with Planning Inspectorate guidance indicating that registration is generally open for at least 30 days during the pre-examination stage. The period of six weeks for the Scheme Relevant Representations window therefore exceeded the 30-day statutory minimum.
APL-023	RR-1684	Respondent expressed concern that IGP would seek to gain control/ownership of the land they currently wish to lease.	Except for the National Grid Substation and Grid Connection Infrastructure, the Applicant is seeking a time-limited consent for the Scheme to have an operational period of up to 60 years. This is secured by Requirement 21 in Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant has entered a voluntary option to lease agreement with the respective landowners of the Sites. The Applicant is pursuing voluntarily agreements with landowners along the CRC. As is standard in NSIP solar schemes, the **Draft DCO [AS-**

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			032] includes provision for compulsory acquisition of land and rights. These powers sought are necessary and proportionate to ensure the deliverability of the Scheme. See the explanation in the **Statement of Reasons [APP-020]**.

2.4 Energy Need and Grid Connection

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NEE-001	RR-1419, RR-0746, RR-0081, RR-0625, RR-0173, RR-0383, RR-1765, RR-0377, RR-1068, RR-0207, RR-0632, RR-1071, RR-1046, RR-1655, RR-1020, RR-1815, RR-1252, RR-0500, RR-0827, RR-0774, RR-0360, RR-1930, RR-1727, RR-0291, RR-0757, RR-0519, RR-0323, RR-1140, RR-0855, RR-0955, RR-0047, RR-0247, RR-1122, RR-0268, RR-1598, RR-1144, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1237, RR-1777, RR-1119, RR-0924, RR-0977, RR-0142, RR-0696, RR-0395, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-0973, RR-1235, RR-1716, RR-1733, RR-0485, RR-0008, RR-1278, RR-1160, RR-1398, RR-0972, RR-1683, RR-1969, RR-0335, RR-0492, RR-0450, RR-0669, RR-1958, RR-1108, RR-0273, RR-0616,	Respondents stated that there is no need for the Scheme. Some respondents stated that the Applicant has failed to demonstrate the need for the Scheme.	The Applicant's **Statement of Need [APP-206]** provides evidence that an unprecedented capacity of new low-carbon generation schemes is urgently needed for the UK to meet its legally binding climate change targets. The Government has confirmed that solar energy is at the heart of the Clean Power 2030 Mission (NPS EN-3 (2025) Paras 2.10.1 & 2.10.2). The Statement of Need confirms that the need for the Scheme is urgent and that substantial weight should be given to the need in accordance with NPS EN-1 (2025) Para 3.2.8-3.2.9. The proposed management and mitigation measures set out in the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]** are comprehensive and robust and the Scheme aligns with national and local planning policy; this is outlined in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** and **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]**. The Applicant considers that the Scheme is in accordance with national energy policy,

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	RR-1121, RR-0533, RR-0656, RR-0964, RR-1312, RR-0773, RR-1965, RR-0670, RR-1392, RR-0478, RR-1953, RR-0782, RR-0744, RR-0592, RR-0687, RR-0032, RR-0737, RR-1447, RR-1425, RR-1378, RR-1328, RR-0175, RR-1298, RR-1323, RR-1776, RR-0296, RR-0134, RR-0885, RR-1326, RR-0450, RR-0687, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-0817, RR-1167, RR-0069, RR-0095, RR-1586, RR-0890, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1442, RR-0243, RR-1772, RR-0243, RR-1784, RR-1644, RR-0970, RR-1522, RR-1550, RR-1385, RR-0960, RR-1158, RR-1249, RR-1075, RR-1446, RR-1505, RR-1117, RR-0398, RR-0052, RR-0043, RR-0329, RR-1166, RR-0956, RR-1536, RR-0906, RR-1710, RR-1544, RR-1633, RR-1527, RR-0017, RR-0279, RR-1033, RR-1022, RR-1626, RR-0519,RR-0097, RR-1995, RR-1611, RR-1684		national planning policy, and any relevant development plan when considered as a whole. In the event of a conflict between the development plan and the NPS, the NPS prevails for the purpose of the Secretary of State decision making given the national significance of the Scheme.

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NEE-002	RR-1553, RR-2029, RR-0571, RR-1352, RR-1572, RR-1765, RR-1731, RR-1619, RR-0477, RR-1631, RR-0130, RR-0390, RR-0779, RR-0757, RR-1043, RR-0694, RR-1732, RR-0785, RR-1304, RR-1673 RR-2016, RR-1114, RR-0696, RR-1175, RR-1333, RR-1390, RR-0492, RR-1850, RR-0237, RR-1596, RR-0012,RR-0273, RR-1392, RR-0981, RR-1645, RR-1098, RR-0835, RR-1469, RR-0684, RR-0817, RR-0600, RR-1137, RR-0095, RR-0009, RR-0603, RR-0712, RR-0271, RR-1076, RR-0100, RR-1741, RR-1057, RR-0540, RR-0787, RR-1103, RR-0481, RR-0683, RR-1925, RR-1767, RR-1505, RR-0991, RR-1376, RR-0810, RR-1300, RR-1501, RR-2029, RR-1683, RR-0937, RR-0817, RR-0095, RR-0683, RR-1059, RR-1684, RR-1060, RR-1443	Respondents expressed concern that electricity generated by the Scheme would not be used locally. Some respondents stated that the electricity should be supplied directly to local households. Some respondents claimed that the energy to be generated by the Scheme is to be sent to data centres in London, Cambridge and Oxford, rather than the local community or wider UK population.	The Applicant is promoting this Scheme to increase the supply of home-grown, reliable and low-carbon energy to support the Government to achieve its aims for UK energy supply. Electricity from the Scheme is likely to be sold into the Great Britain Wholesale Power Market, so that electricity suppliers can purchase the power that they need to supply to their portfolio of customers. Further, electricity generated from the Scheme will be exported to the National Electricity Transmission System (NETS) so it can be transmitted efficiently to both local consumers and across the country where it is required. Paragraph 3.3.12 of NPS EN-1 explains that the *"connection of large-scale electricity generating facilities via a high voltage transmission system enables the pooling of both generation and demand, which in turn offers a number of economic and other benefits, such as more efficient bulk transfer of power and enabling surplus generation capacity in one area to be used to cover shortfalls elsewhere."*

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			This is a key benefit of the Scheme and helps the UK's electricity system operate efficiently. This is a benefit to all consumers, including local consumers, who, through their energy bills, pay for the operational costs of the UK's electricity networks.
NEE-003	RR-0436, RR-1294, RR-0738, RR-0636, RR-1739, RR-0480, RR-1009, RR-1350, RR-0931, RR-1607, RR-1528, RR-1065, RR-0884, RR-0826, RR-0560, RR-0360, RR-1073, RR-1631, RR-1930, RR-0375, RR-1727, RR-1970, RR-0680, RR-0615, RR-1043, RR-1805, RR-1356, RR-1490, RR-0214, RR-1119, RR-0924, RR-1209, RR-1058, RR-1472, RR-2020, RR-1788, RR-1824, RR-0868, RR-0028, RR-0804,RR-0987, RR-0203, RR-0335, RR-0458, RR-0819, RR-1668, RR-0424, RR-0215, RR-1340, RR-1328, RR-0885, RR-1469, RR-0442, RR-1651, RR-0473, RR-1481, RR-0069, RR-1387, RR-0875, RR-1988, RR-0426, RR-1698, RR-0950, RR-0712, RR-1894, RR-0540,	Respondents expressed the view that solar energy is inefficient and/or will soon be obsolete with technological advances. Some respondents suggested that the UK is not a suitable location for solar generation due to limited sunlight and frequent cloud cover. Other respondents described solar energy as unreliable. Some respondents stated that the Scheme is unlikely to deliver close to its stated peak generating capacity of 500MW even under the most favourable conditions.	The Applicant's **Statement of Need [APP-206]** provides evidence that an unprecedented capacity of new low-carbon generation schemes is urgently needed for the UK to meet its legally binding climate change targets. The Government has confirmed that solar energy is at the heart of the Clean Power 2030 Mission (NPS EN-3 (2025) Paras 2.10.1 & 2.10.2), and that *"a secure, reliable, affordable, net zero consistent system in 2050 is likely to be composed predominantly of wind and solar"* (NPS EN-1 (2025) Para 3.3.23). This is because *"Solar farms can be built quickly"* (NPS EN-3 (2025) Para 2.10.6) so are well placed to meet the urgent need identified in NPS EN-1. Further, "*Solar farms are one of the most established renewable electricity technologies in the UK and the*

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	RR-0481, RR-1385, RR-1767, RR-0167, RR-0051, RR-1380, RR-0810, RR-2033, RR-1259, RR-1831, RR-0149, RR-1998, RR-1780, RR-2017, RR-0436, RR-0932, RR-1469, RR-0564, RR-1639, RR-0366,RR-0680, RR-1059, RR-0541, RR-0356, RR-1209, RR-2017, RR-1635, RR-0442, RR-0426, RR-0318, RR-1017, RR-1684		*cheapest form of electricity generation*". (NPS EN-3 (2025) Para 2.10.5). Paragraph 4.2.16 of NPS EN-1 establishes that there is a critical national priority for low carbon infrastructure, including for large-scale solar farms, because of the decarbonisation, energy security, and affordability benefits that they deliver. The UK has adequate irradiance levels for solar generation. A map of PV power potential in the UK is presented in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**. The Scheme is located in an area with solar irradiance levels above average for the UK. The Scheme is being designed to maximise use of its 500MW grid connection, either directly from the solar panels, or from energy stored in the BESS and discharged to the grid when it is needed. Home-grown solar energy is reliable and energy yields are readily forecastable. The inclusion of a BESS will support the Scheme in its operation to store electricity if it is generated in abundance and export it to the grid when it is needed more.

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NEE-004	RR-0436, RR-1119, RR-0458	Respondent stated that Scheme only benefits Applicant and a handful of local landowners.	The **Statement of Need [APP-206]** sets out the national need for the Scheme to contribute to meeting the Government's objective to ensure that the supply of energy always remains secure, reliable, affordable, and consistent with meeting the UK's legally binding target to cut GHG emissions to net zero by 2050. To achieve these objectives will be to the benefit of energy consumers both nationally and locally. In addition, as described in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, the Scheme also provides green infrastructure and habitat creation, new permissive paths and community accessible space, together with measures to support education, apprenticeships, training and engage in local partnerships.
NEE-005	RR-1276, RR-0081, RR-0841, RR-0207, RR-0113, RR-0632, RR-0151, RR-1548, RR-1879, RR-1071, RR-0493, RR-1020, RR-1815, RR-1318, RR-1195, RR-0318, RR-1260, RR-0500, RR-1580, RR-0826, RR-0827, RR-0360, RR-0544, RR-0141,	Respondents stated that other Schemes in Norfolk have helped the area reached its regional solar capacity requirements and that this Scheme is not needed. Respondents stated that the area and/or East Anglia is already	The **Statement of Need [APP-206]** sets out the national need for the Scheme to contribute to meeting the Government's objective to ensure that the supply of energy always remains secure, reliable, affordable, and consistent with meeting the UK's legally binding target to cut GHG emissions to net zero by 2050. The Applicant disagrees with

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	RR-1087, RR-0323, RR-0156, RR-0176, RR-0798, RR-0268, RR-1039, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-1299, RR-1931, RR-1129, RR-1948, RR-1552, RR-1563, RR-1287, RR-1119, RR-0099, RR-0182, RR-0140, RR-0142, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-0094, RR-1459, RR-1716, RR-1733, RR-0573, RR-0153, RR-1398, RR-1650, RR-0450, RR-0825, RR-1108, RR-0273, RR-0533, RR-1312, RR-1965, RR-1749, RR-0670, RR-0478, RR-1953, RR-0744, RR-0592, RR-0676, RR-0737, RR-0269, RR-1597, RR-1124, RR-1637, RR-0406, RR-0373, RR-1323, RR-1776, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-0296, RR-0134, RR-0190, RR-0492, RR-1326, RR-0450, RR-1730, RR-0687, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-1167, RR-1342, RR-1820, RR-1014, RR-1387, RR-1988, RR-0009, RR-0889, RR-0302, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-0603, RR-0364, RR-0243, RR-1772, RR-1029, RR-1370, RR-1720,	oversubscribed with solar and/or BESS developments. One respondent noted OFGEM's TM04+ Impact Assessment (April 2025) and NESO's Connections Reform Data Impact Assessment (December 2024) demonstrates oversubscription on the transmission network.	statements made in these representations refuting the need for the Scheme either nationally or locally because areas are 'already oversubscribed'. Section 7.6 and Section 7.7 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** explain that the Scheme has been prioritised by NESO as part of their ongoing grid reforms. NESO has confirmed that the Scheme is included within the list of schemes which have been prioritised to satisfy the current relevant regional capacity range to 2035 (i.e. without the Scheme, the national and regional capacity ranges would not be met). Further, the Clean Power 2030 capacity ranges are not intended to propose limits on any new infrastructure that can be consented (NPS EN-1, Para. 3.2.6). The Scheme is needed to contribute to meeting *"the urgent need for new (and particularly low carbon) electricity NSIPs to be brought forward as soon as possible, given the crucial role of electricity as the UK decarbonises its economy."* (NPS EN-1, Para 3.3.58). Section 7.3 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** also sets out the challenge to deliver net zero regionally, including the reduction of

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NEE-006	RR-0081, RR-1071, RR-0429	Respondent stated that research by UCL for CPRE demonstrates that 117 GW of solar energy is obtainable from roofs and artificial surfaces by 2050.	As set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**, while rooftop and smaller-scale solar installations are an important part of the energy mix, they cannot alone meet the scale

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			of capacity required to achieve clean power and net zero objectives. Large-scale ground-mounted solar therefore remains necessary in addition to, not instead of, rooftop solar. Consideration of brownfield land and rooftops for the Scheme is set out within the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**.
NEE-007	RR-0081, RR-1294, RR-1848, RR-1932, RR-0561, RR-0130, RR-1727, RR-0429, RR-1251, RR-1375, RR-1824, RR-1911, RR-1995	Respondents stated that the Scheme fails the basic planning balance: it would impose severe long-term and legally significant harm on South Norfolk without a compelling site-specific public need.	The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme in the **ES [APP-042** to **APP-056]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032].** The planning balance considering the positive, neutral and negative impacts are set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**. As set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, having had regard to all important and relevant matters, the Applicant has concluded that there are no adverse impacts of sufficient weight, either individually or collectively, that would mean the DCO should not be made. The adverse impacts identified are clearly outweighed by the substantial public

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			benefits that would arise from providing low-carbon energy to meet the needs identified in NPS EN-1. The Secretary of State will balance those potential impacts against the urgent need and critical national priority for the Scheme as set out in Government policy.
NEE-008	RR-0081, RR-0531, RR-0383, RR-0841, RR-1071, RR-1260, RR-0826, RR-0774, RR-0323, RR-0014, RR-1122, RR-1299, RR-1159, RR-0099, RR-0573, RR-0972, RR-0135, RR-0937, RR-0670, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-1067, RR-1351, RR-0083, RR-1644, RR-0211, RR-0997, RR-0960, RR-1446, RR-0265, RR-1190, RR-0446, RR-0043, RR-1153, RR-0570, RR-1198, RR-1821, RR-1033, RR-0429, RR-1611, RR-1995	Respondent stated that the Applicant relies on a general national need for renewable energy. They stated that this is not sufficient to justify placing this particular scale of solar infrastructure in this particular location. One respondent stated that where there is reliance on wider regional or national need, the Applicant should also explain how the Scheme sits within Clean Power 2030 connections reform, regional capacity ranges and NESO prioritisation. They stated that it would be unsafe to assume that all claimed benefits are additional unless the Applicant demonstrates that the Scheme is needed and deliverable	The Applicant refers to its response to NEE-005.

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		within the relevant connection and capacity framework.	
NEE-009	RR-1765, RR-0255, RR-1009, RR-1411, RR-0806, RR-1783, RR-1144, RR-1119, RR-0224, RR-0273, RR-1559, RR-1668, RR-0134, RR-0687, RR-1522, RR-0443, RR-0867, RR-0052, RR-0051, RR-0165. RR-1338, RR-0778, RR-1017	Respondent stated that the grid is struggling to accommodate these additional solar farms with the existing infrastructure.	Section 7.7 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** also explains that *"a large-scale solar development connecting into the existing overhead line between Norwich Main and Bramford provides the potential to help decarbonise electricity demand to the benefit of consumers both locally and nationally."* When providing a connection offer to an electricity generator, National Grid are required to carry out robust analysis to ensure that anticipated power flows from the generator can be accommodated as per the connection agreement. The Applicant understands that National Grid have carried out this analysis and that has resulted in the connection agreement being offered and accepted. NESO's re-prioritisation of the Scheme as a Gate 2 Phase 2 project further supports that the grid local to the Scheme can accommodate the Scheme as proposed.
NEE-010	RR-0939, RR-0491, RR-0426	Respondent stated that projects like East Pye Solar can help reduce reliance on expensive gas prices.	The Applicant notes these representations and welcomes the support provided. Section 9.2 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**

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			provides further evidence in support of this point.
NEE-011	RR-1548, RR-1879, RR-1314, RR-1631, RR-0169, RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-0309, RR-1542, RR-0068, RR-0458, RR-1749, RR-0687, RR-1481, RR-1387, RR-1442, RR-1562, RR-1487, RR-0446, RR-0446, RR-0559, RR-0692	Respondent stated that the Scheme would unnecessarily take up capacity on the transmission grid which will be required for other types of electricity generation, and result in curtailment costs. One respondent stated that the Application does not clearly explain the project's income streams, the effect of curtailment, or the financial assumptions behind the claimed benefits. They requested the Examining Authority to require the Applicant to explain clearly what the Scheme's income streams are, how curtailment has been allowed for, and what financial assumptions have been used.	The Applicant refers to its response to NEE-009. Further, Section 8.4 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** provides further information on curtailment and Chapter 7 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** describes that transmission constraints are less likely to cause curtailment at the Scheme during its operational life than may be experienced at other locations. Further, the Scheme is unlikely to receive consumer-funded compensatory curtailment payments. Chapter 7 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** describes that the Scheme proposes to connect to a well-connected section of the NETS which has available transmission capacity and is geographically distant from areas of the network which currently are constrained. Section 8.4 of the **Statement of Need [APP-209]** describes the causes and characteristics of curtailment on the current transmission network. The **Statement of Need [APP-209]** concludes that transmission

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			constraints are less likely to cause curtailment at the Scheme during its operational life than may be experienced at other locations. The commissioning of a BESS (as is proposed as associated development to the Scheme) would allow the Scheme to provide its own operational flexibility to the electricity system, reducing further the potential for transmission constraints to restrict exports. The Applicant can confirm that the Scheme will operate as part of the Great Britain energy system and will derive income from the provision of low-carbon electricity to the grid as well as any balancing services as may be provided by the BESS in supporting the operation of the main solar scheme or the grid more generally. Further information can be found in Table 5.2, Section 6.9 and Section 9.2 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**.
NEE-012	RR-0327, RR-0831, RR-0978, RR-1671, RR-0958, RR-0103, RR-1613, RR-0665, RR-0982, RR-1692, RR-0396, RR-1692	Respondents expressed an understanding of the general need for the proposed solar development, recognising its role in reducing reliance on energy imports from other countries, and helping to reduce	The Applicant notes these representations and welcomes the support provided. Chapter 8 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** provides further evidence in support of the contribution of large-scale Great Britain based

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		energy costs. Some respondents stated that we need more schemes like this one.	solar schemes to electricity system security and security of supply
NEE-013	RR-0142, RR-1442, RR-1492, RR-0329	Respondent stated that the Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme is not required to meet Clean Power 2035 regional solar targets and promotes it primarily on the basis of future optionality and attrition.	The Applicant's **Statement of Need [APP-206]** provides evidence that an unprecedented capacity of new low-carbon generation schemes is urgently needed for the UK to meet its legally binding climate change targets. The Government has confirmed that solar energy is at the heart of the Clean Power 2030 Mission (NPS EN-3 (2025) Paras 2.10.1 & 2.10.2). NPS EN-1 states that the Secretary of State should assess all applications for development consent for the types of infrastructure included by the NPS (including solar) on the basis that there is demonstrated urgent need for them, that substantial weight should be given to this need, and that the Secretary of State is not required to consider the specific contribution of any individual project to be satisfied that need is established (NPS EN-1, Paras. 3.2.8 – 3.2.10). The energy NPSs also include the Government's conclusion that there is a critical national priority for the provision of

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			nationally significant low carbon infrastructure, which includes large-scale solar farms such as the Scheme, because a combination of many or all types of such infrastructure is urgently required for both energy security and to achieve net zero (NPS EN-1, Paras. 4.2.16 – 4.2.17). Further, Section 4.3 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** explains that current levels of national electricity demand are expected to double (NPS EN-1, Para. 2.3.7) to electrify non-traditional demand sectors, underpinning Government's aim to prioritise new low carbon generation projects needed for 2030, while maintaining a robust pipeline of projects beyond 2030 (Clean Power 2030 Action Plan, Page 11). This underpins the need for the Scheme and for other schemes to come forward to meet current and future electricity demand. Section 7.6 and Section 7.7 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** explain that the Scheme has been prioritised by NESO as part of their ongoing grid reforms. NESO have confirmed that the Scheme is included within the list of schemes which have been prioritised to

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			satisfy the current relevant regional capacity range to 2035. Further, the Clean Power 2030 capacity ranges are not intended to propose limits on any new infrastructure that can be consented (NPS EN-1, Paragraph. 3.2.6).
NEE-014	RR-0103, RR-1613, RR-0665, RR-0982	The respondent states that the area can play a role in producing cleaner energy, provided the project is delivered responsibly, local concerns are taken into account, and appropriate safeguards are put in place.	The Applicant notes this comment. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**. The policy and planning balance for the Scheme is set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** and **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]**. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme in the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032].**
NEE-015	RR-0273, RR-1776, RR-0134	Respondent stated that the Application has not accounted for Section 55(3) of the Planning Act 2008 as it omits the factors which	Section 55(3) of the Planning Act 2008 provides that the Secretary of State may accept the application only if the Secretary of State concludes –

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		justify a scheme either in this specific location or in relation to CP2030 or 2035 regional targets.	(a) that it is an application for an order granting development consent; (b) that development consent is required for any of the development to which the application relates; (c) that the applicant has complied with section 46 (duty to notify Secretary of State and other of proposed application); and (d) that the application (including accompaniments) is of a standard that the Secretary of State considers satisfactory. The **Applicant's Section 55 checklist [APP-004]** sets out how the Applicant has complied with Section 55 of the Planning Act 2008. The acceptance of the Applicant's DCO Application for Examination by the Planning Inspectorate serves as confirmation that the Applicant has fulfilled its statutory pre-application duties in compliance with Section 55. This process is provided in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**, which details the Applicant's approach to pre-application consultation. The **Statement of Need [APP-206]** sets out the national need for the Scheme to

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			contribute to meeting the Government's objective to ensure that the supply of energy always remains secure, reliable, affordable, and consistent with meeting the UK's legally binding target to cut GHG emissions to net zero by 2050. Section 7.6 and Section 7.7 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** explain that the Scheme has been prioritised by NESO as part of their ongoing grid reforms. NESO has confirmed that the Scheme is included within the list of schemes which have been prioritised to satisfy the current relevant regional capacity range to 2035. Further, the Clean Power 2030 capacity ranges are not intended to propose limits on any new infrastructure that can be consented (NPS EN-1, Para. 3.2.6). The Scheme is needed to contribute to meeting *"the urgent need for new (and particularly low carbon) electricity NSIPs to be brought forward as soon as possible, given the crucial role of electricity as the UK decarbonises its economy."* (NPS EN-1, Para 3.3.58). Section 7.3 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** also sets out the challenge to deliver net zero regionally, including the reduction of

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			carbon emissions from transport and other non-electricity sector demand in the region. Section 4.3 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** explains that current levels of national electricity demand are expected to double (NPS EN-1, Para. 2.3.7) to electrify these non-traditional sectors. Regional electricity demand is likely to grow at a similar rate to national demand, underpinning Government's aim to prioritise new low carbon generation projects needed for 2030, while maintaining a robust pipeline of projects beyond 2030 (Clean Power 2030 Action Plan, Page 11). This underpins the need for the Scheme and for other schemes to come forward in the region and nationally to meet current and future electricity demand.
NEE-016	RR-0446	Respondent stated that the Examining Authority should require clear evidence showing how the East Pye connection would operate in practice, whether any export would be non-firm or subject to curtailment, and whether the Applicant's generation and carbon-benefit estimates include realistic curtailment assumptions.	The **Grid Connection Statement [APP-207]** provides details on the Scheme's connection agreement with NESO. The Applicant can confirm that the connection is not non-firm. Section 8.4 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** provides further information on curtailment and Chapter 7 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** describes that transmission constraints are less likely to

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		The respondent requested a generation and carbon-benefit modelling showing whether and how curtailment has been accounted for.	cause curtailment at the Scheme during its operational life than may be experienced at other locations. Conservative assumptions have been taken in assessing the output of the Scheme, therefore (and given the above) no specific accounting for curtailment has been made in assessing the carbon benefits of the Scheme. It is the Applicant's understanding that in providing a connection offer to an electricity generator, National Grid are required to carry out robust analysis to ensure that anticipated power flows from the generator can be accommodated as per the connection agreement. The Applicant understands that National Grid have carried out this analysis and that has resulted in the connection agreement being offered and accepted. NESO's re-prioritisation of the Scheme as a Gate 2 Phase 2 project further supports that the grid local to the Scheme can accommodate the Scheme as proposed.
NEE-017	RR-0446	Respondent asked the Examining Authority to require clear evidence that locating a major substation and	The Applicant refers to its response to NEE-016.

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		BESS at Great Moulton and Tivetshall would not worsen EC5 instability, and that the Scheme is not relying on unproven or future services to deal with a nationally recognised constraint. The respondent requested a transparent assessment of EC5, CMIS and any likely curtailment or non-firm export conditions relevant to the Scheme's connection.	
NEE-018	RR-0336	Respondent noted that the completed Cleve Hill NSIP now supplies power to private business (Tesco) and considers this an example of greenwashing.	The Applicant notes this comment but in general does not agree that the provision of UK-generated low-carbon electricity to meet UK consumption is 'greenwashing'. Once power generated is exported to the National Grid, the Applicant cannot control how that power is utilised. The **Statement of Need [APP-206]** sets out the national need for the Scheme to contribute to meeting the Government's objective to ensure that the supply of energy always remains secure, reliable, affordable, and consistent with meeting the UK's legally binding target to cut GHG emissions to net zero by 2050. To achieve these objectives will

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			be to the benefit of energy consumers both nationally and locally.
NEE-019	RR-0931	Respondent stated that batteries are unable to store power from summer to winter.	The **Statement of Need [APP-206]** sets out that the BESS is proposed as a short / medium duration energy storage facility to support the operation of the Solar PV Panels in the Scheme. This includes storing energy when it is abundant and releasing it when it is needed. The BESS is not designed to facilitate inter-seasonal energy storage at the Scheme. Further information can be found in Section 6.9 and Section 9.2 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**.

2.5 Scheme Description, Draft DCO and Principles, Parameters and Commitments

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SCH-001	RR-1287, RR-0869, RR-0872, RR-1369, RR-0283, RR-0967, RR-0373, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-0083, RR-1720, RR-0060, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-0446, RR-0043, RR-1710, RR-1074, RR-0055	Respondents expressed opposition to the use of the term "Southern Cluster". Some respondents provided context: Using the term is risking obscuring the identity and existence of the villages of Great Moulton and Tivetshall and Wacton, in the respondent's view this draws the attention of the Planning Inspectorate and Examining Authority away from the fact that this is not an unpopulated rural area. These villages have formed part of the Great Moulton Plateau since the Roman times, with the respondent fearing historic and community context will be lost through the use of a generic label. Respondents requested that this be rectified and that the term "Southern	Within the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**, the assessments consider the likely significant effects on these local communities, where appropriate, within these villages and on specific properties. Within the ES, the assessment of likely significant effects is undertaken at the level of individual receptors where appropriate, including specific villages and properties. For example, the Landscape and Visual Assessment assesses effects on individual settlements and representative viewpoints, whilst the Cultural Heritage assessment considers effects on designated and non-designated heritage assets. The use of the term "Southern Cluster" is therefore a geographical descriptor only and does not alter the assessment of impacts on individual receptors. It is of the Applicant's view that the assessments within the ES clearly define the

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		Cluster" be clearly defined in all as including Great Moulton, Tivetshall and Wacton, so that these villages are consistently identified by name, ensuring that this would place them on the same footing as all other named villages affected by the Scheme and would properly ensure that the Planning Inspector and Examining Authority understand the community background of this part of the proposed development.	likely significant effects on the receptors assessed. This includes an assessment on the landscape character in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]**.
SCH-002	RR-0828, RR-0863, RR-0033, RR-1631, RR-1595, RR-1288, RR-0335, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-0273, RR-1099, RR-0405, RR-0947, RR-0677, RR-1995	Respondent expressed disagreement with the term 'temporary' to describe the Scheme.	The Applicant is seeking a time-limited consent for the Scheme to have an operational period of up to 60 years. This is secured by Requirement 21 in Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. At the end of the Scheme's operational life, apart from the National Grid Substation and Grid Connection Infrastructure, the Scheme would be decommissioned and the land returned to the landowner, as set out in the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. Post-decommissioning, the landowners would choose how the land is to be used and managed. The temporary nature of the Scheme has been reflected throughout the **ES [APP-036**

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			to APP-195], including in assessments of landscape and visual effects, cultural heritage and agricultural land, where consideration has been given to the decommissioning and restoration of the Site at the end of the operational period. The Scheme is therefore distinguished from forms of development that would result in a permanent change in land use.
SCH-003	RR-1962, RR-0841, RR-1216, RR-0646, RR-0076, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-1099, RR-0566, RR-0843, RR-1741, RR-0155, RR-1995	Respondents expressed concern that the Scheme's operational life had been extended (from 40 to 60 years) and that a 60-year duration could not reasonably be regarded as a temporary land-use change, amounting to a near-permanent, multi-generational industrialisation of the countryside.	The Applicant is seeking a time-limited consent for the Scheme to have an operational period of up to 60 years, which is secured by Requirement 21 in Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. At the end of the Scheme's operational life, apart from the National Grid Substation and Grid Connection Infrastructure, the Scheme would be decommissioned and the land returned to the landowner, as set out in the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. The likely significant effects of the Scheme are identified in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**, which identifies the nature of the effects. The temporary nature of the Scheme has been reflected throughout the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]**, including in assessments of landscape and visual effects, cultural heritage

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			and agricultural land, where consideration has been given to the decommissioning and restoration of the Site at the end of the operational period. The Scheme is therefore distinguished from forms of development that would result in a permanent change in land use.
SCH-004	RR-0099, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0395, RR-0539, RR-1166, RR-0765	Respondent stated that there is no confirmation or agreed design for the National Grid Substation. One respondent expressed concern that The National Grid Substation remains entirely unexamined—no PEIR review, no visual impact assessment, and no public scrutiny. This omission is glaring and unacceptable.	The **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]** and **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** set out the maximum parameters and commitments for the National Grid Substation. Requirement 5 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** requires details to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority, in accordance with the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213].** Alternatively, National Grid Electricity Transmission could submit a planning application outside the DCO though the Town and Country Planning Act, for the new National Grid Substation. As explained in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 2 - EIA Methodology [APP-038]**, the EIA is based on the 'Rochdale Envelope' approach, which is in accordance with the Planning Inspectorate (2018) Nationally Significant

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			Infrastructure Projects – Advice Note Nine: Rochdale Envelope, and involves assessing the worst-case scenario. The worst-case scenario has been defined by the maximum design parameters assessed within the ES and secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**, with these parameters informing the topic-specific assessments contained within the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**. The National Grid Substation has been fully assessed within the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** following this approach**.** The two options for the location of the National Grid Substation, were presented at Statutory Consultation and the preferred location at the Targeted Consultation. Further details of the Targeted Consultation can be found in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]** and **Consultation Report Appendix 9: Targeted Consultation Materials [APP-033]**.
SCH-005	RR-0601, RR-0328 RR-1287, RR-0142, RR-0872	Respondent expressed concern that the Applicant states in its design documentation that "detailed design" will follow once the DCO has been granted.	The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** set out the maximum and, where necessary, minimum parameters with the spatial extents shown on the **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]**.

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SCH-006	RR-0601, RR-0328 RR-0872	Respondents stated the design is not clear, and that insufficient information has been provided by the Applicant to enable a properly informed decision to be taken, adding that numerous documents have been provided but the scheme is still being described at high level.	The Scheme has Work Nos as described in Schedule 1 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** and does not have a detailed design at this stage. Requirement 5 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** requires details to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority, in accordance with the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. The Applicant is seeking flexibility in design parameters to allow for technological advancement to maximise energy production The EIA has been undertaken in accordance with the Rochdale Envelope approach to assess the maximum parameters and a worst-case scenario. The Planning Inspectorate's Advice Note Nine: Rochdale Envelope acknowledges there may be aspects of the Scheme design that are not yet fixed and, therefore, it may be necessary for the EIA to assess likely reasonable worst-case scenario for the likely significant environmental effects of the Scheme to be considered. The Rochdale Envelope approach is well established for solar DCO projects, recognising that certain aspects of the detailed design and construction methodology are appropriately refined post-

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			consent whilst ensuring that the likely significant environmental effects are assessed on a robust worst-case basis. The proposed management and mitigation measures set out in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and are secured through various outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]**. The specificity of the outline management plans will be provided in the detailed management plans, which will be substantially in accordance with the outline management plans, that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority, in consultation with relevant statutory consultee, where specified in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
SCH-007	RR-0539, RR-0761, RR-1166, RR-0097	Respondent expressed concern regarding the increased size of the Substation in Site 1 (from 132kV to 400kV)	During design evolution, the Project Substation located in Sub-Site 1B was upgraded from a 132kV to 400kV Project Substation. This strategic upgrade removes the need for an additional transformer at the Project Substation in the BESS Site, thereby reducing the requirement for AIL within the locality. This change simplifies the overall infrastructure and improves the efficiency and environmental footprint of the project. This change was consulted on during the Targeted

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			Consultation in Autumn 2025. Further details of the Targeted Consultation can be found in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]** and **Consultation Report Appendix 9: Targeted Consultation Materials [APP-033]**. The parameters of the 400kV Project Substation are set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and assessed as part of the Scheme within the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**. The Applicant acknowledges the Scheme would introduce a series of new features into the rural landscape. The Applicant has sought to reduce adverse effects on the landscape and its features and reduce the visibility of the Scheme through considered siting of new features; and where appropriate introduction of new landscape measures to support landscape integration and visual screening of the Scheme.
SCH-008	RR-1749, RR-1776	Respondent expressed concern that there is an absence of BESS design details.	The Applicant refers to its response to SCH-006. Further, the parameters and commitments for the BESS are secured through the **Design**

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			Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213] and management measures are described in the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. **The Outline BSMP [APP-200]** also includes an illustrative BESS layout, including the potential location for water storage tanks. By way of a Requirement 6 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** prior to the commencement of construction of the BESS, the Applicant will require a detailed BSMP (to be substantially in accordance with the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**) to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority that must consult with the with Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service and the Environment Agency.
SCH-009	RR-0512	Respondent expressed concern that operational life of the Scheme is not long enough.	The Applicant refers to its response provided to SCH-003.
SCH-010	RR-0030	Respondent stated that the Scheme's size violates the spatial density mandates set out in the 2026 Land Use Framework for England. They stated that, based on modern engineering and the framework's benchmark of 1.5 to 2.0 ha/MW, a legitimate 500MW project can only	NPS EN-3 provides indications of land use per MW for large-scale solar and Paragraph 6.7.1 of the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** explains that the illustrative design for the Scheme shows a layout which is more land efficient than the indicated (but not required) range, noting that the NPS states *"However,*

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		technically justify a land-take of 750 to 1,000 hectares. By capping the application at 500MW while seizing a 2,700-hectare territory, the Applicant is potentially engaged in 'salami-slicing'—attempting to secure a regional-scale asset while evading the more stringent regional-tier scrutiny mandated by planning laws. The respondent stated that by demanding up to nearly three times of the required acreage, the structural disproportion may indicate an unlawful 'Project Splitting' strategy. The proposed acreage is of a scale that could support a 1.35GW to 1.8GW solar output. Under the latest framework, an energy project of that magnitude crosses the critical threshold from localized infrastructure into a development requiring Regional Level Considerations. This includes mandatory assessments of regional grid stability, cumulative ecological fragmentation, and macro-level threats to national food security due to the mass displacement of Best	*this will vary significantly depending on the site, with some being larger and some being smaller."* The Applicant has applied the approach that was agreed by the Examining Authority and SoS for Mallard Pass Solar Farm which presented an acres/MW ratio based on the MW peak in direct current (DC). The Examining Authority's Recommendation Report for Mallard Pass Solar Farm includes discussion on "output" at Paragraphs 8.2.84 onwards, including recognition that the acres/MW ratio range "*is intended to include 'associated infrastructure' as stated but not mitigation and enhancement areas*" because *"mitigation and enhancement should not necessarily be considered as a negative."*

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		and Most Versatile (BMV) agricultural land.	
SCH-011	RR-0060	Respondent expressed concern that the Applicant identifies site 2 as Tivetshall but according to the maps produced in the DCO site 2A is in Tivetshall; site 2B is 50% in Tivetshall and 50% in Great Moulton, Site 2C is Wacton. They enquire whether the description is correct or the map.	The Applicant notes the respondent's comments regarding the naming and location of Site 2. The Applicant would welcome clarity on the map being referred to by the respondent.
SCH-012	RR-0246, RR-0869, RR-0255, RR-1047, RR-1739, RR-1318, RR-1195, RR-1173, RR-1223, RR-0356	Respondent stated that the proposals are unclear on buffer zone size and other precise impacts on their property. They stated that based on the maps, they object to the buffers between their property and the Scheme being less than 500m given the scale of the impact on their property.	The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, with landscape and visual considerations embedded into the design. The minimum offset distances that will be applied to residential properties are secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]**. This includes a minimum of 50m from the curtilage of residential properties for the solar PV areas, Project Substations and National Grid Substation with a 200m buffer included for the BESS Enclosure. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows

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			(infill planting/laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. A visual amenity assessment on residential properties in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.8 - Residential Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-148]**. No properties were found to meet the Residential Visual Amenity Threshold.
SCH-013	RR-0103, RR-1613, RR-0665, RR-0982, RR-0172	The respondent states that it is important for the project to be properly managed, with clear protections for productive farmland, wildlife habitats and screening for nearby villages.	The proposed management and mitigation measures are set out in the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]** and are secured through various outline management plans **[APP-196 to APP-205].** The detailed management plans will be substantially in accordance with the outline management plans and are secured through Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. These detailed management plans will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority.

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			A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows (infill planting/laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
SCH-014	RR-0823, RR-0307, RR-1611	Respondents commented on residential visual amenity. Some respondents stated that impacts on residential properties have been understated, while others mentioned that the buffer should be increased to a minimum of 250m.	<u>Effects on Residential Visual Amenity</u> The Applicant has prepared a Residential Visual Amenity Assessment (RVAA), as presented in **ES Volume 2, Appendix 7.8 - Residential Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-148]**. The RVAA has been undertaken in accordance with the Landscape Institute's Residential Visual Amenity Assessment (RVAA) Technical Guidance Note 2/19 (2019). The purpose of an RVAA is not to identify all properties from which the development may be visible, nor to assess general visual effects experienced by residents. Rather, it is intended to determine whether the scale and

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			proximity of a development would result in residential visual amenity being affected to such an extent that the property would become an unattractive place in which to live, through effects described as visually overbearing, overwhelming or oppressive. The Applicant's RVAA adopted a 100m study area from the Scheme element parameters, reflecting the proximity within which visually overbearing, overwhelming or oppressive effects are most likely to occur. The assessment concluded that no residential properties within the defined study area would experience visual effects of such magnitude that they would become unattractive places in which to live. The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, with landscape and visual considerations embedded into the design. In accordance with the mitigation hierarchy, avoidance measures embedded in the design include exclusion of Solar PV Arrays from areas in proximity to residential properties, and the application of design offsets (a minimum 50m offset from the curtilage of residential

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			properties, applied on a case-by-case basis). These minimum offsets are set secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]** by way of Requirement 5 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
SCH-015	RR-0823, RR-2017, RR-0817	Respondent stated that the Scheme's entire design has been undertaken without care or consideration and clearly should not have proceeded beyond the initial design stage.	Factors considered in the site selection process is given in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**. This includes consideration of planning, environmental and operational factors in the search for suitable sites. These constraints have been informed by national policy on factors relevant to site selection for solar development as set out within NPS EN-1 and EN-3. Consideration has included both technical constraints (i.e. proximity to grid connection, site size, compatibility of land uses) and consideration of the avoidance and reduction of environmental impacts by excluding ecological, landscape and heritage designations. The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, which has been informed by environmental surveys, consultation feedback and technical requirements. The design evolution of the

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			Scheme, as summarised in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**, has sought to avoid and/or reduce environmental impacts as far as practicable through the design process. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032].**
SCH-016	RR-0502, RR-0097	Respondents expressed concern that Scheme has changed significantly since the consultation rounds and locals have not had a chance to have their say on updated proposals.	The Applicant considers that the statutory consultation has been robust, thorough and undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008, the EIA Regulations, and the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009. Throughout the consultation period, anyone was welcome and encouraged to get in touch through any of the free-to-use communication channels provided, including email, freephone, and post. Respondents were also

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			invited to attend the in-person and virtual community information events, where they could view the maps and ask questions or seek clarification directly with the Applicant. The acceptance of the Applicant's application for Examination by the Planning Inspectorate serves as confirmation that the Applicant has fulfilled its statutory pre-application duties. This process included a thorough assessment of the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**, which details the Applicant's approach to pre-application consultation. The Applicant also notes that the Examination process provides a further opportunity for interested parties to comment on the Scheme. This Examination is managed by an independently appointed Examining Authority.
SCH-017	RR-1570, RR-1570	Respondent expressed concern that insufficient precision and detail has been provided regarding the exact impacts on nearby residential properties, including the precise location and extent of buffers, fencing, construction activity, temporary access arrangements and operational infrastructure. This makes	The Applicant refers to its response to SCH-007 and SCH-012. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that

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		it difficult for affected residents properly to assess the likely impacts on their homes and daily lives. One respondent objected to the buffer zones between their property and the Scheme, noting in planning documents this is less than 500m.	impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
SCH-018	RR-0246, RR-0674	Respondent stated that the Application documents contain little detail about the proposed buffer zones between the Site and residential properties. This includes further impacts on residential properties such as fencing, construction activity, temporary access arrangements and operational infrastructure. The respondent stated that the insufficient details make it difficult to assess the likely impacts on homes.	
SCH-019	RR-1305, RR-1606	Respondent expressed concern regarding the size of the Project Substations and BESS.	The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, with landscape and visual considerations embedded into the design principles and siting of infrastructure. The design evolution of the Scheme in respect of landscape and

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			visual context is set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. The Applicant acknowledges the Scheme would introduce a series of new features into the rural landscape. The Applicant has sought to reduce adverse effects on the landscape and its features and reduce the visibility of the Scheme through considered siting of new features; and where appropriate introduction of new landscape measures to support landscape integration and visual screening of the Scheme. The Applicant's overall planning balance is set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, which concludes that the benefits of the Scheme outweigh its adverse effects and support the grant of development consent. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes for visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management, maintenance and monitoring of the landscape measures during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.

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SCH-020	RR-0295	Respondent would like the Applicant to commit to mitigation and other ways that impacts can be eased. They do not want to hear or read "we might do this", "we're looking at this", "we could do this", or "we may consider this".	The outline management plans establish a framework for the details to be secured through the DCO Requirements. The qualifying phrases used are considered appropriate by the Applicant at this stage given the outline nature of the management plans, the need for flexibility to take into account detailed design, construction methodologies, logistics and programming, technology advances and evolution in best practice. For example, the Applicant has sought to retain flexibility around cable routing, vehicular access points and highway visibility requirements, public access to PRoW, vegetation retention and removal to reflect the details that will be subject to the detailed design stage. Vegetation removal/pruning and reinstatement will also depend on seasonal considerations, for example. The Applicant has also sought to retain flexibility where the timing of implementing measures will be subject to agreeing details with the relevant planning authority, for example, in relation to the timing for any repairs required as a result of the Scheme in relation to Public Rights of Way and construction haul routes.

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			Further to the above, the specificity will be provided in the detailed management plans, which will be substantially in accordance with these outline management plans, that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority, in consultation with relevant statutory consultee, where specified in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The approval of the detailed management plans is secured by the Requirements in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Paragraph 2(4) of Schedule 15 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** requires the Applicant to confirm when submitting the final plan for approval whether it would give to any materially new or materially different environmental effects in comparison with those reported in the ES. This ensures that any mitigation measures identified in the ES will be secured by ensuring that the final design of the Scheme falls within the framework of the conclusions of that ES.
SCH-021	RR-0390	Respondent expressed concern that existing grid infrastructure will not be able to handle the Scheme once connected.	It is the Applicant's understanding that in providing a connection offer to an electricity generator, National Grid are required to carry out robust analysis to ensure that anticipated power flows from the generator can be

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			accommodated as per the connection agreement. The Applicant understands that National Grid have carried out this analysis and that has resulted in the connection agreement being offered and accepted. NESO's re-prioritisation of the Scheme as a Gate 2 Phase 2 further supports that the grid can accommodate the Scheme.
SCH-022	RR-0539	Respondent objected to the additional area added to Site 1D	Sub-Site 1D was the subject to Targeted Consultation undertaken between 22 October 2025 and 26 November 2025. This land is required in relation to the re-configuration and connection to the existing 400kV overhead transmission line (Norwich Main – Bramford).
SCH-023	RR-0683	Respondent expressed Island green have accepted a 250m distance on their Lime down project in Wiltshire due to planning inspector concerns, and think it's only reasonable for us to have the same minimum consideration.	The Applicant refers to its response to SCH-017 and SCH-014. In accordance with the mitigation hierarchy, avoidance measures embedded in the design include exclusion of Solar PV Arrays from areas in proximity to residential properties, and the application of design offsets (a minimum 50m offset from the curtilage of residential properties, applied on a case-by-case basis). These minimum offsets are set

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			secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]** by way of Requirement 5 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant would highlight that there is no industry standard offset for this type of development from residential properties. 50m is a useful starting point (as defined as a minimum offset on other recently consented solar developments including Cottam Solar Project and the West Burton Solar Project) but a case-by-case distance is taken regarding the individual characteristics of the receptor and the appropriate distance, and often this distance is increased. The Examining Authority will make a recommendation and Secretary of State will make a decision based on the merits of the Scheme. The planning balance for the Scheme is included in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**.
SCH-024	RR-0683	Respondent expressed whilst EPS have pushed back the distance from their house (In Lundy Green) on the	Offsets from the curtilages of residential properties have been applied around Site 3, along with landscape planting proposals for

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		south side, it has not pushed back the distance from the curtilage on the east side from the garden, plot 3 abutting the Aldburgh Road is very close to the boundary of their property.	hedgerows with trees, along with a linear tree belt, located adjacent to the solar PV development adjacent to Aldburgh Road to reduce visual effects. In accordance with the mitigation hierarchy, avoidance measures embedded in the design include exclusion of Solar PV Arrays from areas in proximity to residential properties, and the application of design offsets (a minimum 50m offset from the curtilage of residential properties, applied on a case-by-case basis). These minimum offsets are set secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and the **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]** by way of Requirement 5 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows (infill planting/laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration.

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EIA-001	RR-0746, RR-1626, RR-0377, RR-0545, RR-0516, RR-1252, RR-0295, RR-0378, RR-1935, RR-0541, RR-1019, RR-0246, RR-1552, RR-0142, RR-1936, RR-1824, RR-0780, RR-2017, RR-1683, RR-1392, RR-0819, RR-0676, RR-1946, RR-0737, RR-1187, RR-0778, RR-2031, RR-0449, RR-0009, RR-0331, RR-1812, RR-1158, RR-1809, RR-0588, RR-0052, RR-1166, RR-1626, RR-0870, RR-0126, RR-1340, RR-0204, RR-0331	Respondent expressed scepticism that the team undertaking environmental assessments are unbiased/impartial and/or question the validity of environment assessment findings. Some respondents requested independent specialists to conduct environmental/ecological surveys. Respondent also stated that most assessments seemed to be 'desk-based'.	The Applicant disagrees that the team undertaking the environmental assessments are biased. The **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and environmental surveys have been undertaken by competent experts with considerable experience assessing similar schemes. Details of qualifications, experience and professional institute membership are provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 1.2 - Statement of Expertise [APP-112]**. The **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** has been informed by the relevant surveys, with further surveys secured through the outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]**.
EIA-002	RR-0142, RR-1720, RR-1492, RR-0960, RR-1190, RR-1710, RR-1600, RR-1600, RR-0081, RR-1252, RR-0500, RR-1821, RR-0373, RR-1807, RR-1611, RR-1626, RR-1995	Respondent expressed a fundamental concern that significant environmental issues are deferred to post-consent management plans, future surveys, licensing and mitigation rather than being fully assessed during the Examination.	The construction, operation and decommissioning of the Scheme have been assessed in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**, which also identifies mitigation measures. The outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]** are designed with the objective of

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		Respondent added that the Applicant should not rely on outline documents or future approvals to resolve matters that are central to the lawfulness and deliverability of the Scheme.	securing the relevant environmental mitigation measures set out within the ES. The detailed management plans will be substantially in accordance with the outline management plans and are secured through Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. These detailed management plans will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. As detailed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 2 – EIA Methodology [APP-038]**, the ES adopts the Rochdale Envelope approach to maintain flexibility in the design and layout of the Scheme in the DCO Application, to address uncertainties as identified in the ES, and to allow for advancements in technology from now to the time of construction. All technical chapters determine and assess the maximum parameters where flexibility needs to be retained as under the Rochdale Envelope Approach. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 4 – The Scheme [APP-040]** details the Scheme parameters considered by the technical authors as part of the EIA to assess realistic worst-case effects for each potential receptor.

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EIA-003	RR-0207, RR-1260, RR-0323, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-1299, RR-0099, RR-0395, RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-0573, RR-1398, RR-0972, RR-1190, RR-1153, RR-1198, RR-1821	Respondent stated that general assertions regarding 'optionality' and 'attrition' do not justify imposing substantial and permanent harm on a highly sensitive rural landscape.	The Applicant refers to its response to NEE-009 and NEE-016. A landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. The assessment concludes that construction effects are short-term and reversible, and occur as a result of increased activity, vehicle movements, temporary compounds, hedgerow loss, trenching, and temporary PRoW closures. Significant adverse effects are predicted for several Landscape Character Areas (LCAs) and sites, notably LCA B1 Tas Tributary Farmland, LCA E2 Great Moulton Plateau Farmland, and the landscape character and features of the BESS Site, Site 1, and Site 7 due to Major disturbance. Moderate significant effects occur at Site 8 and others, with Minor or Negligible (and therefore not significant) effects elsewhere. The operational phase of the Scheme introduces long-term changes as a result of the transition from an agricultural to energy production landscape, with direct loss of features and increased influence from infrastructure. Solar PV panels alter land

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			cover and affect perceptions of remoteness and tranquillity. Significant adverse landscape effects relate to the landscape character and features of BESS Site, Site 1, and Site 8, with moderate significant effects at LCA's B1 Tas Tributary Farmland, C2 Thurlton Tributary Farmland with Parkland and E2 Great Moulton Plateau Farmland and to the character and features of all Sites excluding Site 6 and the CRC. Cable route areas largely restore with negligible residual effects. By Year 15, mitigation planting matures, reducing effects and enhancing integration of the Scheme. Most landscape receptors experience decreased effects, often minor or not significant. Site 1 continues to have major and significant adverse effects due to infrastructure scale, with the LCA's B1 Tas Tributary Farmland, LCA E2 Great Moulton Plateau Farmland, the BESS Site, Site 7, and Site 8 maintain moderate and significant effects. Other LCAs and character and features of the other Sites reduce effects to minor or negligible (and therefore not significant). The cable route corridor Sites experience no change.

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			The Scheme, apart from the National Grid Substation and Grid Connection Infrastructure, is not permanent and following its operational life it will be decommissioned which involves activities similar in scale to construction but in reverse. The National Grid Substation and established landscape mitigation planting will however remain. At decommissioning cable removal may cause localised disturbance. Effects increase compared to Year 15 due to higher activity but are short-term and reversible. Site 1 is predicted to have major and significant effects; Site 8 has moderate magnitude but major significance. Other LCAs and sites experience moderate or slight magnitudes with varying significance. Some recreational routes and LCAs experience negligible and not significant effect. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape. Whilst the Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment identifies some major adverse significant effects, no substantial adverse effects on landscape receptors have been identified.

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			Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**. NPS EN-1 states that the Secretary of State should assess all applications for development consent for the types of infrastructure included by the NPS (including solar) on the basis that there is demonstrated urgent need for them, that substantial weight should be given to this need, and that the Secretary of State is not required to consider the specific contribution of any individual project to be satisfied that need is established (NPS EN-1, Paras. 3.2.8 – 3.2.10). The energy NPSs also include the Government's conclusion that there is a critical national priority for the provision of nationally significant low carbon infrastructure, which includes large-scale solar farms such as the Scheme, because a combination of many or all types of such infrastructure is urgently required for both energy security and to achieve net zero (NPS EN-1, Paras. 4.2.16 – 4.2.17). As set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, having had regard to all important and relevant matters, the Applicant has concluded that there are no adverse impacts of sufficient

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			weight, either individually or collectively, that would mean the DCO should not be made. The adverse impacts identified are clearly outweighed by the substantial public benefits that would arise from providing low-carbon energy to meet the needs identified in NPS EN-1.
EIA-004	RR-0064, RR-0826, RR-1626, RR-0099, RR-1375, RR-1716, RR-1069, RR-1099, RR-0134, RR-1464, RR-0588, RR-1666	Respondents expressed concern that the Applicant assessed environmental impacts individually rather than reflecting the combined effect experienced by a single receptor (e.g. visual, noise, lighting, construction and loss of open countryside considered together).	The assessments within the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195],** has considered all components of the Scheme as a whole, including the National Grid Substation and Grid Connection Infrastructure, the Project Substations and the BESS, together with the Solar PV Arrays and **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]**. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 19 – In-combination Effects Assessment [APP-055]** *'presents a summary of the potential likely in-combination effects between topics, setting out the interrelationship arising as a result of direct effects from other environmental topics.'*
EIA-005	RR-0207, RR-1299, RR-1375	Respondent stated that there are no minor or easily mitigated impacts of the Scheme. They stated that these impacts are direct, location-specific harms arising because it is an	The site selection process is described in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]** which sets out the suitability of the selected Sites against key environmental, planning,

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		unsuitable location for a development of this scale and intensity.	and technical criteria informed by NPS EN-3, and considers potential alternatives.
EIA-006	RR-1067, RR-1142, RR-1192	Respondent stated that the Scheme would result in significant adverse effects on agricultural land, landscape character, heritage assets, ecology, public amenity and highway safety.	The Applicant acknowledges that there will be some unavoidable impacts on the environment as a result of the Scheme. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum, and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The planning balance considering the positive, neutral and negative impacts are set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**. The Secretary of State will balance those potential impacts against the urgent need and critical national priority for the Scheme as set out in Government policy.
EIA-007	RR-0486, RR-1534	The respondent stated that the Applicant had not resolved gateway legal issues relating to protected species, the Habitats Regulations, the Water Framework Directive, private water supplies, contamination,	The **Shadow Habitats Regulation Assessment (sHRA) [AS-036]** concludes no likely significant effects on Norfolk Valley Fens SAC, The Broads SAC, Broadland SPA and Broadland Ramsar, either alone or in-combination with any other plan or project.

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		heritage protection, and procedural fairness. Respondent stated that, if the Examining Authority were to consider any part of the application further, additional environmental information, corrected assessments, re-consultation where necessary, and enforceable safeguards would be required to demonstrate compliance with the relevant legal requirements. They also stated that further information should not be used solely to address evidential gaps after the principle of development had effectively been accepted.	The Shadow HRA therefore is not required to proceed to Appropriate Assessment stage. **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.3 - Water Framework Directive Assessment [APP-163]** demonstrates that the Scheme will not have any significant impacts on the Water Framework Directive elements once the mitigation measures are implemented. An assessment on heritage assets, including Conservation Areas and listed buildings, is provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** and the **Heritage Statement [APP-165** to **APP-168],** which conclude that no significant adverse effects are expected as a result of the Scheme. The **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** assesses the potential effects of the Scheme, including in relation to protected species, private water supplies, contamination and heritage assets. Where potential effects have been identified, the ES sets out appropriate mitigation and management measures to avoid or reduce where necessary. In addition, the environmental assessments and surveys supporting the application have been undertaken by competent and appropriately

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			qualified specialists, with relevant experience in assessing similar schemes. Details of qualifications, experience and professional institute membership are provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 1.2 - Statement of Expertise [APP-112]**. The Applicant considers that the consultation has been robust, thorough and undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008, the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, and the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009. The acceptance of the Applicant's application for examination by the Planning Inspectorate serves as confirmation that the Applicant has fulfilled its statutory pre-application duties. The consultation process is set out in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**, which details the Applicant's approach to pre-application consultation.
EIA-008	RR-1772, RR-1166	Respondent stated that the ES does not assess the Scheme now proposed. It does not include:	The Applicant does not agree that the ES fails to assess the Scheme now proposed. The assessment of effects on the key Environmental and Heritage matters identified

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		• Groundwater modelling Private water supply surveys • Hydrological assessment BESSS firewater / PFAS modelling • Transformer oil spill modelling • Noise modelling (including low frequency and tonal) • Lighting assessment • Cumulative effects • Updated ecology, landscape and visual assessments • A lawful archaeological baseline.	by the Respondent are addressed within the **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**, **Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**, **Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]**, **Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]**, **Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**, **Chapter 18 – Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]** and **Chapter 19 – In-Combination Effects [APP-055]**. Where potential effects have been identified, the ES identifies appropriate mitigation and management measures. The proposed management and mitigation measures set out in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and are secured through various outline management plans **[APP-196 to APP-205]**.
EIA-009	RR-0318, RR-0955	Respondent expressed Applicant has not considered the environmental impact findings of Block East Pye Solar.	The Applicant has responded directly to representations made by Block East Pye Solar in **Applicant's Responses to Relevant Representation Part 3** [**EN0110014/EXAM/8.8]**.
EIA-010	RR-1626	Respondent stated that the Applicant has failed to apply a sufficiently robust Rochdale envelope.	The Applicant does not agree that the EIA has failed to apply a sufficiently robust Rochdale Envelope.

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			The EIA presented within the ES has been undertaken adopting the principles set out in the Planning Inspectorate's Advice Note Nine: Rochdale Envelope which provides guidance regarding the degree of flexibility that may be considered appropriate within an application for development consent. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 2 – Environmental Impact Assessment Methodology [APP-038]** sets out for each technical discipline, the maximum (and where relevant, minimum) parameters for the elements where flexibility needs to be retained and has been assessed under the Rochdale Envelope approach. The approach also recognises that the worst-case parameter for one technical assessment may differ from another, ensuring the worse-case overall impacts are predicted. Each technical chapter (**ES Volume 1, Chapters 6 [APP-042]** to **18 [APP-054]**) describes the parameters applied in relation to the relevant assessment. As set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 4, The Scheme [APP-040]**, the extent and purpose of the design flexibility sought have been clearly defined and follow Advice Note Nine. The flexibility is targeted and proportionate, not an unrestricted ability to alter all aspects

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			of the Scheme. The maximum and minimum parameters of the Scheme are set out in **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** which are secured by Requirement 5 in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
EIA-011	RR-0036	Respondent expressed that the Examining Authority should not take mitigation as a 'cure-all' for the worst effects of the Scheme.	Regulation 14, Paragraph (2)(c) of the EIA Regulations requires the ES to provide 'a description of any features of the proposed development, or measures envisaged in order to avoid, prevent or reduce and, if possible, offset likely significant adverse effects on the environment'. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 2 - EIA Methodology [APP-038]** sets out the mitigation hierarchy approach adopted in the ES. As detailed within the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, the mitigation hierarchy has been applied, in satisfaction of NPS EN-1. The proposed management and mitigation measures set out in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** are comprehensive and robust and the Scheme aligns with national and local planning policy; this is outlined in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** and **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]**.
EIA-012	RR-1369	Respondent stated that the application refers to receptors,	The **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** provides a full environmental assessment in accordance

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		mitigation measures and acceptable levels of impact. However, behind those technical descriptions are real families who will have to live with the consequences of this decision long after the developers, consultants and contractors have moved on.	with relevant legislation and guidance. The terminology used within the ES is dictated by the EIA Regulations and best practice guidance and methodologies, and do not serve to de-humanise effects but rather ensure that effects are assessed comprehensively and accurately. The proposed management and mitigation measures set out in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** are comprehensive and robust and the Scheme aligns with national and local planning policy; this is outlined in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** and the **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]**. Interested Parties may review these documents and participate in the Examination in accordance with the procedures set out by the Examining Authority.
EIA-013	RR-1257	Respondent expressed concern that Scheme should not proceed further until all previous points in relation to safety and environmental impacts from earlier consultation are addressed.	The assessment of effects in relation to safety and environmental impacts are addressed within the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**. Where potential effects have been identified, the ES identifies appropriate mitigation and management measures. The proposed management and mitigation measures are set out in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and are

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			secured through various outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]**. The **Consultation Report [APP-024]** and its **Appendices [APP-025** to **APP-034]** provide a detailed account of how consultation feedback, including prescribed consultees and public comments, has been considered and, where appropriate, how they have influenced the evolution of the Scheme.

2.7 Construction and Decommissioning

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C&D-001	RR-0507, RR-0442, RR-0095	Respondents expressed concern for lack of responsibility / accountability to comply with the specifics of the DCO / proposals. Some respondents specified concern for this in relation to decommissioning.	The Applicant confirms that the DCO incorporates enforceable mechanisms to regulate Scheme delivery. Failure to comply with a DCO Requirement can be found to be a criminal offence, if there is no valid legal reason for such a breach. A detailed DEMP will be prepared substantially in accordance with the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** and must be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority prior to the commencement of decommissioning. This is secured through Requirement 21 in Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. In addition, except for the National Grid Substation and Grid Connection Infrastructure, the Applicant is seeking a time-limited consent for the Scheme to have an operational period of up to 60 years. This is secured by Requirement 21 in Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
C&D-002	RR-0862, RR-0148, RR-0436, RR-1553, RR-0746, RR-1177,	Some respondents expressed general concern about potential	The likely significant effects of the Scheme during the construction phase are assessed

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	RR-1962, RR-1450, RR-1660, RR-1626, RR-0591, RR-1572, RR-1608, RR-0811, RR-0013, RR-0841, RR-0632, RR-1952, RR-1297 ,RR-1350, RR-0646, RR-0545, RR-0633, RR-0584, RR-0837, RR-0517, RR-1254, RR-0884, RR-0989, RR-0679, RR-1150, RR-1250, RR-1196, RR-0121, RR-1538, RR-1773, RR-0076, RR-1702, RR-1110, RR-0747, RR-0688, RR-0519, RR-1443, RR-0601, RR-0673, RR-0330, RR-0888, RR-1787, RR-1237, RR-0565 RR-1083, RR-1552, RR-0745, RR-0494, RR-1563, RR-0720, RR-1868, RR-0087, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-1471, RR-1386, RR-0626, RR-1688, RR-1363, RR-1445, RR-1521, RR-1514, RR-0880, RR-0868, RR-0921, RR-1369, RR-1903, RR-1426, RR-0445, RR-0397, RR-0420, RR-0758, RR-0913, RR-1050, RR-0668, RR-0492, RR-0904, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-0020, RR-1256, RR-1377, RR-0533,	disruption during the construction phase.	in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**, including effects on transport and access, noise and vibration, air quality, water environment, landscape and visual, heritage, ecology and biodiversity, and local communities. The proposed management and mitigation measures set out in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and are secured through various outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]**. The outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]** are designed with the objective of securing the relevant environmental mitigation measures set out within the ES. The residual significant effects identified in the ES are principally limited to landscape and visual effects, together with a significant effect relating to BMV agricultural land during construction, whilst a range of beneficial effects are identified in relation to climate change, ecology and biodiversity, water environment and socio-economics. The Scheme incorporates extensive embedded and additional mitigation, including landscape planting, habitat creation and enhancement, drainage and construction management measures, all of which are secured through

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	RR-1070, RR-1256, RR-1118, RR-0840, RR-1392, RR-0819, RR-0473, RR-1049, RR-0435, RR-0581, RR-1403, RR-0296, RR-0454, RR-0668, RR-0473, RR-1481, RR-0546, RR-0198, RR-1842, RR-1191, RR-0686, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-1222, RR-1351, RR-0766, RR-1807, RR-1772, RR-0761, RR-1644, RR-1708, RR-0618, RR-1057, RR-1576, RR-1513, RR-0326, RR-1282, RR-1713, RR-0187, RR-0355, RR-0607, RR-1934, RR-0481, RR-0001, RR-1767, RR-1676, RR-0250, RR-1861, RR-0265, RR-0194, RR-0446, RR-1920, RR-1659, RR-1166, RR-1986, RR-1778, RR-1949, RR-0149, RR-1998, RR-1611		the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** and associated management plans. The detailed management plans will be substantially in accordance with the outline management plans and are secured through Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. These detailed management plans will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority.
C&D-003	RR-1470, RR-0531, RR-0863, RR-0545, RR-0272, RR-0059, RR-1974, RR-0303, RR-0712, RR-1282, RR-1492, RR-1446, RR-0059	Respondents expressed concern about the construction of the cable route corridor. Some respondents raised questions about the proposed width and depth of the cable trench. Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of cable route	The environmental considerations and refinement of the cable route is summarised in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. The construction of the cable route has been assessed in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** with the minimum and maximum parameters set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**

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		construction on farming, stating that until completion it would make it impossible in affected areas.	to ensure that a reasonable worst-case scenario has been assessed. Construction works in CRC would be temporary in nature. Once the cable has been laid underground, the land will be reinstated and soils restored to the previous condition (as set out in the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**), allowing for activities such as farming to continue. The detailed design and construction of the cable route will be undertaken within the parameters authorised by the DCO. Measures to manage and minimise construction effects are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**.
C&D-004	RR-2029, RR-1307, RR-1012, RR-1794, RR-1129, RR-1673 RR-1552, RR-0334, RR-0087, RR-0562, RR-0309, RR-0506, RR-0904, RR-1256, RR-0840, RR-1484, RR-1057, RR-1513, RR-0810	Respondents expressed concern about potential disruption during the decommissioning phase. Some respondents also requested further information about decommissioning, stating that insufficient detail had been provided to date.	Except for the National Grid Substation and Grid Connection Infrastructure, the Applicant is seeking a time-limited consent for the Scheme to have an operational period of up to 60 years. This is secured by Requirement 21 in Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. As described in in the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** post-decommissioning, the landowners would choose how the land is to be used and managed. The landowner may return all of
C&D-005	RR-1881, RR-0746, RR-1690, RR-1007, RR-1734, RR-0548,	Respondents expressed concern that the land would not be returned to its	

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	RR-0628, RR-0852, RR-1307, RR-1646, RR-1876, RR-1297, RR-1009, RR-1696, RR-1848, RR-1609, RR-0520, RR-1942, RR-1020, RR-1815, RR-0318, RR-0597, RR-0560, RR-1078, RR-0360, RR-1384, RR-0757, RR-0519, RR-1096, RR-0519, RR-1443, RR-0601, RR-2032, RR-0785, RR-1019, RR-0400, RR-1598, RR-0507, RR-0330, RR-1794, RR-1854, RR-0888, RR-1754, RR-0498, RR-1129, RR-0294, RR-1552, RR-1287, RR-0494, RR-0034, RR-0708, RR-1119, RR-0353, RR-0626, RR-1445, RR-1649, RR-2028, RR-1833, RR-1897, RR-0637, RR-1521, RR-1338, RR-0963, RR-0502, RR-1699, RR-1477, RR-0944, RR-0968, RR-0397, RR-0420, RR-0574, RR-0078, RR-1318, RR-1195, RR-0336, RR-2017, RR-0975, RR-0238, RR-1850, RR-1383, RR-1383, RR-1701, RR-1515, RR-0273, RR-0458, RR-1474, RR-0235, RR-1749, RR-1392, RR-0792,	original use, including agricultural use, following decommissioning of the Scheme. Some respondents expressed concern that the Scheme and/or effects of the Scheme would be permanent. Some respondents suggested that this concern is heightened by the potential for the Scheme to change ownership before the decommissioning phase and asked what would happen if the project operator became insolvent. Other respondents stated that land should not be classified as brownfield following decommissioning. Some respondents stated that it will lead to more development.	the land to arable use, although it is anticipated that some areas of habitat and biodiversity mitigation and enhancement within the Sites may be left in-situ given they could contain protected species and so relevant licences at the time would to be obtained for any changes. The decommissioning of the Scheme has been assessed in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**, which also identifies mitigation measures which are secured by in the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. The **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** is designed with the objective of securing the relevant environmental mitigation measures set out within the ES. Any additional licences, permits or approvals that are required will be listed in the detailed DEMP. A detailed DEMP will be prepared substantially in accordance with the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** and must be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority prior to the commencement of decommissioning. This is secured through Requirement 21 in Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.

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	RR-1693, RR-0473, RR-1049, RR-1262, RR-0845, RR-1928, RR-1592, RR-0644, RR-1734, RR-0151, RR-0826, RR-0648, RR-0708, RR-1262, RR-0362, RR-1484, RR-0651, RR-1427, RR-0883, RR-1124, RR-1182, RR-0406, RR-0842, RR-1099, RR-1099, RR-1689, RR-1776, RR-0449, RR-0990, RR-0131, RR-1139, RR-1399, RR-0539, RR-2011, RR-0450, RR-0473, RR-0817, RR-1483, RR-1167, RR-1820, RR-0566, RR-0095, RR-0843, RR-0437, RR-1988, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-1884, RR-0331, RR-1959, RR-0331, RR-1812, RR-0505, RR-0662, RR-1008, RR-0748, RR-0712, RR-0083, RR-0486, RR-1534, RR-1370, RR-1829, RR-0677, RR-1708, RR-1522, RR-1823, RR-0838, RR-0481, RR-1487, RR-0056, RR-1037, RR-1906, RR-1505, RR-1161, RR-0123, RR-1665, RR-1181, RR-0881, RR-0398, RR-0453, RR-0167, RR-1920, RR-0010, RR-1380,		The Applicant confirms that the DCO incorporates enforceable mechanisms to regulate Scheme delivery. Failure to comply with a DCO Requirement can be found to be a criminal offence, if there is no valid legal reason for such a breach. The Applicant may consider the option to sell or transfer the Scheme to another suitably qualified party. Regardless of any future ownership, the undertaker as defined in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** will remain bound by the legally enforceable requirements in the DCO. The Applicant confirms that none of the land for solar development is brownfield after decommissioning as the land will be reinstated and soils restored to the previous condition. The expectation is that the land will return to farming, but the Applicant cannot dictate what will happen to the land post-decommissioning when the Applicant no longer has an interest in the land.

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	RR-0810, RR-0043, RR-1913, RR-1641, RR-0906, RR-1710, RR-1986, RR-1259, RR-0149, RR-1998, RR-0177, RR-1600, RR-1780, RR-0097, RR-1995, RR-1684, RR-1075, RR-1543		
C&D-006	RR-0436, RR-1646, RR-1350, RR-0495, RR-0346, RR-0360, RR-0900, RR-0467, RR-0494, RR-1777, RR-0099, RR-0925, RR-1338, RR-1712, RR-0968, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-1749, RR-0424, RR-1693, RR-0362, RR-1484, RR-1328, RR-1099, RR-1099, RR-1776, RR-0131, RR-0566, RR-0437, RR-1522, RR-1513, RR-0838, RR-0123, RR-0810, RR-0796, RR-0494, RR-1078, RR-0036, RR-0976, RR-1099, RR-0661, RR-1079, RR-1777, RR-1049, RR-1604, RR-1111	Respondent asked what will happen after decommissioning. One respondent requested to know what the status of the land will be post-decommissioning, will the land be converted to brownfield use. Some respondents expressed that detailed decommissioning plans with clear guarantees should be submitted for the Scheme.	
C&D-007	RR-1572, RR-1297, RR-0601, RR-0494, RR-0626, RR-1990, RR-0397, RR-0904, RR-0020, RR-1256, RR-0819, RR-0435, RR-1403, RR-0296, RR-0536,	Respondents expressed concern regarding the impact during the operation of the Scheme.	The operation (and maintenance) of the Scheme has been assessed in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management

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	RR-1826, RR-1772, RR-1057, RR-0481, RR-0588, RR-1166, RR-1638		plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032].** The framework for managing environmental effects during the operational phase of the Scheme is set out in the **Outline OEMP [APP-196]**, the **Outline OTMP [APP-202]**, the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**, the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** and **the Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. The detailed management plans will be substantially in accordance with the outline management plans and are secured through Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. These detailed management plans will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority.
C&D-008	RR-1139, RR-1161, RR-1183	Respondents expressed that construction working and delivery hours should be restricted to 8am to 5pm Monday to Friday. Some respondents questioned the delivery times of materials during construction	The Applicant notes this comment. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** sets out the core working hours (excluding start-up and shut down works) as follows: • Monday to Friday from 07:00 to 18:00 (daylight hours permitting);

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		One respondent requested that no construction work should be performed after dark (from 5pm) and there should be a limited number of security personnel on site.	• Saturday from 08:00 to 13:30 (daylight hours permitting); and • No Sunday or Bank Holiday working unless crucial to construction (for example, for trenchless crossings which must be continuous activity and the arrival and departures of workers and the delivery of Abnormal Indivisible Loads) or in an emergency. These core working hours are broadly consistent with those typically applied to NSIPs. The final construction working hours will be agreed with the relevant planning authority through the detailed CEMP, which must be substantially in accordance with the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, as secured by the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Where practicable, construction deliveries will be co-ordinated to avoid HGV movements during the traditional network peak morning (08:00 to 09:00) and peak afternoon (17:00 to 18:00) hours. Some activities may be required outside of these times such as the delivery of AIL, concrete pours for foundations, night working for cable

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			construction works in public highways and/or trenchless crossing activities. A Vehicle Booking Management System will be implemented to co-ordinate vehicle movements, as set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**.
C&D-009	RR-1470, RR-0531, RR-1773, RR-1378	Respondents expressed concern regarding the disruption temporary construction compounds could cause.	The likely significant effects of the Scheme during the construction phase are assessed in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**, including the locations of the temporary construction compounds. Mitigation measures for the construction activities, including in relation to the temporary construction compounds, where relevant, are identified and secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 20 – Summary of Residual Significant Effects [APP-056]** summarises the mitigation in throughout **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**. Detailed CEMP and detailed CTMP will be prepared substantially in accordance with the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. These must be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority prior to the commencement of operation. These requirements are secured

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			through Requirements 13 and 15, respectively, of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
C&D-010	RR-1470, RR-0531, RR-1773, RR-1378	Respondent requested a Construction Environmental Management Plan with enforceable working hours, HGV routing and a named point of contact.	The Applicant considers this matter to be adequately addressed through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline CTMP [APP-201]** and the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Outline CEMP defines the core construction working hours as 07:00–18:00 Monday to Friday, 08:00–13:30 on Saturdays, and no routine working on Sundays or Bank Holidays, with limited exceptions for essential continuous activities, emergencies and specific construction operations. Requirement 13 of Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** requires the submission and approval of a detailed CEMP by the relevant planning authority, with all construction works to be undertaken in accordance with the approved CEMP. The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** commits, where practicable, to coordinating construction routes, access points and deliveries to avoid HGV movements during the traditional morning and evening peak periods and to implementing a Vehicle

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			Booking Management System to manage construction traffic. The Applicant also confirms that the approved CEMP will include arrangements for community liaison, including the provision of a named point of contact to receive and respond to construction-related enquiries and complaints. Accordingly, the Applicant considers that the requested measures relating to enforceable working hours, HGV management and a named point of contact are appropriately secured through the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** and the subsequent approval of the detailed CEMP and CTMP.
C&D-011	RR-1291	Respondent expressed there should be enforceable guarantees on the maintenance and security of the site alongside financial responsibility.	The Applicant confirms that the DCO incorporates enforceable mechanisms to regulate Scheme delivery. Failure to comply with a DCO Panel cleaning, tree planting, livestock management, and maintenance will be completed by contractors, overseen by IGP. In terms of the concern that IGP will not fund the long-term operation and maintenance, the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** includes Requirements setting out how the Scheme must be maintained during the operational period. Failure to comply with the Requirements of a

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			DCO is a criminal offence if there is no valid legal reason for such a breach, while the costs of any enforcement action can also be recovered from the operator under the Planning Act 2008. The **Funding Statement [APP-021]** demonstrates that the Scheme is financially viable and adequately funded for the Scheme to be delivered in full.
C&D-012	RR-0036, RR-1338	Respondent expressed concern for the cost of maintaining/repairing panels.	All financial risks associated with the construction, operation, and decommissioning of the Scheme are borne entirely by the developer. The commercial viability of the Scheme has been assessed as part of the developer's investment decision, including the length of the cable and associated infrastructure. The **Funding Statement [APP-021]** demonstrates that the Scheme is financially viable and adequately funded to deliver the Scheme in full.
C&D-013	RR-0770	Respondent stated that there is insufficient detail on drainage, soil, handling, dewatering, dust control, hedgerow management, biosecurity and decommissioning in the Outline	The proposed management and mitigation measures set out in the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]** are comprehensive and robust. The proposed management and mitigation measures set out in the **ES [APP-036 to**

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		Construction Environmental Management Plan. Respondent stated that these must be secured through the plan, including soil management, reinstatement, drainage and an Agricultural Liaison Officer.	**APP-195]** and are secured through various outline management plans **[APP-196 to APP-205]**. Of particular relevance, the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]** sets out soil handling and management measures and specifies that an Agricultural Liaison Officer who will act as a liaison between the landowners and the contractor. The **Outline LEMP [APP199]** includes management and enhancement measures for hedgerows and management measures for invasive pests, species and diseases. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** includes measures relating to drainage, dewatering, and dust control. Decommissioning phase mitigation and control measures are secured through the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. The specificity of the outline management plans will be provided in the detailed management plans, which will be substantially in accordance with the outline management plans, that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority, in consultation with relevant statutory consultee, where specified in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.

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C&D-014	RR-0914	Respondent stated that the applicant has not adequately assessed the impacts of pile driving and should not defer decisions on construction methods until the detailed design stage.	The Applicant has assessed the potential impacts associated with pile driving, including noise and vibration and other construction-related effects, and has considered appropriate mitigation measures. To consider the worst-case, an assessment of percussive piling has been included in the **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048],** within the construction assessment. The assessment provides an appropriate basis for identifying the likely effects and establishing the necessary controls and mitigation requirements. The results indicate that BS 5228 significance criterion is not exceed. The Applicant recognised that the detailed construction methodology will be developed and refined as the project progresses. However, this does not mean that the potential impacts or the principles governing their management are being deferred. The proposed management and mitigation measures are set out in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and are secured through various outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]**. The detailed management plans will be substantially in accordance with the outline management plans and are secured through Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.

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			These detailed management plans will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority.
C&D-015	RR-0620	Respondent stated that the Applicant has not assessed trenchless construction methods (HDD) that could materially reduce impacts and avoid the need for permanent land take.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 2 - Environmental Impact Assessment Methodology [APP-038]**, the EIA was prepared in accordance with guidance from the Planning Inspectorate guidance. As set out within the **Outline Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216]**, a number of Avoidance Areas have been identified, where trenchless construction methods will be used to avoid direct impacts. The non-intrusive installation methods may comprise a number of trenchless techniques. Any works relating to trenchless crossing activities will be undertaken in line with a Method Statement, with the relevant commitments secured via the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**. Accordingly, the use of trenchless construction methods has been considered as part of the Applicant's approach to avoiding and reducing environmental impacts and the need for permanent land take.
C&D-016	RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-1867, RR-0961, RR-0936, RR-1776	Respondent stated that no operational phase maintenance plan	The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** outlines the key fire safety provisions for the BESS, including measures to reduce BESS failure

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		for the BESS component has been produced by the Applicant.	risks and mitigate credible failure incident scenarios. The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** identifies how the Applicant will use good industry practice to reduce risk to life, property and the environment from the BESS. By way of a Requirement 6 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** prior to the commencement of construction of the BESS, the Applicant will require a BSMP to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority that must consult with the with Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service and the Environment Agency. As part of preparation of the detailed BSMP, the Applicant will incorporate the latest good practices for battery storage safety, failure detection and prevention, along with the emergency response planning, as guidance continues to develop in the UK and internationally.
C&D-017	RR-0872	Respondent expressed concern regarding the decommissioning of the project substation in Site 5.	The decommissioning of the Scheme has been assessed within the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**. Mitigation measures for the decommissioning phase are provided within the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. The Outline DEMP is designed with the objective of securing the relevant environmental mitigation measures set out within the ES.

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			Any additional licences, permits or approvals that are required will be listed in the detailed DEMP. At the end of the Scheme's operational life, apart from the National Grid Substation and Grid Connection Infrastructure, the Scheme, including the Project Substation in Site 5, would be decommissioned and the land returned to the landowner, as set out in the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. Post-decommissioning, the landowners would choose how the land is to be used and managed.
C&D-018	RR-1383, RR-1515	Respondent noted that, in order to identify a faulty panel, bypass diode or a "hotspot" (overheating cells caused by dirt or damage) in a sea of panels and infrastructure, the Applicant will likely need to use thermal drones to manage the site.	The approach to mitigation and management of the operational phase of the Scheme, including maintenance and replacement activities, are set out within the **Outline OEMP [APP-197].** Requirement 14 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, which requires a detailed OEMP to be prepared substantially in accordance with the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and approved by the relevant planning authority. Potential faults within solar panels would be identified through routine inspection and maintenance activities undertaken in accordance with the OEMP.

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C&D-019	RR-1474	Respondent objected to construction work taking place on a Saturday.	The Applicant refers to its response to C&D-008.
C&D-020	RR-1256	Respondent expressed concern that maintenance of the Scheme over the lifetime of the Scheme is unlikely to happen.	The approach to mitigation and management of the operational phase of the Scheme, including maintenance and replacement activities, are set out within the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. Requirement 14 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, which requires a detailed OEMP to be prepared substantially in accordance with the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and approved by the relevant planning authority. Panel cleaning, tree planting, livestock management, and maintenance will be completed by contractors, overseen by IGP. In terms of the concern that IGP will not fund the long-term operation and maintenance, the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** include Requirements to setting out how the Scheme must be maintained during the operational period. Failure to comply with the Requirements of a DCO is a criminal offence, while the costs of any enforcement action can also be recovered from the operator under the Planning Act 2008.

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C&D-021	RR-1698	Respondent expresses concern about the impact to communities by relacing panels two to three times during the Scheme's operational lifetime.	The anticipated replacement activities are described in the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline OTMP [APP-202]**. It is not expected that an extensive replacement of all components will be required across the entirety of the Scheme during one period, and the programme for replacement of equipment across the Scheme is anticipated to be staged to maintain the electrical export to the National Grid. It is assumed that the operational life of Solar PV Panels is 40 years and that all Solar PV Panels will be replaced once during the operational phase, with this taking a maximum period of 24 months. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195],** including replacement activities, and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032].**

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C&D-022	RR-0442	Respondent objects to the description of the 2-year construction phase as 'short term'.	The construction of the Scheme is anticipated to commence in 2028 and continue for a period of approximately 24 months, as set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 4 – The Scheme [APP-039]**. The Applicant acknowledges that a 24-month construction period is not negligible. However, in the context of the Scheme's 60-year operational lifetime and the temporal scope defined in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 2 – EIA Methodology [APP-037]**, construction effects are appropriately characterised as temporary, in that they are limited to the duration of the works and cease upon completion. Accordingly, the characterisation of construction effects as temporary does not imply that the duration of construction is insignificant, but reflects their time-limited nature in comparison with the long-term operational phase of the Scheme.
C&D-023	RR-1772, RR-1166	Respondent expressed concern that, despite the Scheme not yet being approved, the Applicant has already started construction with the placement of metal boxes in a field along the A140.	The Applicant can confirm that no construction work associated with the Scheme has commenced. Construction will not, and cannot, commence until a DCO is granted by the Secretary of State and all relevant pre-commencement requirements are met.

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C&D-024	RR-1160	Respondent noted that when operational, batteries will be replaced every 5 years, transformers c 10 years and the panels at least once, in addition to breakage repairs and maintenance.	The Applicant refers to its response to C&D-021.
C&D-025	RR-0373	Respondent expressed concern that cable route land could eventually be developed into Solar PV Array land.	The Scheme that would be granted by the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** is defined by the parameters set out within the DCO Application, including the **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]** and the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. The Solar PV Arrays are limited to the Sites and the CRC accommodates the underground cables and associated infrastructure to the cables, which connects to the Sites. Any material change to the authorised development would require further consent in accordance with the Planning Act 2008. The **Draft DCO [AS-032]** does not provide an unrestricted ability to redesign or rebuild the Scheme without further permission.
C&D-026	RR-0478	Respondent requested further information on the solar panels,	The design parameters for the Solar PV Panels are set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213].**

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		including the quality and repair / maintenance plans for the panels.	When the detailed design for the Scheme is submitted for approval to the relevant planning authorities, those details must accord with the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. The approach to mitigation and management of the operational phase of the Scheme, including maintenance and replacement activities, are set out within the **Outline OEMP [APP-197].** The Applicant refers to its response to C&D-021. Requirement 14 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, which requires a detailed OEMP to be prepared substantially in accordance with the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and approved by the relevant planning authority.
C&D-027	RR-1338, RR-0203	Respondent expressed concern that there have been no assurances as to the general safety & security of residents from the siting of workers welfare areas, materials & construction vehicles storage, car parking etc. Many houses in the area are remote, and fear risk from potential increased crime.	The Applicant can confirm the welfare areas and temporary construction compounds will be kept secure. A Community Liaison Group will be set up as set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**. A Community Liaison Manager will be appointed to lead discussions with local communities and also act as the primary point of contact should there be any queries or

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			complaints. Engagement and communication activities will be managed in accordance with aa Stakeholder Communications Plan. With specific regard to community liaison, this is directly secured through Requirement 4 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** through the provision of a community liaison group. This group will act as an intermediary between the public and the construction contractors to ensure community concerns and any information they need are communicated and responded to, so as to reduce community anxiety and impacts on mental wellbeing, and to assist in directing the public to mental health support if required.
C&D-028	RR-0121, RR-0267	The respondent expressed concern that the area is already experiencing disruption from ongoing housebuilding and changes to existing infrastructure. They also expressed concern that work on the Tilbury–Norwich National Grid pylons is expected to further affect the wider area.	The Applicant is aware of other projects in the region. The technical chapters in **ES Volume 1 [APP-042** to **APP-054]** present an assessment of the cumulative effects of multiple existing and/or approved developments generating cumulative effects which together have an increased effect on the receptors presented in the ES. The **Statement of Need [APP-206]** explains that the Scheme's proposed location is an appropriate location for large-scale solar

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			because of the existence of grid infrastructure with the capacity available to transmit the low carbon energy generated by the Scheme. The Clean Power 2030 Action Plan paves the way for new strategic plans for development of the Great Britain energy system. The Connections Action Plan is clear that NESO's Connections Reform process and NESO's longer term strategic network and system planning processes must be aligned to ensure the overall network remains optimally planned. It is therefore expected that NESO's strategic plans build upon their own connections queue prioritisations to deliver coherent and consistent recommendations to deliver the Clean Power target on the way to achieving net zero. The Applicant acknowledges the need for early co-ordination between developers, local authorities and agencies involved in other NSIPs and large-scale developments across Norfolk and the wider region (inclusive of Suffolk). The Applicant will, where feasible, continue to co-ordinate with other projects and relevant stakeholders to understand and, where possible, manage cumulative accommodation and labour market pressures

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			arising from the delivery of major infrastructure schemes. The Applicant will be submitting a DCO Interrelationship Report into the Examination. The Interrelationships Report demonstrates how the Scheme interacts with other relevant NSIPs and major infrastructure projects, including consideration of project interfaces, coordination measures and potential cumulative effects, to ensure these interactions are appropriately understood and managed.
C&D-029	RR-1378	Respondent stated that, in the case of their family farm, there will be subjected to approximately 1.8 km x 50 metres working area amounting to 9 ha (23 acres) and a construction compound of 5 ha (12 acres) of their 150 ha (370 acre) farm.	The Applicant recognises the respondent's concerns regarding the potential impact of the CRC and the temporary construction compound on their farm. The Applicant notes that the proposed Heads of Terms include provisions for compensation in respect of the rights sought and any losses arising from the construction and operation of the cable route. The likely significant effects of the Scheme during the construction phase are assessed in the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]**, including the locations of the temporary construction compounds. Mitigation measures for the construction activities, including in relation to the temporary construction compounds,

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			where relevant, are identified and secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. Construction works in the CRC would be temporary in nature. Once the cable has been laid underground, the land will be reinstated and soils restored to the previous condition (as set out in the **Outline SRMP [APP-2024]**), allowing for activities such as farming to continue. The Applicant will engage with affected landowners and occupiers regarding access arrangements, the provision of crossing points where necessary, and detailed construction planning to reduce disruption to farming activities in advance of construction works. Any temporary farming business losses as a result of the works or disruption experienced by affected landowners would be addressed through the statutory compensation framework.
C&D-030	RR-1331	Respondent expressed concerns regarding the impact on the quiet enjoyment of their home.	The likely significant effects of the Scheme on nearby residential proprieties have been assessed in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**, including effects on noise and vibration,

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			landscape and visual amenity, air quality, transport and access, and human health and wellbeing. The proposed management and mitigation measures set out in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and are secured through various outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]**. Of particular relevance to the assessment of effects on local communities and mitigation measures are set out **in ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043], Chapter 11 – Transport and Access [APP-047]**, **Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**, **Chapter 13 – Air Quality [APP-049]**, **Chapter 14 - Socio-Economics [APP-050],** and **Chapter 18 - Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**. These outline measures taken to reduce, mitigate and minimise these effects as far as possible. The management plans will ensure appropriate mitigation and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.

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ALT-001	RR-1928, RR-1082, RR-1739, RR-0828, RR-1957, RR-0739, RR-1101, RR-0931, RR-1607, RR-0957, RR-0267, RR-0732, RR-0390, RR-1443, RR-0301, RR-0047, RR-0220, RR-0340, RR-1371, RR-0833, RR-1125, RR-0730, RR-0476, RR-1564, RR-1849, RR-2020, RR-1374, RR-0711, RR-1750, RR-1278, RR-0804, RR-1712, RR-1379, RR-1060, RR-0335, RR-1971, RR-0670, RR-0473, RR-1262, RR-1210, RR-0286, RR-1133, RR-0259, RR-1822,RR-1249, RR-0986, RR-0700, RR-1413, RR-0389, RR-0051, RR-1300, RR-1259, RR-0279, RR-1821, RR-1780, RR-1592, RR-0643, RR-0375, RR-1445, RR-1106, RR-1059	Respondents expressed a preference for alternative forms of energy generation, including other renewable technologies or non-renewable sources, with some identifying specific options they would prefer including: Nuclear and/or small nuclear reactors, offshore wind, North Sea Oil and Gas, space mounted solar, tidal, wider use of distributed energy systems, onshore wind, One respondent specified they would like to see stations in the pipeline like Sizewell C expanded in place of new renewable sites.	The **Statement of Need [APP-206]** provides evidence in relation to the capacities of main categories of renewable generation technologies tasked to support the delivery of a low carbon and secure electricity system. While the need for unprecedented capacity growth is urgent, some technologies (e.g. nuclear, SMRs, tidal) are either unproven at scale, unconsented, unfunded or have long development timescales (and therefore do not meet the urgent need identified in NPS EN-1). Yet, to address the ongoing climate emergency, it is critical that the UK urgently develops a large capacity of low carbon generation. Solar is a proven technology and the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** provides evidence on the substantial benefits brought forward by large-scale ground mounted solar electricity generation generally. The Scheme is a viable proposal to use proven technology

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			with short development timescales, thereby delivering dependable decarbonisation benefits. The Applicant agrees that other low carbon technologies are urgently needed in the UK to meet the UK's climate legal targets. The Applicant, however, is a solar and energy storage developer. On that basis, alternative types of low carbon electricity generation have not been considered by the Applicant in the development of the Scheme.
ALT-002	RR-1470, RR-0531, RR-1177, RR-0064, RR-1626, RR-2024, RR-0493, RR-1922, RR-0519, RR-0569, RR-1443, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-0541, RR-1019, RR-0268, RR-1541, RR-0246, RR-0328 RR-0356, RR-0072, RR-1287, RR-1811, RR-1777, RR-0941, RR-1114, RR-1762, RR-0476, RR-0140, RR-0823, RR-0142, RR-1445, RR-2020, RR-0973, RR-1160, RR-0872, RR-1650, RR-0585, RR-1294, RR-0545, RR-0826, RR-0130, RR-2017, RR-0332, RR-1801, RR-1000, RR-1557, RR-0737,	Respondents expressed that the application does not sufficiently evidence the need for the Scheme's location. Some respondents noted that local constraints (public rights of way, aquifers, heritage, etc.) are acknowledged but not weighted in the decision-making of the site selection. They stated that this falls short of EN-1 and EN-3, which states that there should be rigorous standards of site selection. Other respondents expressed	The Applicant refers to its response to EIA-003. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** which provides evidence that an unprecedented capacity of new low-carbon generation schemes is urgently needed for the UK to meet its legally binding climate change targets. The Government has confirmed that solar energy is at the heart of the Clean Power 2030 Mission (NPS EN-3 (2025) Paras 2.10.1 & 2.10.2). The energy NPS also include the Government's conclusion that there is a critical national priority for the provision of

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			technical constraints (i.e. proximity to grid connection, site size, compatibility of land uses) and consideration of the avoidance and reduction of environmental impacts by excluding ecological, landscape and heritage designations. The site selection process considered different potential development areas and alternative development zones for the Scheme and presents how each of those areas perform against a number of factors. The design evolution of the Scheme, as summarised in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**, has sought to avoid and/or reduce environmental impacts as far as practicable through the design process, which includes design offsets from features such as PRoW. The ES considers alternatives at **ES Volume 1, Chapter 5 – Reasonable Alternatives and Design Evolution [APP-041]**. The planning balance considering the positive, neutral and negative impacts are set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**. Having had regard to all important and relevant matters, the Applicant has concluded that there are no adverse impacts of sufficient weight, either individually or collectively, that

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			would mean the DCO should not be made. The adverse impacts identified are clearly outweighed by the substantial public benefits that would arise from providing low-carbon energy to meet the needs identified in NPS EN-1.
ALT-003	RR-0578, RR-0487, RR-1881, RR-0585, RR-0419, RR-0871, RR-1177, RR-0571, RR-1843, RR-1962, RR-0469, RR-1626, RR-1660, RR-1206, RR-1686, RR-1646, RR-1608, RR-0207, RR-1952, RR-0886, RR-0300, RR-1585, RR-1112, RR-1957, RR-0646, RR-1890, RR-0025, RR-0493, RR-1318, RR-1922, RR-1195, RR-0423, RR-1252, RR-1260, RR-1439, RR-1580, RR-0826, RR-0560, RR-1296, RR-1912, RR-0295, RR-1773, RR-0448, RR-0267, RR-0036, RR-0130, RR-0227, RR-1727, RR-0141, RR-0195, RR-1503, RR-0323, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-0176, RR-0434, RR-1891, RR-0047, RR-1783, RR-1019, RR-0220, RR-0340, RR-1039, RR-0333, RR-0356, RR-1707,	Respondents stated that they are opposed to the location of the Scheme, claiming that it is in the wrong location / area. This includes comments that Scheme is in the wrong location due to its proximity to houses, properties, schools and villages. Some respondents expressed that the Scheme should be located closer to Tharston to lessen overall impacts. One respondent stated that the sole reason this area has been chosen is because it is close to the Dunston substation, which will provide a cheap connection to the grid. One respondent suggested locating the Scheme at the disused USAF bases across Norfolk instead, stating	Factors considered in the site selection process are summarised in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**. This includes consideration of planning, environmental and operational factors in the search for suitable sites. These constraints have been informed by national policy on factors relevant to site selection for solar development as set out within NPS EN-1 and EN-3. Consideration has included both technical constraints (i.e. proximity to grid connection, site size, compatibility of land uses) and consideration of the avoidance and reduction of environmental impacts by excluding ecological, landscape and heritage designations. The **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]** sets out the consideration of a number of alternative locations for the new National Grid Substation. The Site Selection Assessment further considers potential alternatives for the

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	RR-1340, RR-0373, RR-0296, RR-0836, RR-1599, RR-1846, RR-0702, RR-0687, RR-1730, RR-0231, RR-0611, RR-1743, RR-1085, RR-1014, RR-1855, RR-0843, RR-0437, RR-0919, RR-0729, RR-0438, RR-1587, RR-1698, RR-1698, RR-0331, RR-1454, RR-1812, RR-1772, RR-0761, RR-0107, RR-0577, RR-1829, RR-0992, RR-0947, RR-1628, RR-1136, RR-0348, RR-1997, RR-1823, RR-1610, RR-1571, RR-0075, RR-1107, RR-1487, RR-1566, RR-1966, RR-1158, RR-0053, RR-1466, RR-0588, RR-1117, RR-1413, RR-0250, RR-0029, RR-1675, RR-0194, RR-0441, RR-0329, RR-1913, RR-1641, RR-1199, RR-1166, RR-0956, RR-1986, RR-1949, RR-2019, RR-0126, RR-2019, RR-0525, RR-0440, RR-1570, RR-1638, RR-0942, RR-1579, RR-1634, RR-1465, RR-0812, RR-1554, RR-0615, RR-1949, RR-1635, RR-1904, RR-1059, RR-0193, RR-1506		proximity to residential and other sensitive receptors, with Solar PV Arrays removed or reduced in several locations to respond to feedback received during consultation. Mitigation measures to reduce impacts on nearby residents, schools and villages during the construction and operational phases of the Scheme are set out in the various outline management plans **[APP-196 to APP-205]**. The availability of a grid connection is a key consideration on the location of solar sites. As set out within the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215],** a suitable Point of Connection has been identified at the proposed National Grid Substation. The Sites identified as being suitable are within 20km of the Point of Connection and the Scheme has been designed to make efficient use of the available grid capacity. Previously developed land, including brownfield land, was considered during site selection, as reported in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**. As set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**, while rooftop and smaller-scale solar installations are an important part of the energy mix, they cannot

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			alone meet the scale of capacity required to achieve clean power and net zero objectives. Large-scale ground-mounted solar therefore remains necessary in addition to, not instead of, rooftop solar and development on previously developed land. During the design evolution of the Scheme, consideration was given to reducing the impact on BMV quality land, as far as practicable, as described in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212].**
ALT-004	RR-0841, RR-2015, RR-0262, RR-1727, RR-0429, RR-0356, RR-0812, RR-1650, RR-0336, RR-2017, RR-0203, RR-0030, RR-0188, RR-1124, RR-0817, RR-0600, RR-1219, RR-1812, RR-1222, RR-0505, RR-0950, RR-0086, RR-2001, RR-1995	Respondents stated that the Scheme is too fragmented or spread out, and some asked why this is the case. Some respondents expressed the Scheme should not be treated as one project in the DCO process because of its fragmented nature.	The Scheme has been designed to deliver the greatest practicable benefit from the available land and the available grid connection, whilst avoiding, minimising and/or mitigating harmful environmental effects. The Applicant has outlined its approach to site selection and the considerations made in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**. As set out within the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**, the Applicant searched for an area of approximately 1,100ha to accommodate solar panels for a 500MW grid connection. The Applicant considered a range of planning, environmental and technical factors. A search was undertaken to identify sites within for

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			which there were potentially willing landowners. Further, the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** explains that proposals may comprise adjoining parcels of land or separate parcels of land which do not border each other but instead combine to an integrated Scheme which is more dispersed within a countryside setting. Further, the connection of separate parcels of suitable land together into a single Scheme may, subject to analysis, enable those parcels of land to connect appropriately to the electricity system, whereas if developed as stand-alone projects they may not be able to carry the associated costs of connection and therefore may never be developed. The Applicant does not agree that the Scheme should be treated as separate projects. The Scheme comprises a single integrated NSIP, including the solar PV arrays, Battery Energy Storage System, substations, National Grid Substation and Grid Connection Infrastructure, which collectively function to generate, store and export electricity to the national transmission network. The Scheme has therefore

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			appropriately been assessed and applied for as a single project for the purposes of the DCO Application and Environmental Impact Assessment.
ALT-005	RR-1626, RR-0328 RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0823, RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-1858, RR-1867, RR-0961, RR-0936, RR-0780, RR-0339, RR-0668, RR-0592, RR-0373, RR-0539, RR-1306, RR-0761, RR-1466, RR-1153, RR-1198, RR-1418, RR-1600, RR-0328	Respondents expressed concern regarding the selected location of the National Grid Substation. Some respondents noted that there is little information about the design of the National Grid Substation. One respondent has stated that no alternative layouts for the substation has been considered.	The Applicant's approach to the site selection of the National Grid Substation is set out within the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215],** which had regard to the Holford and Horlock Rules. The **Design Approach Document [APP-212]** further sets out the refinement of the location of the National Grid Substation from the options presented at Statutory Consultation. These documents described the reasonable alternative site options considered for the National Grid Substation. The **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]** and **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** set out the maximum parameters and commitments for the National Grid Substation and, as explained in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 2 - Environmental Impact Assessment Methodology [APP-038]**, the EIA is based on the 'Rochdale Envelope' approach in accordance with the Planning Inspectorate (2018) Nationally Significant Infrastructure

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			Projects – Advice Note Nine: Rochdale Envelope, to assess the worst case scenario. Requirement 5 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** requires details to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority, in accordance with the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. Alternatively, National Grid Electricity Transmission could submit a planning application outside the DCO through the Town and Country Planning Act, for the new National Grid Substation.
ALT-006	RR-1043, RR-1509, RR-0246, RR-0932, RR-0356, RR-1287, RR-0142, RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-1867, RR-0573, RR-0961, RR-0936, RR-0872, RR-1144, RR-0273, RR-0592, RR-1635, RR-1425, RR-0406, RR-0373, RR-1099, RR-1247, RR-1399, RR-0817, RR-1067, RR-0437, RR-1306, RR-0364, RR-1772, RR-1741, RR-0838, RR-1166, RR-1710, RR-1153, RR-0928, RR-1465, RR-1684, RR-1978	Respondents expressed concern that the Site was selected primarily on a commercial basis, particularly through identifying landowners willing to make land available. Many respondents expressed that the reasons for site selection is a lack of connection capacity at Norwich Main substation. One respondent suggested the funding used to lease land for Scheme should be used to provide	As detailed in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**, the Applicant has followed a staged approach to site selection, with consideration to a range of planning, environmental and operational factors. Through discussions with National Grid Electricity Transmission, available capacity along the Bramford to Norwich 400kV overhead line was identified between Norwich and Diss. As set out in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**, the Point of Connection was originally considered from Norwich Main Substation. Following discussions with National Grid Electricity Transmission, it was determined that a Point

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		renovating subsidies to ensure greater environmental benefits.	of Connection at Norwich Main Substation would be unviable due to capacity constraints and that there is not an opportunity to expand this existing substation to accommodate a 500MW solar project. It was confirmed that an alternative Point of Connection would be required. The **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]** sets out the reasonable alternative sites considered. The Applicant reaffirms its commitment to the provision of a Community Benefit Fund should the Scheme be consented. Information on the mechanics of the Community Benefit Fund and the areas to which it will contribute will be developed through consultation with South Norfolk Council and Norfolk County Council. The Community Benefit Fund operates (and is to be agreed) entirely outside of the DCO process (it cannot be considered as part of the decision-making process).
ALT-007	RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-1867, RR-0961, RR-0936, RR-1008, RR-0951	Respondents expressed concerns about the location of the cable route corridor.	The **Design Approach Document [APP-212]** sets out the key considerations to designing the CRC. The CRC was refined during the design evolution of the Scheme to take into account environmental constraints

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			and technical requirements. This included keeping the route as short and direct as possible, using existing gaps in hedgerows and avoiding landscape and ecological features as far as practicable, for example. Construction works in CRC would be temporary in nature. Once the cable has been laid underground, the land will be reinstated and soils restored to the previous condition (as set out in the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**), allowing for activities such as farming to continue. Management and mitigation measures are secured through the various outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]**. Detailed management plans, which will be substantially in accordance with these outline management plans, that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority, in consultation with relevant statutory consultee, where specified in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The approval of the detailed management plans is secured by the Requirements in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.

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ALT-008	RR-0469, RR-1173, RR-0900, RR-1097, RR-0176, RR-0061, RR-0015, RR-0761	Respondent expressed opposition to the location of the BESS. One respondent cited National guidance which stresses that BESS installations must be located where risks can be safely managed—this site does not meet that threshold.	The BESS Site was selected on the basis of its proximity to the Point of Connection and access requirements, as detailed in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]** The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** outlines the key fire safety provisions for the BESS, including measures to reduce BESS failure risks and mitigate credible failure incident scenarios. The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** identifies how the Applicant will use good industry practice to reduce risk to life, property, and the environment from the BESS. The Applicant draws attention to the fact that the Applicant has complied with NFCC guidelines and engaged with NFRS during the pre-application stage. By way of a Requirement 6 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** prior to the commencement of construction of the BESS, the Applicant will require a BSMP to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority that must consult with the with Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service and the Environment Agency. As part of preparation of the detailed BSMP, the Applicant will incorporate the latest good practices for battery storage safety, failure detection and prevention, along

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			with the emergency response planning, as guidance continues to develop in the UK and internationally.
ALT-009	RR-0541, RR-0932, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-0099, RR-0573, RR-1067, RR-1772, RR-0838, RR-1166	Respondent stated that the primary criteria for site selection were land availability and grid connection availability. Respondent added that there is a complete lack of strategic thinking on siting of the large-scale solar schemes, a lack of county-level and regional planning, together with inadequate government guidance on the overall approach to site selection.	The Applicant notes the concerns regarding other schemes in the region and the Applicant refers to its response to C&D-028. As set out in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**, the process has considered a wide range of planning, environmental and operational factors, together with the willingness of landowners, in identifying the location for the Scheme. There is no standard approach for selecting sites for solar energy generating stations; however, paragraphs 2.10.10 to 2.10.40 of NPS EN-3 sets out factors influencing site selection and design. Amongst those, is 'network connection' and the recognition that the capacity of the local grid network to accept the likely output from a proposed solar farm is critical to the technical and commercial feasibility of a development proposal. Therefore, a viable grid connection is a central consideration for proceeding with development and is instrumental in defining the search area.

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			The Applicant notes their earlier responses in respect of dialogue with National Grid / NESO / NGET in respect of the Scheme. The Secretary of State is ultimately responsible for assessing the planning balance and deciding whether the Scheme, in this location, should be consented.
ALT-010	RR-0222, RR-1473, RR-1867, RR-0961, RR-0936	Respondent stated that the Applicant has not provided a comparative appraisal of alternative cable routes and demonstrated consideration of existing utility corridors, road verges, or less sensitive land.	The **Design Approach Document [APP-212]** sets out the key considerations to designing the CRC and the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]** sets out the reasonable alternative sites considered At Statutory Consultation a wide CRC was presented, which was subsequently refined during the design evolution of the Scheme to take into account environmental constraints and technical requirements, including landscape and ecological features, existing access and utilities. This also included keeping the route as short and direct as possible. Construction works in CRC would be temporary in nature. Once the cable has been laid underground, the land will be reinstated and soils restored to the previous condition (as set out in the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**),

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			allowing for activities such as farming to continue. Management and mitigation measures are secured through the various outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]**. Detailed management plans, which will be substantially in accordance with these outline management plans, that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority, in consultation with relevant statutory consultee, where specified in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The approval of the detailed management plans is secured by the Requirements in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ALT-011	RR-0120, RR-1831, RR-1059, RR-1821, RR-0097	Respondent stated that the Applicant has not considered any brown or grey field sites in its option appraisal.	Previously developed land and rooftops have been considered within the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**. As set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**, while rooftop and smaller-scale solar installations are an important part of the energy mix, they cannot alone meet the scale of capacity required to achieve clean power and net zero objectives. Large-scale ground-mounted solar therefore remains necessary in addition to, not instead of, rooftop and smaller-scale solar.

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ALT-012	RR-1294, RR-1831, RR-1153, RR-1972	Respondent stated that brownfield and heavy industrial zone have existing access works, protections against contamination and established emergency access protocols, meaning these would not need to be introduced if brownfield and industrial sites were selected for the Scheme.	A review of brownfield sites is set out within the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215],** which concludes that no suitable brownfield sites exist which are of a suitable size to host a 500MW solar farm. A review of the brownfield registers prepared by South Norfolk and Broadland District Council, Breckland Council, East Suffolk Council and Norwich City Council identified no suitable previously developed land within the area of search capable of accommodating the Scheme, as detailed in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**.
ALT-013	RR-1922, RR-0827, RR-1695	Respondent stated that the Applicant has failed to avoid BMV land, flood zones 2 and 3, areas designated as SSSI as well as ancient woodland and non-ancient woodland, scheduled monuments, registered battlefields, listed buildings and conservation areas, and nearby sensitive human receptors in their Site Selection Assessment. They evidence this by stating that no land in the Scheme is brownfield, previously developed, contaminated or industrial; 81% of all solar sites in	The Applicant can confirm that there are no SSSI, Ancient Woodland, Scheduled Monuments, registered battlefields, listed buildings and Conservation Areas within the Order Limits. BMV land and flood risk was considered in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**. NPS EN-3 acknowledges that ground-mounted solar is not prohibited on BMV quality land and that land type should not be a predominating factor in determining the suitability of the site location (paras 2.10.21 and 2.10.22). NPS EN-3 recognises that, at

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		the Scheme are BMV grade 1-3a, including Site 4 which is grade 2; Site 4 is in flood zone 3; CRC4 passes several ancient and non-ancient woodland areas including Wood Green and Tyrells Wood; Site 4B would be surrounded by fencing; Site 4 also sites within metres of the boundary of Long Stratton Conservation area; Long Stratton has many listed buildings and is an area of high sensitivity human receptors.	scale, developments may use some agricultural land (para 2.10.23). BMV land was considered during site selection, along with previously developed land and rooftops, as reported in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**. Further, the Applicant has sought to minimise the use of BMV land through the design evolution process, as set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** presents an assessment on agricultural land quality, soils, local agricultural businesses, food production and the rural economy, including consideration of the economic and other benefits of BMV land, in accordance with planning policy. During the design process, the Applicant has adopted a sequential approach to the design and layout of the Scheme to ensure that the most vulnerable uses are sited in areas of lower flood risk as far as practicable. The entirety of the built aspects of the Scheme is located in Flood Zone 1; however, electrical cabling, fencing, maintenance tracks, landscaping and biodiversity of the Scheme

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			would encroach on Flood Zones 2 and 3. The Applicant considers that the Scheme meets the Sequential Test and Exception Test (as presented in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**). The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ALT-014	RR-1772, RR-1166	Respondent stated that the Applicant has not assessed Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) as a reasonable alternative to the large Air Insulated Switchgear (AIS) substation design proposed at Great Moulton. They stated that GIS technology is widely used in constrained and sensitive locations because it reduces land take by 70%, reduces structural height and visual massing, reduces operational noise, lighting and fencing	In respect of the consideration of Gas Insulated Switchgear as an alternative to Air Insulated Switchgear, the design and technology specification of the National Grid Substation is a matter for National Grid Electricity Transmission as the Transmission Operator and will be determined at the detailed design stage. As set out within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 4 – The Scheme [APP-040]**, the 400kV Project Substations will either be Gas Insulated

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		requirements, smaller in size and is safer.	Switchgear substations; or Air Insulated switchgear substations.
ALT-016	RR-0243	Respondent states that the Applicant has not assessed GIS (Gas Insulated Switchgear) as a reasonable alternative to the proposed AIS (Air Insulated Switchgear) substation. As GIS can significantly reduce land take, visual impacts, noise and overall environmental effects, its omission means the Environmental Statement does not demonstrate that the proposed design is the least harmful or most appropriate option.	The maximum design parameters for the are set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. Requirement 5 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** requires details to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority, in accordance with the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. Alternatively, National Grid Electricity Transmission could submit a planning application outside the DCO though the Town and Country Planning Act, for the new National Grid Substation.
ALT-015	RR-1413, RR-1579	Respondent expressed concern for the site selection for Scheme's 400kV substation.	The siting of the 400kV Project Substations has been informed by the location of the Solar PV Arrays and the need to efficiently collect and transform electricity for export. As explained in the **Grid Connection Statement [APP-207],** a Project Substation at Site 5 will be used to collect the electricity generated from Sites 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, and 10. Substations at the BESS site and Site 1 will be used to transform the power from the Sites 1, 2 and BESS to a voltage of up to 400kV. Locating the Project Substations in this manner

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			minimises transmission losses and cable route lengths across the Scheme. The Applicant acknowledges the Scheme would introduce a series of new features into the rural landscape. The Applicant has sought to reduce adverse effects on the landscape and its features and reduce the visibility of the Scheme through considered siting of new features; and where appropriate introduction of new landscape measures to support landscape integration and visual screening of the Scheme.
ALT-017	RR-1677	Respondent asked why cables cannot be buried.	The Scheme includes both underground and overhead cabling, with the specific choice of cabling method reflecting the function, voltage and length of each element. Additionally, the final design of the National Grid substation is at National Grid's discretion, as such, the Applicant has assessed a reasonable worse scenario of which being, overhead cabling. As set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and the **Grid Connection Statement [APP-207]**, cabling within the CRC will be underground. Construction works in CRC would be temporary in nature. Once the cable has been laid underground, the land will be

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			reinstated and soils restored to the previous condition (as set out in the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**), allowing for activities such as farming to continue.
ALT-018	RR-1294	Respondent stated that the Applicant has failed to satisfy the fundamental sequential testing mandates outlined within the UK National Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) for Renewable and Low Carbon Energy.	The **Planning Statement [APP-209]** and **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]** set out how the Scheme complies with relevant national and local planning policies. The NPPF and associated Planning Practice Guidance have been considered, where relevant. The Applicant considers that the Scheme is in accordance with national energy policy, national planning policy, and any relevant development plan when considered as a whole. In the event of a conflict, the NPS prevails for the purpose of the Secretary of State decision making given the national significance of the Scheme.
ALT-019	RR-0094	Respondent expressed concern that planning documents used vague language such as 'likely site'.	The Scheme does not have a fixed detailed design at this stage. The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** set out the maximum and, where necessary, minimum parameters, with the spatial extents shown on the **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]**. Requirement 5 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** requires details to be submitted to and

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			approved by the relevant planning authority, in accordance with the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213].** The EIA has been undertaken in accordance with the Rochdale Envelope approach to assess the maximum parameters. The Planning Inspectorate's Advice Note Nine: Rochdale Envelope acknowledges there may be aspects of the Scheme design that are not yet fixed and, therefore, it may be necessary for the EIA to assess likely reasonable worst-case scenario for the likely significant environmental effects of the Scheme to be considered.
ALT-020	RR-0667	Respondent noted additional power should be generated at the location where it is needed which will avoid the cost of transmission lines and reduce the potential for single points of failure in the supply.	Paragraph 1.1.5 of NPS EN-5 confirms that the identified near-term requirement for new network infrastructure is to directly support the Government meeting its Clean Power 2030 Mission, including *"in locations which have historically not had high amounts of network capacity"*. New network infrastructure is particularly needed in "*some rural and coastal parts of the UK, including part of the east coast"* to connect forms of clean energy generation which are located in those areas. Without such network infrastructure

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			development, that mission cannot be achieved. Connecting the Scheme to an existing overhead line with capacity to transmit the power generated at the Scheme to customers both nationally and locally, presents an efficient use of existing infrastructure and therefore avoids costs associated with developing new infrastructure. In preparing the connection offer, the Applicant understands that National Grid has carried out analysis to ensure that anticipated power flows from the generator can be accommodated as per the connection agreement. NESO's re-prioritisation of the Scheme as a Gate 2 Phase 2 project further supports that the grid local to the Scheme can accommodate the Scheme as proposed.
Site-specific comments			
ALT-021	RR-0446	Respondent asked the Examining Authority to require the Applicant to demonstrate that every part of the Scheme was assessed on an equal basis and that the realistic alternative locations for the main infrastructure were fully considered, in respect of	The likely significant effects of the Scheme, including the associated development, have been assessed within the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]**. The EIA has been undertaken in accordance with the Rochdale Envelope approach to assess the maximum parameters. The Planning Inspectorate's

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		the large area needed in Great Moulton for associated development. Respondent requested a clear explanation of why the main infrastructure is concentrated near Great Moulton and why alternative locations were rejected.	Advice Note Nine: Rochdale Envelope acknowledges there may be aspects of the Scheme design that are not yet fixed and, therefore, it may be necessary for the EIA to assess likely reasonable worst-case scenario for the likely significant environmental effects of the Scheme to be considered. The **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]** sets out the factors considered in the site selection process for the National Grid Substation. This includes consideration of planning, environmental and operational factors in the search for suitable sites, informed by national policy as set out within NPS EN-5, with regard to the Horlock rules.
ALT-022	RR-0207, RR-0099, RR-0395, RR-1793, RR-0540, RR-0446, RR-0043, RR-1153, RR-0570, RR-0126, RR-0364	Respondents stated that Great Moulton was selected primarily due to commercial land agreements and connection constraints at Norwich Main, rather than environmental suitability.	The Applicant has followed a staged approach to site selection, with consideration to a range of planning, environmental and operational factors, as detailed in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**. Land availability (i.e. the participation, or willingness of landowners) is a key consideration for site selection, as without willing landowners, acquiring land through compulsory acquisition powers would be

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			necessary, which the Applicant is keen to avoid as far as practicable. Through discussions with National Grid Electricity Transmission, available capacity along the Bramford to Norwich 400kV overhead line was identified between Norwich and Diss. As set out in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**, the Point of Connection was originally considered from Norwich Main Substation. Following discussions with National Grid Electricity Transmission, it was determined that a Point of Connection at Norwich Main Substation would be unviable due to capacity constraints and that there is not an opportunity to expand this existing substation to accommodate a 500MW solar project. It was confirmed that an alternative Point of Connection would be required. The **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]** sets out the reasonable alternative sites considered.
ALT-023	RR-0545, RR-0774, RR-0295, RR-0227, RR-1886, RR-1323, RR-0532, RR-0441, RR-0140, RR-0735, RR-0433, RR-0295, RR-0902, RR-0773, RR-0818, RR-0954, RR-0856, RR-0986	Respondents requested that Site 8A and 8B be removed from the proposals. Some respondents stated that Sites 8a and 8b only make a very small	Site 8 has been subject to an iterative design process, as set out within the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. In response to feedback from statutory consultation, several design changes were made to the extent of Solar PV Arrays in Site

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		contribution (2.7%) to the overall Scheme and therefore should be removed. One respondent noted in relation to Site 8, the site runs in an east west direction which means that 50% of Site 8 is North Facing. Some respondents stated that sites 8A and 8B are particularly unsuitable for solar panels due to their historic, picturesque, undulating landscape	8. Solar PV Arrays were removed from the northern and western parts of Sub-Site 8B, together with Solar PV Arrays removed from Sub-Site 8A in response to landscape and visual, heritage, flood risk and BMV land considerations. Given the clear and urgent need to deploy renewable energy at speed and scale, the Scheme demonstrably shows substantial public benefits (arising from all constituent parts of the Scheme, including Sub-Sites 8A and 8B). It is the Applicant's position that it would not be consistent with the Government's objectives to deliver a scheme which is smaller than that which has been assessed as acceptable on a planning basis.
ALT-024	RR-0827, RR-0929, RR-0593, RR-0528, RR-1716, RR-1446, RR-0043, RR-1166, RR-0827, RR-1158, RR-0929, RR-0593, RR-0528, RR-1067, RR-1446, RR-0032	Respondents stated that there is no justification for Site 4. Some respondents stated that development of Site 4 would be in direct conflict of the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan with a specific expansion of 1800+ houses near the Long Stratton Bypass.	Given the clear and urgent need to deploy renewable energy at speed and scale, the Scheme demonstrably shows substantial public benefits (arising from all constituent parts of the Scheme, including Sub-Sites 4A and 4B). The Applicant's position is that it would not be consistent with the Government's objectives to deliver a scheme

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ALT-025	RR-1158, RR-0123	Respondents expressed concern that Scheme does not demonstrate the need for Site 4.	which is smaller than that which has been assessed as acceptable on a planning basis. The **Planning Statement [APP-209]** and the **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]** set out how the Scheme complies with relevant national and local planning policies, including the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan. The Long Stratton Bypass (which is located beyond the Order Limits) was considered during the design process of the Scheme and formed part of the baseline for the Environmental Impact Assessment.
ALT-026	RR-0610, RR-1363, RR-0696, RR-0096, RR-1363, RR-1434, RR-0616, RR-1121	Respondents stated that there is no need for Site 9. One respondent stated that they appreciate that the western fields of Site 9 have been taken out of the Scheme, the eastern field are within 100m of their home.	Given the clear and urgent need to deploy renewable energy at speed and scale, the Scheme demonstrably shows substantial public benefits (arising from all constituent parts of the Scheme, including Site 9). It is the Applicant's position that it would not be consistent with the Government's objectives to deliver a scheme which is smaller than that which has been assessed as acceptable on a planning basis. Site 9 has been subject to an iterative design process, as set out within the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. In

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			response to feedback from statutory consultation, Solar PV Arrays were removed from the western part of Site 9. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes measures to provide visual screening and support landscape integration of the Scheme. At Site 9 this includes a proposed linear tree belt along the northern boundary of the Site, and hedgerow enhancement and new planting within the Site and adjacent to the southern boundary. The proposed implementation, management, maintenance and monitoring of the landscape measures during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ALT-027	RR-0208, RR-1269, RR-1492, RR-0960, RR-0683	Respondents stated that the Lundy Green area is not suitable for solar or other infrastructure. Some respondents stated that there is no need for Site 3.	Site 3 has been subject to an iterative design process, as set out within the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. In response to feedback from statutory consultation, Sub-Site 3A was completely removed from the Order Limits. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme, including

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			Site 3, in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032].** Given the clear and urgent need to deploy renewable energy at speed and scale, the Scheme demonstrably shows substantial public benefits (arising from all constituent parts of the Scheme, including Site 3). It is the Applicant's position that it would not be consistent with the Government's objectives to deliver a scheme which is smaller than that which has been assessed as acceptable on a planning basis.
ALT-028	RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-1086, RR-0761	Respondents expressed concern that additional land in Sites 1D and 1C have been added without PEIR review.	The Applicant refers to its response to SCH-022. Further, the Applicant can confirm that the proposed works associated with Sub-Site 1C and Sub-Site 1D has been assessed within the ES.

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ALT-029	RR-0670, RR-0195	Respondents objected to the use of Site 10 in the Scheme.	Site 10 has been subject to an iterative design process, as set out within the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. During this process, Solar PV Arrays have been removed from parts of Site 10. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme, including Site 10, in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Given the clear and urgent need to deploy renewable energy at speed and scale, the Scheme demonstrably shows substantial public benefits (arising from all constituent parts of the Scheme, including Site 10). It is the Applicant's position that it would not be consistent with the Government's objectives to deliver a scheme which is smaller than that which has been assessed as acceptable on a planning basis.

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ALT-030	RR-0578, RR-1091	Respondents expressed concern regarding the proximity of the BESS Site to Wacton.	The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** outlines the key fire safety provisions for the BESS, including measures to reduce BESS failure risks and mitigate credible failure incident scenarios. The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** identifies how the Applicant will use good industry practice to reduce risk to life, property and the environment from the BESS. Via Requirement 6 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, prior to the commencement of construction of the BESS, the Applicant will require a BSMP to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority that must consult with the with Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service and the Environment Agency. As part of preparation of the detailed BSMP, the Applicant will incorporate the latest good practices for battery storage safety, failure detection and prevention, along with the emergency response planning, as guidance continues to develop in the UK and internationally.
ALT-031	RR-0964, RR-0411	Respondents expressed concern that the proposed Site 5 Substation will be located opposite their house.	The Applicant acknowledges the Scheme would introduce a series of new features into the rural landscape. The Applicant has sought to reduce adverse effects on the landscape

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		One respondent asked whether the location of the substation in Site 5A could change or be modified.	and its features and reduce the visibility of the Scheme through considered siting of new features. The Project Substation is located centrally within Sub-Site 5A to maximise distance between visual receptors including residential receptors in the surrounding landscape. Furthermore, where appropriate introduction of new landscape measures is included to support landscape integration and visual screening of the Scheme. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening / reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration of new infrastructure. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ALT-032	RR-1952, RR-0356	Respondents expressed particular concern about the proximity of the Sites to Fritton.	As set out within the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**, Sub-Site 5B, which is closest to Fritton has been subject to an iterative design process to reflect the heritage

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			assets of Fritton and nearby residential properties. This included removal of Solar PV Arrays from parts of Sub-Site 5B. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows (infill planting/laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ALT-033	RR-0908	Respondent expressed location of Scheme will impact households at Dawsons Farm, Golden Owl Barn	The landscape and visual effects are assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** and

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		and Market Lane Farm due to the topography of the land.	detailed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.7 - Visual Assessment Tables [APP-147]**. The visual amenity on residential properties is assessed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.8 - Residential Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-148]**. Kings Farm, Golden Owl Barn, Wodehouse, The Copse, Hill View and Ley Farm form a cluster of residential properties along Baxter's Lane. Representative Viewpoint VL11/LP8 was selected to assess views from this residential cluster. The assessment concludes that the Scheme would result in a Major to Substantial Significant Adverse effect during the construction phase. During operation, this reduces to a Major Significant Adverse effect in Year 1 and a Moderate Significant Adverse effect by Year 15 as mitigation planting establishes and matures. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening / reinforcing existing hedgerows (infill planting / laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme

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			is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case.
ALT-034	RR-0541	Respondent stated that the siting of the transformer in site 7 is simply not possible.	The Applicant does not agree that the proposed siting of the transformer in Site 7 is not possible. Site 7 has been subject to an iterative design process, as set out within the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme (including Site 7), in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid,

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			mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The requirements for the delivery of AILs to the Scheme during construction, including elements such as transformers and cable drums, have been considered as part of the design process and in consultation with relevant statutory consultees. The assessment of AIL movements and their implications is set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 – Transport and Access [APP-047]**, together with mitigation measures which are secured through the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. The Applicant therefore considers that the proposed siting of the transformer at Site 7 is feasible and has been appropriately considered through the Scheme design and EIA processes. Given the clear and urgent need to deploy renewable energy at speed and scale, the Scheme demonstrably shows substantial public benefits (arising from all constituent parts of the Scheme).

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ALT-035	RR-1331	Respondent expressed concern regarding the apparent expansion of the Scheme, which has been advertised to the south of Sub-Site 7L.	The Order Limits were refined during the design process, as shown in **ES Volume 2, Figure 5.3 – Alterations to the Site Boundary Between Scoping and PEIR [APP-064]** and **ES Volume 2, Figure 5.4 – Alterations to the Site Boundary Between PEIR and Submission [AS-006]**. The full extent of the Order Limits has been assessed in the **ES [APP-037** to **APP-056]**. Where the Order Limits increased following the Statutory Consultation, these were subject to Targeted Consultation in Autumn 2025.
ALT-036	RR-1378	Respondent stated that the cable corridor between Site 2 and 4/5 seems excessive to get the Scheme to work.	The Applicant notes the respondent's concerns regarding the cable corridor. The environmental considerations and refinement of the CRC is summarised in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. The construction of the cable route has been assessed throughout the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** with the minimum and maximum parameters (in accordance with the Rochdale Envelope approach) set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and the **Outline Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216]**. The detailed design and construction of

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			the cable route will be undertaken within the parameters authorised by the DCO. Measures to manage and minimise construction effects are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**.
ALT-037	RR-0060	Respondent expressed concern that the proposals have evolved from a 133 kV substation and BESS to a 400 kV substation and much larger BESS.	The Applicant refers to its response to row SCH-007 regarding the upgrade of the Project Substation in Site 1. The Applicant can confirm that a 400kV Project Substation within the BESS Site has formed part of the proposals that were subject to the consultation.
ALT-038	RR-0329	Respondent expressed concern that Scheme does not demonstrate the need for Site 7.	Site 7 has been subject to an iterative design process, as set out within the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme, including Site 7, in the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.

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			Given the clear and urgent need to deploy renewable energy at speed and scale, the Scheme demonstrably shows substantial public benefits (arising from all constituent parts of the Scheme, including Site 7). It is the Applicant's position that it would not be consistent with the Government's objectives to deliver a scheme which is smaller than that which has been assessed as acceptable on a planning basis.
ALT-039	RR-1856	Respondents expressed concern that Scheme is not well thought out as it would cut a farm in half. Said farm is redacted in submission.	The Scheme has been subject to a site selection process as described in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]** and an iterative design process, as illustrated in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212].** The design has been informed by environmental surveys, environmental assessments and consultation feedback. The **Design Approach Document [APP-212]** demonstrates how the Scheme will secure good design. During construction there would be temporary disruption to farming activities within the cable route corridor. However, the working width is limited and construction methodology has been developed, where reasonably

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			practicable, to maintain access to land on both sides of the corridor, thereby reducing temporary severance effects and enabling farming activities to continue. The Applicant will engage with affected landowners and occupiers regarding access arrangements, the provision of crossing points where necessary, and detailed construction planning to reduce disruption to farming activities in advance of construction works. Any temporary farming business losses as a result of the works or disruption experienced by affected landowners would be addressed through the statutory compensation framework. The Applicant met with the respondent in early 2026 to discuss these impacts and remains committed to working with the Respondent to minimise disruption and would welcome a further meeting in person.

2.9 Climate Change and Greenhouse Gases

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CLI-001	RR-0436, RR-1349, RR-2029, RR-1962, RR-1307, RR-1068, RR-0636, RR-1696, RR-1350, RR-1179, RR-1662, RR-1254, RR-0375, RR-0569, RR-0176, RR-0785, RR-1237, RR-0214, RR-1114, RR-1209, RR-2020, RR-1542, RR-1903, RR-0061, RR-1052, RR-0424, RR-1457, RR-0778, RR-1399, RR-0286, RR-1469, RR-1017, RR-0843, RR-0206, RR-1306, RR-1612, RR-0712, RR-0083, RR-0787, RR-0481, RR-0734, RR-0986, RR-0704, RR-0881, RR-2033, RR-0954, RR-1831	Respondents raised ethical concerns about solar panels and other infrastructure being procured from China or other overseas countries, including whether panels would be responsibly sourced. Respondents also expressed concern about the potential for modern slavery within the supply chain. Some respondents raised environmental concerns relating to the importing of oversea panels, including the associated carbon footprint.	The Applicant's parent company is a signatory of the Solar Energy UK Supply Chain Statement, which commits the company and its projects to sourcing materials produced in a sustainable way with a supply chain free of human rights abuses. It is building on this commitment through membership of the Solar Stewardship Initiative, an international supply chain audit programme, and by using independent international standards bodies to review, inspect and accredit suppliers. The Applicant follows UK Government guidance on the security of electrical and electronic equipment. Threats to solar developments are similar to those that can affect all industries and would be managed by robust cyber security processes to identify, prevent, and mitigate against, potential issues. The **Outline ESSCS [APP-205]** sets out that international suppliers will be required to meet

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			a minimum standard with regard to environmental standards, professional conduct and ethical working practices. Panels sold into the UK market must meet applicable standards and this would also be provided for in the Applicant's procurement contracts. The majority of solar panels are produced in China and meet high standards of quality, with external auditing to provide assurance to purchasers. While the solar panels would be sourced and shipped from China, UK manufacturers can supply many of the other components. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 - Climate Change [APP-042]** assesses the greenhouse gas emissions from the transport of materials for the Scheme. Whilst the manufacturer of solar panels has not yet been chosen, for the purposes of the assessment, it has been assumed on a precautionary basis that solar panels would be transported by sea from China to ensure a reasonable worst-case assessment.
CLI-002	RR-1908, RR-1332, RR-0372, RR-0518, RR-1125, RR-0099, RR-1374, RR-0068, RR-1502, RR-0422, RR-0631, RR-1557,	Respondents expressed scepticism about net zero and/or questioned the	Climate change is recognised globally as a serious environmental threat by recognised experts, and actions to combat it are considered to be a Critical National Priority by

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	RR-1627, RR-0937, RR-1651, RR-0083, RR-1029, RR-0638, RR-1037, RR-0881, RR-0482, RR-0954, RR-1300	scientific basis for climate change and associated national targets.	the UK Government, as set out in the NPS. The legal requirement and policy context for the need for decarbonisation is explained in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**. The assessment of greenhouse gas emissions in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 - Climate Change [APP-042]** is based on standard methods and guidance, including from the Institute of Sustainability and Environmental Professionals.
CLI-003	RR-1470, RR-1876, RR-1179, RR-0785, RR-0905, RR-0246, RR-1356, RR-1209, RR-0424, RR-0778, RR-1399, RR-0286, RR-0687, RR-0729, RR-0206, RR-1008, RR-0712, RR-0787, RR-0612, RR-0704, RR-1376, RR-0810, RR-2033, RR-1641, RR-0954, RR-1115	Respondents expressed concern about the environmental effects associated with the manufacturing of components for the Scheme, indicating the Scheme will do more environmental harm than good.	The effects of emissions generated from embodied carbon within materials and components have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 - Climate Change [APP-042]**. As set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, the Scheme will help the UK to be on track to meet its legally binding carbon emissions reduction targets, while enhancing national security of supply and providing low-cost electricity to meet the increasing demand. The overall greenhouse gas emissions impact of the operation of the Scheme is beneficial and significant.

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CLI-004	RR-0078, RR-1989, RR-0560, RR-0330, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1052, RR-0533, RR-1569, RR-1887, RR-0832, RR-1641, RR-0763	Respondents expressed concern that the Scheme could alter local weather patterns or contribute to a localised heat island effect.	Fthenakis, V., & Yu, Y. (2013), (Journal of Solar Energy Engineering) completed an 18-month study which showed that in most days, a solar array was completely cooled at night, and, thus, it was unlikely that heat island effects will occur from large solar arrays. Barron-Gafford G. A., Minor, R. L., Allen, N. A., Cronin, A. D. Brooks, A.E. and Pavao-Zuckerman, M. A. (2016) completed a study on the photovoltaic heat island effect which showed that, temperature increases are localised and do not substantially extend beyond the immediate solar farm boundary.
CLI-005	RR-1291, RR-1276, RR-0962, RR-0585, RR-1602, RR-0419, RR-0763, RR-0571, RR-1843, RR-0469, RR-1626, RR-1206, RR-1572, RR-1307, RR-1646, RR-1064, RR-0207, RR-1617, RR-1018, RR-0300, RR-1585, RR-1112, RR-1547, RR-1350, RR-1957, RR-1411, RR-0018, RR-0185, RR-0033, RR-0229, RR-1551, RR-1922, RR-1106, RR-0560, RR-0304, RR-0138, RR-0949, RR-0351, RR-0295, RR-0036, RR-0227, RR-0390, RR-0779, RR-1667, RR-0572,	Respondents stated they are not against renewable energy but cannot support this Scheme.	The Applicant notes the support for renewable energy. The Scheme would contribute substantially to the need for low carbon energy generation and the Government's objectives and commitments for pursuing a Clean Power energy system and cutting GHG emissions to net zero by 2050, as set out within NPS EN-1 Paragraph 2.3.3. By generating low carbon energy at a low marginal cost, large scale solar power reduced the environmental and financial cost of energy generated by more expensive and more carbon intensive forms of generation. The Scheme will help to decarbonise the

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	RR-0519, RR-1096, RR-1087, RR-1140, RR-0930, RR-0601, RR-0541, RR-1281, RR-0004, RR-1509, RR-1019, RR-0247, RR-1122, RR-0268, RR-0220, RR-0507, RR-1787, RR-1371, RR-0822, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-0356, RR-1246, RR-0072, RR-1707, RR-1251, RR-0847, RR-0745, RR-1289, RR-0720, RR-1581, RR-1125, RR-0476, RR-1648, RR-1849, RR-1472, RR-1459, RR-1175, RR-1649, RR-1375, RR-1436, RR-1716, RR-0542, RR-1864, RR-0309, RR-0224, RR-1338, RR-0502, RR-1204, RR-1990, RR-1072, RR-0153, RR-0944, RR-1712, RR-1369, RR-0574, RR-0150, RR-0558, RR-0968, RR-1747, RR-0795, RR-1201, RR-0465, RR-2017, RR-0241, RR-1958, RR-1286, RR-0102, RR-0020, RR-1077, RR-0458, RR-1377, RR-0631, RR-0656, RR-1312, RR-0819, RR-0819, RR-0424, RR-0358, RR-1146, RR-0721, RR-0744, RR-0188,		electricity system and lower the market price of electricity. As set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, having had regard to all important and relevant matters, the Applicant has concluded that there are no adverse impacts of sufficient weight, either individually or collectively, that would mean the DCO should not be made. The adverse impacts identified are clearly outweighed by the substantial public benefits that would arise from providing low-carbon energy to meet the needs identified in NPS EN-1.

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	RR-0676, RR-1226, RR-1308, RR-1187, RR-1427, RR-1182, RR-0225, RR-0879, RR-1099, RR-0296, RR-0551, RR-0449, RR-1247, RR-0131, RR-1399, RR-0286, RR-0539, RR-1463, RR-0654, RR-1054, RR-2021, RR-0777, RR-0611, RR-1085, RR-0754, RR-0566, RR-0919, RR-0729, RR-0710, RR-1842, RR-1222, RR-0793, RR-0950, RR-0662, RR-1726, RR-0575, RR-1997, RR-1741, RR-0155, RR-1610, RR-0075, RR-1248, RR-0481, RR-1642, RR-1487, RR-1566, RR-0056, RR-0734, RR-1751, RR-0523, RR-0588, RR-1117, RR-1413, RR-0250, RR-1675, RR-0398, RR-0127, RR-0010, RR-0128, RR-1641, RR-1199, RR-0768, RR-1415, RR-0379, RR-0067, RR-1494, RR-0126, RR-1570, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-0873, RR-1634, RR-1465, RR-0097, RR-1995		
CLI-006	RR-0419, RR-1233, RR-1082, RR-1646, RR-0145, RR-0423, RR-1254, RR-1803, RR-0360,	Respondents stated the Scheme would cause more environmental damage than it makes up for / offsets.	The Applicant reports in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 - Climate Change [APP-042]** Section 6.11.7 that the Scheme will yield

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	RR-0375, RR-1885, RR-0785, RR-0072, RR-0494, RR-0034, RR-1209, RR-0462, RR-0353, RR-2020, RR-0973, RR-1278, RR-0963, RR-1542, RR-0150, RR-1903, RR-0068, RR-2017, RR-1052, RR-0682, RR-0631, RR-1178, RR-0435, RR-1977, RR-1689, RR-0131, RR-2021, RR-1586, RR-1914, RR-0890, RR-0603, RR-0083, RR-0116, RR-0677, RR-1708, RR-0146, RR-1057, RR-0607, RR-0057, RR-0452, RR-0986, RR-1828	One respondent expressed that PINS should only consent the Scheme if it can be proven the Scheme will offset its impact to the environment.	significant beneficial impacts on total GHG emissions, as such the Scheme will offset the impact to the environment in terms of carbon emissions. Throughout **ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 - Climate Change [APP-042]** the Applicant has provided a reliable basis for assessing the Scheme's climate impacts and resilience, addressing both principal limbs of climate change assessment required by NPS EN-1: the project's GHG implications across its lifecycle, and the vulnerability of the Scheme and receiving environment to present and future climate conditions. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 - Climate Change [APP-042]** compares the Scheme to alternate energy generating methods, and the Scheme is less emitting than non-renewable sources over the course of its 60-year lifetime and is typical of GHG emissions from Solar energy generation (see Section 6.9.124). Therefore, the project's GHG impacts are fully consistent with applicable existing and emerging policy requirements, and good practice design standards, noting that construction GHG emissions are overall assessed to be Not Significant in EIA terms nor considered to worsen local climate related risks.

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			The planning balance considering the positive, neutral and negative impacts are set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**. The Secretary of State will balance those potential impacts against the urgent need and critical national priority for the Scheme as set out in Government policy.
CLI-007	RR-0062, RR-0958, RR-0394, RR-0501, RR-0007, RR-0709, RR-0958, RR-0940	Respondent expressed support for the Scheme in the context of moving the nation away from fossil fuel dependency. Other respondents stated that the Scheme will help strengthen the UK's energy security and reduce dependence on imports.	The Applicant welcomes this comment. As set out within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 - Climate Change [APP-042],** Section 6.9.125, the Scheme is designed to help achieve the UK's 2050 net zero obligation, reiterated in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**. The Applicant recognises that there is a wider need beyond offsetting emissions from fossil fuels in electricity generation to reduce emissions from other sources. However, once the electricity supply is sourced from zero and low emissions sources, such as the Scheme, a plentiful supply will encourage and enable electrical solutions to displace fossil fuels in many applications outside of the traditional electricity sector. Thus, this representation comment is acknowledged and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 - Climate Change [APP-042]** seeks to

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			outline that the Scheme supports the nations migration from fossil fuel dependency as a source of electrical power, strengthening the UK's energy security and reducing dependency on imports.
CLI-008	RR-0246, RR-0963, RR-1839, RR-1570	Respondent stated that they are unconvinced the Application has adequately addressed the full lifecycle carbon impacts of construction, maintenance, replacement and decommissioning of the Scheme infrastructure.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 - Climate Change [APP-042]** provides a comprehensive lifecycle climate assessment covering the Scheme's 60-year lifespan, including construction, maintenance, replacement, and decommissioning phases as required by NPS EN-1. The assessment includes a whole-life GHG evaluation with embodied carbon values for all lifecycle phases, construction and operational emissions detailed in Tables 6.25 and 6.29, decommissioning emissions in Table 6.30, and mitigation measures outlined in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. Cumulative GHG emissions are assessed using Carbon Budgets as the contextualisation framework. The assessment concludes that no significant climate change risks are identified across construction, operational, or decommissioning phases. The Scheme contributes less than 0.05% of the 5th carbon budget and less than

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			1% annually of the electricity sector budget. Lifecycle emissions are lower than non-renewable alternatives and typical for solar generation, with decommissioning emissions representing less than 0.5% of total scheme GHG emissions. Overall, the project's GHG and carbon impacts are fully consistent with policy requirements and good practice standards. Effects are assessed as Not Significant and do not worsen local climate-related risks.
CLI-009	RR-1698	Respondent noted BESS technology cannot be classified as renewable as it is carbon intensive in manufacturing, charging and discharging waste.	The Applicant considers in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 - Climate Change [APP-042]** total GHG emissions which includes discussion on the positive effect of using BESS technology in effectively pairing with Solar energy generation. It is acknowledged that BESS technology is an enabling technology that stores and distributes renewable energy generated from the Scheme, preventing the loss of excess renewable electricity by capturing surplus energy which supports in grid balancing. Thus, stabilising the power networks through releasing stored electricity during high-demand periods or when weather conditions limit clean energy generation, hence making the Scheme more reliable and

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			efficient. As such, although not a primary renewable source it can be considered a renewable mechanism, vital for achieving the Scheme's cleaner energy goals. In **ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 - Climate Change [APP-042]** Section 6.9.60, and onwards the Applicant acknowledges that manufacture and supply of the BESS will be one of the largest sources of GHG emissions during construction, and mitigation efforts have concentrated on this as a priority area. Although Section 6.9.62 notes that emissions are attributable to China's GHG emissions given the origin source, they have been included in the assessment from a UK perspective as a conservative scenario to determine if the Scheme will be environmentally significant on the global climate. In Section 6.9.89, the Applicant notes that the BESS will largely be charged with energy generated from low carbon sources, not carbon intensive sources. Section 6.9.93 notes that additional carbon savings from operating the BESS have been omitted from the overall GHG assessment for the Scheme to avoid double-counting emission savings

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			with primary focus of the GHG assessment on emission reduction through energy generation alone, and subsequently the Scheme as a renewable source of power. Thus, the support the BESS provides to the main solar array and the electricity system during its operation will lead to further emissions reductions beyond just the renewable energy generation provided by the Solar scheme without BESS inclusion. A 'no-BESS scenario' would assess a fundamentally different scheme than the one for which consent is sought and therefore does not require assessment The Applicant concludes in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 - Climate Change [APP-042]** that emissions associated with the BESS are offset as the Scheme will yield significant beneficial effects on total GHG emissions (see Section 6.11.7), as a renewable source of energy generation.

2.10 Landscape and Visual

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LAN-001	RR-1928, RR-0722, RR-0862, RR-1291, RR-1592, RR-0290, RR-0148, RR-0436, RR-0644, RR-1276, RR-1184, RR-1567, RR-1419, RR-1567, RR-1657, RR-1589, RR-0962, RR-1180, RR-1470, RR-1553, RR-1881, RR-1881, RR-0746, RR-0585, RR-0529, RR-1203, RR-0799, RR-1602, RR-0471, RR-0583, RR-0419, RR-1588, RR-1290, RR-0081, RR-0763, RR-1341, RR-1763, RR-0750, RR-1349, RR-1294, RR-0977, RR-0621, RR-0802, RR-0625, RR-0864, RR-0751, RR-1841, RR-0531, RR-0643, RR-1900, RR-1233, RR-0871, RR-1798, RR-1690, RR-0839, RR-1853, RR-1332, RR-0322, RR-1177, RR-2029, RR-1962, RR-0666, RR-0571, RR-1843, RR-0602, RR-1188,	Respondents expressed concern about the visual impact of the Scheme, including impacts on residential/private properties, public rights of way, vantage points, green belt land, and conservation areas. Respondents stated that the Scheme will industrialise the area or will change the rural character of the landscape. Some respondents stated that the Scheme would impact the rural way of life. Other respondents expressed concern for the countryside / loss of the countryside.	A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Furthermore, a visual amenity assessment of PRoW is presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Right of Way Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-149]** and a visual amenity assessment for residential properties in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.8 - Residential Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-148]**. The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, with landscape and visual considerations embedded into the design principles and design evolution of siting infrastructure. The design evolution of the Scheme in respect of landscape and visual context is set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212].**

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	RR-0451, RR-1122, RR-0535, RR-0400, RR-1012, RR-0507, RR-0905, RR-1794, RR-0467, RR-0888, RR-0340, RR-1156, RR-0725, RR-1144, RR-0822, RR-0246, RR-0393, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1299, RR-0254, RR-0072, RR-1707, RR-1287, RR-1552, RR-0090, RR-0288, RR-0745, RR-0833, RR-1245, RR-1563, RR-1243, RR-2016, RR-0797, RR-1632, RR-1288, RR-1581, RR-1125, RR-1672, RR-1305, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0823, RR-1688, RR-0395, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-0094, RR-1498, RR-1816, RR-1459, RR-1175, RR-1225, RR-1647, RR-1375, RR-0598, RR-1333, RR-0925, RR-1716, RR-1436, RR-1390, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-1733, RR-0573, RR-0663, RR-1941, RR-0562, RR-0309, RR-0008, RR-0963, RR-0918, RR-0502, RR-1650, RR-0872, RR-1369, RR-0336, RR-1903, RR-0336, RR-1426, RR-0445, RR-0968,		Substation and Project Substations, that whilst the exact colour will be subject to manufacturer specifications and agreed with the relevant planning authority prior to construction, the colour will be carefully selected in subdued, non-reflective tones to sit as discreetly as practicable within the landscape. Further the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** includes a minimum set back of this infrastructure from the PRoW. The design commitments specific to the landscape and visual impact of the security installations are set out and secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213],** and include: maximum heights of 2.5m for perimeter fencing and 3m for palisade fencing, setting maximum; Pole-mounted, internal-facing CCTV cameras on galvanised steel poles, with a maximum height of 3m, using night-vision technology to avoid the need for night-time lighting of the Solar PV Site; Colours and external finishes for fencing and CCTV to be in keeping with the prevailing surrounding environment, carefully selected in subdued, non-reflective tones to sit as discreetly as practicable within the landscape, with final

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	RR-0397, RR-0795, RR-0135, RR-1050, RR-0552, RR-1052, RR-1850, RR-0775, RR-1958, RR-1383, RR-1286, RR-0825, RR-1040, RR-1515, RR-1785, RR-1002, RR-0201, RR-0020, RR-0273, RR-1256, RR-0003, RR-0277, RR-1070, RR-0773, RR-1178, RR-0670, RR-0660, RR-1392, RR-1000, RR-0819, RR-1557, RR-1693, RR-0188, RR-0473, RR-1049, RR-0283, RR-1806, RR-1447, RR-1283, RR-0058, RR-1703, RR-1124, RR-0367, RR-0225, RR-0879, RR-0373, RR-0122, RR-0197, RR-1099, RR-0298, RR-1689, RR-1704, RR-1207, RR-1554, RR-1354, RR-0876, RR-0539, RR-0492, RR-1464, RR-0684, RR-0473, RR-1049, RR-0777, RR-0817, RR-0231, RR-1743, RR-1085, RR-0875, RR-0437, RR-0729, RR-1842, RR-1728, RR-1845, RR-1884, RR-1698, RR-1959, RR-1192, RR-0594, RR-1812, RR-1222, RR-1306, RR-0793, RR-1008, RR-1442,		details to be approved by the relevant planning authority; and wherever practicable, use of existing gaps in hedgerows to route fencing, together with the commitment to retain and enhance existing vegetation and features of value to aid integration of the Scheme within the environment.

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	RR-0748, RR-1023, RR-0761, RR-0761, RR-1835, RR-1895, RR-1029, RR-0577, RR-1148, RR-1628, RR-0060, RR-1997, RR-1741, RR-0540, RR-0155, RR-1610, RR-1713, RR-0211, RR-0838, RR-0075, RR-1248, RR-0933, RR-1126, RR-1324, RR-1487, RR-1566, RR-0960, RR-0856, RR-0683, RR-1751, RR-0425, RR-0523, RR-1446, RR-1048, RR-0588, RR-1505, RR-1675, RR-1666, RR-1861, RR-0194, RR-1967, RR-0453, RR-0446, RR-1920, RR-0010, RR-0051, RR-1380, RR-1659, RR-0043, RR-1766, RR-0554, RR-1669, RR-0906, RR-1710, RR-1927, RR-1986, RR-1544, RR-1100, RR-1949, RR-0067, RR-0017, RR-0313, RR-0756, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-0749, RR-0022, RR-1831, RR-1600, RR-1780, RR-1638, RR-1570, RR-1938, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-0661, RR-0674, RR-1634, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0097, RR-1611, RR-1684, RR-0674,		

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	RR-1802, RR-0578, RR-0471, RR-1450, RR-1031, RR-1857		
LAN-003	RR-1184, RR-1567, RR-1881, RR-0585, RR-1203, RR-0746, RR-0799, RR-0419, RR-0081, RR-1349, RR-1841, RR-1843, RR-1734, RR-0469, RR-1626, RR-1511, RR-0628, RR-1206, RR-1572, RR-0878, RR-1646, RR-1608, RR-0174, RR-1064, RR-0457, RR-1172, RR-0151, RR-0830, RR-1297, RR-1365, RR-1216, RR-0646, RR-1890, RR-0816, RR-1217, RR-1989, RR-0255, RR-1952, RR-1127, RR-0300, RR-1112, RR-0633, RR-0385, RR-0767, RR-0800, RR-1619, RR-1045, RR-1580, RR-0560, RR-0827, RR-0949, RR-0299, RR-0374, RR-1150, RR-1912, RR-1250, RR-1196, RR-1228, RR-1512, RR-0448, RR-0036, RR-0378, RR-0680, RR-0779, RR-0519, RR-1096, RR-1087, RR-1043, RR-0601, RR-0541, RR-1939, RR-0301, RR-0785, RR-1509, RR-1019, RR-1491, RR-0798, RR-0220,	Respondents expressed concern about the scale of the Scheme, with some saying the Scheme is too big. Some respondents stated the Scheme should be smaller.	The NPS EN-1 recognises that any reduction in the scale of energy infrastructure, to mitigate adverse effects, may result in a significant operational constraint or reduction in function. The Scheme has been designed to maximise the energy generation benefit from the available land and the grid connection, whilst avoiding, minimising and/or mitigating harmful environmental effects, as far as practicable. In accordance with the mitigation hierarchy, avoidance measures have been embedded in the design through, for example, the removal of Solar PV Arrays from parcels of land during the design process (as presented in the **Design Approach Document** [**APP-212**]) and the application of design offset buffers from landscape and ecological features, as well as from residential properties, as secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]**. The Applicant remains committed to delivering a Scheme that makes a meaningful contribution to the UK's transition to net zero,

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	RR-0888, RR-0340, RR-1088, RR-1371, RR-1061, RR-1327, RR-1805, RR-0822, RR-0246, RR-1039, RR-0565, RR-0752, RR-0356, RR-0254, RR-1948, RR-0072, RR-1707, RR-1287, RR-1717, RR-1758, RR-0745, RR-1811, RR-1245, RR-1777, RR-0941, RR-1288, RR-1581, RR-0321, RR-0861, RR-0087, RR-1468, RR-0730, RR-1209, RR-1482, RR-0395, RR-1722, RR-1459, RR-1175, RR-0046, RR-0264, RR-1225, RR-1525, RR-1941, RR-0224, RR-0711, RR-1750, RR-1278, RR-1650, RR-0944, RR-0872, RR-0150, RR-1426, RR-0445, RR-1400, RR-0624, RR-0084, RR-1201, RR-2017, RR-0339, RR-0071, RR-1531, RR-1050, RR-0241, RR-0552, RR-1993, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-0020, RR-0273, RR-0235, RR-1377, RR-0003, RR-1070, RR-0964, RR-0186, RR-1262, RR-0840, RR-1392, RR-0819, RR-1557, RR-0915, RR-0188, RR-0032, RR-0744,		while also seeking to minimise adverse impacts and maximise opportunities for environmental enhancement and community benefits.

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	RR-1093, RR-1719, RR-1226, RR-0484, RR-0580, RR-1308, RR-0093, RR-0599, RR-0581, RR-0283, RR-1187, RR-1718, RR-0282, RR-1645, RR-0464, RR-0162, RR-0058, RR-0091, RR-0640, RR-1977, RR-0298, RR-0296, RR-1852, RR-1670, RR-0551, RR-0449, RR-1627, RR-0040, RR-0820, RR-0131, RR-0160, RR-1463, RR-0654, RR-2011, RR-0260, RR-0899, RR-0484, RR-0085, RR-0409, RR-0074, RR-0600, RR-1743, RR-0611, RR-1085, RR-0754, RR-1219, RR-0843, RR-1348, RR-0729, RR-0546, RR-0198, RR-0890, RR-0686, RR-1698, RR-0331, RR-1904, RR-1454, RR-1236, RR-1721, RR-1561, RR-0363, RR-0950, RR-1807, RR-0761, RR-1775, RR-0575, RR-0154, RR-0595, RR-0577, RR-0271, RR-0496, RR-1092, RR-0947, RR-1628, RR-0677, RR-0100, RR-1708, RR-1194, RR-1057, RR-0234, RR-1513, RR-1051, RR-1713, RR-1940,		

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	RR-0612, RR-1742, RR-0075, RR-1248, RR-1382, RR-0080, RR-0108, RR-1934, RR-1126, RR-1107, RR-1642, RR-1487, RR-1257, RR-1566, RR-1037, RR-1992, RR-1158, RR-0556, RR-1751, RR-0523, RR-0588, RR-1048, RR-1280, RR-0359, RR-1413, RR-0250, RR-0809, RR-1666, RR-0265, RR-0194, RR-0398, RR-1380, RR-0991, RR-1659, RR-1199, RR-1166, RR-0768, RR-1300, RR-1986, RR-0159, RR-1778, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-2019, RR-1831, RR-0126, RR-2019, RR-1444, RR-1972, RR-1821, RR-1638, RR-1570, RR-0942, RR-1938, RR-1890, RR-1579, RR-1634, RR-1995, RR-0674		
LAN-004	RR-1349, RR-1626, RR-1183, RR-0545, RR-0648, RR-0304, RR-0827, RR-0138, RR-1228, RR-0295, RR-0036, RR-0130, RR-1727, RR-0429, RR-0569, RR-0601, RR-0376, RR-1537, RR-0400, RR-0507, RR-1532, RR-1854, RR-0888, RR-0340,	Respondents expressed scepticism about the effectiveness of proposed visual mitigation measures and/or that visual mitigation measures could not prevent the visual harm the Scheme will do. Some respondents questioned the	The Applicant notes the concerns regarding the effectiveness of proposed mitigation measures. Paragraph 5.10.5 of NPS EN-1 makes clear that '*virtually all nationally significant energy projects will have adverse effects on the landscape, but there may also be beneficial landscape character impacts arising from mitigation*',

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	RR-0246, RR-0328, RR-0356, RR-1287, RR-1715, RR-1288, RR-0823, RR-1225, RR-1716, RR-0573, RR-0872, RR-0397, RR-0585, RR-1563, RR-2030, RR-1459, RR-1733, RR-0939, RR-0491, RR-1135, RR-0601, RR-0328, RR-1152, RR-1256, RR-1070, RR-0773, RR-0840, RR-0478, RR-1693, RR-0188, RR-1093, RR-0283, RR-1645, RR-0225, RR-0879, RR-1099, RR-1689, RR-0373, RR-0296, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-1017, RR-0332, RR-0684, RR-0859, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-1743, RR-0546, RR-0988, RR-1306, RR-1091, RR-1807, RR-1926, RR-1442, RR-1370, RR-1741, RR-0155, RR-1264, RR-1248, RR-1158, RR-0986, RR-0523, RR-1446, RR-1280, RR-1413, RR-0453, RR-0446, RR-1920, RR-1380, RR-1659, RR-0043, RR-0128, RR-1859, RR-0441, RR-0832, RR-1199, RR-1669, RR-0954, RR-1949, RR-0149, RR-1998, RR-1344, RR-0525,	length of time for new planting screening measures to mature. Respondents stated that proposed mitigation planting will take 15 years + to mature and will not screen the Scheme, especially the height of the tracker panels. Respondents stated that any visual impact needs to be taken seriously and carefully managed. Some respondents asked, considering that the planting of new hedges/trees will take time and will be of limited effect in the winter, what obligation would there be on the Applicant to maintain new planting and who will enforce this?	and paragraph 5.10.13 confirms that '*all proposed energy infrastructure is likely to have visual effects for many receptors around proposed sites'*. Paragraph 5.10.35 of NPS EN-1 further recognises that the scale of energy projects means that they will often be visible across very wide areas and requires the Secretary of State to judge whether any adverse impact on the landscape would be '*so damaging that it is not offset by the benefits (including need) of the project'*. Paragraph 5.10.37 of NPS EN-1 requires the Secretary of State to consider whether the project has been designed carefully to minimise harm to the landscape, including through appropriate mitigation, rather than to eliminate it. The mitigation measures proposed for the Scheme are proven, well-established measures widely used and secured on comparable solar and energy infrastructure projects. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes for visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management, maintenance and monitoring of the landscape measures during construction and operation of the

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	RR-1821, RR-1600, RR-1570, RR-1638, RR-1570, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-0661, RR-0674, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-1995, RR-1611		Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. A detailed LEMP that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority will be substantially in accordance with the Outline LEMP, including the objectives, prescriptions and targets set out. The duration of management and monitoring for each landscape element created or enhanced will be in accordance with the Environment Act 2021 (to the extent applicable to the Scheme) and national and local policies. The Applicant considers, in accordance with paragraphs 5.10.12, 5.10.14 and 5.10.35 of NPS EN-1, that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects of the Scheme are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case, as set out within the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**.
LAN-005	RR-0583, RR-1626, RR-0044, RR-1617, RR-1905, RR-1568, RR-1297, RR-1888, RR-1345, RR-1071, RR-0646, RR-1890, RR-0882, RR-1439, RR-0266,	Respondents stated that the Scheme will cause irreversible damage to the area.	The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. It is

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	RR-1228, RR-0448, RR-0141, RR-0429, RR-0615, RR-0757, RR-1087, RR-1933, RR-1043, RR-0689, RR-0156, RR-1618, RR-1013, RR-1171, RR-0226, RR-0794, RR-1301, RR-1122, RR-0673, RR-0400, RR-0888, RR-0340, RR-1754, RR-0254, RR-0294, RR-1948, RR-1246, RR-0072, RR-1552, RR-1287, RR-1717, RR-0034, RR-0041, RR-1632, RR-1288, RR-1762, RR-1302, RR-1868, RR-0005, RR-0353, RR-0610, RR-1688, RR-1164, RR-0925, RR-1716, RR-1390, RR-1168, RR-0251, RR-0573, RR-0663, RR-1521, RR-0868, RR-0963, RR-1699, RR-1069, RR-1682, RR-0445, RR-1400, RR-1394, RR-0397, RR-0332, RR-1850, RR-0775, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-0201, RR-0020, RR-1256, RR-1987, RR-1070, RR-1312, RR-1178, RR-0840, RR-0670, RR-0660, RR-1392, RR-1557, RR-1693, RR-0744, RR-0744, RR-1424, RR-1719, RR-0580, RR-0845,	Include references to impact to future generations.	considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**. The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, with landscape and visual considerations embedded into the design principles and design evolution of siting infrastructure. The design evolution of the Scheme in respect of landscape and visual context is set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening / reinforcing existing hedgerows (infill planting / laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**

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	RR-1308, RR-1575, RR-0435, RR-1015, RR-1187, RR-0842, RR-1099, RR-1689, RR-0296, RR-0050, RR-0349, RR-1627, RR-0876, RR-0990, RR-0539, RR-0684, RR-0762, RR-2021, RR-0817, RR-0650, RR-1219, RR-0405, RR-0437, RR-1988, RR-0546, RR-0564, RR-1842, RR-1351, RR-1008, RR-1793, RR-0575, RR-0801, RR-1370, RR-0677, RR-1708, RR-0348, RR-1997, RR-0540, RR-1103, RR-0187, RR-0838, RR-1571, RR-0398, RR-0446, RR-1920, RR-0991, RR-0128, RR-1913, RR-1986, RR-1638, RR-0942, RR-1995, RR-1684		(which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secure in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, and the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
LAN-006	RR-0746, RR-0529, RR-0081, RR-1294, RR-2029, RR-0666, RR-0602, RR-0469, RR-2012, RR-0174, RR-1064, RR-1071, RR-1580, RR-0949, RR-1981, RR-0429, RR-1140, RR-0014, RR-0400, RR-0507, RR-0888, RR-0340, RR-0328, RR-0254, RR-0072, RR-1287, RR-1006, RR-1868, RR-0823, RR-0005,	Respondent expressed concern for the size and / or height of the panels.	The maximum design parameters of the Solar PV Panels have been assessed in the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]**, including the landscape and visual assessment in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 – Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows

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	RR-0610, RR-0696, RR-0395, RR-1716, RR-0573, RR-1521, RR-0872, RR-1903, RR-1394, RR-0397, RR-1850, RR-1256, RR-0003, RR-1178, RR-1262, RR-0032, RR-0778, RR-0367, RR-0132, RR-0298, RR-1689, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-1481, RR-0922, RR-1743, RR-1085, RR-0729, RR-0009, RR-0546, RR-1845, RR-0416, RR-0326, RR-1264, RR-0258, RR-1170, RR-1324, RR-1117, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-0219, RR-0398, RR-1380, RR-0043, RR-1199, RR-1995		(infill planting/laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**.
LAN-007	RR-1262, RR-1308, RR-0225, RR-0726, RR-1099, RR-0296, RR-1186, RR-0449, RR-0349, RR-0332, RR-0492, RR-1464, RR-1049, RR-1743, RR-1085, RR-1014, RR-0729, RR-0564, RR-1842, RR-1845, RR-1884,	Respondent expressed concern for loss of tranquillity. One respondent noted expressed concern that Scheme conflicts with GNLP Policy 5 due to loss of tranquillity in a quiet ruling setting	The Applicant acknowledge that the Scheme will have effects on the perceived tranquillity. The effects of the Scheme on tranquillity as a perceptual quality of the landscape character have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** and detailed within **ES Volume 3,**

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	RR-1959, RR-1192, RR-1807, RR-1658, RR-0677, RR-1708, RR-0060, RR-1057, RR-1741, RR-0155, RR-1571, RR-0337, RR-0986, RR-0001, RR-1593, RR-0446, RR-0010, RR-0051, RR-1380, RR-1376, RR-0128, RR-1239, RR-1710, RR-1949, RR-1344, RR-1972, RR-1821, RR-1600, RR-1638, RR-0942, RR-1634, RR-0097, RR-1995, RR-1611, RR-0213	owing to intermittent low-frequency noise.	**Appendix 7.3 - Landscape Assessment Tables [APP-120]**. Effects on tranquillity are considered in Section 7.8 of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 – Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**, with each phase of the Scheme (construction, operation at the opening year and 15 years following and at decommissioning). During construction, a series of short term and reversible effects will occur. The construction activity, including the temporary compounds and access and haul routes to facilitate the movement of vehicles, plant and materials alongside wider vehicle movements across the Order Limits and within the wider landscape along the local and strategic road network, crane operations, temporary task lighting is considered reversible as the Scheme is built out. It is likely that a phased approach to construction of the Scheme will occur, so not all elements of the Scheme will be constructed at the same time and in the same locations. Receptors would be subject to increased levels of activities introducing activity uncharacteristic to the attributes of the receiving landscapes and would degrade the integrity of landscape in the short term.

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			The operational phase introduces long-term changes as a result of the transition from an agricultural to energy production landscape, with direct loss of features and increased influences from infrastructure. Solar panels alter land cover and affect perceptions of remoteness and tranquillity. At year 1 although the landscape mitigation would not yet be established, there would be some beneficial effects resulting from the transition from arable farmland to species rich grassland, as well as from the provision of enhanced accessible community spaces and new permissive paths. 15 years following the establishment of landscape mitigation, the magnitude experienced will generally decrease. The proposed landscape mitigation would begin to perform its intended environmental function, helping to integrate the development into its setting and reducing the perception of the Scheme. The effects of the Scheme on noise and vibration have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. This includes an assessment of low

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			frequency noise, which indicates that significant effects are not anticipated.
LAN-008	RR-1262, RR-0093, RR-0363, RR-1869, RR-1492, RR-1996, RR-0735, RR-0991, RR-1659, RR-1199, RR-0942	Respondents expressed concern that the Scheme will surround / encompass villages. Some respondents expressed concern that the Scheme will fragment villages from one another. Villages listed included Great Moulton, Hempnall, Saxlingham, and Tasburgh.	The Applicant notes the value of the rural landscape for the local community. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach with the aim to avoid and reduce adverse effects. Landscape and visual considerations including proximity to residencies and villages embedded into the design principles and design evolution of siting infrastructure. The design evolution of the Scheme in respect of landscape and visual context is set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. Furthermore, the **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration.

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			During construction when activity across the Order Limits is at its greatest short-term and reversible effects will occur. These result from increased activity, additional vehicle movements, installation of temporary compounds, hedgerow loss, trenching for cabling, and temporary PRoW closures. The operational phase introduces long-term changes as a result of the transition from an agricultural to energy production landscape, with direct loss of features and increased influences from infrastructure in distinct areas across the Order Limits and beyond. Significant adverse landscape effects persist to the landscape character and features of BESS Site, Site 1, and Site 8, with moderate significant effects at LCA's B1 Tas Tributary Farmland, C2 Thurlton Tributary Farmland with Parkland and E2 Great Moulton Plateau Farmland and to the character and features of all Sites excluding Site 6 and the Cable Route Corridor Sites. Cable route areas largely restore with negligible residual effects. Visual effects generally lessen compared to construction but remain significant near the Order Limits, especially for residential and recreational receptors. By Year 15, mitigation planting establishes, reducing effects and

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			enhancing integration. Most landscape receptors experience decreased effects, often minor or not significant, however, Site 1 continues to have major significant adverse effect due to infrastructure scale, with the LCA's B1 Tas Tributary Farmland, LCA E2 Great Moulton Plateau Farmland, the BESS Site, Site 7, and Site 8 maintaining moderate adverse and significant effects.
LAN-009	RR-0213, RR-1590, RR-1099, RR-1772, RR-1166, RR-1995, RR-0774	Respondent expressed concern that LVIA and other landscape plans/materials appears to underestimate the magnitude of visual change. One respondent stated that the LVIA is based on outdated scheme parameters, omits key viewpoints, down rates magnitude of change, relies on future planting, provides no nighttime assessment, and ignores cumulative massing of the Great Moulton cluster. A respondent stated that an independent landscape architect has concluded that the Scheme is within a	The Applicant acknowledges the concern over landscape and visual effects as a result of the Scheme. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** presents an assessment of the likely effects Scheme and includes considerations of the worst-case Scheme parameters including the BESS, Project Substations and the National Grid Substation. The assessment is based on the Scheme parameters. The Applicant disagrees that the ES has underestimated the magnitude of effect, that key viewpoints have been omitted, that the assessment is based on outdated Scheme parameters, and cumulative effects are not assessed.

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		valued landscape and the harm would be significant.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** has been undertaken by Chartered Landscape Architect in accordance with the Guidelines for Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment, Third Edition (GLVIA3). The assessment methodology, study area, baseline, view locations and significance criteria were agreed through consultation with relevant stakeholders. The LVIA identifies significant adverse effects where these are predicted to occur and does not seek to disregard them. Significant effects are identified during construction and in the early years of operation where receptors are in proximity to the Scheme. The assessment also acknowledges that some significant effects would remain at Year 15. These conclusions are transparently presented within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** and demonstrate that the assessment has robustly identified the Scheme's effects rather than seeking to understate them. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows

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			alongside new hedgerows, tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** does not consider the effects of lighting. Measures to minimise and control lighting from the Scheme are described in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** with measures secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. The Applicant considers this approach reduces the potential for significant effects from lighting to occur.
LAN-010	RR-0328 RR-0446, RR-1611, RR-0486, RR-1534, RR-0001	Respondent has expressed concern that there are no photomontages in the PEIR/ES.	The visualisations and wirelines prepared for the assessment and presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.6 -**

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		One respondent stated that the submitted photographs do not fully communicate the closeness of the Scheme to footpaths, homes and Great Moulton. They are concerned that the main infrastructure at / near Site 1 would remain intrusive even with planting and screening. One respondent requested the Applicant provide accurate representative visual materials, including from upper floors of nearby properties. Respondents also requested photomontages of the Site during winter.	**Visualisations [APP-135]** have been produced in accordance with recognised industry guidance and have been developed to illustrate the Scheme from representative view locations agreed through consultation with South Norfolk Council. The selection of viewpoints was therefore subject to consultation and reflects locations considered appropriate for assessing likely visual effects. The visualisation does not rely solely on summer conditions. The visualisations include a combination of photowire, and photomontage style outputs presented on winter and summer photography. This approach enables the assessment to illustrate seasonal variation in vegetation cover and to demonstrate potential visibility during both maximum and reduced screening conditions.
LAN-011	RR-1294, RR-1099, RR-1730, RR-1986, RR-0815	Respondent expressed concern regarding the cumulative and in-combination visual impact, especially across Hempnall, Saxlingham Nethergate, Brooke, Woodton and Great Moulton.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** presents an assessment of the likely significant effects of all elements of the scheme. The technical assessments within the **ES [APP-042** to **APP-055]** are informed by the description of the Scheme provided within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 4 – The Scheme [APP-040]**, which includes all

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			components of the Scheme. The assessments within the ES therefore consider the effects of the Scheme as a whole rather than individual elements in isolation. A cumulative assessment is carried out within the LVIA in section 7.11, which addressed the in-combination visual effects between the Scheme and other existing and/or approved developments. This concluded no significant cumulative effects to landscape and visual receptors as a result of the Scheme and committed developments. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** seeks to retain and enhance existing vegetation, where possible, to aid the integration of the Scheme within the environment and respond to the prevailing character as far as practicable. New woodland belts and native tree planting provide screening to the Scheme as well as improves biodiversity and supports green infrastructure connectivity. Hedgerow reinforcement as detailed in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) is proposed along existing features to improve condition and aid visual

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			screening, together with new hedgerow creation along the proposed Public Rights of Way. The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** includes a commitment for the BESS, National Grid Substation and Project Substations, that whilst the exact colour will be subject to manufacturer specifications and agreed with the relevant planning authority prior to construction, the colour will be carefully selected in subdued, non-reflective tones to sit as discreetly as practicable within the landscape. Further the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** includes a minimum set back of this infrastructure from the Public Rights of Way.
LAN-012	RR-0213, RR-0077, RR-1093, RR-0908	Respondent expressed concern that Scheme conflicts with GNLP policy 4, which requires protection and enhancement of landscape character. One respondent expressed concern impacts on landscape will be in direct conflict with DM 4.5 of the South Norfolk Policy.	The effects of the Scheme on landscape character have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** and detailed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.3 - Landscape Assessment Tables [APP-120]**. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows

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		Respondent expressed that the South Norfolk Energy Infrastructure Supplementary Planning Document already explains the reasons why the Scheme may be harmful to the landscape.	(infill planting/laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** **(**which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206].**
LAN-013	RR-0585, RR-1570, RR-0246, RR-1017	Respondent requested a legally secured 40-year landscape and ecology management plan. One respondent expressed concern the indirect obligation to maintain the new areas of planting referred to in	The implementation, management and monitoring of landscape mitigation during construction and operation are secured through the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**, secured by a requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, helping to ensure that the proposed mitigation is established and maintained in

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		the LEMP is limited to five years only; more onerous requirements should be imposed to ensure that trees within these buffer zones are maintained adequately over a longer period and replaced where they do not thrive. A respondent expressed concern regarding the indirect obligation to maintain new areas of planting is limited to five years only, as presented in the OLEMP. Respondent requested that trees within the buffer zones should be maintained adequately over a longer period and replaced where they do not thrive. One respondent asked who is responsible for ensuring management plans and requirements are followed.	accordance with the approved strategy for the lifetime of the Scheme. Further information regarding the creation of habitats within the Scheme is provided within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. A detailed LEMP that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority will be substantially in accordance with the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**, including the objectives, prescriptions and targets set out. The duration of management and monitoring for each landscape element created or enhanced will be in accordance with the Environment Act 2021 (to the extent applicable to the Scheme) and national and local policies. The exact monitoring specifications will be detailed in the LEMP (secured by Requirement 7 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** and updated as appropriate in subsequent iterations, to be reviewed and updated every five years.
LAN-014	RR-0446, RR-1059, RR-1972, RR-1821, RR-0157	Respondent requested a clear assessment of effects on local public rights of way, including the change in character and recreational value. They did not want this just to be	The effects of the Scheme on landscape character and features have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** and detailed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.3 - Landscape Assessment Tables [APP-**

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		about whether access is physically retained.	**120]**. Furthermore, a visual amenity assessment of Public Rights of Way within the Order Limits is presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Rights of Way Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-149]**. The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, with landscape and visual considerations embedded into the design principles and design evolution of siting infrastructure. The design evolution of the Scheme in respect of landscape and visual context is set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening / reinforcing existing hedgerows (infill planting / laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** includes a minimum set back of this infrastructure from the PRoW.

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LAN-015	RR-0394, RR-1955, RR-0940, RR-1992	Respondent expressed general support for visual screening measures.	The Applicant welcomes this comment. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes measures for visual screening, landscape integration and to support biodiversity. The proposed implementation, management, maintenance and monitoring of the landscape measures during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. A detailed LEMP that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority will be substantially in accordance with the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**, including the objectives, prescriptions and targets set out.
LAN-016	RR-1044	Respondent asked whether the ExA intends to undertake site visits to understand the impacts on the nearest residential properties.	The decision as to whether the Examining Authority undertakes site inspections or accompanied/unaccompanied site visits is a matter for the Planning Inspectorate and falls within the Examining Authority's remit in conducting the Examination. Any site visits considered necessary by the Examining Authority will be arranged in accordance with the Examination process.

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LAN-017	RR-0243	Respondent states that the LVIA is based on outdated Scheme parameters, omits key viewpoints, understates rates of magnitude of change, relies on future planting, provides no night-time assessment and ignore the cumulative impact around Great Moulton.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** presents an assessment of the likely significant effects of the Scheme and includes considerations of the worst-case scheme parameters including the BESS, Project Substations and the National Grid Substation. The assessment is based on the Scheme parameters, and the commitments set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. The Applicant disagrees that the ES has underestimated the magnitude of effect, that key viewpoints have been omitted, that the assessment is based on outdated Scheme parameters, and cumulative effects are not assessed. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** has been undertaken by Chartered Landscape Architect in accordance with the Guidelines for Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment, Third Edition (GLVIA3). The assessment methodology, study area, baseline, view locations and significance criteria were agreed through consultation with relevant stakeholders.

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			The LVIA identifies significant adverse effects where these are predicted to occur and does not seek to disregard them. With regard to planting, the assessment distinguishes between effects at Year 1 and Year 15, thereby recognising the changing contribution of mitigation planting as it establishes over time. Future vegetation is not assumed to provide immediate screening benefits. The Year 1 assessment is based on the realistic assumption that proposed planting would be newly established and provide limited mitigation benefit, while the Year 15 assessment reflects the anticipated establishment and maturation of the proposed landscape mitigation. This approach is consistent with standard LVIA practice and provides a transparent assessment of effects both in the short term and once mitigation planting has become established. Significant effects are identified during construction and in the early years of operation where receptors are in close proximity to the Scheme. The assessment also acknowledges that some significant effects would remain at Year 15. These conclusions are transparently presented within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7**

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			- Landscape and Visual [APP-043] and demonstrate that the assessment has robustly identified the Scheme's effects rather than seeking to understate them. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** does not consider the effects of lighting. The Scheme has limited permanent lighting, it is directed to where it is required for safety, security, maintenance or emergency purposes. This lighting would be controlled, directional and designed to minimise off-site effects. Similarly, construction lighting would be temporary in nature and used only where necessary to facilitate safe construction activities. Measures to minimise and control lighting from the Scheme are described in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** with measures secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. The Applicant considers this approach reduces the potential for significant effects from lighting to occur. The ES focuses on the identification and assessment of significant environmental effects, and a separate night-time

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			assessment was therefore not considered necessary.
LAN-018	RR-0446	Respondent requested that any consent includes clear, enforceable and detailed requirements to ensure that planting, screening, lighting control, colour treatment, bunding where appropriate, buffers, maintenance, monitoring and replacement are delivered in practice. They required that mitigation is at least as protective as the measures relied on in the ES and Outline LEMP, with no later weakening through detailed design. They also requested whether extra mitigation is needed before construction starts, including wider buffers, denser planting, advance planting, bunding, reduced lighting and colour treatment of infrastructure.	The minimum offset distances that will be applied to ecological and landscape features, together with residential properties are secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]**. These have taken into account best practice, feedback during consultation and site-specific environmental conditions informed by surveys and the environmental assessment process. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes for visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management, maintenance and monitoring of the landscape measures during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. A detailed LEMP that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority will be substantially in accordance with the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**, including the objectives, prescriptions and targets set out.

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			Measures to minimise and control lighting from the Scheme are described in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** with measures secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** includes a commitment for the BESS, National Grid Substation and Project Substations, that whilst the exact colour will be subject to manufacturer specifications and agreed with the relevant planning authority prior to construction, the colour will be carefully selected in subdued, non-reflective tones to sit as discreetly as practicable within the landscape.
LAN-019	RR-0446	Respondent requested long-term maintenance, monitoring and replacement of planting for the full operational life of the Scheme and during/after decommissioning. They also requested annual monitoring reports to the local planning authority and a requirement for further remedial planting or	The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes for visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management, maintenance and monitoring of the landscape measures during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.

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		mitigation if the approved screening does not work in practice.	A detailed LEMP that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority will be substantially in accordance with the O**utline LEMP [APP-199]**, including the objectives, prescriptions and targets set out.
Site-specific comments			
LAN-020	RR-0446	Respondent stated that the Applicant's Landscape and Visual Assessment recognises that Site 1 contains major infrastructure, including the National Grid Substation, grid connection infrastructure and project substations, and that taller elements were assessed across a wider study area. They stated that where significant effects remain even after mitigation and maturation of planting, the Examining Authority should not assume that outline commitments are enough.	The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views as reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043].** This concludes a major adverse effect, resulting in a significant effect, for the landscape character and features of Site 1. This is due to the scale of the proposed infrastructure in Site 1, with the Scheme resulting in a total change to some of the key characteristics of Site 1. However, it is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**.

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			The NPS EN-1 recognises that any reduction in the scale of energy infrastructure, to mitigate adverse effects, may result in a significant operational constraint or reduction in function. The Scheme has been designed to maximise the energy generation benefit from the available land and the grid connection, whilst avoiding, minimising and/or mitigating harmful environmental effects, as far as practicable. The Applicant remains committed to delivering a Scheme that makes a meaningful contribution to the UK's transition to net zero, while also seeking to minimise adverse impacts and maximise opportunities for environmental enhancement and community benefits.
LAN-021	RR-0446	Respondent required a detailed Site 1 Landscape and Ecology Management Plan to be approved before works begin. This includes a clear planting and screening plan for all relevant infrastructure within or affecting Site 1. They also requested strong boundary	The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes for visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management, maintenance and monitoring of the landscape measures during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a

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		planting and screening for views from public rights of way, nearby homes, Great Moulton, Wacton and local roads.	secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. A detailed LEMP that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority will be substantially in accordance with the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**, including the objectives, prescriptions and targets set out.
LAN-022	RR-0578, RR-0151, RR-1287, RR-1091	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of the Scheme on Wacton and nearby areas.	A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Based on the ZTV, **ES Volume 2, Figure 7.5.10 - Site 1 Zone of Theoretical Visibility [AS-007]**, Wacton is well screened by existing vegetation, landform and built form, there is little to no theoretical visibility. View location VL1/Site 2, VL6/Site1 and VL5/Site 1 are located to the south and north of Wacton, the effects ranges from no change to negligible (not significant).
LAN-023	RR-1276, RR-0268, RR-1198, RR-0520, RR-0268, RR-0823, RR-0132	Respondent stated that the village of Fritton and the neighbouring village of Hempnall are ancient, historic parishes, both which are mentioned in the Doomsday Book and will be impacted by the Scheme.	As described in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**, heritage assets have been considered during the design process with the principle to mitigate impact by design, where practicable. This includes, for example reducing the extent of

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			Solar PV Arrays in proximity to some designated heritage assets. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**. The Applicant notes that potential impacts to Fritton and Hempnall have been addressed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]**, which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.2 – Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment [AS-020 and AS-021]**.
LAN-024	RR-0529, RR-1349, RR-0301, RR-0823, RR-0624, RR-1469, RR-1105, RR-1392, RR-0478, RR-1730, RR-0126	Respondents expressed concern regarding the visual impact of the proposals on the parish of Hempnall and surrounding villages.	The Applicant notes the concern of the visual effects on the parish of Hempnall and surrounding villages. The LVIA presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** and

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			supporting appendices has been undertaken in accordance with the appropriate guidelines and is robust and appropriate for the assessment of the Scheme. The mitigation hierarchy has been applied to avoid, reduce, mitigate or compensated for, through the design process. Mitigation is secured through various management plans including the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, **Outline DEMP [APP-198], Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) and **Outline PSMS [APP-161]**. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes for visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management, maintenance and monitoring of the landscape measures during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the

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			residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**.
LAN-025	RR-1690	Respondent has concerns that the immediate surroundings behind her house will be covered in very high panels.	The Applicant notes the concern, but unclear where the respondent is based. In accordance with the mitigation hierarchy, avoidance measures embedded in the design include exclusion of Solar PV Arrays from areas in proximity to residential properties, and the application of design offsets (a minimum 50m offset from the curtilage of residential properties, applied on a case-by-case basis). These minimum offsets are set secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]** by way of Requirement 5 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant would highlight that there is no industry standard offset for this type of development from residential properties. 50m is a useful starting point (as defined as a minimum offset on other recently consented solar developments including Cottam Solar

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			Project and the West Burton Solar Project) but a case-by-case distance is taken regarding the individual characteristics of the receptor and the appropriate distance, and often this distance is increased. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Further, a visual amenity assessment of PRoW is present in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Rights of Way Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-149]** and on residential properties in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.8 - Residential Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-148]**.
LAN-026	RR-1802, RR-1344, RR-0841, RR-0295, RR-0908, RR-0773, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-0532, RR-0735, RR-0823, RR-0773, RR-0532, RR-0986, RR-0441, RR-0954	Respondents expressed concern regarding the visual impact of Site 8 on the Boudicca Way. Respondents expressed that due to the undulating countryside, mitigation is not possible for Site 8. Some respondents expressed concern that proposals refer to Site 8 as 'predominantly flat', respondent notes this is untrue and the Site is a valley site.	The Applicant acknowledges that users of routes in the vicinity of Site 8 would experience views of the Scheme in some locations and that there would be effects on visual amenity, tranquillity and the rural character currently experienced by footpath users. The residual effects on PRoW users, including those arising from views of fencing and solar infrastructure, have been assessed. These effects have been assessed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Rights of Way Visual Amenity Assessment**

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		Some respondents expressed concern for their property, which is situated 300m from Site 8 and is in its direct line of sight. Respondents expressed concern for the visual impacts on infrastructure from Site 8. One respondent acknowledged that solar panels have been removed from some part of Site 8A and 8B, however, they feel that many of their concerns and impacts to them still remain. One respondent expressed concern for the visual impacts to three residential properties on (Redacted) (Golden Eye Barn, Kings Farm and (Redacted)) and one residential property on Market Lane (Market Lane Farm) which are all within 200m of Site 8b and will be adversely affected.	**[APP-149]** and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. The ES also recognises the High sensitivity of recreational receptors, including users of the Boudicca Way. The Applicant consider that Site 8 is not predominantly flat and this is reflected in the assessment. The mitigation hierarchy for landscape and visual amenity has been applied throughout the design of the Scheme, and the landscape and visual impacts have been minimised as far as practicable. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has sought to balance the requirements for visual screening against the defining visual qualities of the landscape. The Applicant considers that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects on Site 8 have been minimised as far as practicable through the design evolution and embedded mitigation. Through the design evolution process, solar infrastructure has been removed from the northern and north-western parcels of Sub-Site 8B. The evolution of the Scheme in response to landscape and visual considerations is set out within the **Design**

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			Approach Document [APP-212]. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows alongside new planting including new tree and woodland planting. As a result, visibility from Boudicca Way, Market Lane and Wash Lane has been reduced. Mitigation is secured through various management plans including the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, the **Outline DEMP [APP-198],** and the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. It is considered by the Applicant, for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case, including its status as Critical National Priority Infrastructure and its contribution to delivery of a significant level of low carbon energy generation, ecological and landscape enhancements, biodiversity net gain, and provision of permissive paths and community accessible space. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**.

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			Kings Farm, Golden Owl Barn, Wodehouse, The Copse, Hill View and Ley Farm form a cluster of residential properties along Baxter's Lane. Representative Viewpoint VL11/LP8 was selected to assess views from this residential cluster. The assessment concludes that the Scheme would result in a Major to Substantial Significant Adverse effect during the construction phase. During operation, this reduces to a Major Significant Adverse effect in Year 1 and a Moderate Significant Adverse effect by Year 15 as mitigation planting establishes and matures. These effects are reported in the ES and demonstrate that the assessment has fully recognised the sensitivity of these residential receptors and the changing nature of effects over time.
LAN-027	RR-1450, RR-1646, RR-1031, RR-0207, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1287, RR-1762, RR-0099, RR-0395, RR-0573, RR-1369, RR-0668, RR-1744, RR-0592, RR-0652, RR-0539, RR-0668, RR-1799, RR-1085, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-0594, RR-0363,	Respondents expressed concern for the landscape impact to Great Moulton. Some respondents called the area "Major Infrastructure Hub" on the Great Moulton Plateau. Respondents stated that the infrastructure in Great Moulton will	The Applicant notes the concerns raised regarding the location of the National Grid Substation, 400kV Project Substation and BESS at this location. Effects of the Scheme on Great Moulton's landscape and visual receptors have been assessed within the **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 – Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**.

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	RR-0364, RR-1793, RR-1658, RR-1720, RR-0446, RR-1710	permanently alter the character of the area.	A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**.

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LAN-028	RR-1765	Respondent expressed concern for the visual impact to Brooke Road.	The Applicant notes the concern regarding visual effects on Brooke Road. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. VL10/Site 8 represents visual receptors located on Brooke Road. Effects range from Moderate Adverse (Significant) during construction and operation Year 1, reducing to Minor Adverse (not Significant) by operation Year 15. Through the design evolution process, solar infrastructure has been removed from the northern and north-western parcels of Sub-Site 8B. The evolution of the Scheme in response to landscape and visual considerations is set out within the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting.

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			As a result of proposed mitigation measures, visibility from Brooke Road will be reduced as set out previously.
LAN-029	RR-1765	Respondent expressed concern for the visual impact to Baxter's Lane.	The Applicant notes the concern of visual effects to Baxter's Lane. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. VL11/Site 8 represents the visual receptors at Baxter' Road. Effect on VL11/Site 8 is Major to Substantial Adverse (significant) during construction phase, then reduced to Major Adverse (significant) during operation Year 1 and reduce to Moderate (significant) Adverse effects in Year 15. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and support landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**

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			(which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
LAN-030	RR-1765	Respondent expressed concern for the visual impact to Market Lane.	The Applicant notes the concern of visual effects to Market Lane. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. VL4/Site 8 represents the visual receptors at Market Lane. Effects on VL4/Site 8 are reported as Major Adverse (significant) during construction phase, and during operation Year 1, reducing to Negligible (Not Significant) Adverse effects in Year 15. The effect is reduced due to the proposed woodland planting. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration.

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			The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
LAN-031	RR-1127	Respondent expressed concern that views from their property will be impacted, which is adjacent to Site 7.	The Applicant notes the concern on visual effect from surrounding residential properties. However, this cannot be addressed specifically as it is not clear where the respondent is located. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Furthermore, a visual amenity assessment of residential properties is included in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.8- Residential Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-148]**. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows

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			and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
LAN-032	RR-0094, RR-0412, RR-0849, RR-0850	Respondents expressed concern their bedroom windows look onto Substation Site, and any proposed screening will not mitigate this damage to visual amenity. Respondents expressed concern for the impact of site 1B on private views, specifically the substation.	The Applicant notes the concern on the effects on private views, in particular from Sub-Site 1B. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. The LVIA relates to public amenity and therefore the value of views to the public. No private views are assessed. However, where appropriate, representative views have been selected from publicly accessible locations within or on the edge of main

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			settlements to represent views that would be experienced. A Residential Visual Amenity Assessment (RVAA) ES **Volume 3, Appendix 7.8 Residential Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-148]** has been undertaken to support the Application. This builds upon the principles of LVIA but focuses on visual amenity as experienced from individual residential properties. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows (infill planting/laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and

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			Outline DEMP [APP-198], respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. With regard to effects from substations the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** includes a commitment that whilst the exact colour will be subject to manufacturer specifications and agreed with the relevant planning authority prior to construction, the colour will be carefully selected in subdued, non-reflective tones to sit as discreetly as practicable within the landscape. Further the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** includes a minimum set back of this infrastructure from the Public Rights of Way. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206].**

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LAN-033	RR-0297, RR-1274	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of amenity on the Grove Farm House.	The Applicant notes the concern on the effects on private views, in particular from Sub-Site 1B. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. The LVIA relates to public amenity and therefore the value of views to the public. No private views are assessed. However, where appropriate, representative views have been selected from publicly accessible locations within or on the edge of main settlements to represent views that would be experienced. A Residential Visual Amenity Assessment (RVAA) **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.8 - Residential Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-148]** has been undertaken to support the Application. This builds upon the principles of LVIA but focuses on visual amenity as experienced from individual residential properties. The property is located 200m to the closest Scheme element and has therefore not been discounted within the RVAA given the low likelihood of significant visual effects.

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			A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows (infill planting/laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. VL9/Site 7 is located to the south west of Grove Farm House on the PRoW. At this location views towards the property are restricted by intervening vegetation located within the properties curtilage. As identified on **ES Volume 2, Figure 7.5.5 - Site 7 Zone of Theoretical Visibility [APP-074]** the property only experiences very intermittent visibility of Site 7, as a result of this vegetation and therefore the reported effects for VL9/Site 7 are not considered representative.
LAN-034	RR-0560, RR-0332, RR-0238, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-0296, RR-1995, RR-0296	Respondent expressed concern about the visual impact of Project Substation in Site 5, asking what mitigations would be utilised for this.	The Applicant notes the concern regarding visual effects of the Project Substation in Site 5. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**.

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			A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and aid landscape integration. The Substation within Site 5 is located in the centre of Sub-Site 5A, adjacent to existing trees and woodland blocks which provide some visual screening. Other landscape mitigation proposed include infill planting within existing hedgerow, native hedgerow planting, and linear tree belt planting. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
LAN-035	RR-0827, RR-1158, RR-1153, RR-0147	Respondent stated concern for the impact on the historic landscape of	The Applicant notes the Consultee's comments regarding the historic landscape of

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		Long Stratton, including noting that it has a distinct historic landscape and sits in the National Character Area 83 Claylands.	Long Stratton. Potential impacts to Long Stratton was considered **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046],** which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168],** with these assessments concluding that the Scheme would not result in any impacts to the heritage assets of Long Stratton, nor its surrounding landscape. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Effect on the National Character Area have been assessed. The effect is considered Moderate adverse and significant during construction reducing to minor adverse, not significant during operation. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to landscape character and views. However, for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, the Applicant considers that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and the need for the development.

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LAN-036	RR-0827	Respondent stated that CRC4 will impact the character of the Claylands to the east of Long Stratton as a haul road of 7.5m wide will be created.	A detailed landscape and visual assessment is presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Following installation of the cable route and any temporary construction compounds, the affected area would be reinstated to their baseline conditions. No haul routes are proposed within CRC4 during the operational phase. The landscape effects on CRC4 have been assessed. The effects on CRC4 are considered to be short term and reversible. During construction, effects are assessed as Moderate Adverse (significant), reducing to Negligible (not significant) in Operational Year 1, and No Change by Operational Year 15. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to landscape character and views. However, for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, the Applicant considers that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and the need for the development.

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LAN-037	RR-0138, RR-0016, RR-1228, RR-0376, RR-1868, RR-1445, RR-0096, RR-1736	Respondents objected to the use of Site 9 due to visual impact.	The Applicant notes the objections to the use of Site 9. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Furthermore, a visual amenity assessment of Public Rights of Way is present in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Rights of Way Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-149]** and on residential properties in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.8 - Residential Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-148]**. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** **(**which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are

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			secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant considers that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects on Site 9 have been minimised as far as practicable through the design evolution and embedded mitigation. This included removing solar PV development to the west of Site 9. It is considered by the Applicant, for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case, including its status as Critical National Priority Infrastructure and its contribution to delivery of a significant level of low carbon energy generation, ecological and landscape enhancements, biodiversity net gain, and provision of permissive paths and community accessible space. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206].**
LAN-038	RR-0989, RR-1228, RR-0295, RR-1667, RR-0376, RR-1122, RR-1144, RR-1581, RR-0190,	Respondent stated that the open views around Shotesham will be spoiled by the Scheme.	The Applicant notes the concern about landscape and visual effects around Shotesham. The landscape and visual effects

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	RR-0735, RR-1859, RR-0441, RR-1344, RR-0908	One respondent expressed concern that The scheme will damage the integrity of the landscape of the valley of Shotesham Beck. The valley is unspoilt and accessible from the North-Western end of Shotesham Common to the Southern end of Market Lane at the heart of the proposed solar sites.	of the Scheme, including effects on views from the Shotesham area and the landscape character, have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. The assessment acknowledges that the introduction of solar infrastructure would result in changes to existing views and landscape character. However, these effects have been assessed taking account of the sensitivity of the receiving landscape, the extent of visibility, and the proposed mitigation measures, including the retention and reinforcement of existing hedgerows and woodland planting. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would aid visual screening and support landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** **(**which is a secured document) through a

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			Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
LAN-039	RR-0086	Respondent expressed concern that Site 9 is very exposed, can be seen from every direction and is overlooked by houses on three boundaries with the bulk of the houses situated on High Green in Brooke. The field from High Green has a natural incline from the Brooke end all the way to Mill Lane/Littlebeck Lane. This incline will make it impossible to screen the solar farm from the houses on High Green as the solar panels would progressively increase in height as they move away from the village towards Mill Lane. The land increases in height by 9M from the High Green end to Mill Lane.	The Applicant notes the concern about visual effects at Site 9. The landscape and visual effects have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. The Applicant acknowledges the natural incline of the land from High Green towards Mill Lane and has taken this characteristic into account within the assessment. The visibility of the Scheme from nearby residential receptors has been considered through the LVIA. The **Design Approach Document [APP-212]** sets out the environmentally led approach to the design evolution of the Scheme and refinements made to Site 9 in response to environmental constraints. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes

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			strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would aid visual screening and support landscape integration. Through the iterative design process, solar PV development has been removed from the western field of Site 9 closest to High Green, increasing the separation between the Scheme and residential properties to the west of High Green and at Mill Lane. In addition, a linear belt of tree planting is proposed between High Green and the solar PV area to aid screening of views. Hedgerow with tree planting will further screen the view from south of Site 9, including views from Littlebeck Lane. The Applicant therefore considers that the potential adverse landscape and visual effects associated with Site 9 have been minimised as far as reasonably practicable through design evolution and embedded mitigation.
LAN-040	RR-1384, RR-0745, RR-0991	Respondent expressed particular concern about visual impacts on Long Stratton.	The Applicant notes the respondent's concern regarding potential visual effects from receptors at Long Stratton. The likely

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			landscape and visual effects of the Scheme including this area, have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. **ES Volume 2, Figure 7.5 - Zone of Theoretical Visibility of Site 1 [APP-079]**, **ES Volume 2, Figure 7.5 - Zone of Theoretical Visibility of Site 2 [APP-078]** demonstrate there is limited visibility of the Scheme from Long Stratton due to intervening landform, vegetation and built form. As identified on **ES Volume 2, Figure 7.5 - Zone of Theoretical Visibility of Site 4 [APP-076]** there is some intermittent and limited visibility of Site 4 on the northern and western edges of the settlement. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**

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			(which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**.
LAN-041	RR-1108, RR-0134	Respondents expressed concern that a construction compound on Site 6 will be visible to their grade 2 listed property adjacent to the Site.	The Applicant notes the concern about visual effects resulting from the temporary construction compound. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. It is not clear where the respondent is located, but the visual effect associated with the construction compound is considered short term. Significant visual

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			effects at Site 6 are only recorded during construction.
LAN-042	RR-0497, RR-1638	Respondent expressed concern for the landscape and visual, setting impact to Tivetshall St Mary.	The Applicant notes the concern of the landscape and visual effect on Tivetshall St Mary. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Based on **ES Volume 2, Figure 7.5 - Zone of Theoretical Visibility [APP-078, AS-007, APP-080]**, visibility of the Scheme is limited from Tivetshall St Mary, due to the vegetated nature around Tivetshall St Mary. The closest view location VL7/Site 2, recorded no significant visual effects.
LAN-043	RR-0003, RR-0188	Respondent expressed concern for the landscape and visual, setting impact specifically to Saxlingham Nethergate.	The Applicant notes the concern of the landscape and visual effect on Saxlingham Nethergate. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. The Applicant acknowledges the Scheme would introduce a series of new features into the landscape surrounding Saxlingham Nethergate, however the Applicant considers as a worst case this would result in moderate

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			adverse effects in the long term which are reversible as reported in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.3 – Landscape Assessment Tables [APP-120],** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.3 – Visual Assessment Tables [APP-147]**. The Applicant has sought to reduce adverse effects on the landscape and its features and reduce the visibility of the Scheme through considered siting of new features and where appropriate introduction of new landscape measures to support landscape integrating and visual screening of the Scheme. Embedded mitigation measures also include the use of appropriate setbacks, sensitive siting of built elements, and the retention of existing vegetation. Collectively these measures are designed to integrate the Scheme into the surrounding context and reduce adverse effects. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration.

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			The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
LAN-044	RR-0411	Respondent expressed concern for the potential visual and light-pollution impacts to Gowing Way at Sites 5A/B.	The Applicant notes the concern of potential visual effect and light pollution from Site 5. Measures to minimise control lighting from the Scheme are described in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** with measures secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. Further, mitigation for glint and glare in the form of instant hedgerow is proposed, as described in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows and new tree and woodland planting. Such

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			measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Gowing Way is screened by existing hedgerow to the east, additional tree planting to the west and reinforced hedgerow to the south.
LAN-045	RR-1743, RR-1418	Respondent expressed concern for the proximity of the Scheme to residential properties on Quaker Lane.	It is assumed this is Quaker Lane is located to the south of Sub-Site 7A. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. VL1/Site 7 is the closest view location to Quaker Lane albeit Quaker Lane is at a lower elevation and there are further layers of intervening vegetation between it and the Site. Furthermore, a hedgerow is proposed to the south of the

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			boundary of Sub-Site 7A as identified on the **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005].** Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
LAN-046	RR-1713	Respondent expressed concern for landscape and visual impact to Woodton.	The Applicant notes the concern of the landscape and visual effect on Woodton. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Based on **ES Volume 2, Figure 7.5 - Zone of Theoretical Visibility Site 10 [APP-071]**, visibility of the Scheme is limited from Woodton, due to the vegetated nature surrounding Site 10 and the landform. The

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			closest view location VL7/Site 10, recorded no significant visual effects.
LAN-047	RR-0850	Respondent expressed concern that a dedicated bench on the path opposite Hallowing Lane will be visually impacted and the relatives of those who erected the memorial will be distressed.	The Applicant notes this concern. Based on **ES Volume 2, Figure 7.5 - Site 1 Zone of Theoretical Visibility [AS-007]**, visibility of the Scheme is limited from Hallowing Lane located to the north of Great Moulton, due to the landform and intervening landscape features.
LIG-001	RR-0862, RR-1291, RR-1567, RR-1908, RR-1203, RR-0591, RR-1572, RR-1307, RR-1646, RR-0811, RR-0255, RR-0886, RR-1876, RR-1297, RR-0613, RR-0966, RR-1046, RR-0520, RR-0561, RR-0500, RR-0826, RR-0325, RR-0089, RR-0544, RR-1935, RR-1443, RR-1507, RR-0233, RR-0230, RR-2002, RR-0451, RR-1147, RR-1640, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1287, RR-1552, RR-0090, RR-0929, RR-1563, RR-0593, RR-0170, RR-0528, RR-1724, RR-2030, RR-0094, RR-0620, RR-1649, RR-1901, RR-1733,	Respondents expressed concern regarding the impact of light pollution. Some respondents mentioned light pollution from the National Grid Substation, Project Substations, fencing, security and CCTV.	Motion sensing lighting will be used only for maintenance and security purposes. Project Substations and the National Grid Substation will be designed to emit no upward lighting. The lighting requirements for the National Grid Substation shall be designed to comply with the requirements of the National Grid Generic Electricity Substation Design Manual. **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** sets out measures to control lighting, which is secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline OEMP [APP-197].**

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	RR-1413, RR-0867, RR-0809, RR-1573, RR-1593, RR-0974, RR-0052, RR-0446, RR-0010, RR-1376, RR-1766, RR-0956, RR-1166, RR-1710, RR-1544, RR-0055, RR-1949, RR-0313, RR-0756, RR-1059, RR-1821, RR-1418, RR-1600, RR-1600, RR-1465, RR-0097, RR-1611, RR-1291, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1291, RR-1749, RR-1158		
LIG-002	RR-1291, RR-1567, RR-1962, RR-0666, RR-0602, RR-1450, RR-1572, RR-1307, RR-0270, RR-0841, RR-1876, RR-0646, RR-0827, RR-1479, RR-0774, RR-1503, RR-0519, RR-0323, RR-2002, RR-1640, RR-1287, RR-0797, RR-2030, RR-0094, RR-0620, RR-1901, RR-1390, RR-1733, RR-1204, RR-1699, RR-1398, RR-0872, RR-0397, RR-0904, RR-0775, RR-1701, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-1000, RR-0744, RR-0032, RR-0373, RR-0551, RR-0539, RR-0654, RR-1730, RR-0231, RR-1845,	Respondent expressed concern regarding the loss of dark-sky environment. One respondent requested a dark-sky compliant lighting strategy which includes downward-shielded, motion-activated, warm spectrum lighting only. Respondents mentioned Sites 3, 4 and 7.	Measures to minimise and control lighting from the Scheme are described in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** with measures secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. The Applicant considers this approach reduces the potential for significant effects from lighting to occur and therefore no night time assessment has been undertaken.

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	RR-1192, RR-0243, RR-1772, RR-1793, RR-1370, RR-1741, RR-0540, RR-1573, RR-0123, RR-0052, RR-0446, RR-0051, RR-1766, RR-1166, RR-1059, RR-1638, RR-1022, RR-1291, RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-0620		
LIG-003	RR-0373	Respondent expressed that Scheme is contrary to the NPPF Paragraph 198(c) objective to "limit the impact of light pollution from artificial light on local amenity... and nature conservation.	The Applicant disagrees that the Scheme is in conflict with Paragraph 198(c) of the previous NPPF (noting that the new NPPF, August 2026, Policy P3 continues to seek to limit the impact of light pollution in development). The impact from light pollution is limited by the measures set out in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** that controls lighting. These measures are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline OEMP [APP-197].**
LIG-004	RR-1776, RR-1059	Respondent stated that no night-time lighting or dark skies assessment has been provided.	Measures to minimise and control lighting from the Scheme are described in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** with measures secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. The Applicant considers this approach reduces the potential for significant effects from lighting to occur

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			and therefore no night time assessment has been undertaken.

2.11 Lighting

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LIG-001	RR-0862, RR-1291, RR-1567, RR-1908, RR-1203, RR-0591, RR-1572, RR-1307, RR-1646, RR-0811, RR-0255, RR-0886, RR-1876, RR-1297, RR-0613, RR-0966, RR-1046, RR-0520, RR-0561, RR-0500, RR-0826, RR-0325, RR-0089, RR-0544, RR-1935, RR-1443, RR-1507, RR-0233, RR-0230, RR-2002, RR-0451, RR-1147, RR-1640, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1287, RR-1552, RR-0090, RR-0929, RR-1563, RR-0593, RR-0170, RR-0528, RR-1724, RR-2030, RR-0094, RR-0620, RR-1649, RR-1901, RR-1733, RR-0542, RR-0251, RR-1699, RR-0502, RR-0872, RR-0336, RR-1426, RR-0339, RR-1683, RR-1469, RR-1319, RR-0904, RR-1701, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-0497, RR-0020, RR-0773,	Respondents expressed concern regarding the impact of light pollution. Some respondents mentioned light pollution from the National Grid Substation, Project Substations, fencing, security and CCTV.	Motion sensing lighting will be used only for maintenance and security purposes. Project Substations and the National Grid Substation will be designed to emit no upward lighting. The lighting requirements for the National Grid Substation shall be designed to comply with the requirements of the National Grid Generic Electricity Substation Design Manual. **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** sets out measures to control lighting, which is secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline OEMP [APP-197].**

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	RR-1965, RR-0840, RR-1000, RR-0424, RR-0744, RR-0032, RR-0687, RR-1049, RR-1946, RR-0580, RR-0362, RR-0283, RR-0058, RR-1689, RR-1403, RR-0373, RR-1704, RR-0158, RR-0449, RR-0349, RR-0539, RR-0654, RR-0450, RR-0499, RR-0687, RR-1730, RR-1049, RR-1067, RR-0231, RR-1014, RR-1387, RR-1845, RR-1884, RR-1698, RR-1959, RR-1192, RR-0594, RR-1812, RR-0793, RR-0662, RR-1008, RR-1442, RR-0748, RR-1023, RR-1772, RR-1772, RR-1793, RR-1835, RR-0416, RR-1029, RR-0992, RR-0907, RR-1136, RR-0060, RR-0540, RR-1713, RR-0211, RR-0829, RR-1360, RR-1382, RR-0337, RR-0683, RR-0443, RR-0001, RR-0425, RR-0588, RR-1413, RR-0867, RR-0809, RR-1573, RR-1593, RR-0974, RR-0052, RR-0446, RR-0010, RR-1376, RR-1766, RR-0956, RR-1166, RR-1710, RR-1544, RR-0055, RR-1949, RR-0313,		

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	RR-0756, RR-1059, RR-1821, RR-1418, RR-1600, RR-1600, RR-1465, RR-0097, RR-1611, RR-1291, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1291, RR-1749, RR-1158		
LIG-002	RR-1291, RR-1567, RR-1962, RR-0666, RR-0602, RR-1450, RR-1572, RR-1307, RR-0270, RR-0841, RR-1876, RR-0646, RR-0827, RR-1479, RR-0774, RR-1503, RR-0519, RR-0323, RR-2002, RR-1640, RR-1287, RR-0797, RR-2030, RR-0094, RR-0620, RR-1901, RR-1390, RR-1733, RR-1204, RR-1699, RR-1398, RR-0872, RR-0397, RR-0904, RR-0775, RR-1701, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-1000, RR-0744, RR-0032, RR-0373, RR-0551, RR-0539, RR-0654, RR-1730, RR-0231, RR-1845, RR-1192, RR-0243, RR-1772, RR-1793, RR-1370, RR-1741, RR-0540, RR-1573, RR-0123, RR-0052, RR-0446, RR-0051, RR-1766, RR-1166, RR-1059,	Respondent expressed concern regarding the loss of dark-sky environment. One respondent requested a dark-sky compliant lighting strategy which includes downward-shielded, motion-activated, warm spectrum lighting only. Respondents mentioned Sites 3, 4 and 7.	Measures to minimise and control lighting from the Scheme are described in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** with measures secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. The Applicant considers this approach reduces the potential for significant effects from lighting to occur and therefore no night time assessment has been undertaken.

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	RR-1638, RR-1022, RR-1291, RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-0620		
LIG-003	RR-0373	Respondent expressed that Scheme is contrary to the NPPF Paragraph 198(c) objective to "limit the impact of light pollution from artificial light on local amenity... and nature conservation.	The Applicant disagrees that the Scheme is in conflict with Paragraph 198(c) of the previous NPPF (noting that the new NPPF, August 2026, Policy P3 continues to seek to limit the impact of light pollution in development). The impact from light pollution is limited by the measures set out in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** that controls lighting. These measures are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline OEMP [APP-197].**
LIG-004	RR-1776, RR-1059	Respondent stated that no night-time lighting or dark skies assessment has been provided.	Measures to minimise and control lighting from the Scheme are described in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** with measures secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. The Applicant considers this approach reduces the potential for significant effects from lighting to occur and therefore no night time assessment has been undertaken.

2.12 Ecology and Biodiversity

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General comments			
ECO-001	RR-0722, RR-0862, RR-0290, RR-1526, RR-1174, RR-0148, RR-0436, RR-1184, RR-1276, RR-1567, RR-1419, RR-0962, RR-1470, RR-1553, RR-1881, RR-0746, RR-0723, RR-1203, RR-1602, RR-0471, RR-0583, RR-1290, RR-0081, RR-0763, RR-1341, RR-1763, RR-0750, RR-1349, RR-0559, RR-1735, RR-0625, RR-1880, RR-0751, RR-1841, RR-0643, RR-1900, RR-0871, RR-1690, RR-1177, RR-1007, RR-2029, RR-0666, RR-1843, RR-1962, RR-0602, RR-1734, RR-1460, RR-1188, RR-0999, RR-0548, RR-0469, RR-1450, RR-1643, RR-1636, RR-1508, RR-1660, RR-1036, RR-0173, RR-1535, RR-0403, RR-0070, RR-0790, RR-0256, RR-0659, RR-1206, RR-0852,	Respondents expressed concern about the Scheme's impact on the local environment, wildlife, biodiversity and ecology. Some respondents suggested that the Scheme would displace wildlife or result in the loss of habitats.	The likely effects on ecology and biodiversity are assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**, together with mitigation measures. The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, with ecology and biodiversity considerations embedded into the design principles, design buffers and design evolution, as set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. The mitigation hierarchy has been applied to avoid, reduce, mitigate or compensate for, through the design process. Mitigation is secured through various management plans including the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) and the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]**.

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	RR-1232, RR-1572, RR-0878, RR-0738, RR-1686, RR-0270, RR-0174, RR-0366, RR-1064, RR-0457, RR-0939, RR-0377, RR-0811, RR-0491, RR-1068, RR-1624, RR-0357, RR-0207, RR-0255, RR-0113, RR-1555, RR-1003, RR-0830, RR-1240, RR-0044, RR-1617, RR-1952, RR-0727, RR-1127, RR-1047, RR-1810, RR-0886, RR-0636, RR-1876, RR-0891, RR-1347, RR-0480, RR-1352, RR-1905, RR-1018, RR-0582, RR-0300, RR-1568, RR-1231, RR-1585, RR-1297, RR-1112, RR-1009, RR-1696, RR-1547, RR-0953, RR-0894, RR-0145, RR-1350, RR-1365, RR-1957, RR-1731, RR-1888, RR-1345, RR-1548, RR-1879, RR-0239, RR-1893, RR-1071, RR-0863, RR-1244, RR-0646, RR-0808, RR-0966, RR-0372, RR-0456, RR-1026, RR-0764, RR-1697, RR-0078, RR-1622, RR-0184, RR-0381, RR-0816, RR-0685, RR-0931, RR-1366, RR-1217, RR-1046,		In relation to habitat loss and wildlife displacement, the majority of the Order Limits comprise intensively managed arable land, with higher value habitats concentrated in linear features such as hedgerows, which have been retained, where feasible. Minimum offset distances from key ecological features are secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**, and habitat corridors across the farmed landscape are reinforced. The perimeter fencing will allow the large majority of native fauna to pass beneath (via gaps in the fencing) and utilise habitats within the Scheme. Green corridors are included in the Scheme, such as along ditches, hedgerows and their surrounding buffers, which allow for the movement of mammals. The Applicant has taken the approach to balance the extent of perimeter fencing in the landscape with these green corridors. The **Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-218]** demonstrates that the Scheme has the potential to deliver the following biodiversity net gain (BNG): • 37.42% gain for habitats;

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	RR-0520, RR-1616, RR-1062, RR-0545, RR-1284, RR-0633, RR-1179, RR-0185, RR-0033, RR-1800, RR-1020, RR-1815, RR-0837, RR-0767, RR-0229, RR-1551, RR-0517, RR-0800, RR-1361, RR-1234, RR-1270, RR-1318, RR-0297, RR-1195, RR-1274, RR-0084, RR-1173, RR-0806, RR-1011, RR-0423, RR-0346, RR-0969, RR-0365, RR-0059, RR-0412, RR-0849, RR-1252, RR-0597, RR-1254, RR-1106, RR-0561, RR-1834, RR-1438, RR-0884, RR-1619, RR-1757, RR-1439, RR-0826, RR-0648, RR-0560, RR-1883, RR-1973, RR-0213, RR-1803, RR-0304, RR-1479, RR-0138, RR-1863, RR-0774, RR-2013, RR-0205, RR-0262, RR-0325, RR-0133, RR-0897, RR-1605, RR-0949, RR-1089, RR-0089, RR-0957, RR-1271, RR-0016, RR-0690, RR-1467, RR-1529, RR-0351, RR-1073, RR-1150, RR-1709, RR-1066, RR-1250, RR-1196, RR-0121, RR-1228,		• 31.35% gain for hedgerows; and • 16.08% gain for watercourses.

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	RR-1458, RR-0196, RR-1584, RR-0544, RR-1335, RR-1773, RR-1875, RR-0448, RR-0267, RR-0036, RR-0375, RR-0130, RR-1727, RR-0378, RR-0390, RR-0732, RR-0141, RR-0747, RR-0195, RR-0572, RR-1005, RR-0731, RR-1954, RR-1193, RR-0569, RR-0688, RR-0617, RR-1096, RR-0519, RR-0788, RR-1087, RR-0323, RR-1140, RR-1625, RR-0590, RR-2009, RR-1935, RR-1443, RR-0549, RR-0955, RR-1043, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-0912, RR-0900, RR-0601, RR-1507, RR-0233, RR-0230, RR-0689, RR-0176, RR-1171, RR-0541, RR-0208, RR-1281, RR-2002, RR-0846, RR-0794, RR-0699, RR-0301, RR-0785, RR-1010, RR-1537, RR-1891, RR-0451, RR-0047, RR-0338, RR-1019, RR-1491, RR-1301, RR-1122, RR-0535, RR-0673, RR-0247, RR-0402, RR-0268, RR-0943, RR-1595, RR-1147, RR-1012, RR-0507, RR-0330, RR-0905, RR-1794,		

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	RR-0903, RR-1143, RR-0467, RR-0218, RR-0877, RR-1854, RR-1814, RR-1223, RR-0340, RR-1317, RR-1754, RR-1787, RR-1088, RR-1156, RR-1371, RR-0725, RR-1541, RR-0498, RR-0027, RR-1144, RR-1805, RR-0822, RR-0246, RR-1304, RR-1039, RR-1356, RR-1640, RR-1738, RR-0393, RR-1486, RR-0333, RR-1299, RR-1131, RR-0813, RR-0565, RR-0752, RR-0356, RR-1931, RR-1129, RR-0254, RR-0294, RR-1083, RR-1948, RR-1246, RR-0228, RR-0072, RR-1287, RR-0771, RR-0805, RR-1552, RR-1287, RR-0137, RR-1251, RR-1159, RR-1490, RR-1185, RR-1717, RR-0288, RR-0214, RR-0833, RR-1577, RR-1289, RR-1245, RR-1533, RR-0770, RR-1976, RR-0929, RR-1563, RR-1777, RR-0593, RR-0034, RR-2016, RR-0941, RR-0797, RR-0170, RR-0041, RR-0720, RR-0797, RR-1603, RR-1632, RR-1288, RR-1114, RR-1762, RR-1581,		

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	RR-0528, RR-1695, RR-1564, RR-1456, RR-1672, RR-0182, RR-0861, RR-0924, RR-0730, RR-1305, RR-1209, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0476, RR-0462, RR-1342, RR-1471, RR-0140, RR-1058, RR-0024, RR-0823, RR-0005, RR-0353, RR-0610, RR-0142, RR-1055, RR-1224, RR-0395, RR-0104, RR-1164, RR-0144, RR-0965, RR-1042, RR-0094, RR-0094, RR-1857, RR-1816, RR-1021, RR-1459, RR-1175, RR-0046, RR-0264, RR-1261, RR-1001, RR-1138, RR-1837, RR-1235, RR-1833, RR-1375, RR-0598, RR-0925, RR-1901, RR-1897, RR-1436, RR-1109, RR-1936, RR-1168, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-0432, RR-1788, RR-1824, RR-0251, RR-1677, RR-0573, RR-1917, RR-1523, RR-1525, RR-0306, RR-0663, RR-1374, RR-1374, RR-1755, RR-0562, RR-0780, RR-1521, RR-0309, RR-1514, RR-0512, RR-0880, RR-0224, RR-0868, RR-0502, RR-0152,		

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	RR-1204, RR-0711, RR-1750, RR-1990, RR-0963, RR-0502, RR-1072, RR-0918, RR-0872, RR-0804, RR-1398, RR-1650, RR-0872, RR-1477, RR-0944, RR-1542, RR-1369, RR-1712, RR-0574, RR-0150, RR-1478, RR-1215, RR-1903, RR-0719, RR-0387, RR-0168, RR-1426, RR-0558, RR-0445, RR-1518, RR-0061, RR-1394, RR-0522, RR-0397, RR-0068, RR-1018, RR-1231, RR-1216, RR-0436, RR-1233, RR-0397, RR-1379, RR-0655, RR-1747, RR-0320, RR-0795, RR-0624, RR-0420, RR-1725, RR-1201, RR-0465, RR-2017, RR-1502, RR-0339, RR-0071, RR-0913, RR-0649, RR-1969, RR-1558, RR-0506, RR-0335, RR-1050, RR-0975, RR-0241, RR-0668, RR-1469, RR-1303, RR-1319, RR-0514, RR-1963, RR-0332, RR-1044, RR-1801, RR-0006, RR-0552, RR-0492, RR-0238, RR-0315, RR-0904, RR-1052, RR-0653, RR-1850, RR-0237, RR-1395,		

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	RR-0775, RR-0669, RR-1958, RR-1286, RR-0825, RR-0422, RR-1108, RR-1701, RR-0012, RR-1785, RR-0201, RR-0497, RR-1077, RR-0020, RR-0415, RR-0273, RR-1279, RR-1474, RR-1256, RR-0658, RR-1339, RR-1397, RR-0038, RR-0814, RR-0927, RR-1377, RR-0784, RR-0003, RR-0277, RR-1559, RR-0504, RR-0657, RR-0392, RR-0533, RR-1070, RR-1839, RR-0656, RR-0996, RR-0964, RR-1753, RR-0021, RR-1312, RR-0384, RR-1118, RR-1178, RR-1965, RR-0840, RR-1749, RR-1964, RR-0660, RR-1392, RR-1262, RR-0303, RR-0391, RR-0819, RR-1027, RR-0478, RR-1668, RR-1781, RR-1557, RR-0424, RR-0915, RR-1693, RR-1953, RR-1545, RR-1095, RR-0721, RR-0744, RR-1786, RR-0032, RR-0917, RR-0473, RR-0687, RR-1424, RR-1719, RR-0895, RR-0676, RR-1049, RR-0527, RR-0484, RR-1946, RR-0580, RR-0737, RR-0106,		

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	RR-0845, RR-1308, RR-1575, RR-0435, RR-0362, RR-1484, RR-1149, RR-1421, RR-0981, RR-0345, RR-1053, RR-0283, RR-1015, RR-0283, RR-1086, RR-1187, RR-1718, RR-0232, RR-0269, RR-1229, RR-1457, RR-1283, RR-0399, RR-1423, RR-1391, RR-0883, RR-0058, RR-0215, RR-0733, RR-1569, RR-1462, RR-0652, RR-1340, RR-1802, RR-1098, RR-1405, RR-1703, RR-2031, RR-0091, RR-0388, RR-1320, RR-1353, RR-0132, RR-0984, RR-1182, RR-0242, RR-0640, RR-0976, RR-1032, RR-0842, RR-0373, RR-1328, RR-1388, RR-0122, RR-1030, RR-0073, RR-1099, RR-0635, RR-0298, RR-1403, RR-1689, RR-0175, RR-1298, RR-1887, RR-1670, RR-1510, RR-0553, RR-0296, RR-1704, RR-0050, RR-0454, RR-0158, RR-0261, RR-0065, RR-0946, RR-1207, RR-1985, RR-0134, RR-1797, RR-1554, RR-0349, RR-1354, RR-1247, RR-0876,		

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	RR-1663, RR-0466, RR-1808, RR-0109, RR-0131, RR-1034, RR-0286, RR-0190, RR-0728, RR-1519, RR-0160, RR-1463, RR-0824, RR-1599, RR-0776, RR-0111, RR-0278, RR-0668, RR-1469, RR-0514, RR-1963, RR-0332, RR-1801, RR-1017, RR-0442, RR-0492, RR-1464, RR-0474, RR-1431, RR-0684, RR-1651, RR-0703, RR-0917, RR-0276, RR-0473, RR-0687, RR-1049, RR-1730, RR-0484, RR-1481, RR-0762, RR-2021, RR-0777, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-0817, RR-1295, RR-1067, RR-0085, RR-1406, RR-0922, RR-0409, RR-0074, RR-0600, RR-1167, RR-0611, RR-1362, RR-1342, RR-0069, RR-1820, RR-1014, RR-0281, RR-0754, RR-1085, RR-0858, RR-0650, RR-1208, RR-1387, RR-1219, RR-0405, RR-0729, RR-1348, RR-0919, RR-1988, RR-1586, RR-0009, RR-0143, RR-0890, RR-0988, RR-1113, RR-1842, RR-1269, RR-1440, RR-1197,		

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	RR-1272, RR-0459, RR-0023, RR-0206, RR-1706, RR-1496, RR-1428, RR-1141, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-1884, RR-1698, RR-0331, RR-0532, RR-1959, RR-1454, RR-0594, RR-1812, RR-1222, RR-1056, RR-1306, RR-0505, RR-0766, RR-0793, RR-0662, RR-1008, RR-1358, RR-0293, RR-0748, RR-1220, RR-0712, RR-0850, RR-1134, RR-1726, RR-1793, RR-1623, RR-1835, RR-1784, RR-1520, RR-1658, RR-1895, RR-1644, RR-0575, RR-0911, RR-0154, RR-0118, RR-0801, RR-0107, RR-1740, RR-0595, RR-1370, RR-0577, RR-1983, RR-0116, RR-0171, RR-0496, RR-0563, RR-1092, RR-1628, RR-1562, RR-1292, RR-1708, RR-1136, RR-0618, RR-0244, RR-1213, RR-0146, RR-1997, RR-1057, RR-1522, RR-1576, RR-1513, RR-0787, RR-1825, RR-1051, RR-0326, RR-1610, RR-0550, RR-1282, RR-1940, RR-1678, RR-0612, RR-0896, RR-1449,		

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	RR-0211, RR-0307, RR-0187, RR-1128, RR-0838, RR-1961, RR-0258, RR-1742, RR-2008, RR-0075, RR-1382, RR-0086, RR-1870, RR-1656, RR-0080, RR-0108, RR-0355, RR-2003, RR-0933, RR-1934, RR-1126, RR-0481, RR-1107, RR-1324, RR-1642, RR-1385, RR-1566, RR-2010, RR-1037, RR-0192, RR-0734, RR-1966, RR-1158, RR-0053, RR-0361, RR-0337, RR-1925, RR-0352, RR-1872, RR-1996, RR-1249, RR-0443, RR-1751, RR-0001, RR-1255, RR-0124, RR-1441, RR-1075, RR-1466, RR-1676, RR-0112, RR-1048, RR-1505, RR-1906, RR-0588, RR-1924, RR-0700, RR-1117, RR-1694, RR-0250, RR-0735, RR-0029, RR-0219, RR-0389, RR-0809, RR-1666, RR-0704, RR-1615, RR-1161, RR-1866, RR-0742, RR-1665, RR-1015, RR-0667, RR-0194, RR-1181, RR-0881, RR-0398, RR-0127, RR-1102, RR-0741, RR-1404, RR-0439, RR-1593,		

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	RR-0974, RR-1190, RR-1920, RR-0010, RR-0051, RR-1376, RR-1659, RR-0043, RR-1268, RR-1239, RR-0354, RR-1913, RR-0832, RR-1641, RR-1199, RR-1766, RR-1669, RR-1166, RR-0956, RR-0482, RR-0906, RR-0768, RR-1986, RR-1300, RR-1415, RR-0906, RR-1544, RR-1100, RR-1737, RR-1259, RR-1949, RR-1633, RR-0379, RR-0017, RR-1494, RR-1680, RR-0279, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-0647, RR-1831, RR-0570, RR-0147, RR-0126, RR-0149, RR-1344, RR-0713, RR-1059, RR-1972, RR-1821, RR-1418, RR-0675, RR-1600, RR-1780, RR-0440, RR-0796, RR-0866, RR-1638, RR-1033, RR-1570, RR-0942, RR-1938, RR-1022, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-0661, RR-1501, RR-1579, RR-1634, RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0097, RR-1611, RR-1684		
ECO-002	RR-1007, RR-1450, RR-1660, RR-0878, RR-0366, RR-1047, RR-0641, RR-0764, RR-1873,	Respondents expressed concern that the proposed ecological mitigation measures are insufficient or would be	The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, **the Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is

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	RR-0520, RR-0229, RR-0059, RR-1529, RR-0036, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-1171, RR-1595, RR-1598, RR-0330, RR-0356, RR-0228, RR-0072, RR-1581, RR-0142, RR-1042, RR-1837, RR-0598, RR-0502, RR-1650, RR-2017, RR-0332, RR-1256, RR-0840, RR-1392, RR-0744, RR-0676, RR-0058, RR-0202, RR-1098, RR-2031, RR-0298, RR-0296, RR-1519, RR-0332, RR-0684, RR-0473, RR-1085, RR-1720, RR-1708, RR-0234, RR-1576, RR-1610, RR-0080, RR-0108, RR-0588, RR-1659, RR-1166, RR-0906, RR-1259, RR-0017, RR-1494, RR-1680, RR-0279, RR-0675, RR-1780, RR-1638, RR-1570, RR-1611	ineffective. Some respondents also expressed scepticism that a net gain in biodiversity would be achieved.	a secured document) and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]** are designed with the objective of securing the relevant ecological mitigation measures. The plans also set out monitoring and reporting arrangements to ensure mitigation measures remain effective. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** demonstrates the proposed landscape and ecological measures, with the prescriptions and the management of ecological measures set out in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. Whilst there is currently no legislative requirement for the Scheme to provide BNG, the Applicant has included a commitment to a minimum of 10% BNG through Requirement 9 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant has therefore taken the opportunity to enhance biodiversity and deliver a measurable net gain for nature. This includes the calculation of habitat baseline values and post-construction values provided within the **Biodiversity Net Gain Statutory Metric [APP-219]**. The **Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-218]** demonstrates that the Scheme is able to

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			deliver a net gain in biodiversity, based on the **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]**.
ECO-003	RR-0722, RR-1276, RR-0746, RR-0585, RR-1588, RR-0666, RR-0548, RR-1572, RR-1765, RR-0151, RR-0044, RR-0727, RR-1047, RR-1876, RR-1905, RR-1018, RR-0300, RR-1585, RR-1297, RR-1696, RR-0894, RR-1350, RR-0863, RR-0646, RR-0966, RR-0641, RR-0816, RR-0816, RR-0931, RR-0545, RR-1551, RR-0059, RR-0412, RR-0849, RR-1254, RR-1106, RR-1834, RR-0500, RR-0560, RR-0138, RR-0690, RR-1458, RR-0295, RR-1773, RR-0267, RR-1702, RR-0036, RR-1110, RR-0390, RR-0195, RR-0572, RR-1005, RR-1096, RR-0788, RR-2009, RR-0689, RR-0541, RR-0535, RR-0268, RR-1595, RR-1147, RR-0903, RR-1787, RR-1371, RR-0822, RR-1039, RR-1640, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1299, RR-0294, RR-1948, RR-0066, RR-0214, RR-1287, RR-1976, RR-1563,	Respondent expressed concern that Scheme raises questions about biodiversity protection under the Environment Act 2021.	The Applicant considers that **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** has identified and appropriately considered all applicable legislation and policy. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]** are designed with the objective of securing the relevant ecological mitigation measures required to enable the Scheme to progress with due regard for applicable wildlife and biodiversity legislation.

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	RR-0034, RR-1114, RR-1162, RR-0823, RR-0005, RR-0353, RR-0104, RR-1857, RR-1021, RR-1175, RR-1716, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-0573, RR-0663, RR-1204, RR-1990, RR-0963, RR-0502, RR-0872, RR-1215, RR-1903, RR-0719, RR-0655, RR-0420, RR-1201, RR-2017, RR-1469, RR-1319, RR-0332, RR-1044, RR-1052, RR-0904, RR-1850, RR-1395, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-0497, RR-1474, RR-0658, RR-1256, RR-0533, RR-1070, RR-0656, RR-0773, RR-0773, RR-1178, RR-0840, RR-1749, RR-1392, RR-0819, RR-1781, RR-0424, RR-0721, RR-1786, RR-0917, RR-0473, RR-0032, RR-0744, RR-1424, RR-0676, RR-1187, RR-1703, RR-1353, RR-1182, RR-0835, RR-0373, RR-0298, RR-1887, RR-0296, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-1704, RR-0050, RR-0946, RR-1207, RR-0349, RR-0990, RR-1034, RR-0286, RR-0190, RR-1469, RR-0332, RR-0474,		

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	RR-0917, RR-0473, RR-1406, RR-1085, RR-1208, RR-1219, RR-0729, RR-0009, RR-0460, RR-1842, RR-1272, RR-1587, RR-1428, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-1698, RR-1192, RR-1812, RR-1222, RR-1306, RR-1008, RR-1926, RR-0748, RR-0712, RR-1023, RR-1772, RR-1029, RR-0508, RR-0171, RR-1136, RR-0060, RR-1708, RR-0244, RR-1213, RR-0234, RR-1576, RR-1610, RR-1282, RR-0829, RR-0187, RR-1128, RR-0818, RR-0086, RR-0108, RR-0355, RR-0481, RR-1642, RR-0856, RR-0683, RR-1466, RR-1676, RR-1694, RR-0250, RR-1218, RR-1866, RR-1181, RR-0127, RR-1593, RR-0453, RR-1190, RR-0051, RR-1380, RR-0991, RR-1641, RR-1166, RR-1710, RR-1415, RR-1949, RR-0017, RR-1494, RR-0279, RR-0647, RR-1831, RR-0147, RR-1344, RR-1821, RR-1780, RR-0440, RR-1638, RR-1570, RR-0942, RR-1022, RR-1322, RR-0857,		

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	RR-1634, RR-1465, RR-0097, RR-1995, RR-1698, RR-0097, RR-1207		
ECO-004	RR-0751, RR-0827, RR-0929, RR-0593, RR-0528, RR-0722, RR-1276, RR-1470, RR-0746, RR-1602, RR-0081, RR-2029, RR-0666, RR-0602, RR-1188, RR-0548, RR-0999, RR-0469, RR-0064, RR-1450, RR-1646, RR-1765, RR-0377, RR-1624, RR-0841, RR-0207, RR-0151, RR-1047, RR-1495, RR-1018, RR-1216, RR-1071, RR-0863, RR-0646, RR-0641, RR-0545, RR-1284, RR-1800, RR-0767, RR-1252, RR-1106, RR-1260, RR-0500, RR-0826, RR-0648, RR-0138, RR-0774, RR-1078, RR-0016, RR-1073, RR-0295, RR-1773, RR-0036, RR-0130, RR-0747, RR-0429, RR-0195, RR-1005, RR-0788, RR-0519, RR-0323, RR-1140, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-1171, RR-0541, RR-0115, RR-0451, RR-1583, RR-1783, RR-0535, RR-0247, RR-0268, RR-1147, RR-1543,	Respondents expressed concern about potential impact of the Scheme on birds, noting particular species of concern such as owls, grey wagtails, yellowhammer, farmland birds, birds of prey, kestrel, turtle doves, barn owls, swallows, swifts, house martins, red kites, starlings, sparrows, linnets, common buzzards, pheasants, buzzards, larks, french and English partridges, woodcock, cuckoo, fieldfare, Jay, Magpie, Sparrow Hawk, skylarks, lapwings, curlew, coots, tawny owls, corn bunting, herons, woodpeckers, kingfishers, and grey partridge. Some respondents raised specific concerns about the risk of bird colliding with the solar PV panels and/or the lake effect. One respondent expressed concern	Due to the known benefits to breeding birds associated with solar developments, during scoping process, it was concluded that operational phase impacts would be scoped out for breeding birds. However, due to the specific impacts to skylark *Alauda arvensis;* this species has been addressed separately within the **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**, and includes construction, operational, and decommissioning phase impact assessments for this species. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** Chapter concludes that no residual effects are anticipated to breeding bird species. The embedded design principles adopted and detailed within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003].** have been applied to retain, protect and enhance ecological assets. They include for the retention and enhancement of field boundary features (hedgerows/ ditches/tree

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	RR-0959, RR-1012, RR-1598, RR-0507, RR-0905, RR-1532, RR-0467, RR-0218, RR-1787, RR-1541, RR-1039, RR-1640, RR-1738, RR-0393, RR-0333, RR-1299, RR-0356, RR-1129, RR-1083, RR-1948, RR-0072, RR-1552, RR-0066, RR-1287, RR-1159, RR-1563, RR-1777, RR-0170, RR-1632, RR-1114, RR-1581, RR-0099, RR-1672, RR-0924, RR-1209, RR-0823, RR-0005, RR-0142, RR-0395, RR-0104, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-0144, RR-0965, RR-0094, RR-0620, RR-1175, RR-1649, RR-1138, RR-1833, RR-0925, RR-1168, RR-1733, RR-0485, RR-0573, RR-0663, RR-0780, RR-0309, RR-0008, RR-1204, RR-0963, RR-1160, RR-0502, RR-0918, RR-1398, RR-0872, RR-1477, RR-0972, RR-0150, RR-1215, RR-0719, RR-0522, RR-0068, RR-1725, RR-1201, RR-2017, RR-0135, RR-1969, RR-0506, RR-1469, RR-0332, RR-1044, RR-0006, RR-0904,	that many birds could be put at risk of extinction by plans.	lines/woodlands/rivers) and the commitment to large-scale biodiversity enhancements; with significant habitat gains for the benefit of (amongst other species groups) birds. Large areas of intensively managed arable land will be removed from intensive cultivation as a result of the Scheme, with the cessation of fertiliser application, pesticide and herbicide use, and converted to grassland mosaics, managed for the benefit of biodiversity including, but not limited to, species of farmland birds, including skylark. Further information regarding the creation of habitats within the Scheme is provided within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**.

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	RR-1326, RR-1850, RR-0669, RR-1383, RR-0825, RR-1108, RR-1515, RR-0020, RR-1474, RR-0658, RR-0038, RR-1256, RR-0814, RR-0616, RR-1121, RR-1377, RR-0533, RR-1070, RR-0656, RR-0964, RR-0021, RR-1448, RR-1312, RR-1178, RR-1965, RR-1749, RR-0391, RR-1668, RR-1557, RR-1693, RR-1953, RR-1095, RR-0721, RR-0744, RR-0473, RR-0032, RR-1093, RR-0527, RR-0676, RR-0737, RR-1575, RR-0981, RR-0283, RR-1187, RR-0269, RR-0464, RR-1425, RR-1597, RR-1860, RR-0399, RR-1427, RR-0883, RR-0058, RR-0733, RR-1098, RR-1703, RR-2031, RR-0388, RR-1637, RR-0406, RR-0976, RR-1388, RR-1030, RR-0373, RR-1689, RR-0175, RR-1403, RR-1298, RR-1887, RR-1670, RR-1776, RR-0296, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-1704, RR-0050, RR-1985, RR-0134, RR-0349, RR-1354, RR-0783, RR-0286, RR-0728, RR-1469,		

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	RR-0332, RR-1326, RR-0450, RR-1464, RR-0474, RR-0276, RR-1730, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-1067, RR-1167, RR-1820, RR-1208, RR-0437, RR-1988, RR-0009, RR-0988, RR-1587, RR-0537, RR-1884, RR-1698, RR-0331, RR-1959, RR-1192, RR-0594, RR-1812, RR-1222, RR-1306, RR-0662, RR-0364, RR-1442, RR-1926, RR-1772, RR-1793, RR-1644, RR-0154, RR-1029, RR-0992, RR-0171, RR-1720, RR-0060, RR-1136, RR-1213, RR-0234, RR-1576, RR-0540, RR-1825, RR-0997, RR-1449, RR-0211, RR-0187, RR-1128, RR-1961, RR-0818, RR-1382, RR-0086, RR-1870, RR-1656, RR-1324, RR-1492, RR-0960, RR-1158, RR-0856, RR-0683, RR-1249, RR-0986, RR-0011, RR-1075, RR-1466, RR-1446, RR-1505, RR-1117, RR-1694, RR-0735, RR-1218, RR-1666, RR-0123, RR-1866, RR-0265, RR-1181, RR-0881, RR-0398, RR-1102, RR-0127,		

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	RR-1593, RR-0453, RR-0974, RR-1190, RR-1380, RR-0810, RR-0043, RR-1669, RR-1166, RR-0906, RR-1710, RR-1544, RR-1737, RR-1949, RR-1633, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-0647, RR-2019, RR-1153, RR-0570, RR-1911, RR-2019, RR-0149, RR-1998, RR-1344, RR-1198, RR-1821, RR-1821, RR-1600, RR-1780, RR-0440, RR-1033, RR-1570, RR-0942, RR-1022, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-0661, RR-1579, RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0097, RR-1995, RR-1611, RR-1684, RR-1896, RR-0447, RR-0538, RR-0513		
ECO-005	RR-0751, RR-0827, RR-0929, RR-0593, RR-0528, RR-0722, RR-1276, RR-1470, RR-0746, RR-1602, RR-0081, RR-2029, RR-0666, RR-0602, RR-1188, RR-0548, RR-0999, RR-0469, RR-0064, RR-1450, RR-1646, RR-1765, RR-0377, RR-1624, RR-0841, RR-0207, RR-0151, RR-1047, RR-1495, RR-1018, RR-1216, RR-1071, RR-0863,	Respondents expressed concern for the potential impact of the Scheme on bats. Some respondents expressed particular concern for barbastelle bats. Other respondents noted particular concern for colonies near Spring Wood and/or Brooke Woods, Sites, 3,	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** includes assessment of the Scheme on important ecological features including bats. The bat activity surveys undertaken are reported in **ES Volume 3, Appendix - 8.6 Bat Activity Survey Report [APP-157]** with an assessment in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** where

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	RR-0646, RR-0641, RR-0545, RR-1284, RR-1800, RR-0767, RR-1252, RR-1106, RR-1260, RR-0500, RR-0826, RR-0648, RR-0138, RR-0774, RR-1078, RR-0016, RR-1073, RR-0295, RR-1773, RR-0036, RR-0130, RR-0747, RR-0429, RR-0195, RR-1005, RR-0788, RR-0519, RR-0323, RR-1140, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-1171, RR-0541, RR-0115, RR-0451, RR-1583, RR-1783, RR-0535, RR-0247, RR-0268, RR-1147, RR-1543, RR-0959, RR-1012, RR-1598, RR-0507, RR-0905, RR-1532, RR-0467, RR-0218, RR-1787, RR-1541, RR-1039, RR-1640, RR-1738, RR-0393, RR-0333, RR-1299, RR-0356, RR-1129, RR-1083, RR-1948, RR-0072, RR-1552, RR-0066, RR-1287, RR-1159, RR-1563, RR-1777, RR-0170, RR-1632, RR-1114, RR-1581, RR-0099, RR-1672, RR-0924, RR-1209, RR-0823, RR-0005, RR-0142, RR-0395, RR-0104, RR-1164, RR-2030,	9, 7D and 7F, Site 4. Some respondents asked why bat surveys haven't been conducted on certain sites, such as Site 5. One respondent expressed concern that impacts on Barbastelle Bats may mean future conservation status will be impacted. One respondent expressed that due to their protected status any disturbance of Barbastelle Bat habitats would require a European License.	surrounding barbastelle colonies are considered. Minimum design offsets would be applied to watercourses, hedgerows, trees and woodland, as set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**, which would protect opportunities for bat activity and foraging. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** has been underpinned by ground level tree assessments for roosting bats, and bat activity surveys, as detailed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.5 - Ground Level Tree Assessment [APP-156]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.6 - Bat Activity Survey Report [APP-156]** respectively. The Applicant acknowledges the presence of Barbastelle Bat colonies surrounding the Order Limits and has considered the core sustenance zone within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. The Scheme designs primarily utilise intensively managed farmland habitats, of sub-optimal value for foraging/commuting bat

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	RR-0144, RR-0965, RR-0094, RR-0620, RR-1175, RR-1649, RR-1138, RR-1833, RR-0925, RR-1168, RR-1733, RR-0485, RR-0573, RR-0663, RR-0780, RR-0309, RR-0008, RR-1204, RR-0963, RR-1160, RR-0502, RR-0918, RR-1398, RR-0872, RR-1477, RR-0972, RR-0150, RR-1215, RR-0719, RR-0522, RR-0068, RR-1725, RR-1201, RR-2017, RR-0135, RR-1969, RR-0506, RR-1469, RR-0332, RR-1044, RR-0006, RR-0904, RR-1326, RR-1850, RR-0669, RR-1383, RR-0825, RR-1108, RR-1515, RR-0020, RR-1474, RR-0658, RR-0038, RR-1256, RR-0814, RR-0616, RR-1121, RR-1377, RR-0533, RR-1070, RR-0656, RR-0964, RR-0021, RR-1448, RR-1312, RR-1178, RR-1965, RR-1749, RR-0391, RR-1668, RR-1557, RR-1693, RR-1953, RR-1095, RR-0721, RR-0744, RR-0473, RR-0032, RR-1093, RR-0527, RR-0676, RR-0737, RR-1575, RR-0981,		species. These habitats are subject to regular ploughing, tilthing, harvesting (often undertaken at nighttime with large machinery and uncontrolled spotlights), herbicide/insecticide applications, and fertiliser spreading activities. These regular actions are undertaken with no specific mitigation in place and undertaken up to the field boundaries with adjacent woodlands (some of which are known to include bat roosts, including Barbastelle bat maternity roosts), therefore, land utilised for the Scheme is currently subject to regular disturbance, with the proposals considered to represent no significant increase on this during construction and decommissioning and likely resulting in much reduced disturbance to existing roosts during the 60-year operational phase. The embedded design principles adopted and detailed within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]**, include the retention and enhancement of field boundary features (hedgerows/ ditches/tree lines/woodlands/rivers) and the commitment to large-scale biodiversity enhancements; with significant habitat gains

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	RR-0283, RR-1187, RR-0269, RR-0464, RR-1425, RR-1597, RR-1860, RR-0399, RR-1427, RR-0883, RR-0058, RR-0733, RR-1098, RR-1703, RR-2031, RR-0388, RR-1637, RR-0406, RR-0976, RR-1388, RR-1030, RR-0373, RR-1689, RR-0175, RR-1403, RR-1298, RR-1887, RR-1670, RR-1776, RR-0296, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-1704, RR-0050, RR-1985, RR-0134, RR-0349, RR-1354, RR-0783, RR-0286, RR-0728, RR-1469, RR-0332, RR-1326, RR-0450, RR-1464, RR-0474, RR-0276, RR-1730, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-1067, RR-1167, RR-1820, RR-1208, RR-0437, RR-1988, RR-0009, RR-0988, RR-1587, RR-0537, RR-1884, RR-1698, RR-0331, RR-1959, RR-1192, RR-0594, RR-1812, RR-1222, RR-1306, RR-0662, RR-0364, RR-1442, RR-1926, RR-1772, RR-1793, RR-1644, RR-0154, RR-1029, RR-0992, RR-0171, RR-1720, RR-0060, RR-1136,		for the benefit of (amongst other species groups) bats, including Barbastelle bats. It is therefore considered that under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017, there is no justification for an EPSML for Barbastelle Bats, and that the Scheme will not result in significantly increased disturbance which would result in: (a) to impair their ability— • to survive, to breed or reproduce, or to rear or nurture their young; or • in the case of animals of a hibernating or migratory species, to hibernate or migrate; or (b) to affect significantly the local distribution or abundance of the species to which they belong. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** and **ES Volume 3. Appendix 8.6 - Bat Activity Survey Report [APP-157]** have acknowledged the presence of Barbastelle bat maternity colonies locally and also referenced material detailing the CSZ's of these colonies, clearly stating that

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	RR-1213, RR-0234, RR-1576, RR-0540, RR-1825, RR-0997, RR-1449, RR-0211, RR-0187, RR-1128, RR-1961, RR-0818, RR-1382, RR-0086, RR-1870, RR-1656, RR-1324, RR-1492, RR-0960, RR-1158, RR-0856, RR-0683, RR-1249, RR-0986, RR-0011, RR-1075, RR-1466, RR-1446, RR-1505, RR-1117, RR-1694, RR-0735, RR-1218, RR-1666, RR-0123, RR-1866, RR-0265, RR-1181, RR-0881, RR-0398, RR-1102, RR-0127, RR-1593, RR-0453, RR-0974, RR-1190, RR-1380, RR-0810, RR-0043, RR-1669, RR-1166, RR-0906, RR-1710, RR-1544, RR-1737, RR-1949, RR-1633, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-0647, RR-2019, RR-1153, RR-0570, RR-1911, RR-2019, RR-0149, RR-1998, RR-1344, RR-1198, RR-1821, RR-1821, RR-1600, RR-1780, RR-0440, RR-1033, RR-1570, RR-0942, RR-1022, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-0661, RR-1579, RR-1465, RR-1604,		the Order Limits occupy land within these CSZ's. The Applicant agrees that there are potentially other woodlands in the wider landscape, and outside the DCO limits, that support further colonies of Barbastelle bats. As a precautionary measure, the embedded design principles adopted and detailed within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** include for a minimum of 30m buffer of all ancient woodlands immediately adjacent to the Order Limits have and will include habitat creation within these buffer zones. Thereby, reducing the current baseline disturbance events associated with agricultural practices (currently right up to the woodland edges), and providing enhanced supporting habitats surrounding woodland parcels for the benefit of Barbastelle bats (if present), thereby contributing towards the species favourable conservation status.

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	RR-1111, RR-0097, RR-1995, RR-1611, RR-1684, RR-1896, RR-0447, RR-0538, RR-0513		
ECO-006	RR-0207, RR-0827, RR-0519, RR-0323, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-0099, RR-0573, RR-1398, RR-0972, RR-1312, RR-0744, RR-0296, RR-0286, RR-1446, RR-0398, RR-0043, RR-1153, RR-1198, RR-1821, RR-0942	Respondent stated that peer-reviewed research has demonstrated that ground-mounted solar developments can reduce bat activity through habitat fragmentation, loss of foraging routes and landscape severance.	The Applicant assumes that this comment is received in relation to Tinsley *et al.*, (2023), which claims to show a strong negative effect of Solar PV developments on foraging and commuting bats. However, there are several caveats which suggest that this study is not overly reliable (Do solar farms affect foraging & commuting bats? - BSG Ecology, 2026), and the findings of this study have been challenged. Conversely, other academic studies have also emerged recently which indicate the benefit of Solar PV sites for bat species. More guidance will be published on bats and solar PV sites, as the Bat Conservation Trust are currently working with Natural Resources Wales to provide a comprehensive synthesis of the available evidence on the interactions between solar energy developments and bat populations. Therefore, currently, there is no wholly reliable evidence to suggest that solar PV sites, present a potentially significant negative impact upon bats when cited within sub-optimal habitats.

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			Nevertheless, as a precautionary measure, the embedded design principles include for minimum buffers between habitats of value to barbastelle bats in particular, and solar PV. These buffer zones will be managed for biodiversity, with grassland mosaic, hedgerow enhancements, tree planting all proposed, with long-term management for the benefit of biodiversity, as detailed within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. When considering the scale of the Scheme, this will result in a significant amount of gain in linear habitats surrounding the Solar PV areas, providing enhanced foraging and commuting routes for all bat species present away from the solar PV infrastructure.
ECO-007	RR-1276, RR-0151, RR-0931, RR-1106, RR-0268, RR-0905, RR-0218, RR-1787, RR-0066, RR-0005, RR-1459, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-1990, RR-0502, RR-1215, RR-0068, RR-0332, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-1256, RR-1070, RR-0656, RR-1749, RR-0580, RR-1427, RR-1403, RR-1670, RR-1776, RR-0728, RR-0332, RR-0450, RR-1988, RR-0009, RR-1884, RR-1959,	Respondents expressed concern for the potential impact of the Scheme on newts/great, crested newts.	Where ponds have not been surveyed, a precautionary approach has been adopted with an assumed presence of GCN. The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** sets out minimum offset distances that will be applied to ponds. The Applicant considers that the GCN survey data is sufficient to identify the assess the likely effects and appropriate mitigation required for the construction and decommissioning phases. The assessment of

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	RR-1222, RR-1023, RR-1772, RR-0818, RR-1075, RR-1117, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-0881, RR-0810, RR-1166, RR-0147, RR-1821, RR-1821, RR-1780, RR-0942, RR-0097, RR-1995		impacts are reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]** (see Method Statement 9: Specific Measures for Avoidance of Impacts on Great Crested Newts). In the Planning Inspectorates Scoping Opinion (February 2025) it was agreed to scope great crested newts out the operational phase assessment; and PINS agreed that significant impacts to GCN populations are unlikely to occur during the operational phase. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** concluded that impacts upon great crested newts would be negligible and not significant.
ECO-008	RR-0544, RR-0094, RR-1070, RR-0840, RR-0058, RR-0735	Respondents expressed concern for the potential impact of the Scheme on otters.	An assessment of the suitability of habitats for otters is set out in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.8 - Water Vole** and **Otter Survey Report [APP-159]** and the likely effects reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. No otter field signs have been recorded within the Order Limits and therefore impacts are considered unlikely during construction. Nevertheless, measures

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			in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]** will avoid adverse impacts upon these species should colonisation occur in the future. Habitat creation and enhancement, together with the management, as set out in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**, will have long-term beneficial effects on the availability of suitable bankside habitats for the species. A detailed LEMP that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority will be substantially in accordance with the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**.
ECO-009	RR-1276, RR-1588, RR-1341, RR-0750, RR-1880, RR-0548, RR-1765, RR-1765, RR-0151, RR-1047, RR-0894, RR-1216, RR-0646, RR-0966, RR-0816, RR-0931, RR-1607, RR-1234, RR-0412, RR-0849, RR-0560, RR-0138, RR-1605, RR-0016, RR-1228, RR-1458, RR-0544, RR-0267, RR-1702, RR-1110, RR-0572, RR-2009, RR-0689, RR-0535, RR-0268, RR-1147, RR-1598, RR-1754, RR-1317,	Respondents expressed concern for the potential impact of the Scheme on deer. This includes red deer, roe deer, muntjac deer	Deer species do not receive direct legislative protection relevant to ecology or nature conservation, whilst deer species are not listed as Priority Species, albeit may receive protection against acts of cruelty (for example, under the Wild Mammals (Protection) Act 1996). Habitat fragmentation and loss is considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. The Applicant acknowledges that fencing will deter larger deer species from utilising areas.

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	RR-1787, RR-1371, RR-0294, RR-1083, RR-0771, RR-0066, RR-1287, RR-1162, RR-1672, RR-0861, RR-0823, RR-0104, RR-0094, RR-1857, RR-1459, RR-1390, RR-0573, RR-0663, RR-1521, RR-0963, RR-0150, RR-0719, RR-0655, RR-2017, RR-1469, RR-1319, RR-0238, RR-0904, RR-1395, RR-1383, RR-0012, RR-1515, RR-0497, RR-1474, RR-0656, RR-0586, RR-1781, RR-1786, RR-0473, RR-1424, RR-1427, RR-1703, RR-1353, RR-1182, RR-0197, RR-0373, RR-1887, RR-1670, RR-0296, RR-0946, RR-0990, RR-0286, RR-1469, RR-0276, RR-0473, RR-0817, RR-1067, RR-1406, RR-1167, RR-1085, RR-0009, RR-1269, RR-1728, RR-0459, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-1698, RR-1812, RR-1222, RR-1306, RR-0748, RR-1023, RR-0850, RR-1740, RR-0508, RR-0171, RR-1136, RR-0060, RR-1708, RR-0550, RR-1282, RR-0187, RR-1382, RR-0481,		The perimeter fencing will allow the large majority of native fauna to pass beneath (via gaps in the fencing) and utilise habitats within the Scheme. Green corridors are included in the Scheme, such as ditches, hedgerows and their surrounding buffers, which allow for the movement of mammals. The Applicant has taken the approach to balance the extent of perimeter fencing in the landscape with these green corridors. The alignment of perimeter fencing is shown on **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]**. Details of fencing will need to be submitted and approved by the relevant planning authority in accordance with Requirement 10 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.

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	RR-1324, RR-0856, RR-0683, RR-1925, RR-1676, RR-1505, RR-0250, RR-0741, RR-0810, RR-1710, RR-1986, RR-1680, RR-0647, RR-1831, RR-0147, RR-1780, RR-0440, RR-1638, RR-1634, RR-1995		
ECO-010	RR-1588, RR-1341, RR-0750, RR-1880, RR-0548, RR-1572, RR-1047, RR-1876, RR-1018, RR-0966, RR-0816, RR-0931, RR-1234, RR-0412, RR-0849, RR-0560, RR-0138, RR-0016, RR-1228, RR-1458, RR-0544, RR-0267, RR-0519, RR-0689, RR-0535, RR-1317, RR-1371, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-0294, RR-1083, RR-0066, RR-1287, RR-1114, RR-1162, RR-0823, RR-0005, RR-1857, RR-1459, RR-0663, RR-1521, RR-0150, RR-0719, RR-2017, RR-0135, RR-1395, RR-0497, RR-0773, RR-1424, RR-1703, RR-1353, RR-0197, RR-0373, RR-0990, RR-1034, RR-0286, RR-1469, RR-0276, RR-1167, RR-1085, RR-0009, RR-1587,	Respondents expressed concern for the potential impact of the Scheme on rabbits and/or hares.	Rabbits are not afforded any legislative protection, however, brown hare, a priority mammal, is considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** and protection measures set out in the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]**. Management of retained and newly created habitats that will benefit wildlife (including rabbits and hares) are prescribed within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199].** In accordance with these, a Protected Species Mitigation Strategy and a detailed LEMP will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority in line with Requirement 8 and Requirement 7, respectively, of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.

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	RR-1698, RR-1812, RR-1306, RR-1926, RR-0850, RR-1740, RR-0508, RR-0060, RR-1708, RR-1136, RR-0234, RR-1610, RR-1282, RR-0818, RR-0108, RR-0481, RR-1324, RR-0856, RR-1505, RR-1694, RR-0250, RR-1218, RR-0043, RR-1710, RR-1986, RR-1638, RR-1634, RR-1465		
ECO-011	RR-1341, RR-0750, RR-1018, RR-0646, RR-1110, RR-0535, RR-1039, RR-1083, RR-0066, RR-1672, RR-0005, RR-1469, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-0373, RR-1469, RR-0817, RR-1085, RR-0460, RR-1272, RR-1740, RR-1324, RR-1505, RR-0647, RR-0147, RR-0942, RR-1465, RR-1995, RR-1684	Respondents expressed concern for the potential impact of the Scheme on badgers.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** presents an assessment on badgers; which concludes that there will be no significant effects upon badgers during the construction and decommissioning stages, and significant beneficial effects during the 60-year operational phase. The Applicant has committed to providing a minimum of 30m offset from badger sets, as set in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and mitigation measures relating to the protection of badgers are prescribed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]** (see Method Statement 10: Specific Measures for Avoidance of Impacts on

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			Badgers. the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. In accordance with the relevant Requirements of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, a Protected Species Mitigation Strategy and management plans will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority.
ECO-012	RR-1841, RR-2029, RR-0044, RR-1905, RR-1297, RR-1888, RR-1254, RR-0774, RR-0036, RR-1005, RR-1096, RR-0788, RR-0900, RR-0689, RR-1595, RR-1371, RR-0822, RR-0356, RR-1083, RR-0066, RR-1563, RR-1114, RR-0924, RR-0005, RR-0353, RR-0573, RR-1338, RR-0502, RR-0719, RR-0522, RR-1201, RR-0332, RR-1052, RR-0904, RR-1850, RR-1701, RR-0497, RR-0658, RR-0533, RR-1178, RR-1392, RR-0819, RR-0676, RR-1187, RR-0373, RR-0050, RR-0286, RR-0190, RR-0729, RR-1428, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1192, RR-1812, RR-1222, RR-1772, RR-1213, RR-0818, RR-0355, RR-0481,	Respondents expressed concern for the potential impact of the Scheme on insects/pollinators and other invertebrates.	Terrestrial and aquatic invertebrates are considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** (with no significant effects concluded during all phases of the Project) with survey results presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.2 – Invertebrate Survey Report [APP-153].** It was agreed with the Planning Inspectorate to scope out impacts upon terrestrial invertebrates during the operational phase of the Scheme (**ES Volume 3, Appendix 2.2 – EIA Scoping Opinion [APP-114]**). Measures are set out in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]** and the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**, including retained and newly created habitat to support diverse invertebrate population. In accordance with these, a Protected Species Mitigation Strategy and a detailed LEMP will

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	RR-1641, RR-1166, RR-1831, RR-0147, RR-0097		be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority in line with Requirement 8 and Requirement 7, respectively, of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ECO-013	RR-1470, RR-0531, RR-1765, RR-0841, RR-2024, RR-1297, RR-0493, RR-1800, RR-1260, RR-0827, RR-1679, RR-0130, RR-0541, RR-0115, RR-1543, RR-0959, RR-1039, RR-0333, RR-0929, RR-1563, RR-0593, RR-0170, RR-0528, RR-0395, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-0144, RR-1649, RR-1733, RR-0485, RR-0573, RR-0008, RR-1398, RR-0872, RR-1477, RR-0751, RR-0218, RR-0170, RR-1969, RR-1326, RR-0669, RR-0964, RR-0840, RR-0478, RR-1953, RR-0744, RR-0737, RR-0269, RR-1597, RR-0058, RR-1098, RR-0373, RR-1689, RR-0296, RR-1985, RR-0783, RR-1326, RR-0450, RR-0538, RR-0513, RR-1820, RR-1208, RR-1988, RR-0331, RR-0662, RR-1442, RR-1644, RR-0997, RR-0211, RR-0818, RR-1324, RR-1158,	Respondents expressed concern for the potential impact of the Scheme on white clawed crayfish. Some respondents expressed that Norfolk Rivers Trust have recorded a breeding colony of white clawed crayfish within 2km of site 4A. One respondent stated that, despite information about the known presence of white clawed crayfish being sent directly to the Applicant before the publication of the ES, no records were reportedly identified within a 2km search area. One respondent expressed concern for White Clawed Crayfish near Site 7 in particular. One respondent expressed concern that no surveys have been carried out on White Clawed Crayfish in Site 10.	A habitat suitability survey for White Clawed Crayfish was undertaken with the findings presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** and **Volume 3, Appendix 8.9 – Aquatic Habitat Assessment Report [APP-160]**. Measures to control pollution to watercourses are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and the **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** sets out the minimum offset distances within the design for main rivers and watercourses to prevent pollution. Also, as per the **Outline Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216],** where cables cross rivers, the Applicant is also committed to a minimum cable depth of 5m below the surveyed bed of main rivers. Trenchless solutions will be employed when crossing the Hempnall Beck, thereby avoiding any temporary impacts upon White-Clawed

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	RR-0986, RR-1446, RR-0735, RR-0123, RR-0265, RR-1380, RR-0329, RR-1633, RR-0279, RR-0749, RR-1153, RR-0570, RR-1911, RR-1198, RR-1600, RR-1033, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-1579, RR-1995, RR-1611	One respondent expressed that a breeding colony of white clawed crayfish is present at Site 3, according to a survey by Norfolk Rivers Trust. One respondent expressed concern for the white clawed crayfish found in the Tas Chalk Stream directly linked to Site 8A & B.	Crayfish populations. The Applicant notes the Examining Authority's request for further information and potentially for surveys to be carried out for White Clawed Crayfish between July and September 2026, in the **Rule 6 Letter [PD-005]**. The Applicant will provide an update on this at Procedural Deadline A.
ECO-014	RR-2024, RR-0493, RR-1260, RR-0301, RR-0333, RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-1969, RR-1326, RR-0656, RR-0964, RR-1749, RR-1953, RR-0744, RR-1776, RR-0296, RR-0687, RR-1820, RR-1698, RR-1442, RR-0997, RR-1324, RR-1158, RR-1117, RR-0588, RR-0123, RR-0329, RR-1166, RR-1153, RR-1153, RR-0570, RR-1911, RR-1198, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0123, RR-0764, RR-0243, RR-0486, RR-1534	Respondents noted that aquatic surveys were not adequate or not done at the appropriate time, including comments that some surveys carried out when streams and/or ditches were dry and/or did not account for seasonal variation. One respondent expressed concern this is contrary to Planning Act 2008 and EIA Regulations 2017. One respondent expressed concern that barn owls were surveyed during the day, making findings inaccurate. One respondent stated that	The aquatic ecology assessment adopted a habitat-led approach, informed by the availability of appropriate desk study records, as per **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.9 – Aquatic Habitat Assessment [APP-160]**. The Aquatic Habitat Assessment explicitly acknowledged that surveys were undertaken during a period of unusually dry conditions and identified this as a limitation of the baseline dataset. However, the assessment did not rely solely on the presence or absence of water during the survey period. Instead, watercourses were assessed based on habitat characteristics, hydrological connectivity, channel morphology, aquatic

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		ecological surveys are missing, outdated or incomplete, including: bat activity, wintering birds, hedgerow assessments, GCN eDNA and invertebrate surveys.	vegetation and their function within the wider catchment. Importantly, watercourses displaying evidence of periodic flow, hydrological connectivity or aquatic function were retained within the assessment, even where they were dry or only partially wetted at the time of survey. The assessment therefore distinguished between genuinely ephemeral or seasonally functioning watercourses and channels with little or no aquatic ecological function. A precautionary approach was also adopted when considering species occurrence. Where aquatic species were identified through desk-study records within hydrologically connected watercourses, these species were considered within the assessment where a plausible pathway existed, regardless of whether individual ephemeral channels would be capable of supporting the full range of species recorded elsewhere in the catchment. As such, the assessment intentionally incorporated a precautionary consideration of species potentially associated with the wider hydrological network. This approach increases the robustness of the assessment

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			and reduces the likelihood of ecological effects being underestimated (**ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**). The Applicant therefore remains satisfied that the aquatic ecology assessment provides a robust and representative evaluation of aquatic habitats and species within the study area and appropriately accounts for the ecological role of both perennial and ephemeral watercourses. The scope of ecological surveys and their methodologies have been agreed through scoping and consultation processes with relevant statutory consultees. The results and detailed methodology of specific ecological surveys is presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendices 8.1 – 8.9 [AS-017, and APP-153 – APP-160]**, with **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.1 - Ecological Desk Study and Extended Habitat Survey [AS-017]** providing the results of the extended habitat survey, **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.2 - Invertebrate Survey Report [APP-153]** providing the results of the invertebrate survey, **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.3 - Great**

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			Crested Newt Survey Report [APP-153] providing the results of the great crested newt survey (eDNA) and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.6- Bat Activity Survey Report [APP-157]** providing the results of the bat activity surveys. Through scoping and consultation processes, it was agreed that the Scheme would result in an overall benefit to wintering / passage birds. On this basis, PINS was content to scope impacts on wintering / passage birds out of the assessment. An assessment of potential effects of the Scheme on protected and notable species / species groups, including those identified, is set out within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. This includes an assessment of the Scheme on breeding birds, including barn owls. The scope of assessment has also been agreed through the scoping and consultation process, as described in Section 8.2 of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**.

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ECO-015	RR-0147, RR-1198, RR-1780	Respondent expressed concern for the impact of the Scheme on reptiles and amphibians.	An assessment of potential effects of the Scheme on reptiles and great crested newts and other widespread amphibians during construction and decommissioning is set out within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. Impacts are assessed as not significant. Accordingly, no significant negative effects are anticipated, with no associated residual effects. Mitigation for these and other protected / notable species / species groups is secured through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 – Outline PSMS [APP-161]**, as applicable, each of which is designed with the objective of securing the relevant ecological mitigation measures and setting out monitoring and reporting arrangements. Detailed management plans and a Protected Species Mitigation Strategy will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority in accordance with Requirements 7, 8, 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ECO-016	RR-0722, RR-1646, RR-1350, RR-0477, RR-0699, RR-0785, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333,	Respondents expressed concern regarding the impact of construction on local wildlife.	An assessment of potential construction phase effects of specific species/species groups is set out within **ES Volume 1,**

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	RR-1204, RR-0963, RR-1050, RR-0904, RR-1256, RR-0744, RR-0332, RR-1658, RR-0171, RR-0187, RR-1659, RR-1710, RR-178		**Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044],** impacts are assessed as not significant. Accordingly, no residual effects are anticipated. As per under row ECO-015, construction phase mitigation for protected / notable habitats and species / species groups is secured through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 – Outline PSMS [APP-161]**, as applicable, each of which is designed with the objective of securing the relevant ecological mitigation measures required during construction. Detailed management plans and a Protected Species Mitigation Strategy will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority in accordance with Requirements 7, 8, 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ECO-017	RR-0486, RR-1534, RR-1995	Respondent stated that a robust Habitats Regulations Assessment is required.	A robust Shadow Habitats Regulations Assessment has been undertaken. Effects on European sites are considered fully within the **Shadow Habitats Regulations Assessment [AS-036]**, which concludes that no likely significant effects on the integrity of relevant protected sites, alone or in-combination, have been identified.

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ECO-018	RR-1787, RR-1162, RR-0005, RR-1371, RR-1276, RR-0151, RR-1018, RR-1216, RR-0646, RR-0560, RR-0138, RR-0016, RR-1228, RR-1458, RR-2009, RR-0268, RR-1371, RR-0294, RR-1083, RR-1287, RR-0573, RR-0150, RR-1469, RR-0904, RR-1850, RR-1395, RR-0656, RR-0773, RR-1392, RR-0819, RR-0424, RR-0917, RR-0473, RR-0032, RR-1424, RR-0197, RR-0373, RR-0050, RR-0990, RR-0286, RR-1469, RR-0917, RR-0729, RR-1842, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-1698, RR-1192, RR-1023, RR-1740, RR-0171, RR-1136, RR-0060, RR-1505, RR-0043, RR-0147, RR-1972, RR-1821, RR-0440, RR-1780, RR-1634	Respondent expressed concern for the impact of the Scheme on small mammals, such as hedgehogs, squirrels, rodents, stoats, foxes, weasels, polecats.	An assessment of potential effects of the Scheme on priority mammal species (including hedgehog, harvest mouse, polecat, and brown hare) is set out within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**; impacts are assessed as not significant, with no residual effects anticipated. Mitigation for small mammals is secured through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 – Outline PSMS [APP-161]**, as applicable. Management of retained and newly created habitats that will benefit wildlife (including small mammals) are prescribed within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**.
ECO-019	RR-0290, RR-1419, RR-0081, RR-1763, RR-0377, RR-0255, RR-1071, RR-1284, RR-1757, RR-1479, RR-0949, RR-0892, RR-1773, RR-1043, RR-1618, RR-0400, RR-1738, RR-0356, RR-1287, RR-1563, RR-1456,	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of the Scheme on protected species.	As set out within the responses above, protected species have been identified, and potential effects assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**; impacts are assessed as not

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	RR-1459, RR-0573, RR-1650, RR-0872, RR-1215, RR-0397, RR-0068, RR-1850, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-0020, RR-1256, RR-0814, RR-1377, RR-1070, RR-1753, RR-1448, RR-1392, RR-2031, RR-0842, RR-0373, RR-1403, RR-0449, RR-0876, RR-0131, RR-0332, RR-0450, RR-1855, RR-0405, RR-1272, RR-0206, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1835, RR-0244, RR-1057, RR-1576, RR-0838, RR-1158, RR-1446, RR-0194, RR-0881, RR-0010, RR-0043, RR-1669, RR-0149, RR-1998, RR-1780, RR-1579, RR-1604, RR-1111		significant. Accordingly, no residual effects are anticipated. The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, with ecology and biodiversity considerations embedded into the design principles, design buffers and design evolution, as set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. The mitigation hierarchy has been applied to avoid, reduce, mitigate or compensate for, through the design process. Mitigation is secured through various management plans including the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, **Outline DEMP [APP-198], Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]**. A Protected Species Mitigation Strategy will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority in line with Requirement 8 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ECO-020	RR-1276, RR-0535, RR-0758, RR-0497, RR-0996, RR-1008, RR-1835, RR-0307, RR-0838, RR-0147, RR-1780, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-0331	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of the Scheme on local ponds and natural ditches. One respondent stated that rare and	The Scheme design evolution has included embedded design principles adopted and detailed within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]** which are designed to avoid impacts to

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		sensitive habitats in chalk streams should receive strong protection.	ponds, ditches and watercourses and include for offsets to ponds (30-50m), and watercourses and ditches (at least 10m) Effects on watercourses, are assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** with no significant effects anticipated during construction and decommissioning, and significant positive effects anticipated during the operational phase. No residual effects are anticipated. A broad range of habitat enhancements are recommended within **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**, including reinstating ghost ponds which will provide additional; aquatic habitat. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.2 - Water Framework Directive Assessment [APP-163]** identify the River Tas and Hempnall Beck as Chalk Streams. Mitigation measures to minimise the risk of pollution to the water environment are set out in the O**utline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** that are secured through Requirements 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Substantially in accordance with these,

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			detailed management plans will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. Further the outline drainage strategy and pollution control for Conversion Units, BESS, Project Substations and the National Grid Substation are given in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018 and AS-019]**. In accordance with Requirement 11 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, a detailed surface water drainage scheme will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. Where cables cross main rivers (the River Tas and Hempnall Beck in the Fritton Grange Meadows County Wildlife Site), the Applicant has committed to a minimum cable depth beneath main rivers of 5m below the surveyed bed of main rivers (**Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**).
ECO-021	RR-1371, RR-0614, RR-0935, RR-0614, RR-0273, RR-0940, RR-0744	Respondent expressed general support for wildlife mitigation and enhancement measures. One respondent noted that as a naturalist they are aware of the lack	The Applicant acknowledges these comments. Further details on how the Scheme will deliver for biodiversity are provided within the **Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-213]**

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		of wildlife in fields, due to intensive over farming and the Scheme is an opportunity to revert that. One respondent expressed support for the minimal habitat and hedgerow loss as a result of the Scheme, pointing out that the RSPB, Norfolk Wildlife Trust and Friends of Earth all agree that large scale solar is one of the quickest and most cost effective ways of reducing the UK's greenhouse gas emissions	with BNG secured though Requirement 9 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Management of retained and newly created habitats that will benefit wildlife are prescribed within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) and a Protected Species Mitigation Strategy and a detailed LEMP will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority in line with Requirement 8 and Requirement 7, respectively, of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ECO-022	RR-0746, RR-0723, RR-1588, RR-2029, RR-1572, RR-1064, RR-1321, RR-0255, RR-0044, RR-1047, RR-0636, RR-1905, RR-0300, RR-1568, RR-1585, RR-1365, RR-0646, RR-0966, RR-1873, RR-1616, RR-1284, RR-1607, RR-0561, RR-0213, RR-0138, RR-0089, RR-0266, RR-0016, RR-1228, RR-0892, RR-0477, RR-0036, RR-0141, RR-0572, RR-0323, RR-2009, RR-0689, RR-0601, RR-1618, RR-0208, RR-0699, RR-0785, RR-0535, RR-0673, RR-0247,	Respondent expressed concern for the potential impact of site fencing on wildlife movement, breeding habits through seasonal migration and wildlife corridors. One respondent expressed concern the fragmentation of habitats with fencing has not been assessed adequately. One respondent suggested plans for Scheme fencing and its impact on wildlife will go against government regulation.	Habitat fragmentation and loss is considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. The perimeter fencing will allow the large majority of native fauna to pass beneath (via gaps in the fencing) and utilise habitats within the Scheme. Green corridors are included in the Scheme, such as along ditches, hedgerows and their surrounding buffers, which allow for the movement of mammals. The Applicant has taken the approach to balance the extent of perimeter fencing in the landscape with these green corridors.

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	RR-1595, RR-1147, RR-1598, RR-1754, RR-1317, RR-1156, RR-0725, RR-0822, RR-1640, RR-1738, RR-0393, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-1486, RR-0333, RR-1299, RR-0356, RR-0294, RR-1083, RR-1552, RR-0066, RR-1632, RR-1581, RR-1119, RR-1672, RR-0182, RR-0861, RR-0823, RR-0005, RR-0353, RR-1164, RR-0094, RR-1459, RR-0925, RR-1716, RR-1390, RR-0573, RR-1521, RR-0963, RR-0872, RR-1712, RR-0150, RR-0719, RR-0795, RR-2017, RR-1683, RR-1969, RR-0332, RR-1801, RR-0006, RR-0238, RR-0042, RR-1052, RR-0904, RR-1850, RR-0669, RR-1383, RR-0012, RR-1515, RR-0497, RR-0020, RR-1474, RR-1256, RR-1377, RR-0003, RR-0021, RR-0773, RR-1749, RR-1027, RR-0478, RR-1557, RR-0473, RR-0676, RR-0527, RR-0283, RR-0269, RR-0058, RR-0652, RR-0202, RR-2031, RR-0132, RR-0406, RR-0835, RR-0197,	Some respondents noted displacement of wildlife due to fencing could lead to increases in roadkill.	The alignment of perimeter fencing is shown on **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]**. Details of fencing will need to be submitted approved by the relevant planning authority in accordance with Requirement 10 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. It is considered that any concerns about deer collisions would be mitigated appropriately through the alignment of any deer fencing, which is to be strategically placed to secure routes that avoid directing deer towards roads.

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	1924, RR-1689, RR-1403, RR-0296, RR-0065, RR-1554, RR-0349, RR-0876, RR-0568, RR-0990, RR-1663, RR-0109, RR-0286, RR-0668, RR-0332, RR-1801, RR-0473, RR-0817, RR-1067, RR-1167, RR-1014, RR-1085, RR-0858, RR-1387, RR-0405, RR-0009, RR-1842, RR-1698, RR-1192, RR-1222, RR-1306, RR-1008, RR-0748, RR-1772, RR-1623, RR-1740, RR-1282, RR-0829, RR-0307, RR-0187, RR-0838, RR-0258, RR-1382, RR-1934, RR-0481, RR-1324, RR-1158, RR-1925, RR-1505, RR-1666, RR-1861, RR-0051, RR-0991, RR-1659, RR-0810, RR-0043, RR-0128, RR-1641, RR-1166, RR-1710, RR-1986, RR-1494, RR-0647, RR-0147, RR-1600, RR-1638, RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0097, RR-1995, RR-1684, RR-0788		
ECO-023	RR-1841, RR-1660, RR-1696, RR-1679, RR-0673, RR-0476, RR-0968, RR-0213, RR-0135,	Respondents stated that not enough research has been undertaken regarding the impact of solar farms	The Applicant acknowledges this comment and refers to its response to row ECO-004 with regard to research on solar PV

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	RR-1683, RR-0241, RR-0042, RR-0021, RR-0744, RR-1139, RR-1464, RR-0588, RR-1611	on ecology, wildlife, pollinators. One respondent stated that a full and independent environmental impact assessments should be carried out to give assurances that local wildlife habitats, hedgerows and biodiversity are not adversely affected. One respondent expressed concern that the baseline ecological value may be understated in plans.	development and birds and ECO-006 with regard to research on solar PV development and bats. A full ecological impact assessment is provided within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. This assessment follows industry standards (Guidelines for Ecological Impact Assessment in the UK and Ireland: Terrestrial, Freshwater, Coastal and Marine (V 1.3)). This includes a detailed assessment of potential impacts from the Scheme on important ecological features; including designated sites for nature conservation, ancient woodlands, protected and notable habitats and species. The assessment has been underpinned by extensive baseline ecological survey for habitats and species, as detailed within **ES Volume 3, Appendices 8.1 – 8.9 [AS-017** and **APP-153 - APP-160]**.
ECO-024	RR-1003, RR-1167	Respondent expressed concern regarding the loss of beehives / impacts to managed honeybee colonies.	None of the farm business interviewed stated they have bee hives, a breakdown of the farm businesses is available in Table 15.8 of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 – Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]**. Bee hives can

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			exist within the Order Limits as they can be situated along field boundaries. Proposed habitat creation and enhancements measures presented within the **Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-213]** will increase the available nectar resources for honeybees.
ECO-025	RR-0300, RR-1585, RR-0036, RR-1727, RR-0785, RR-0914, RR-0872, RR-0585, RR-0332, RR-0042, RR-0273, RR-1256, RR-0373, RR-1776, RR-1698, RR-1566, RR-1752, RR-0832, RR-0097, RR-1995	Respondents provided comments on the biodiversity net gain of the Scheme. Respondents expressed that BNG assessments should be independently scrutinised. Respondent stated that BNG remains unaddressed. Respondent stated that there is insufficient details on long-term BNG management in the case of the Scheme being owned by a different operator. One respondent stated that, although the application claims a 10% Biodiversity Net Gain, it does not adequately quantify existing	Whilst there is no legislative requirement for the Scheme to provide quantifiable Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG), the Applicant has committed to providing a minimum of 10% BNG. A detailed approach is provided within the **Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-218]** which discusses the Schemes adherence to the biodiversity gain hierarchy, and habitat baseline values and post-construction values are calculated and provided within the **Biodiversity Net Gain Statutory Metric [APP-219]**. Further information regarding the creation of habitats within the Scheme is provided within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. The **Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-218]** demonstrates that the Scheme has the potential to deliver the following biodiversity net gain (BNG):

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		biodiversity across the site or explain how losses during construction will be mitigated.	• 37.42% gain for habitats; • 31.35% gain for hedgerows; and • 16.08% gain for watercourses.
ECO-026	RR-1284, RR-0356, RR-0213, RR-0797, RR-0332, RR-0687, RR-0588, RR-0194	Respondent expressed concern that ecological loss conflicts with local and national policies. One respondent expressed concern that biodiversity net gains may represent mitigation and not overall enhancement, they state this is in conflict with GNLP Policy 3. One respondent expressed concern Scheme, conflicts with the objectives of Norfolk's Local Nature Recovery Strategy and the wider Nature Recovery Network established under the Environment Act 2021.	The Applicant considers that **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** has identified and appropriately considered all applicable legislation and policy. The **Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-218]** demonstrates that the Scheme has the potential to deliver the following biodiversity net gain (BNG): • 37.42% gain for habitats; • 31.35% gain for hedgerows; and • 16.08% gain for watercourses. As such the Scheme provides a biodiversity enhancement/ net gain in accordance with GLNP Policy 3. Whilst the Schemes design evolution has progressed prior to the publication of the LNRS, the embedded design principles adopted and detailed within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments**

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			[APP-213] have been applied to retain, protect and enhance ecological assets. Where possible, areas of land located within the Order Limits designated as 'areas that could become of particular importance' (ACB) within the LNRS have been targeted with their suggested habitat type when developing the **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003].** This not only contributes towards a quantifiable BNG, but also to helps to strengthen existing habitat networks and increase landscape connectivity. These measures are calculated within and inform both the **Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-218]** and **Biodiversity Net Gain Statutory Metric [APP-219]**.
ECO-027	RR-1077	Respondent expressed concern that previous schemes have shown that without appropriate and sustained ecological management monocultures may develop such as common ragwort, which can damage wildlife and ecosystems.	The Applicant has provided outline commitments to post-development management and monitoring, detailed within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199].** The exact management and monitoring specifications will be detailed in the LEMP (secured by Requirement 7 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**) and updated as appropriate in subsequent iterations, to be reviewed and updated every five years through the operational lifetime of the Scheme.

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			The **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) details proposed monitoring activities. Following from each monitoring activity, a monitoring report will be submitted to SNC, which will include any remedial actions undertaken to ensure targeted habitat condition assessment is achieved. This includes ensuring that monocultures of non-desirable plants do not develop. It should be noted that common ragwort is ecologically valuable, supporting a range of invertebrate species and its presence does not damage wildlife or ecosystems.
ECO-028	RR-0356, RR-0823, RR-0332, RR-0832	Respondent expressed concern that, as the Scheme, once operational, would not be managed for wildlife, that herbicides / pesticides will be used across the sites.	The Scheme designs primarily utilise existing intensively managed farmland habitats, of sub-optimal value for wildlife. These habitats are subject to regular herbicide/insecticide applications. These regular actions are undertaken with no specific mitigation in place and undertaken up to the field boundaries. Large areas of intensively managed arable land will be removed from intensive cultivation as a result of the Scheme, with the cessation of regular and extensive herbicides / pesticides application (with herbicide use limited to when absolutely necessary to treat

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			invasive species and/or injurious species and pesticide use not employed at all), and converted to grassland mosaics, managed for the benefit of biodiversity. Further information regarding the creation of habitats within the Scheme is provided within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**.
ECO-029	RR-0142	Respondent stated that the Examination should require Natural England to provide a clear written position on whether the site supports bat habitats, whether ecological surveys are sufficient, whether the project maintains favourable conservation status, whether an EPS licence is realistically capable of being granted, whether further surveys or mitigation is required; and whether a draft EPS licence package should be examined before consent.	Natural England has confirmed through its Relevant Representation [RR-1410], that it agrees with the conclusions of **ES Volume 1**, **Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. The Applicant has provided a detailed response to Natural England's comments in **Part 2 of the Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations [EN0110014/EXAM/8.7]**. The Applicant acknowledges the presence of Barbastelle Bat colonies surrounding the Order Limits and has considered the core sustenance zone within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. The Scheme designs primarily utilise intensively managed farmland habitats, of sub-optimal value for foraging/commuting bat species. These habitats are subject to regular ploughing, tilthing, harvesting (often

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			undertaken at nighttime with large machinery and uncontrolled spotlights), herbicide/insecticide applications, and fertiliser spreading activities. These regular actions are undertaken with no specific mitigation in place and undertaken up to the field boundaries with adjacent woodlands (some of which are known to include bat roosts, including Barbastelle bat maternity roosts), therefore, land utilised for the Scheme is currently subject to regular disturbance, with the proposals considered to represent no significant increase on this during construction and decommissioning and likely resulting in much reduced disturbance to existing roosts during the 60-year operational phase. The embedded design principles adopted and detailed within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]**, include the retention and enhancement of field boundary features (hedgerows/ ditches/tree lines/woodlands/rivers) and the commitment to large-scale biodiversity enhancements; with significant habitat gains

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			for the benefit of (amongst other species groups) bats, including Barbastelle bats. It is therefore considered that under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017, there is no justification for an EPSML for Barbastelle Bats, and that the Scheme will not result in significantly increased disturbance which would result in: (a) to impair their ability— • to survive, to breed or reproduce, or to rear or nurture their young; or • in the case of animals of a hibernating or migratory species, to hibernate or migrate; or (b) to affect significantly the local distribution or abundance of the species to which they belong. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.6 - Bat Activity Survey Report [APP-157]** have acknowledged the presence of Barbastelle bat maternity colonies locally and also referenced material detailing the CSZ's of these colonies, clearly stating that

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			the Order Limits occupy land within these CSZ's.
ECO-030	RR-0142	Respondent stated that general commitments to retain hedgerows, provide buffers, control lighting and prepare future ecological management plans do not demonstrate that the ecological network supporting barbastelle bats will continue to function.	As a precautionary measure, the embedded design principles adopted and detailed within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]** include for a minimum of 30m buffer of all ancient woodlands immediately adjacent to the Order Limits have and will include habitat creation within these buffer zones. Thereby, reducing the current baseline disturbance events associated with agricultural practices (currently right up to the woodland edges), and providing enhanced supporting habitats surrounding woodland parcels for the benefit of Barbastelle bats (if present), thereby contributing towards the species favourable conservation status. Table 4.1: Outline Management Schedule of the **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) details proposed habitat monitoring activities. Following from each monitoring activity, a monitoring report will be submitted to SNC, which will include any remedial actions undertaken to ensure targeted habitat condition assessment is achieved.

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ECO-031	RR-0142	Respondent demanded that the Draft DCO should include a dedicated Barbastelle Mitigation and Monitoring Requirement, rather than relying solely on a generic ecological management plan. This plan should prevent works affecting bat habitats until mitigation is approved; include consultation with Natural England and local bat specialists; contain objective ecological standards; require long-term monitoring and include enforceable remedial measures if impacts are identified.	As a precautionary measure, the embedded design principles adopted and detailed within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]** include for a minimum of 30m buffer of all ancient woodlands immediately adjacent to the Order Limits have and will include habitat creation within these buffer zones. Thereby, reducing the current baseline disturbance events associated with agricultural practices (currently right up to the woodland edges). To safeguard the species, the Applicant has adopted precautionary measures, through embedded design principles detailed within **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213] i**llustrated within **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003].** These include the above-mentioned 30m standoff distance from ancient woodlands, at least 15m from non-ancient woodlands, 30-50m pond buffers, and minimum of 10m buffer between hedgerows and ditches/watercourses and solar PV apparatus; which is double the standard approach of 5m very commonly adopted in the design of similar Solar PV developments. These buffer zones will be managed for

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			biodiversity, with grassland mosaic, hedgerow enhancements, tree/scrub planting all proposed, with long-term management for the benefit of biodiversity, as detailed within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. When considering the scale of the Scheme, this, will result in a significant amount of gain in linear habitats surrounding the Solar PV areas, providing enhanced foraging and commuting routes for all bat species present away from the solar PV infrastructure. Thereby, resulting in extensive landscape-wide habitat provision for the benefit of all local bat populations (amongst other species), thereby contributing towards the species favourable conservation status. The impact assessment in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** during construction, operation and decommissioning for both roosting and foraging/commuting bats (Paragraphs 8.9.579 to 8.9.629) identified measures which will be put in place and secured by the **Outline CEMP [APP- 196]**, **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) and **Outline DEMP [APP-198**], including avoiding works close to woodland, designing out impacts to

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			woodland, trees and hedgerows as much as possible with the establishment of buffers and stand-off distances; avoidance of night time working; adoption of a sympathetic lighting strategy as per Section 4 **of ES Volume 3**, **Appendix 7.11 - Lighting Strategy [App-151]** and the implementation of pollution prevention and control measures. The **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) has incorporated a number of enhancements including the erection of bat boxes to provide artificial roosting opportunities for all species of bats. The Applicant considers that the assessment made for Barbastelle bats and the impacts of the Scheme have been appropriately mitigated for and that appropriate long-term enhancement/avoidance measures are appropriate to avoid significant effects upon the species (and other bat species). Natural England has confirmed through its Relevant Representation [RR-1410], that it agrees with the conclusions of **ES Volume 1**, **Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044**]. The Applicant has provided a detailed response to Natural England's

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			comments in **Part 2 of the Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations [EN0110014/EXAM/8.7]**.
ECO-032	RR-1204, RR-0094, RR-0904, RR-0840, RR-0058, RR-1689, RR-0190, RR-0473, RR-0540, RR-1446, RR-1641	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact on aquatic species, including brown trout, crustaceans and aquatic plants that reside in the River Tas.	The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** sets out the minimum offset distances to main rivers, watercourses and ditches. Where cables cross main rivers, such as the River Tas, the Applicant is also committed to a minimum cable depth beneath main rivers of 5m below the surveyed bed of main rivers. An assessment on the water environment, including pollution, thermal dynamics, groundwater recharge, are provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]** and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 – Ground Conditions [APP-052]**. Mitigation measures to minimise the impacts on the water environment are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** that are secured through Requirements 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Substantially in accordance with these, detailed management plans will be submitted

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			to and approved by the relevant planning authority. **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.9 - Aquatic Habitat Assessment Report [APP- 160]** considers impacts to white clawed crayfish are unlikely due to the paucity of records and unsuitability of the habitat. This is further explained in paragraphs 8.9.451 to 8.9.470 of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. Impacts to ordinary water courses have been mitigated by a number of measures set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** including the establishment of a 10m buffer, surface water management activities, the avoidance of instream works and use of trenchless techniques, the adoption of good practice techniques and the appointment of both an Environmental and ECoW. **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]** includes the provision of method statements designed to avoid impacts upon aquatic habitats and associated species; these include *Method Statement 4: Pollution Prevention Measures*, *Method*

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			Statement 7: Precautionary Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) Methodology, and *Method Statement 11: Specific Measures for Invasive Non-Native Species*; which includes commitments to prevent the spread of signal crayfish/crayfish plague. The Applicant is satisfied that these measures combined will rule out any impacts to instream and bankside habitats used by these species as well as remove the likelihood of pollution, sedimentation and biosecurity issues affecting the aquatic habitats. Notwithstanding, the Applicant notes the Examining Authority's request for further information and potentially for surveys to be carried out for White Clawed Crayfish between July – September, in the **Rule 6 Letter [PD-005]**. The Applicant will provide an update on this at Procedural Deadline A.
ECO-033	RR-0150	Respondent stated that wildlife does not recognise administrative boundaries; the Applicant should consider that impacts to local ecology are not localised and can have far	The Applicant acknowledges this comment and refers to paragraphs 8.5.5 – 8.5.11 of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** where the ecological Zone of Influence is discussed. Here it is identified that the ecological Zones of

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		reaching impacts and knock-on effects beyond East Anglia.	Influence vary for different important ecological features, depending on their sensitivity to environmental change.
ECO-034	RR-0397, RR-1331, RR-0744, RR-0097, RR-0764, RR-0493, RR-0545, RR-0823	Respondent stated that the Applicant has confirmed that it will remove roadside nature reserves. One respondent (RR-1331) stated that the road abutting Sub-Sites 7K and 7L are entirely single carriageways and are in a Roadside Nature Reserve. One respondent (RR-0744) stated that the crossing point at Parker's Lane will damage a designated Roadside Nature Reserve. They also stated that the BESS location also includes damage to the RNR on Lodge Lane Great Moulton and a number of other green lanes and RNRsd with locally significant wildlife are under threat.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** includes assessment of the Scheme on important ecological features including Roadside Nature Reserves (RNRs). All RNRs are designated for their remnant grasslands (and associated species abundance), by their very nature, this habitat is low in height, which will pose little risk to highway visibility for Order Limits access and therefore, will not be subject to clearance activities. However, adjacent overgrown hedgerows or overhanging tree canopies within the footprints of the RNRs may require temporary reduction measures during the construction phase, to aid access and visibility splays (which may potentially benefit the RNR ground flora). No other activities are proposed within the RNRs boundaries and where practicable, construction/ decommissioning phase activities (apart from the actual use of the road surface) will implement a 30m buffer surrounding the RNRs.

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			The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** sets out measures to ensure run-off control, pollution prevention and construction phase dust impacts will be implemented to avoid impacts to important ecological features which include RNRs.
ECO-035	RR-1749	Respondent noted an application must include documents and information in accordance with statutory requirements (S55(3) Planning Act 2008 and Schedule 4 of the Infrastructure Planning (EIA) Regulations 2017 requires a description of likely significant effects and adequate baseline data to inform statutory consultation under Section 47 of the Act. Crucial environmental survey data was not presented to provide meaningful assessment of ecological impact. This breaches Schedule 4(1) of the EIA Regulations.	The scope of ecological surveys and associated methodologies have been agreed through the EIA scoping process and consultation processes with relevant statutory consultees. The **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** has been prepared in accordance with Schedule 4 of the Infrastructure Planning (EIA) Regulations 2017 and describes the likely significant effects of the Scheme during the construction, operation and decommissioning phases.
ECO-036	RR-1262	Respondent expressed concern that nocturnal species, such as owls and bats, will rely on natural landscapes for hunting, and are likely to be disturbed by both the physical	The Applicant refers to its response to ECO-004 with regard effects of solar PV development on birds and ECO-006 with regard effects of solar PV development on bats.

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		presence of structures and the artificial noise environment.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** includes assessment of the Scheme on important ecological features including birds and other sensitive species. This includes consideration of construction phase activities, decommissioning activities, and once the Scheme is operational, including in relation to noise, glare, fragmentation, habitat loss. Mitigation measures to avoid and reduce environmental impacts, have been embedded within the Scheme and are set out in the various management plans, including the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, **Outline OTMP [APP-202]**, and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**.
ECO-037	RR-1262	Respondent expressed concern that noise generated by the inverter systems may interfere with birds and other sensitive species.	Mitigation measures to control noise and vibration during operation are described **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**; this includes in relation to the solar invertors, National Grid Substation, BESS, Integrated Conversion Units/33kV Sub-Distribution Switch Rooms and Project Substations. The specification of plant machinery with low noise emission and properly attenuated supply and extract terminations will help to

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			minimise noise emissions during the operational phase. The use of enclosures, local screening, mufflers, and silencers will also be used as appropriate. Plant within the National Grid Substation will be designed to have minimal tonal, impulsive or intermittent features as far as is practicable. In accordance with Requirement 14 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** a detailed OEMP will be submitted to and approved with the relevant planning authority.
ECO-038	RR-1776	Respondent stated that watercourse biodiversity net gain metric is missing.	The watercourse element of the Biodiversity Net Gain metric is presented on tabs C-1 – C3 of the **Biodiversity Net Gain Statutory Metric [APP-219]**.
ECO-039	RR-1896, RR-0447, RR-0538, RR-0513	Respondent states that the proposed access routes and cable corridors at Sites 7, 8 and 9 would damage chalk streams and rare plant species.	The Applicant refers to its response to ECO-038 regarding the protection of aquatic habitats. The Scheme design evolution has included embedded design principles adopted and detailed within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]** which are designed to avoid impacts to ponds, ditches and watercourses and include for

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			offsets to ponds (30-50m), and watercourses and ditches (at least 10m) Effects on watercourses, are assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044**] with no significant effects anticipated during construction and decommissioning, and significant positive effects anticipated during the operational phase. No residual effects are anticipated. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045] and ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.2 - Water Framework Directive Assessment [APP-163]** identify the River Tas and Hempnall Beck as Chalk Streams. Mitigation measures to minimise the risk of pollution to the water environment are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** that are secured through Requirements 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Substantially in accordance with these, detailed management plans will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. Further the outline drainage strategy and pollution control for Conversion Units, BESS, Project Substations and the National Grid Substation are given in **ES**

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			Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018 and AS-019]. Where cables cross main rivers (the River Tas and Hempnall Beck in the Fritton Grange Meadows County Wildlife Site), the Applicant has committed to a minimum cable depth beneath main rivers of 5m below the surveyed bed of main rivers (**Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**).
ECO-040	RR-0442	Respondent expressed concern that the future management of the Scheme has no guarantees / enforcement mechanisms, in particular in regard to mitigation / screening, BNG and protection of watercourses. Respondent asks who checks, monitors and enforces these aspects of the Scheme.	The **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) details habitat enhancement/creation including outline management, monitoring and maintenance measures. Further details will be provided in the LEMP that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority in accordance with Requirement 7 in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Breach of a DCO or failure to comply with Requirements can result in enforcement action. Management plans are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.

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ECO-041	RR-1752	Respondent expressed under EIA Regulations 2017, Schedule 4, the applicant must describe 'the likely significant effects of the development on biodiversity, with particular attention to species and habitats. The extended habitat surveys, habitat mapping and classification, and desk-based flora study undertaken by the applicant do not discharge this duty a) where rare or notable plant species may be present, b) where land has long agricultural continuity, or c) where boundary features are affected. As all of these circumstances apply to the EPS area, they believe it would be illegal for this application to be accepted by the Examining Authority in its current state.	The scope of ecological surveys and their methodologies have been agreed through scoping and consultation processes with relevant statutory consultees. The results and detailed methodology of representation. The results and detailed methodology of specific ecological surveys is presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.1 – 8.9 [AS-017 and APP-153 – APP-160]**. An assessment of potential effects of the Scheme on ecological receptors during construction, operation, and decommissioning is set out within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044].** The scope of assessment has also been agreed through the scoping and consultation process, as described in Section 8.2 of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**.
ECO-042	RR-0817	Respondent noted that recent road schemes included provision for wildlife corridor protection systems to provide safe crossing for animals such as badgers; respondent stated they cannot see this in the proposals for the Scheme.	Mitigation measures are adopted based on likely impacts, with no additional public roads proposed warranting additional road construction mitigation measures. However, embedded design principles are detailed within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]**. These include a

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			30m standoff distance from ancient woodlands, at least 15m from woodlands, 10m from watercourses, and a minimum of 10m buffer between hedgerows/ditches and solar PV apparatus; which is double the standard approach of 5m very commonly adopted in the design of similar developments. These buffer zones will be managed for biodiversity, with grassland mosaic, hedgerow enhancements, tree planting all proposed, with long-term management for the benefit of biodiversity, as detailed within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. Additionally, security fences within the Site will have gaps included to allow animals to freely move underneath the fences. And throughout the Order Limits.
ECO-043	RR-1653	Respondent expressed their preference for well developed, mixed habitat as ecological mitigation and enhancement measures, referring to the BTO's Breeding Bird Survey 2025 report which showed such solar farms supported three times as many bird species.	The **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) targeted a broad range of habitats that both complimented and enhanced the existing more valuable habitats within the site, favoured those target habitats identified within Norfolk Local Nature Recovery Strategy as well as ensure Trading Rules are met and a positive Biodiversity Net Gain is met within the statutory metric. Details

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			of which are found within **Biodiversity Net Gain Statutory Metric [APP-219]**.
ECO-044	RR-0501	Respondent expressed that they hope Scheme will work with County Wildlife Trust on enhancement and ecological features as part of the Scheme.	Norfolk Wildlife Trust were involved with consultation during the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) stage with their response location within **Consultation Report [APP-024 to APP-035].**
ECO-045	RR-1708	Respondent expressed concern for impacts to microbial biodiversity; respondent referred to unspecified research which shows that decades of solar panel coverage over soil leads to a decline in microbial biodiversity.	The transition of arable land away from cultivation has been shown to benefit soil microbial biodiversity. Studies demonstrate that grassland restoration can facilitate the recovery of microbial assemblages characteristic of unimproved grasslands, although associated plant and fungal diversity may not fully return to pre-conversion levels. Maintaining diverse microbial communities is critical for soil function, nutrient cycling, and ecosystem stability. As such, the conservation and enhancement of species-rich grasslands can provide important long-term benefits for soil health and ecological integrity. Long-term grassland management for the benefit of biodiversity, is detailed within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**.

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ECO-046	RR-0872, RR-1214, RR-0058	Respondent expressed concern for the impact of artificial lighting to nocturnal animals.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 4 – The Scheme [APP-040]** states that lighting is not required within the Solar PV Site during the operational phase of the Scheme and that all routine maintenance activities would be scheduled for daylight hours as far as is practicable. Focussed task specific lighting would only be required in the event of emergency works or equipment failure requiring night-time working. Motion sensing security lighting would be provided within the Substation, the National Grid Substation, and within the BESS Compound to maintain safe working conditions in winter months, for security purposes, and for maintenance activities. On this basis no significant impacts to nocturnal species as a result of artificial lighting will occur
Site-specific comments			
ECO-047	RR-0218, RR-0059	A respondent stated that they farm adjacent to Site 10 and the impact of fencing a large area to the north will affect the movement of deer which currently are causing a major problem to woodlands and crop loss. A respondent expressed concern for	Embedded design principles are detailed within **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]**. These include a 30m standoff distance from ancient woodlands, at least 15m from woodlands, 10m from watercourses, and a minimum of 10m buffer between hedgerows/ditches and solar PV

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		the impact on biodiversity on Site 10 particularly in relation to Skylarks and Lapwings.	apparatus; which is double the standard approach of 5m very commonly adopted in the design of similar developments. These buffer zones will be managed for biodiversity, with grassland mosaic, hedgerow enhancements, tree planting all proposed, with long-term management for the benefit of biodiversity, as detailed within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. Whilst the open fields will likely be inaccessible for deer due to the presence of deer fences, there will be an offset from field boundaries for hedgerow maintenance, root protection and hedgerow/arable field margin stand-off. This will allow deer to largely freely roam along field boundaries. Measures to avoid impacts on skylark and other ground nesting birds are included in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]** and consideration of breeding birds in the long-term management of the green infrastructure of the Scheme is included in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. In accordance with these, a Protected Species Mitigation Strategy and a detailed LEMP will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority in line with Requirement 8

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			and Requirement 7, respectively, of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ECO-048	RR-0221	Respondent expressed concern that recently completed wildlife/bird surveys for woodland in Spring Lane is a false representation of the value of the ecological habitats.	The scope of ecological surveys and their methodologies have been agreed through scoping and consultation processes with relevant statutory consultees. The results and detailed methodology of representation. The results and detailed methodology of breeding bird surveys is presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.5 - Ground Level Tree Assessment [APP-156**].
ECO-049	RR-0908	Respondent expressed concern about wildlife in Site 8 in particular.	The results and detailed methodology of representation. The results and detailed methodology of specific ecological surveys is presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.1 – 8.9 [AS-017 and APP-153 – APP-160]** with Appendix 8.5 and Appendix 8.6 specifically relating to bat surveys. An assessment of potential effects of the Scheme on ecological receptors during construction, operation, and decommissioning is set out within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044].** The scope of assessment has also been agreed through the scoping and consultation process, as described in Section 8.2 of **ES**

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			Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044].
ECO-050	RR-1317	Respondent expressed concern for impacts on wildlife on Bloy's Farm in Swainsthorpe.	The Applicant refers to paragraphs 8.5.5 – 8.5.11 of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** where the ecological Zone of Influence is discussed. Here it is identified that the ecological Zones of Influence vary for different important ecological features, depending on their sensitivity to environmental change. The chapter has considered impacts to ecological features within these zones of influence. All residual effects have been found to be not significant or in some cases significant beneficial residual effects.
ECO-051	RR-1256, RR-1995	Respondent stated that Site 5 forms part of a wider habitat network and is already managed in ways that supports biodiversity. This includes a Countryside Stewardship Scheme and the Site is located within areas identified as Climate Change Vulnerability Buffer, Woodland Core Area, Woodland Improvement Area and Habitat Network Expansion Zone.	Embedded design principles are detailed within **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]**. These include a 30m standoff distance from ancient woodlands, at least 15m from woodlands, 10m from watercourses, and a minimum of 10m buffer between hedgerows/ditches and solar PV apparatus; which is double the standard approach of 5m very commonly adopted in the design of similar developments. These buffer zones will be managed for biodiversity,

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			with grassland mosaic, hedgerow enhancements, tree planting all proposed, with long-term management for the benefit of biodiversity, as detailed within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. When considering the scale of the Scheme, this, will result in a significant amount of gain in linear habitats surrounding the Solar PV Arrays, providing enhanced connectivity through the site. In addition, the above-named documents also include commitments, to extensive buffering of woodlands/ancient woodlands, ponds, trees, and watercourses and will include habitat creation / management within these buffer zones. Thereby, resulting in extensive landscape-wide habitat provision, not just within Site 5 or the Scheme in general, for the benefit of all local species.
ECO-052	RR-0744	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact on green lanes, including Carpenter's Walk and Hundred Lane.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** sets out how important ecological features will be protected through the adoption of the mitigation hierarchy. This hierarchy has been adopted throughout the **Scheme** evolution and will be

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			secured during construction by details included in the **Outline CEMP [APP-216]**. In accordance with **ES Volume 1, Chapter 4 – The Scheme [APP- 040]** a buffer of 15m will be applied to all PRoW. If construction encroaches within 15m, works will be temporary in nature and affected habitats will be reinstated to their baseline habitat condition. The **Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) Report [APP-218]** proposes to retain medium distinctiveness habitat, including grassland (which may include species rich PRoW), which is be set out in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**.
ECO-053	RR-0086	Respondent expressed noted they installed a barn owl box at the end of their garden near Site 9. This nesting box faces directly the (Redacted), which historically they have used as their hunting and food gathering area. they have multiple photos of successful breeding over the past few years (apart from 2024 when a large mature hedge was removed during the nesting season, the owls were in	The presence of breeding barn owls both within and adjacent to the Scheme has been considered within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044].** The design principles for the Scheme are set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** which includes a series of environmentally led design principles, including in relation biodiversity. This includes restricting development in ecologically sensitive

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		the box but left and didn't breed). Installing solar panels and fencing will have a massive negative impact on the ability of the barn owls to breed and hunt for food and could result in early mortality by collision or starvation.	locations and applying appropriate offsets and buffers from important ecological receptors including the adherence to a minimum of 15m from woodland, 10m from hedgerows, 10m from ditches and watercourses, and 30m from CWS's/SSSI's/Ancient Woodland; thereby significantly reducing the potential for disturbance and direct/indirect effects on suitable nesting habitat. The Barn Owl Trust are broadly supportive in their stance on solar developments due to the demonstratable benefits of solar farms for the species (Barn Owl Trust).

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ARB-001	RR-1553, RR-0559, RR-1233, RR-1007, RR-1843, RR-1450, RR-0270, RR-0255, RR-0113, RR-0727, RR-0545, RR-1106, RR-0561, RR-0500, RR-1078, RR-0036, RR-0417, RR-1727, RR-1096, RR-0788, RR-0900, RR-0589, RR-0541, RR-0402, RR-1143, RR-1854, RR-0888, RR-1976, RR-2030, RR-0046, RR-1733, RR-2029, RR-0070, RR-0790, RR-0256, RR-0659, RR-0738, RR-0044, RR-1495, RR-2024, RR-1873, RR-0517, RR-0262, RR-0477, RR-0267, RR-0519, RR-1443, RR-0601, RR-1618, RR-0176, RR-1019, RR-0247, RR-0752, RR-1083, RR-1287, RR-0288, RR-0745, RR-1245, RR-0929, RR-1777, RR-0593, RR-1114, RR-0528, RR-0144, RR-0902, RR-1837,	Respondents expressed concern in general regarding the potential impact to meadows, woods, ancient woodland, trees, hedgerows, wildflowers, orchids etc. This includes comments on panel shading reducing overall arboriculture features and abundance. Respondents highlighted concerns regarding the loss of trees and other arboricultural features. They also expressed particular concern for the potential loss or removal of hedgerows.	The Applicant is committed to retaining trees and hedgerows as far as practicable, with trees and hedgerows taken into consideration in the design process. The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** sets out the minimum offset distances within the design for the trees and hedgerows that will be retained. Further mitigation measures are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** that are secured through Requirements 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. There would be no loss of Ancient Woodland or veteran trees. However, it is acknowledged by the Applicant that there will be some tree and hedgerow loss. As set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, where tree removal is unavoidable, trees of lower quality and life expectancy will be preferably removed over those of higher quality and life expectancy.

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	RR-1278, RR-1903, RR-0722, RR-1290, RR-0081, RR-1036, RR-0403, RR-1206, RR-1307, RR-1003, RR-1231, RR-1297, RR-1346, RR-1071, RR-0236, RR-1489, RR-0816, RR-0520, RR-0597, RR-1757, RR-1973, RR-1228, RR-1335, RR-0130, RR-0429, RR-0757, RR-0688, RR-0156, RR-1732, RR-0699, RR-1783, RR-0400, RR-1532, RR-0246, RR-1552, RR-0066, RR-1490, RR-1288, RR-1581, RR-0823, RR-0005, RR-0353, RR-0626, RR-0610, RR-1224, RR-0395, RR-0094, RR-1716, RR-0251, RR-0573, RR-0780, RR-0224, RR-0502, RR-1699, RR-1069, RR-0944, RR-1478, RR-0336, RR-1379, RR-0795, RR-0465, RR-2017, RR-1502, RR-0317, RR-0241, RR-1044, RR-0552, RR-0904, RR-1850, RR-1383, RR-0825, RR-0497, RR-0658, RR-1994, RR-1256, RR-0616, RR-1121, RR-1118, RR-1331, RR-0840, RR-1749, RR-0660, RR-1693, RR-0721,		Where hedgerow removal is required, no more than 10m will be removed in accordance with the requirements set out within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. As shown on the **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]**, the Scheme would provide the strengthening/reinforcing of existing hedgerows (infill planting/laying coppicing), together with new tree and woodland planting. The prescriptions and the long-term management of the landscape and ecological measures are provided in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. The likely effects on ecology and biodiversity are assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**, together with mitigation measures. The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, with ecology and biodiversity considerations embedded into the design principles, design buffers and design evolution, as set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212].** The mitigation hierarchy has been applied to avoid, reduce, mitigate or compensate for, through the design process. Mitigation is secured through various management plans

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	RR-0744, RR-0687, RR-0676, RR-1635, RR-0981, RR-1187, RR-0232, RR-1597, RR-0430, RR-0733, RR-2031, RR-0835, RR-0976, RR-0726, RR-0373, RR-1030, RR-1099, RR-0373, RR-1689, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-1985, RR-0783, RR-0876, RR-0466, RR-1034, RR-1139, RR-0728, RR-1519, RR-0824, RR-1017, RR-0492, RR-0450, RR-0499, RR-0687, RR-1295, RR-1406, RR-1167, RR-1342, RR-0875, RR-0437, RR-1988, RR-0546, RR-0460, RR-0988, RR-1728, RR-1272, RR-1587, RR-1428, RR-1884, RR-0331, RR-1959, RR-1306, RR-0662, RR-0364, RR-1926, RR-1442, RR-0293, RR-0748, RR-0712, RR-0761, RR-1835, RR-0801, RR-1370, RR-1029, RR-0577, RR-0116, RR-1513, RR-0540, RR-0612, RR-0997, RR-0829, RR-0838, RR-0258, RR-1324, RR-0734, RR-0844, RR-0986, RR-1751, RR-1075, RR-0499, RR-1048, RR-0488, RR-1694,		including the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, **Outline DEMP [APP-198], Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]**. In relation to habitat loss and wildlife displacement, the majority of the Order Limits comprise intensively managed arable land, with higher value habitats concentrated in linear features such as hedgerows, which have been retained, where feasible. Minimum offset distances from key ecological features are secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**, and habitat corridors across the farmed landscape are reinforced. The perimeter fencing will allow the large majority of native fauna to pass beneath (via gaps in the fencing) and utilise habitats within the Scheme. Green corridors are included in the Scheme, such as along ditches, hedgerows and their surrounding buffers, which allow for the movement of mammals. The Applicant has taken the approach to balance the extent of perimeter fencing in the landscape with these green corridors.

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	RR-0867, RR-0250, RR-1218, RR-0123, RR-1615, RR-1866, RR-1665, RR-0265, RR-0194, RR-1181, RR-0127, RR-0199, RR-1920, RR-0051, RR-1659, RR-0043, RR-0329, RR-1641, RR-1166, RR-0768, RR-1100, RR-1949, RR-1633, RR-1680, RR-0279, RR-1033, RR-1638, RR-0942, RR-1022, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-1465		The **Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-218]** demonstrates that the Scheme has the potential to deliver the following BNG: • 37.42% gain for habitats; • 31.35% gain for hedgerows; and • 16.08% gain for watercourses.
ARB-002	RR-2024	Respondents noted that they will submit Tree Preservation Orders to protect important/ancient trees.	While the DCO provides powers under Article 41 for the Applicant to manage trees subject to future TPOs in order to provide certainty of delivery of the Scheme, the ES has assessed impacts on trees applying the mitigation hierarchy (seek to avoid and then mitigate such as through appropriate root protection zones and buffers from trees). The assessment on trees and hedgerows and management measures in respect of Ancient / Veteran trees is presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.10 – Preliminary Arboriculture Impact Assessment [APP-150]**, which reports the findings of the tree survey and the tree impact plan; with a commitment to not removing Veteran/Ancient trees set out in the

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			Outline CEMP [APP-196]. A key design principle in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]** is to retain and enhance existing vegetation, as far as practicable. The Applicant is committed to undertaking a further pre-construction survey and Arboricultural Method Statement in advance of the construction works, as set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**.
ARB-003	RR-0487, RR-1188, RR-1260, RR-0544, RR-0541, RR-1783, RR-1541, RR-1144, RR-0333, RR-1287, RR-0099, RR-0395, RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-0485, RR-0573, RR-0008, RR-1069, RR-1477, RR-1664, RR-0135, RR-0616, RR-1121, RR-0744, RR-1098, RR-2031, RR-0726, RR-1326, RR-1730, RR-0687, RR-1820, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1698, RR-1442, RR-1658, RR-0540, RR-0997, RR-0211, RR-0986, RR-1752, RR-0052, RR-0043, RR-0329, RR-1710, RR-0279, RR-0942, RR-1954, RR-1911, RR-1465, RR-0276, RR-1752, RR-0207, RR-0323,	Respondents stated that the Applicant had not conducted appropriate botanical surveys. One respondent requested to know what botanical surveys had been carried out.	An extended habitat survey (using UKHab methodology) has been undertaken as reported in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.1 - Ecological Desk Study and Extended Habitat Survey [AS-017]**. This records the findings of a desk-based study and the detailed survey and mapping of habitats identified within the Order Limits. During this extended habitat survey, there is no evidence to suggest that further targeted botanical surveys are required. The scope of ecological surveys and their methodologies have been agreed through scoping and consultation processes with relevant statutory consultees. Notably, Natural England has not requested further survey within their relevant representation.

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	RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-1783, RR-1969, RR-1326, RR-0687		The results and detailed methodology of specific ecological surveys is presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.1 – 8.9 [AS-017 and APP-153 – APP-160]**.
ARB-004	RR-0070, RR-0790, RR-0256, RR-0659, RR-0417, RR-0519, RR-0541, RR-0333, RR-1287, RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-0502, RR-1664, RR-0241, RR-0773, RR-0660, RR-1227, RR-1693, RR-0721, RR-1635, RR-0981, RR-0430, RR-2031, RR-0726, RR-1378, RR-1689, RR-0050, RR-0131, RR-1139, RR-0286, RR-1730, RR-1342, RR-0405, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1698, RR-0293, RR-0540, RR-0211, RR-0829, RR-1642, RR-1752, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-1181, RR-0199, RR-0052, RR-0354	Respondents expressed concern for the impact of construction vehicles on botanically-rich verges in the area.	As set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** and the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, construction traffic will be managed through defined access routes and traffic management measures to minimise effects on the Local Road Network and associated assets. This includes the potential to restrict vehicle sizes in some locations to aid manoeuvring and traffic management measures like reducing speed limits during construction which in turn reduces visibility splay requirements. Commonly required vegetation reduction to facilitate visibility splay for vehicles and highway works associated with AIL movements would primarily consist of hedgerow trimming and overhanging branch reduction, which would not impact the designated features of the RNR'S (rare grassland flora) and other road verge flora. These matters are subject to detailed design and will be discussed and agreed

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			through a detailed CTMP, secured by Requirement of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The detailed CTMP will be developed and agreed with the Local Highway Authority prior to the commencement of construction. An extended habitat survey (using UKHab methodology) has been undertaken as reported in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.1 - Ecological Desk Study and Extended Habitat Survey [AS-017]**. This records the findings of a desk-based study and the detailed survey and mapping of habitats identified within the Order Limits. During this extended habitat survey, there is no evidence to suggest that further targeted botanical surveys are required. Following detailed design and agreement, specific ecological protection measures can be applied if required (including pre-commencement surveys to assess if areas identified for impacts are significantly botanically rich), in agreement with Norfolk County Council.
ARB-005	RR-0255, RR-0429, RR-1171, RR-0356, RR-0797, RR-0094, RR-1563, RR-0543, RR-0929, RR-0593, RR-1581, RR-0528,	Respondents expressed concern about the impact of the Scheme on SSSIs. LIST NAMED SSIs: Pulham Market Wood SSSI, Shotesham-	There are no statutory ecological designations (including SSSI) or Ancient Woodland within the Order Limits.

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	RR-1664, RR-0332, RR-1801, RR-0825, RR-0020, RR-1377, RR-1372, RR-1790, RR-0773, RR-0744, RR-1575, RR-1801, RR-1855, RR-0460, RR-0988, RR-0532, RR-0271, RR-0077, RR-2008, RR-1324, RR-0986, RR-0735, RR-1615, RR-0948, RR-0441	Woodton Hornbeam Woods SSSI, Fritton Common SSSI, Crow Green Wood Green, Krons Meadows, Stubbs Green, Ringer's Grove, Little Wood, Baxter's Grove, Respondents requested the Scheme avoids land of SSSIs.	**ES Volume 1, Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** includes assessment of the Scheme on important ecological features including SSSI and other designated sites for nature conservation. The embedded design principles adopted and detailed within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]** have been applied to retain, protect and enhance ecological assets including all 10 surrounding SSSI's (within an 5km radius of the Order Limits) and ancient woodland parcels (within a 2km radius of the Order Limits). These include a minimum of 30m construction exclusion zone surrounding SSSI's, and; establishing root protection zones around SSSI woodlands directly adjacent to the Order Limits. Thereby, reducing the current baseline disturbance events associated with agricultural practices (currently right up to the immediately surrounding SSSI edges), and providing enhanced supporting habitats surrounding SSSI parcels for the benefit of biodiversity within these Sites.

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			Natural England has confirmed through its Relevant Representation [RR-1410] that it agrees with the conclusions of **ES Volume 1**, **Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]** that there will be no likely significant adverse effects on SSSI's with the implementation of the CEMP which will be in accordance with the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**.
ARB-006	RR-0077	Respondent expressed particular concern about the ongoing stewardship of Little Wood, which their family has held for 150 years. They note, Under the South Norfolk Local Plan (Policy DM 4.8), the council and the state have a duty to protect such assets. To surround an ancient, family-managed SSSI with industrial solar infrastructure is to ignore the "Social Value" and "Natural Capital" that their family has maintained for the public good for over a century.	Embedded design principles are detailed within **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]**. These include a 30m standoff distance from ancient woodlands; which is double the standard minimum approach of 15m. These buffer zones will be managed for biodiversity, with grassland mosaic, hedgerow enhancements, tree planting all proposed, with long-term management for the benefit of biodiversity, as detailed within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. When considering the scale of the Scheme, this, will result in a significant amount of gain in biodiverse habitats surrounding the existing ancient woodland blocks, providing enhanced connectivity through the site.

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			Natural England has confirmed through its Relevant Representation [RR-1410] that it agrees with the conclusions of **ES Volume 1**, **Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [App-044]** that there will be no likely significant adverse ecological effects on SSSI's with the implementation of the CEMP which will be in accordance with the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**.
ARB-007	RR-0614, RR-0935, RR-0501	Respondent expressed general support for arboricultural enhancements including hedging, trees, wildflowers and areas left as scrub.	The Applicant acknowledges these comments.
ARB-008	RR-1021	Respondent expressed concern that ancient pollarded Elms, which Natural England have encouraged them to preserve, will be negatively impacted.	There would be no loss of ancient or veteran trees as secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**. The ancient or veteran trees will be protected by the minimum offset distances set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**.
ARB-009	RR-0840, RR-0744, RR-2031, RR-1158	Respondent expressed concern that the Scheme will undermine Norfolk Wildlife Trust's community led programme in South Norfolk focusing on 'the Claylands'. They have been working to restore features such as ponds, hedges, meadows, and	Ecological mitigation and enhancement measures are set out in the **Outline LEMP [APP-198]** and include the creation of new broadleaf woodland, linear tree belts, native hedgerows and hedgerows with trees, scrub, arable field margins, skylark mitigation areas, restoration of ghost ponds, and the

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		woodland so as to create habitat and wildlife corridors, connected habitats to allow species to more easily and safely move through our countryside, improving their long-term prospects for survival.	establishment of flower-rich pollinator, tussocky and neutral grassland. These measures are designed to retain and enhance existing vegetation, strengthen habitat corridors through the farmed landscape, allow the movement of wildlife, and improve ecological connectivity at a landscape scale, in accordance with local conservation priorities. Consultation with NWT has taken place throughout and the intention of the landscaping involved in this Scheme is to work with the NWT community led programme rather than undermine it.
ARB-010	RR-2031	Respondent expressed concern for impacts to the following four species, which were not identified in the PEIR: Sulphur Clover (Endangered), Dyer's Greenweed (Endangered), Pepper Saxifrage (Endangered) and Crosswort.	The Applicant refers to its response to ARB-004.
ARB-011	RR-1730	Respondent reported the presence of, and expressed concern for, rare plants such as Sulphur Clover, Dyer's Greenweed, Spiny Restharrow and Pepper Saxifrage, on roadside verges.	The Applicant refers to its response to ARB-004.

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ARB-012	RR-0080, RR-0108	Respondent expressed concern that Scheme's wildlife management will just end up using chemical weed control.	The Scheme designs primarily utilise existing intensively managed farmland habitats, of sub-optimal value for wildlife. These habitats are subject to regular herbicide applications. These regular actions are undertaken with no specific mitigation in place and undertaken up to the field boundaries. Large areas of intensively managed arable land will be removed from intensive cultivation as a result of the Scheme, with the cessation of regular and extensive herbicides application (with herbicide use limited to when absolutely necessary to treat invasive species and/or injurious species), and converted to grassland mosaics, managed for the benefit of biodiversity. Further information regarding the creation of habitats within the Scheme is provided within the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**.
Site-specific comments			
ARB-013	RR-1698	Respondent expressed concern that on Site 9, approximately 1500 meters of ancient hedgerow was cut to the ground 2wks before a 'bird nesting survey' was carried out for East Pye Solar. We have a library of photographic evidence dating back	The Applicant does not have control over actions undertaken independently by individual landowners. Any such activities would fall under the relevant environmental and planning legislation and enforced, where

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		30yrs to show the enormity of this hedge, the biodiversity and ecology that must have been destroyed would be vast. The landowner has also 'filled in' a ditch causing more ecological loss, this ditch helped to maintain a natural pond within an adjoining ditch, the ecological damage to this pond will only be evident over time.	appropriate, by the competent regulatory authorities.
ARB-014	RR-0746	Respondent expressed concern for rare plant species at Site 2 and access points, respondent added that no surveys of these species at these locations have been carried out.	The Applicant refers to its response to ARB-004. An extended habitat survey (using UKHab methodology) has been undertaken as reported in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.1 Ecological Desk Study and Extended Habitat Survey [AS-017]**. This records the findings of a desk-based study and the detailed survey and mapping of habitats identified within the Order Limits. During this extended habitat survey, there is no evidence to suggest that further targeted botanical surveys are required.
ARB-015	RR-0207, RR-0323, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-0099, RR-0395,	Respondent stated that the landscape surrounding Hundred Lane, Prangle Lane and Lodge Road is nationally important for rare	The Applicant refers to its response to ARB-004 and ARB-014.

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	RR-0669, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-0364, RR-0446, RR-1710	botanical assemblages. One respondent stated that Hundred Lane is a historic route and they are concerned that the proposed haulage road crossings could damage its historic character, ecological value and rural setting and the edges of the lane which regularly support rare flora, and rare orchids.	
ARB-016	RR-1183	Respondent stated that the hedges that border between Station Road and their property are at risk of being destroyed.	There would be no removal of hedges at Station Road, but some hedge trimming and pruning may be required for Abnormal Indivisible Load movements. The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** sets out the minimum offset distances within the design for the trees and hedgerows that will be retained. Further mitigation measures are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** that are secured through Requirements 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ARB-017	RR-0931, RR-1791, RR-1552, RR-2021	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of the Scheme on an ancient yew hedge.	There would be no loss of ancient hedge as secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**. The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** sets out the

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			minimum offset distances within the design for the trees and hedgerows that will be retained. Further mitigation measures are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** that are secured through Requirements 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ARB-018	RR-1252, RR-0906	Respondent stated that Hundred Way, Prangle Way, and Lodge Road are particularly important in terms of botany, and not appropriate botanical survey has been conducted.	The Applicant refers to its response to ARB-004 and ARB-014.
ARB-019	RR-0323	Respondent stated that they have evidence that a landowner has already removed an ancient hedgerow (during nesting season) and filled in an ancient ditch without permission.	The Applicant does not have control over actions undertaken independently by individual landowners. Any such activities would fall under the relevant environmental and planning legislation and enforced, where appropriate, by the competent regulatory authorities.
ARB-020	RR-0589, RR-0135, RR-1406, RR-1358	Respondent expressed significant concern for the potential partial removal of their property's hedges to widen the road, respondent noted that the hedge is classified by Norfolk County Council's Archaeology and Historic Environment service as pre-Roman.	The Applicant does not have control over actions undertaken independently by individual landowners or farmers. Any such activities would fall under the relevant environmental and planning legislation and enforced, where appropriate, by the competent regulatory authorities.

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		A respondent stated that some trees have already been removed in preparation on some sites. Another respondent reported that a farmer whose land is part of the Scheme has already started removing hundreds of metres of hedgerow, despite the Scheme not being approved (location unspecified).	It is considered to be highly unlikely that the hedgerows themselves are pre-Roman in date, though the potential that the boundaries they are marking may be pre-Roman in date cannot be discounted. As part of the archaeological mitigation works within the Scheme, a number of former field boundaries, as identified during the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.3 – Archaeological Geophysical Survey [AS-022]** have been subjected to trenching, as detailed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.5 – Evaluation Trenching Report [APP-172]**. Extant hedgerows will not be subject to archaeological works. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** seeks to retain and enhance existing vegetation, where possible, to aid the integration of the Scheme within the environment and respond to the prevailing character as far as practicable. The **Design Approach Document [APP-212]** sets out the key considerations to designing the CRC. This included keeping the route as short and direct as possible, using existing gaps in hedgerows and

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			avoiding landscape and ecological features as far as practicable. Where hedgerow will be removed to provide access, these are marked in Appendix A Figure 1: Hedgerow Removal Plans under the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
ARB-021	RR-0541	Respondent stated that areas around Spring Wood, Tyrells Wood, Fritton Grange Meadows, and other pockets of small woodland are unsuitable for this type of development.	The majority of the Order Limits comprise intensively managed arable land of low ecological importance, with higher value habitats concentrated in linear features such as these named features, which have been retained, as set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. Minimum offset distances from key ecological features (including these) are secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**, and habitat corridors across the farmed landscape are reinforced and expanded through the protection and management of ancient semi-natural woodland, hedgerows and hedgerow

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			trees, alongside new woodland, scrub and hedgerow planting as detailed in the **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** and **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**.
ARB-022	RR-1287, RR-0906	Respondent reported the presence of rare botany along Hundred Way, Prangle Lane and Lodge Road.	The Applicant refers to its response to ARB-004 and ARB-014.
ARB-023	RR-0929, RR-0593, RR-0528	Respondent stated white clawed crawfish have been identified in the river Tas within 2km of site 4A, according to Norfolk Rivers Trust.	The Applicant refers to its response to ECO-13.
ARB-024	RR-0929,RR-0593, RR-0528	Respondent stated that the proposal would industrialise a highly sensitive historic rural landscape and negatively affect the setting of the Long Stratton Conservation Area.	The Applicant notes that an assessment of historic landscape and heritage assets (including Conservation Areas and Listed Buildings) has been provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046],** which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 - Heritage Statement [APP-165 to APP-168]**. Potential impacts to Long Stratton Conservation Area were considered as part of these assessments, which concluded that the Scheme would not result in any impacts to the heritage assets of Long Stratton. Construction vehicle routes have been selected with the principal aim of avoiding

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			sensitive heritage assets and the routing of vehicles through local villages, wherever practicable. However, it is acknowledged that AIL will pass through Conservation Areas. Mitigation measures relating to construction traffic is set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. In accordance with Requirement 15 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** a detailed CTMP will be submitted to and approved with the relevant planning authority that must consult with the relevant highway authority.
ARB-025	RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0761	Respondent expressed that National Grid guidance warns against planting trees or hedgerows near substations due to fire risk and equipment interference—meaning that any removed vegetation may not be replaced, resulting in permanent landscape loss and reduced ecological value.	The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** seeks to retain and enhance existing vegetation, to aid the integration of the Scheme and Substation within the environment. New woodland belts and native tree planting provide screening to the Scheme; it improves biodiversity and supports green infrastructure connectivity. Measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The planting strategy for the National Grid Substation and Grid Connection Infrastructure has been developed with due regard to the operational and safety requirements associated with such infrastructure.

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			The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. As set out, the upkeep and management of all planting which surrounds the National Grid Substation within Sub-Site 1b will be the responsibility of NGET.
ARB-026	RR-0144	Respondent expressed concern for the impacts of Sites 7, 8, and 9 on ecology.	The likely effects on ecology and biodiversity within these Sites are assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 - Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**, together with mitigation measures as appropriate. The design of the Scheme within these Sites has been informed by an environmentally led approach, with ecology and biodiversity considerations embedded into the design principles, design buffers and design evolution, as set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212**]. The mitigation hierarchy has been applied to avoid, reduce, mitigate or compensate for, through the design process. Mitigation is secured through various management plans including the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP**

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			[APP-197], Outline DEMP [APP-198], Outline LEMP [APP-199] (which is a secured document) and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.10 - Outline PSMS [APP-161]**. In relation to habitat loss and wildlife displacement, the majority of the Order Limits comprise intensively managed arable land, with higher value habitats concentrated in linear features such as hedgerows, which have been retained, where feasible. Minimum offset distances from key ecological features are secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**, and habitat corridors across the farmed landscape are reinforced. The perimeter fencing will allow the large majority of native fauna to pass beneath (via gaps in the fencing) and utilise habitats within the Scheme. Green corridors are included in the Scheme, such as along ditches, hedgerows and their surrounding buffers, which allow for the movement of mammals. The Applicant has taken the approach to balance the extent of perimeter fencing in the landscape with these green corridors. The **Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-218]** demonstrates that the Scheme has the

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			potential to deliver the following biodiversity net gain (BNG): • 37.42% gain for habitats; • 31.35% gain for hedgerows; and • 16.08% gain for watercourses.
ARB-027	RR-0543, RR-1664	Respondent noted that Market Lane and Wash Lane have wide grass verges, along with Lathe Green (adjacent to Ringers Grove) which historically has been used to graze animals. Part of this area is a Roadside Nature reserve and a protected species Trifolium ochroleucon (Sulphur Clover) have been recorded. Permission has to be sought to disturb this plant and there is no evidence that Scheme have done a full botanical survey.	All RNRs are designated for their remnant grasslands (and associated species abundance), by their very nature, this habitat is low in height, which will pose little risk to highway visibility for Order Limits access and therefore, will not be subject to clearance activities. However, adjacent overgrown hedgerows or overhanging tree canopies within the footprints of the RNRs may require temporary reduction measures during the construction phase, to aid access and visibility splays (which may potentially benefit the RNR ground flora). No other activities are proposed within the RNR's boundaries and where practicable, construction/ decommissioning phase activities (apart from the actual use of the road surface) will implement a 30m buffer surrounding the RNRs. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** sets out measures to ensure run-off control, pollution prevention and construction phase

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			dust impacts will be implemented to avoid impacts to important ecological features which include RNRs. The Applicant is satisfied that all RNRs which lie within and adjacent to the Order limits have been identified at the time of submission but welcome any comment on those recently established. An extended habitat survey (using UKHab methodology) has been undertaken within the Order Limits as reported in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 8.1 Ecological Desk Study and Extended Habitat Survey [AS-017]**. This records the findings of a desk-based study and the detailed survey and mapping of habitats identified within the Order Limits. During this extended habitat survey, there is no evidence to suggest that further targeted botanical surveys are required.
ARB-028	RR-0656	Respondent noted their property (unspecified, adjacent to Site 5), includes a garden, woodland, ponds and orchards.	This comment is noted by the Applicant. Whilst the private residence is not located within the Order Limits, it is considered that the provision of minimum offset distances from key ecological and boundary features secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**,

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			and the proposed reinforcement and expansion of habitat corridors across the farmed landscape through the protection and management of ancient semi-natural woodland, hedgerows and hedgerow trees, alongside new woodland, scrub and hedgerow planting as detailed in the **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** and **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**, will result in increased ecological connectivity between the Scheme and this residential parcel.
ARB-029	RR-1331	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of the Scheme on their established grass runway 06/24 whose 06 threshold is c10 metres from the eastern edge of Sub-Sites 7K/7L.	The Applicant considers there may be a misunderstanding in relation to the adjacent land plot, Plot 06-006, which the Respondent is included against within Part 1 of the **Book of Reference [APP-022]** as an adjoining landowner to the public highway and may hold interests in the subsoil beneath the highway. These interests relate solely to subsoil rights and do not affect the ownership or occupation of homes, gardens or buildings, as clarified in the Applicant's letter of 24 July 2025.
ARB-030	RR-0086	Respondent expressed concern that there was a large mature hedge with trees running through the fields (middle of site 9) from the High Green	The Applicant does not have control over actions undertaken independently by individual landowners or farmers. Any such activities would fall under the relevant

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		end towards Mill Lane but the farmer removed the hedges and screening in March 2024, destroying bird nesting sites and other wildlife cover in the process. Ultimately the removed hedges and trees were formed into massive piles and set on fire. Respondent assumes, this was a deliberate act of destruction prior to the bird nesting survey being carried out for the proposed solar farm.	environmental and planning legislation and enforced, where appropriate, by the competent regulatory authorities.
ARB-031	RR-0127	Respondent expressed particular concern about the loss of trees on Hall Lane.	There would be no loss of trees on Hall Lane and only tree trimming or pruning may be required for cable drum Abnormal Load movements.

2.14 Water Environment

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WAT-001	RR-1276, RR-1602, RR-1290, RR-1735, RR-0625, RR-0751, RR-1962, RR-1307, RR-0738, RR-1646, RR-0207, RR-0151, RR-1952, RR-1127, RR-1957, RR-1890, RR-0545, RR-0495, RR-1800, RR-0229, RR-1551, RR-1252, RR-0597, RR-0561, RR-1260, RR-0511, RR-0774, RR-0295, RR-0227, RR-0291, RR-0731, RR-0788, RR-0519, RR-1625, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-0900, RR-0785, RR-0451, RR-0247, RR-0268, RR-0220, RR-1012, RR-1598, RR-0507, RR-0330, RR-1143, RR-0467, RR-0218, RR-1854, RR-0427, RR-1061, RR-1541, RR-0822, RR-0246, RR-1640, RR-0393, RR-0356, RR-1552, RR-1287, RR-1159, RR-1245, RR-1563, RR-0170, RR-1114, RR-1456,	Respondents expressed concern that the Scheme could increase flood risk and erosion including from panel runoff. Some respondents expressed that flood risk has not been adequately considered or assessed. A respondent expressed that they do not believe the Applicant has demonstrated that the development will provide wider sustainability benefits that clearly outweigh flood risk; it will be safe for its lifetime; and must not increase flood risk.	Flood (from all sources) and surface water risk has been considered in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018 and AS-019]**, which identifies areas at risk of flooding, taking into consideration climate change. The potential for erosion has been considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]**. An outline drainage strategy has also been developed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018 and AS-019]**. Requirement 11 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** requires written details of the surface water drainage scheme to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018 and AS-019]**

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	RR-0099, RR-1672, RR-0861, RR-1305 RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0823, RR-0610, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-0965, RR-0902, RR-1649, RR-1330, RR-0973, RR-1225, RR-0925, RR-1716, RR-1109, RR-1168, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-1733, RR-0485, RR-0562, RR-0309, RR-1514, RR-0804, RR-1477, RR-0872, RR-1369, RR-1215, RR-0968, RR-1394, RR-1201, RR-0506, RR-0241, RR-1963, RR-1044, RR-0006, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-1152, RR-0678, RR-1474, RR-1339, RR-0814, RR-1256, RR-1448, RR-0773, RR-1312, RR-0840, RR-0478, RR-0527, RR-0737, RR-0283, RR-0883, RR-1098, RR-2031, RR-0406, RR-0976, RR-1099, RR-0373, RR-0175, RR-1689, RR-1298, RR-1887, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-1207, RR-0449, RR-0349, RR-0772, RR-1963, RR-1326, RR-0442, RR-0450, RR-0684, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-1546, RR-0817, RR-0069, RR-0405,		concludes that the Scheme is safe and will not detrimentally impact on flood risk within the Order Limits or elsewhere. A proportionate Sequential Test and Exception Test is provided in **Planning Statement [APP-209]**. The Applicant has applied both the Sequential and Exception Tests and demonstrated how these have been met in line with relevant policy. The most vulnerable elements of infrastructure, being the National Grid Substation, the BESS and Project Substations (along with the Solar PV Arrays), would be sited in areas of Flood Zone 1, at lower risk of flooding. The wider sustainability benefits delivered by the Scheme, which include low carbon electricity in support of Government's energy policy aims, green infrastructure and habitat creation, provision of permissive paths and community accessible space, job education and skills creation, overwhelmingly outweigh the flood risk and the Scheme.

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	RR-0437, RR-0919, RR-1988, RR-0302, RR-0532, RR-1698, RR-0331, RR-0594, RR-1506, RR-1306, RR-0793, RR-0662, RR-1442, RR-1023, RR-1793, RR-1784, RR-0911, RR-1029, RR-0577, RR-1092, RR-0618, RR-1051, RR-1940, RR-0612, RR-0829, RR-0307, RR-0187, RR-0838, RR-1081, RR-1158, RR-1872, RR-0986, RR-1075, RR-1446, RR-0250, RR-0735, RR-1675, RR-0974, RR-1920, RR-0010, RR-1380, RR-0043, RR-0441, RR-1641, RR-1669, RR-0956, RR-1300, RR-1949, RR-1527, RR-0756, RR-0279, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-0749, RR-0022, RR-0149, RR-1998, RR-1344, RR-1821, RR-1600, RR-1033, RR-1570, RR-1570, RR-1638, RR-0661, RR-0942, RR-1579, RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0295, RR-0861		

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WAT-002	RR-1276, RR-1470, RR-0081, RR-1349, RR-0531, RR-0625, RR-0751, RR-1233, RR-0064, RR-0173, RR-0738, RR-0377, RR-0841, RR-0207, RR-2024, RR-1216, RR-1071, RR-0493, RR-1800, RR-1551, RR-1252, RR-1106, RR-1260, RR-0826, RR-0827, RR-0774, RR-1773, RR-0130, RR-1727, RR-0390, RR-0519, RR-1140, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-0900, RR-0601, RR-0247, RR-0268, RR-1147, RR-1543, RR-0959, RR-1012, RR-0905, RR-1143, RR-0467, RR-1541, RR-0393, RR-0333, RR-1287, RR-0066, RR-1563, RR-1777, RR-0929, RR-0593, RR-0170, RR-0528, RR-1456, RR-0099, RR-1672, RR-0395, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-0144, RR-0965, RR-0094, RR-1816, RR-1649, RR-1168, RR-1733,RR-0573, RR-0309, RR-1204, RR-0502, RR-1477, RR-0872, RR-1369, RR-0096, RR-1215, RR-1969, RR-0506, RR-1326, RR-1850, RR-0825, RR-	Respondents noted that the Scheme sits within a highly sensitive chalk stream and chalk aquifer catchment. this includes comments on water quality from catchments. Some respondents noted Site 7 is hydrologically linked to sensitive chalk streams. Mention of sensitive area connected to the River Tas, Hempnall Beck and wider chalk stream systems.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.2 - Water Framework Directive Assessment [APP-163]** identify the River Tas and Hempnall Beck as Chalk Streams. Mitigation measures to minimise the risk of pollution to the water environment are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** and are secured through Requirements 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032].** In accordance with Requirement 11 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, a detailed surface water drainage scheme will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. Based on the above, the impacts from the Scheme to the Hempnall Beck, the River Tas and other water receptors have been assessed within chapter 9 as 'Not Significant', with the exception of the cessation of agricultural use/fertiliser which is 'Significant Major Beneficial'. Where cables cross main rivers (the River Tas and Hempnall Beck), the Applicant has committed to an Avoidance Area subject to trenchless crossings and a minimum cable depth of 5m below the surveyed bed of main

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	1785, RR-0616, RR-1121, RR-1448, RR-1749, RR-0670, RR-0478, RR-1693, RR-1953, RR-0744, RR-0687, RR-0527, RR-0283, RR-1187, RR-0269, RR-0464, RR-1860, RR-0883, RR-0058, RR-1098, RR-1637, RR-0406, RR-0976, RR-0842, RR-1388, RR-1030, RR-0373, RR-1403, RR-1689, RR-1298, RR-0296, RR-0449, RR-0876, RR-0728, RR-0332, RR-0499, RR-1820, RR-0875, RR-0405, RR-1141, RR-1884, RR-0331, RR-1959, RR-0594, RR-1812, RR-0793, RR-0662, RR-0364, RR-1008, RR-1442, RR-1772, RR-1835, RR-0154, RR-0992, RR-1720, RR-0234, RR-1051, RR-0829, RR-1870, RR-1656, RR-1656, RR-0960, RR-1158, RR-0683, RR-0986, RR-1075, RR-1446, RR-0499, RR-1181,RR-0453, RR-1190, RR-1920, RR-0010, RR-1380, RR-0043, RR-0329, RR-1166, RR-1527, RR-0756, RR-0279, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-0749, RR-1153, RR-		rivers (as presented in **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**).

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	0570, RR-1911, RR-1198, RR-1821, RR-1600, RR-0440, RR-1022, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-0942, RR-1579, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-1611, RR-1995		
WAT-003	RR-1602, RR-0738, RR-1646, RR-1216, RR-1260, RR-0295, RR-0130, RR-0227, RR-0291,RR-0788, RR-0519, RR-0900, RR-0376, RR-0785, RR-0451, RR-1012, RR-0507, RR-1143, RR-0467, RR-0822, RR-0822, RR-0246, RR-1640, RR-0393, RR-0066, RR-1245, RR-1563, RR-0914, RR-0170, RR-1564, RR-0099, RR-0087, RR-0861, RR-0005, RR-0610, RR-	Respondents expressed concern that potential increases in run-off will overwhelm natural and/or man-made drainage systems. Some respondents noted drainage features in Site 7. Some respondents expressed concern that increased run-off would lead to faster downhill water flow, erosion, sediment movement, worsening flooding events and further	No surface water connections to Anglian Water Services sewers are proposed. The majority of the Scheme consists of solar panels which will be raised on narrow supports at an appropriate freeboard above ground level/anticipated flood depths as secured within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. The ground cover beneath the panels will be grass/wildflower meadow and runoff from panels will drip via dispersed gaps across their faces onto the ground cover and

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	1164, RR-2030, RR-0094, RR-0094, RR-0973, RR-1225, RR-1109, RR-1733, RR-0573, RR-0309, RR-1204, RR-1477, RR-0872, RR-1369, RR-1201, RR-0332, RR-1044, RR-0238, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-1152, RR-1474, RR-1256, RR-1256, RR-1312, RR-1693, RR-0721, RR-1786, RR-0580, RR-1575, RR-0283, RR-1187, RR-0430, RR-2031, RR-0976, RR-0842, RR-1378, RR-1099, RR-1403, RR-1689, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-0349, RR-0109, RR-0332, RR-1326, RR-0450, RR-0859, RR-1730, RR-1730, RR-0817, RR-0405, RR-0988, RR-0302, RR-1698, RR-0331, RR-0594, RR-1807, RR-1784, RR-0575, RR-0154, RR-0577, RR-1092, RR-1708, RR-0618, RR-0540, RR-0612, RR-0187, RR-0838, RR-2008, RR-0337, RR-1996, RR-0986, RR-1446, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-0735, RR-1181, RR-1920, RR-0010, RR-1380, RR-0043, RR-1166, RR-1300, RR-	pressure on the struggling drainage system.	percolate naturally into the soil as per the existing drainage regime. An outline surface water drainage strategy has been developed to manage surface water runoff, as set out in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018** and **AS-019]**. In accordance with Requirement 11 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, a detailed surface water drainage scheme will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. The inspection and maintenance requirements for long term management of the Scheme's surface water drainage system is provided in the Preliminary Surface Water Drainage Maintenance Schedule of the **Outline OEMP [APP-197].** Flood risk (from all sources) including surface water risk has been considered in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018 and AS-019]**, which identifies areas at risk of flooding, taking into consideration climate change.

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	1949, RR-1527, RR-0749, RR-1821, RR-1600, RR-1638, RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0295, RR-0356, RR-1646, RR-1216, RR-0036, RR-0291, RR-0429, RR-0356, RR-0861, RR-0872, RR-1474, RR-0580, RR-1187, RR-0430, RR-1403, RR-0817, RR-1807, RR-1708, RR-1282, RR-1615, RR-1638, RR-1952, RR-1890, RR-0227, RR-0220, RR-0861,		**ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018 and AS-019]** concludes that the Scheme is safe and will not detrimentally impact on flood risk within the Order Limits or elsewhere.
WAT-004	RR-0148, RR-0746, RR-1233, RR-0469, RR-1450, RR-0591, RR-0738, RR-0207, RR-1555, RR-0151, RR-0648, RR-0897, RR-0475, RR-1538, RR-1954, RR-0688, RR-0519, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-0247, RR-0507, RR-0330, RR-1754, RR-0356, RR-1083, RR-1287, RR-1159, RR-0708, RR-0087, RR-0861, RR-0924, RR-0005, RR-0485, RR-0008, RR-1990, RR-1699, RR-0872, RR-0522, RR-2017, RR-1214, RR-0533, RR-0996, RR-0840, RR-0792, RR-0580, RR-0737, RR-0283, RR-0430,	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of the Scheme on the water environment.	Flood (from all sources) and surface water risk has been considered in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018 and AS-019]**, which identifies areas at risk of flooding, taking into consideration climate change. The water environment is also assessed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.2 – Water Framework Directive Assessment [APP-163]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.3 – Water Resources Assessment [APP-164]**. An outline drainage strategy has also been developed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline**

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	RR-0058, RR-0778, RR-2031, RR-0842, RR-1378, RR-1670, RR-0454, RR-1354, RR-0783, RR-0876, RR-0728, RR-0332, RR-0684, RR-0859, RR-1481, RR-0405, RR-1348, RR-0988, RR-0331, RR-1784, RR-1708, RR-0211, RR-1961, RR-1780, RR-0942, RR-1290, RR-1020, RR-1815, RR-0390,		**Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018 a**nd **AS-019]**. Requirement 11 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** requires written details of the surface water drainage scheme to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. Further design commitments and mitigation measures for flood risk and drainage are set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213],** the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** that are secured through Requirements 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
WAT-005	RR-0207, RR-2024, RR-0493, RR-1260, RR-0295, RR-0227, RR-0731, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-1287, RR-0099, RR-0395, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-0573, RR-1398, RR-1369, RR-0241, RR-0669, RR-1256, RR-0616, RR-1121, RR-1093, RR-1689, RR-1326, RR-1730, RR-1820, RR-1807, RR-0364,RR-1442, RR-1029, RR-1720, RR-0997, RR-1870, RR-1656, RR-1492, RR-0960, RR-	Respondent stated that insufficient hydrological and hydro-ecological assessment work has been undertaken to properly understand the true environmental and public health consequences of the Scheme. Some respondents stated that impacts on flood risk requires independent assessment. Some respondents stated that the assessments seem to focus on the	Hydrological connectivity to water receptors within a 2km radius has been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]**. The assessment concludes that with the inclusion of embedded mitigation measures including provision of surface water runoff management and pollution management set out and secured within the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198**] the effects on water receptors are 'Not Significant', with exception

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	1158, RR-0844, RR-1446, RR-0588, RR-0123, RR-0453, RR-1190, RR-0043, RR-0329, RR-1300, RR-1153, RR-1198, RR-1821, RR-0942, RR-1602, RR-1730, RR-0291, RR-1995, RR-0973, RR-0295, RR-0486, RR-1534	immediate site, and not the wider drainage basin. A few respondents stated that there is no long-term provision to address potential future impacts, such as flooding or property damage.	of the effects of cessation of agricultural use/chemicals which are 'Significant Major Beneficial'. An assessment of all sources of flood risk has been undertaken for the Order Limits within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment and Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]**.
WAT-006	RR-0738, RR-1551, RR-1266, RR-0788, RR-0356, RR-1394, RR-0332, RR-1474, RR-0283, RR-0430, RR-0817, RR-0405, RR-0331, RR-1708, RR-1282, RR-0832, RR-1821, RR-1995	Respondents stated that soil compaction will result due to an increase in run-off.	Ground and soil compaction is considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]**, which considered the movement of construction vehicles, soil stripping and placement of materials / stockpiling which can contribute to ground compaction and changes in the pattern, quantity and quality of surface water runoff. In light of the detailed mitigation identified in Section 9.7 of the chapter including the limitation of heavy goods vehicles (HGV) movements to compound areas as far as practicable and the storage and handling of materials will be undertaken in temporary compounds/designated areas, no significant effect were identified. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 – Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]**. Identifies that It is very unlikely that compaction from the works will result in

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			changes to drainage status at depth such that ALC grade might be affected. The **Outline SRMP [APP-204]** sets out good practice measures in relation to soil handling and management, including in relation to soil compaction. Substantially in accordance with this, a detailed SRMP will be submitted and approved in accordance with Requirement 18 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
WAT-007	RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-1477, RR-1597, RR-1820, RR-1442, RR-0329, RR-1911	Respondent noted Scheme is proposing to drill under the Tas, linking Sites 5 and 7.	The Applicant believes that this should refer to the Hempnall Beck (which interacts with CRC7) rather than the River Tas. Appropriate management strategies and commitments for drilling under the Hempnall Beck River Tas for cable installation have been outlined in **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**.
WAT-008	RR-0207, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-0395, RR-0203, RR-1446	Respondent stated that there remain unsolved risks associated with surface water runoff, trenching operations, sediment movement, and pollution incidents.	Embedded mitigation measures including provision of surface water runoff management and pollution management are set out and secured within the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. As such, risks are appropriately managed.

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WAT-009	RR-0295, RR-0227, RR-0785, RR-0115, RR-0823, RR-1262	Respondents stated that construction of the Scheme would involve heavy machinery, vehicle movements, pilling, trenching, haul roads, and long-term maintenance access. These activities would compact already slowly draining clay soils, reducing the ability to absorb rainfall. Respondents also expressed concern about hydrological changes from compacted access tracks and piled foundations.	An assessment of the effects of the Scheme on soils, agricultural land and drainage is provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 – Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** and effects on the water environment, including hydrology, are assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]**. The impacts from the Scheme to the water receptors have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]** and with the incorporation of embedded mitigation as secured within the **OCEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** as 'Not Significant', with the exception of the cessation of agricultural use/fertiliser which is 'Significant Major Beneficial'. Measures for the management and handling of soils, including measures to minimise compaction and reinstate soils to their previous condition, are described in the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**. Access tracks that will remain in place throughout the lifetime of the scheme (including the permanent access track for the

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			National Grid Substation) will incorporate swales or filter drains running parallel with and/or at the downslope of the tracks as secured within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. Mitigation measures to minimise any potential effects on soils are set out in ES Chapter 15, Section 15.7 **[APP-051]**. As assessed in ES Chapter 15, Section 15.10 there are no significant effects on soils at any phase of the development. Access tracks and haulage roads within the scheme except the access track for the NG Substation will all be reinstated back to agricultural land of a comparable grade upon decommissioning. Measures for avoiding and ameliorating compaction will be set out in detail within the detailed SRMP which will be controlled by DCO.
WAT-010	RR-0295, RR-1807	Respondent stated that the Applicant has failed to demonstrate compliance with national flood risk policy and, as a consequence, may fail the exception test.	During the design process, the Applicant has adopted a sequential approach to the design and layout of the Scheme to ensure that the most vulnerable uses are sited in areas of lower flood risk as far as practicable.

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			A proportionate Sequential Test and Exception Test is provided in **Planning Statement [APP-209]**. The Applicant has applied both the Sequential and Exception Tests and demonstrated how these have been met in line with relevant policy. The most vulnerable elements of infrastructure, being the National Grid Substation, the BESS and Project Substations (along with the Solar PV Arrays), would be sited in areas of Flood Zone 1, at lower risk of flooding. The wider sustainability benefits delivered by the Scheme, which include low carbon electricity in support of Government's energy policy aims, green infrastructure and habitat creation, provision of permissive paths and community accessible space, job education and skills creation, overwhelmingly outweigh the flood risk and the Scheme. **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 – Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]** demonstrates that the Scheme is safe and will not detrimentally impact on flood risk within the Order Limits or elsewhere.
WAT-011	RR-0914, RR-1995	Respondent stated that there is no clear strategy for protecting or	The Scheme commits to providing surface water management for all new impermeable

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		reinstating existing drainage or providing new systems.	surfaces, with outline calculations for the BESS, National Grid and Project Substations and arrangements for access tracks and standalone inverter/converter units provided within **Section 9 of ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment and Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]**. Detailed surface water design is secured through DCO Requirement 11. The Scheme also commits to maintaining a minimum buffer of 10m between infrastructure/stockpiles and construction compounds from watercourses as secured within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** – states that the detailed operational drainage design would be carried out pre-construction with the objective of ensuring that drainage of the land to the present level is maintained, and that if during the construction of any of the infrastructure there is any interruption to existing schemes of land drainage, new sections of drainage would be constructed.

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WAT-012	RR-1262, RR-0093	Respondent expressed concern that the narrow width of local lanes may result in heavy goods vehicles repeatedly driving over surface-water drainage infrastructure, potentially causing damage or blockages. Another respondent expressed concern for construction traffic impact on local drainage channels.	The characteristics of the local road network have been considered as part of the transport assessment and the development of the access strategy. **The Outline CTMP [APP-201]** includes a range of traffic management measures designed to facilitate the safe movement of construction vehicles and minimise effects on the Local Highway Network. In addition, pre- and post-construction road condition surveys will be undertaken on relevant parts of the Local Road Network, with the scope agreed with NCC as the Local Highway Authority. Any highway defects reasonably attributable to construction traffic associated with the Scheme would be rectified to the satisfaction of the Local Highway Authority. The Applicant therefore considers that appropriate measures are in place to manage potential effects on local roads and associated drainage infrastructure during construction.
WAT-013	RR-0394	Respondent expressed support for the Scheme as it would help reduce flood risk.	The Applicant welcomes this comment.

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WAT-014	RR-0823	Respondent took issue with the Applicant's claim that grasslands will manage run-off risks; respondent highlighted that the Applicant based this statement on a paper 'Hydrologic Response to Solar Farms` by Cook and McCuen, even though Cook and McCuen also state that soil type, ground slope and panel angle drip lines can significantly increase runoff rates. The Applicant appears to have completely ignored this matter.	It is acknowledged that the fields within across certain areas of the Order Limits are steep however it should be noted that the existing use for the fields is agricultural where the soil is stirred up during crop harvesting and the land is likely left bare during the winter months when it is wetter. During heavy rainfall, this would lead to sediment / soil mobilisation which may enter ditches / main rivers and reduce watercourse capacity and result in blockage of any culverts present. The ground across the panel fields will consist of a grass and/or wildflower meadow maintained at a suitable height as secured in **Outline LEMP [APP-996]**. The provision of this grass cover all year round will significantly improve soil stabilisation as studies have shown that grass cover has a higher roughness coefficient than bare soil or agricultural use and therefore slows down the rate of runoff flowing down the fields. The solar panel elements of the Scheme will therefore not increase surface water flood risk to properties downstream of the Order Limits.

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WAT-015	RR-1044	Respondent asked how concerns relating to flooding, drainage and surface water management will be assessed during the Examination.	The Applicant considers that this is a matter for the Examining Authority, appointed by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State, in accordance with the procedures set out in the Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010.
WAT-016	RR-1776	Respondent requested the Flood Risk Assessment should include 0.1 AEP test and sequential/exception tests. They stated that no FRA outputs have been provided.	**ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment and Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]** provides an assessment of fluvial flood risk and confirms that all built infrastructure (including solar panels) will be located within Flood Zone 1 and outside all modelled floodplains up to and including the 1 in 1000 (0.1%) annual probability plus allowance for climate change floodplain. Consideration of the policy requirements of NPS EN-1, the NPPF, and the relevant NPPG is set out within Appendix A of the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**. A sequential approach has been adopted for the design and layout of the Scheme to minimise flood risk by directing the most vulnerable aspects of the Scheme to areas of lowest flood risk as far as practicable.

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			The flood risk mitigation measures outlined within Section 8 of **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment and Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]** and secured through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197] and Outline DEMP [APP-198]** ensure that infrastructure remains operational during its lifetime in accordance with the NPPF.
Site-specific comments			
WAT-017	RR-0304, RR-0356, RR-0224, RR-0151, RR-0390, RR-0247, RR-0333, RR-1581, RR-0485, RR-1204, RR-1699, RR-0241, RR-0669, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-1256, RR-0840, RR-0058, RR-1378, RR-0190, RR-0332, RR-1141, RR-0532, RR-1812	Respondent expressed concern for pollution to the River Tas specifically transported through tributaries in the village of Wacton.	The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** sets out the minimum offset distances to main rivers, watercourses and ditches. Where cables cross main rivers, such as the River Tas, the Applicant is also committed to a minimum cable depth beneath main rivers of 5m below the surveyed bed of main rivers. An assessment on the water environment, including pollution, thermal dynamics, groundwater recharge, are provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]** and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 – Ground Conditions [APP-052].** This assessment concludes that with the incorporation of embedded mitigation

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			measures as outlined in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** that are secured through Requirements 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032],** the effects on water receptors (including the River Tas) are 'Not Significant', with the exception of the effects of cessation of agricultural use which are assessed as 'Significant Major Beneficial'. Substantially in accordance with these management plans, detailed management plans will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority.
WAT-018	RR-0295, RR-0441, RR-1995, RR-0295, RR-1765, RR-0823, RR-0773, RR-0818, RR-0856, RR-1593, RR-0441, RR-1344, RR-0295, RR-0532, RR-0295, RR-0376, RR-1640, RR-1081	Respondents stated that no sufficiently detailed site-specific hydrological modelling appears to have been undertaken for Site 8. Some respondents expressed concern for the potential increase in flooding on Shotesham Beck and along Market Lane. Respondent stated that the cable route corridor would put existing drainage pipes of their land at risk as it would exacerbate any possible flooding across Sub-Site 8A,	**ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]** provides an assessment of fluvial flood risk for Site 8 and confirms that all built infrastructure (including solar panels) will be located within Flood Zone 1 and outside all modelled floodplains up to and including the 1 in 1000 (0.1%) annual probability plus allowance for climate change within Site 8 (adjacent to Shotesham Beck and Market Lane). The proposed use for Sub-Sites 8A and 8B will be solar panels which are located outside

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		surrounding roads and properties on Wash Lane and Market Lane.	of areas of Flood Zones 2 and 3, and outside of areas of higher surface water flood risk as far as reasonably practicable, as set out in Section 8 of **ES Volume 3: Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]** and secured within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. The ground across the panel fields will consist of a grass and/or wildflower meadow maintained at a suitable height as secured in **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. The provision of this grass cover all year round will significantly improve soil stabilisation as studies have shown that grass cover has a higher roughness coefficient than bare soil or agricultural use and therefore slows down the rate of runoff flowing down the fields. The solar panel elements of the Scheme will therefore not increase surface water flood risk to properties downstream of Sub-Sites 8A and 8B. The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** – states that the detailed operational drainage design would be carried out pre-construction with the objective of ensuring that drainage of the land to the present level is maintained, and that if

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			during the construction of any of the infrastructure there is any interruption to existing schemes of land drainage, new sections of drainage would be constructed.
WAT-019	RR-0827, RR-1164, RR-1716, RR-1158, RR-0827, RR-1716, RR-1312, RR-1158	Respondent stated that Long Stratton has repetitively flooded and is at risk of increased flooding if the Scheme goes ahead. A few respondents stated that Site 4 is in Flood Risk Zone 3. One respondent expressed concern for potential flooding issues impacting their property which lies on the boundary of Site 4B; respondent reported they have issues due to the presence of clay soil.	The Applicant confirms that Site 4 is not located within Flood Zone 3, it is located within Flood Zone 1 as assessed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 – Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]**. It is acknowledged that narrow surface water flow routes exist within Sub-Site 4B, however infrastructure will be located at least 10m away from the ordinary watercourses/at a suitable distance from these flow routes so that they are preserved, as secured within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. The majority of Sub-Site 4B will consist of a grass and/or wildflower meadow maintained at a suitable height as secured in **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. The provision of this grass cover all year round will significantly improve soil stabilisation and as studies have shown, grass cover has a higher roughness

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			coefficient than bare soil or agricultural use and therefore slows down the rate of runoff flowing down the fields. The solar panel elements of the Scheme will therefore not increase surface water flood risk to properties downstream of Sub-Site 4B or other areas of the Order Limits. As outlined in Section 9 of **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]**, the 132kV Project Substation will have lined surface drainage system with a controlled discharge to watercourse at the QBAR rate which will provide a betterment over the existing scenario for higher return periods. The detailed surface water drainage design is secured through **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The detailed surface water drainage design is secured through DCO Requirement 11. Based on the above, the Scheme will not increase flood risk from any source at the Site or elsewhere.

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WAT-020	RR-1276, RR-1321, RR-0268, RR-0238, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-1256, RR-1995	Respondent expressed concern for flooding/accumulation of water in Site 5. One respondent expressed particular concern that flood in Site 5 from the Beck will flood properties up stream near the Old 3 Nags public house. Some respondents expressed concern regarding increased flooding on the B1527, which already floods where the stream from the field known as Site 5 goes through the old brick culvert under the road. That stream runs a long way from near Tyrell's wood in the South, through Boyland Hall land and on towards the River Tas near Fairstead Lane, over 3 miles. They fear that building over the fields and compacting the ground with heavy machinery will make flooding worse.	The majority of Sub-Site 5 will consist of a grass and/or wildflower meadow maintained at a suitable height as secured in **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. The provision of this grass cover all year round will significantly improve soil stabilisation and as studies have shown, grass cover has a higher roughness coefficient than bare soil or agricultural use and therefore slows down the rate of runoff flowing down the fields. The solar panel elements of the Scheme will therefore not increase surface water flood risk to properties or roads downstream of the Order Limits. As outlined in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment and Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018],** the 400kV Project Substation will have lined surface drainage system with a controlled discharge to watercourse at the QBAR rate which will provide a betterment over the existing scenario for higher return periods. The detailed surface water drainage design is secured through DCO Requirement 11.
WAT-021	RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0761	Respondent expressed concern that Scheme interacts with Starston Brook	As set out in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment and Outline**

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		with impacts downstream on Waveney River, Valley and Hundred Lane.	**Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]**, the Order Limits were amended post Statutory Consultation to exclude the areas of Flood Zones 2 and 3 associated with the Starston Brook. The BESS, National and Project Substations have been located within Flood Zone 1 and outside of areas of 'low' to 'high' surface water flood risk with the exception of localised areas which are due to topographic depressions.
WAT-022	RR-0929, RR-0593, RR-0528	Respondent requested that the Scheme avoids land in Flood Zones 1 and 3.	The Applicant notes that the respondent should be referring to Flood Zone 2 rather than Flood Zone 1 in terms of avoidance and refers to its response to row WAT-21.
WAT-023	RR-0229, RR-1326, RR-1576	Respondent expressed concern that flooding risk will increase for The Street, as water comes down from the War Memorial.	The Applicant notes this comment in relation to concerns on flood risk to The Street, Hempnall. Figure 9.2 – Topography and Overland Flow Routes contained within Appendix A of **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 – Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]** shows that whilst Sub-Sites 7E, 7F and 7G are located north/north-east of The Street, the topographic contours fall towards the north or

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			east and therefore do not contribute overland flows towards Hempnall or The Street. The figure also shows that the land between Sub-Sites 7E-7G and Hempnall/The Street are very steep (level change of 45.0m AOD north to 29.0m AOD on The Street) and therefore if flooding issues are occurring due to overland flows from the fields, it would be from fields outside of the Order Limits. Notwithstanding the above, the proposed use for the Sub-Sites adjacent to Hempnall will be solar panels which are located outside of areas of Flood Zones 2 and 3, and outside of areas of higher surface water flood risk as far as reasonably practicable, as set out in Section 8 of **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1- Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]** and secured within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. The ground across the panel fields will consist of a grass and/or wildflower meadow maintained at a suitable height as secured in **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. The provision of this grass cover all year round will significantly improve soil stabilisation and as

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			studies have shown that grass cover has a higher roughness coefficient than bare soil or agricultural use and therefore slows down the rate of runoff flowing down the fields. Therefore, the Scheme is not anticipated to exacerbate flooding to Hempnall/The Street.
WAT-024	RR-1183, RR-1326	Respondent stated that the section of road near the old waste recycling site on the B1134 is prone to flooding.	The Applicant notes this comment. The Scheme commits to not increasing flood risk elsewhere through the incorporation of flood risk mitigation as set out and secured within the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** and commitments within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**.
WAT-025	RR-0229, RR-1576	Respondent expressed that it is unclear whether the Flood Risk Assessment fully reflects observed flooding events in 2020 affecting properties in Saxlingham Nethergate.	The Applicant notes the concerns from local residents on historic flooding events in the vicinity of the Order Limits. The Scheme commits to not increasing flood risk elsewhere through the incorporation of flood risk mitigation as set out and secured within the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** and commitments within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**.

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WAT-026	RR-0323, RR-1783	Respondent stated that Site 9 sits in a highly sensitive chalk stream (Tas) and chalk aquifer catchment, with a high degree of hydro-ecological connectively directly to the Tas, private sewage and vulnerable water receptors surrounding the Scheme.	Water receptors including the River Tas have been identified within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]**. The assessment assumes a worst-case scenario of 'Very High' sensitivity when assessing impacts. The assessment also considers the embedded mitigation measures as set out and secured within the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198],** and the residual effects are assessed as 'Not Significant', with the exception of the effects of cessation of agricultural use / chemicals / fertilisers which are assessed as Significant Major Beneficial.
WAT-027	RR-1456	Respondent expressed concern that there are dykes in Site 7 which may be filled and/nor replenished.	The Applicant notes this comment and confirms that there is no intention to fill in any dykes/ditches.
WAT-028	RR-0773	Respondent expressed concern for the potential increase in flooding in Shotesham Common.	The Applicant notes this comment and refers to its response to WAT-018.
WAT-029	RR-1160	Respondent expressed concern for potential impacts to the Waveney River.	The Applicant acknowledges that watercourses within or adjacent to the Order Limits (notably the Starston Brook and

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			Broome Beck) drain towards and into the River Waveney. The Applicant notes this comment. The Scheme commits to not increasing flood risk elsewhere or contaminating water receptors through the incorporation of flood risk mitigation as set out and secured within the **Outline CEMP [APP-196**], **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** and commitments within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**.
WAT-030	RR-1811	Respondent expressed concern for the impact of increase flooding in The Street, Woodton, as a result of Site 10.	The majority of Sub-Site 10 will consist of a grass and/or wildflower meadow maintained at a suitable height as secured in **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. The provision of this grass cover all year round will significantly improve soil stabilisation and as studies have shown that grass cover has a higher roughness coefficient than bare soil or agricultural use and therefore slows down the rate of runoff flowing down the fields. The solar panel elements of the Scheme will therefore not increase surface water flood risk to properties on The Street/downstream of the Order Limits.

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			As outlined in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018],** the 132kV Project Substation will have lined surface drainage system with a controlled discharge to watercourse at the QBAR rate which will provide a betterment over the existing scenario for higher return periods. The detailed surface water drainage design is secured through DCO Requirement 11.
WAT-031	RR-0744	Respondent expressed concern regarding the crossing and disruption of Hempnall Beck, near the Krons.	The Applicant notes this comment and has assumed that this relates to the cable route crossing beneath the Hempnall Bek within CRC7. The cable route crossing within CRC7 for the Hempnall Beck is identified as an Avoidance Area where trenchless crossing techniques will be utilised. Launch reception pits will be located at least 10m from the watercourse. This is secured within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. There is also a commitment within this document to locating all construction compounds and stockpiles outside of Flood Zones 2 and 3, with a buffer of 10m from watercourses.

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			As such, the effects on the Hempnall Beck from the cable route crossing as set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]** are 'Not Significant'.
WAT-032	RR-0539	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact on Starston Brook in Tivetshall and downstream impact on Waveney Valley and Hundred Lane.	The Applicant notes this comment and refers its response to WAT-029.
WAT-033	RR-1807	Respondent expressed concern that HGV traffic on their road (likely Lodge Road) will worsen drainage issues on the road, with properties lacking road drainage and experiencing severe flooding.	The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** includes a range of measures to manage construction traffic and minimise effects on the Local Road Network. This includes pre- and post-construction road condition surveys that will be undertaken, with scope agreed with NCC as the Local Highway Authority. Any defects reasonably attributable to construction traffic associated with the Scheme would be rectified to the satisfaction of the Local Highway Authority. A detailed CTMP will be prepared and approved pursuant to the Requirements of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** prior to construction.
WAT-034	RR-1282	Respondent expressed deep concern for the drainage systems on their farm, which the cable passes	The Applicant notes the respondent's concerns regarding potential impacts on the existing land drainage systems. As set out in

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		through. Respondent reported that they have spent tens of thousands of pounds on land drainage over the years and the cable corridor will decimate these drainage systems. Due to the heavy clay soils present, drainage is essential and if disrupted the impacts would be severe and long lasting. Even if the drains are re-established, the soil will settle after time and the land will sink creating water logging, livestock poaching and long-term loss of productivity, ultimately impacting the farm's viability.	the **Outline OEMP [APP-197],** a detailed operational drainage design would be developed prior to construction. This design would seek to ensure that the existing standard of land drainage is maintained. Where construction of the proposed infrastructure interrupts existing land drainage systems, replacement drainage would be installed to reconnect the affected network and maintain its functionality.
WAT-035	RR-0997	Respondent expressed concern that flooding regularly occurs on land parcels 7D, 7F and Saxlingham Nethergate.	The Applicant notes this comment and refers to its response to WAT-018.
Water resources comments			
WAT-036	RR-1553, RR-1908, RR-1290, RR-2029, RR-0666, RR-0469, RR-0064, RR-1450, RR-0207, RR-1876, RR-1890, RR-0493, RR-0517, RR-0597, RR-1106, RR-0561, RR-0827, RR-0774, RR-0227, RR-0390, RR-1503,	Respondents expressed concern for potential impacts on private and local water supplies, including local wells. One respondent expressed particular concern about potential impacts on local water supplies in Lundy Green.	Water resources, including potable water supply for the Scheme, has been assessed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.3 - Water Resources Assessment [APP-164]**. Tankering is considered to be the main option for water supply, as committed to in the

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	RR-0519, RR-0323, RR-0955, RR-1043, RR-0870, RR-0900, RR-0376, RR-0338, RR-0218, RR-1541, RR-0393, RR-0333, RR-1287, RR-1563, RR-0708, RR-1114, RR-0099, RR-0861, RR-0924, RR-0823, RR-0005, RR-0696, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-1445, RR-0902, RR-0973, RR-0925, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-1733, RR-0573, RR-0663, RR-0309, RR-0502, RR-1398, RR-1650, RR-1369, RR-0972, RR-0096, RR-1903, RR-0968, RR-0522, RR-1201, RR-2017, RR-0506, RR-0669, RR-1701, RR-1785, RR-0814, RR-1070, RR-0964, RR-0021, RR-1448, RR-1256, RR-0773, RR-1749, RR-0478, RR-1953, RR-0527, RR-1946, RR-0283, RR-1187, RR-0269, RR-0883, RR-0367, RR-0976, RR-1032, RR-0842, RR-0926, RR-0373, RR-1689, RR-1776, RR-0728, RR-0190, RR-0539, RR-1326, RR-0276, RR-0922, RR-1167, RR-1820, RR-0537, RR-0594, RR-1442,	Some respondents expressed concern for impacts on private and local water supplies on Market Lane.	**Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** that are secured through Requirements 13 and 14 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032].** Licenced abstractions and private water supplies have been considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]** and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 – Ground Conditions [APP-052]** in relation to the potential for contamination. **ES Volume 2, Figure 16.5 - Locations of Private Water Supplies [APP-109]** shows licenced abstractions and water wells. The details of water wells permitted and private water supplies are presented in Table 3.10 and Table 3.11 **of ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 - Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184** to **APP-186]**. Mitigation measures to protect waterbodies from pollution are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** that are secured through Requirements 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. As such, the impacts water supplies are assessed within ns and private water supplies have been considered in **ES Volume 1,**

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	RR-1023, RR-1775, RR-1720, RR-1742, RR-1870, RR-1492, RR-0960, RR-1158, RR-0844, RR-0683, RR-0986, RR-1441, RR-0425, RR-1466, RR-1446, RR-0867, RR-0735, RR-0123, RR-0453, RR-0974, RR-0167, RR-1190, RR-1920, RR-1380, RR-0043, RR-0329, RR-0956, RR-1166, RR-1527, RR-0756, RR-0279, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-1153, RR-1344, RR-1198, RR-1821, RR-1600, RR-1638, RR-0661, RR-1579, RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0243, RR-0052, RR-0295, RR-0227, RR-0323, RR-1689, RR-1240, RR-0774, RR-0295, RR-0227, RR-0968, RR-1326, RR-1070, RR-0469, RR-1450, RR-0823, RR-0872, RR-2017, RR-1701, RR-1187, RR-1099, RR-0539, RR-0331		**Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]** and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 – Ground Conditions [APP-052]** as 'Not Significant'.
WAT-037	RR-2029, RR-0327, RR-0798, RR-1237, RR-0005, RR-0573, RR-1160, RR-0872, RR-0330, RR-1042, RR-0552, RR-1701, RR-1457, RR-0406, RR-1032,	Respondent reported the low pressure of local water supplies, queried where water for construction and to clean the operational panels	The Applicant acknowledges the concerns raised in regard to water supply. **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.3 - Water Resources Assessment [APP-164]** assesses the water

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	RR-0373, RR-1689, RR-0539, RR-1481, RR-1014, RR-0023, RR-1742, RR-0052, RR-0167, RR-0043, RR-1287, RR-0573, RR-1160, RR-1689, RR-0043, RR-0373, RR-0221	would come from, noting their concern that this would be excessive. Respondent expressed their concern on low pressure of water supplies which are in short supply due to climate change and population increase. Respondents asked where water will be supplied from, given Anglian Water Services' scoping opinion response which stated that it would not supply water to the Scheme.	demand for all phases of the scheme. The assessment has concluded that a potable and non-potable water supply demand balance can be reached with embedded mitigation. Water neutrality options have been given priority to reduce the supply requirements. Tankered water was identified as the preferred method for potable supply and rainwater harvesting and on-site storage for non-potable supply. The EA and Anglian Water have also commented on the application. The EA has confirmed that they are satisfied with the option appraisal. Anglian Water also have a strategy for the provision of water for third party users above 20,0000 m^3/d which requires an application. This further protects the local water supply of public and private water. The Applicant welcomes continued engagement with the EA and Anglian Water throughout the Examination process. The Applicant will also explore tankering options outside the AWS region to meet Scheme demand. This approach is being

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			undertaken in order to not impact the local private water supplies.
WAT-038	RR-1144, RR-0333, RR-0902, RR-1398, RR-0096, RR-0238, RR-0669, RR-0021, RR-1953, RR-1597, RR-1689, RR-1776, RR-0190, RR-1326, RR-1820, RR-0537, RR-0997, RR-1492, RR-0960, RR-1446, RR-0453, RR-1190, RR-1920, RR-0329, RR-1166, RR-1527, RR-1344, RR-0094	Respondents requested to know what surveys had been conducted on private sewage and water connectivity, and if a public health concern was raised.	The Applicant notes this comment. Private sewerage has not been surveyed and was not identified at the EIA Scoping stage as a receptor that required assessment within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 - Water Environment [APP-145]**. It is uncertain what is meant by 'water connectivity', however Anglian Water sewer locations have been identified through obtaining the sewer records for the area and watercourses have been identified and assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 - Water Environment [APP-045]**. As such there is no anticipated effects that would prompt a public health concern.
WAT-039	RR-1294, RR-1287, RR-0573	Respondents expressed concern that the Applicant has not accounted for the Scheme's water provision needs in the event of an incident. One respondent stated that NFCC guidelines mandate that BESS developments must feature a reliable water supply capable of delivering a minimum of 1,900 litres per minute for	The Applicant acknowledges the concerns raised and confirms that the Scheme does include a provision of water in the event of an incident. This is outlined in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.3 - Water Resources Assessment [APP-164]** and includes an allowance of 456m^3. This allows for 1900 litres per minute flow for 4 hours and is based on current NFCC2 guidelines. This represents

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		at least 120 minutes. The localised, low-pressure rural water networks severing the area cannot sustain this flow. The lack of infinite water infrastructure means emergency crews will face a choice between rapid resource depletion or letting toxic units burn out uncontrolled.	the minimum amount of water required and is recommended to be stored in two tanks to provide redundancy.
WAT-040	RR-0295	Respondent stated that they invited the Applicant to visit their private water supply, but they did not respond.	The Applicant has undertaken ongoing engagement with local residents and other stakeholders throughout the development of the Scheme and has sought to consider issues raised through a variety of engagement channels. Given the volume of correspondence and requests received during the consultation and application process, it has not always been possible to accommodate every invitation or arrange individual meetings and site visits. However, the Applicant remains committed to engaging constructively with affected parties and will continue to consider requests for meetings and site visits, where appropriate, as the Scheme progresses through the Examination process.

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WAT-041	RR-0539	Respondents expressed concern for potential impacts on private and local water abstraction points, with some noting those located on Hundred Lane, and Tivetshall.	The Applicant refers to its response to WAT-036.
WAT-042	RR-0902	A report has been carried out on the Flood Risk Assessment and Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy presented within the PEIR at Statutory Consultation.	The Applicant notes that the report is based on the Flood Risk Assessment and Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy presented within the PEIR at Statutory Consultation. Following Statutory Consultation, the design of the Scheme, together with environmental assessments, continued to evolve. The Flood Risk Assessment and Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy presented within the PEIR has been superseded by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]** and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]** which provide an assessment of effects on wider receptors including groundwater dependent terrestrial ecosystems that are considered to be hydrologically linked to the Order Limits via watercourses / overland / groundwater flow routes. Flood (from all sources) and surface water risk has been considered in **ES Volume 3,**

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			Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018], which identifies areas at risk of flooding, taking into consideration climate change. The updated assessment within this report considers discussions with the Environment Agency whereby they confirmed that the assessment is deemed sufficient (notably for CRC7 and Sub-Site 8A) and further detailed hydraulic modelling is not required. Since the PEIR submission, an outline drainage strategy has also been developed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment & Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]**. Requirement 11 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** written details of the surface water drainage scheme to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. Noting that the Create Consultancy Report 'Flooding Issues and Drainage Assessment' (October, 2025), is based on a review of the PEIR, and therefore not the most up to date Application material, the Applicant will consider this and if necessary submit a

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			separate response to the report at Deadline 1.
WAT-043	RR-0519, RR-1256, RR-1995	Respondents expressed concern for multiple private water supplies and private sewerage lying within 250m of Site 5. Another respondent stated their borehole is situated less than 130 metres from the Site 5 boundary, and this has not been acknowledged within any assessment.	Sources of Potential Contamination (SPCs) that could be mobilised by the construction of the Scheme have not been identified within the boundary of Site 5, as shown on **ES Volume 2**, **Figure 16.3 - Sources of Potential Contamination [APP-107]**. The assessment of risks to abstractions (including Private Water Supplies (PWS)) presented within the **ES Volume 3**, **Appendix 16.1 – Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184]** has been undertaken on the basis of the available information, as provided by the BGS (water wells), the Environment Agency (permitted abstractions) and South Norfolk Council (private water supplies registered with South Norfolk Council pursuant to the provisions of the Private Water Supply Regulations 2016. It is recognised that the Respondent's borehole is not within the dataset. The geology overlying the chalk in this area comprises Diamicton, which is predominantly cohesive and as shown on **ES Volume 2, Figure 16.4 - Diamicton Thickness [APP-**

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			108] extends to in excess of 6m in Site 5. It is recognised that the composition of Diamicton can be variable, however a laterally or vertically extensive groundwater body is not anticipated to be present. Nonetheless, ground investigation will be undertaken post-consent to confirm the assumptions made. In conclusion, risks to the PWS within the Study Area around Site 5 have not been identified as: • The PWS abstract from the chalk or crag at depth beneath the overlying Diamicton. • Ground investigation will be undertaken, with the design of the Scheme informed by the results of the ground investigation SPC which could be mobilised by ground disturbance during construction of the Scheme in Site 5 have not been identified.
WAT-044	RR-0823, RR-0818	Respondent expressed concern that not all private water supplies have been identified by the Applicant, for example, two supplies have been	As described in Table 3.11 of the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 - Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184]**, where borehole logs are available, and where

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		identified within 250m of Site 8b, when there are four supplies serving six dwellings in this location. (Location Redacted).	information has been provided during consultations, the boreholes within the Sub-Site **8A** and **8B** Study Areas are (or are assumed, based on the geology) to extract water from the chalk at depths of between approximately 20m and 45m below ground level. The geology overlying the chalk in this area comprises Diamicton, which is predominantly cohesive and as shown on **ES Volume 2, Figure 16.4 - Diamicton Thickness [APP-108]** extends to a thickness of approximately 20m in the area of Sub-Sites 8A and 8B. It is recognised that the composition of Diamicton can be variable, however a laterally or vertically extensive groundwater body is not anticipated to be present. A ground investigation will be undertaken post-consent to confirm the assumptions made. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** includes commitments (secured by DCO Requirement 13) to undertake ground investigation and states that: "*The results of the ground investigation will be used to inform the detailed design of the Scheme*".

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			The proposed works in Sub-Sites 8A and 8B comprise PV arrays with shallow foundations (maximum 4m deep) and will therefore not interact (on the basis of the geology encountered within the abstraction boreholes) with the underlying aquifers from which the private water supplies appear to abstract. Whilst a Source of Potential Contamination (SPC) has been identified within Sub-Site 8B (SPC8 - Former 'Market Lane Pit'), as shown on **ES Volume 2, Figure 16.3 - Sources of Potential Contamination [APP-107]**, Sheet 2 of the **Works Plan [AS-002]** shows that the only works in the area of the SPC will be Works 10 - "*works to create and maintain habitat management areas*". These works will not involve interaction with the ground to a greater intensity or a greater depth than the long-standing farming activities in this area (i.e., the baseline is maintained), and therefore significant effects will not occur. It is noted on **ES Volume 2, Figure 16.5 – Locations of Private Water Supplies [APP-105]** that the private water supplies provided by South Norfolk Council are not reproduced on this figure, as the Council requested this

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			data not be reproduced due to GDPR concerns. In conclusion, risks to the PWS within the Study Area around Sub-Sites 8A and 8B have not been identified as: • The PWS abstract from the chalk at significant depth beneath the overlying Diamicton. • The works within Sub-Sites 8A and 8B will not penetrate the Diamicton, and ground investigation will be undertaken to confirm the design. • The works within Sub-Site 8B will not involve ground disturbance that could mobilise contamination from the former Market Lane Pit (i.e., the baseline is maintained). • Ground investigation and interpretative assessment will be undertaken post-consent to refine the Conceptual Site Model, with the design of the Scheme informed by the findings of the ground investigation.

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WAT-045	RR-0856	Respondent expressed concern the impact on private borehole waters supplies to the 6 properties in Baxter's Lane (Redacted) which lie within 150 meters of Site 8B and Market Lane Farm in Market Lane has not been assessed at all. This poses a potential significant risk to public health.	As described in Table 3.11 of the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 - Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184]**, where borehole logs are available, and where information has been provided during consultations, the boreholes within the Sub-Site 8A and 8B Study Areas are (or are assumed, based on the geology) to extract water from the chalk at depths of between approximately 20m and 45m below ground level. The geology overlying the chalk in this area comprises Diamicton, which is predominantly cohesive and as shown on **ES Volume 2**, **Figure 16.4 - Diamicton Thickness [APP-108]** extends to a thickness of approximately 20m in the area of Sub-Sites 8A and 8B. It is recognised that the composition of Diamicton can be variable, however a laterally or vertically extensive groundwater body is not anticipated to be present. Ground investigation will be undertaken post-consent to confirm the assumptions made. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** includes commitments (secured by DCO Requirement

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			13) to undertake ground investigation and states that: "*The results of the ground investigation will be used to inform the detailed design of the Scheme*". The proposed works in Sub-Sites 8A and 8B comprise PV arrays with shallow foundations (maximum 4m deep) and will therefore not interact (on the basis of the geology encountered within the abstraction boreholes) with the underlying aquifers from which the private water supplies appear to abstract. Whilst a Source of Potential Contamination (SPC) has been identified within Sub-Site 8B (SPC8 - Former 'Market Lane Pit'), as shown on **ES Volume 2**, **Figure 16.3 - Sources of Potential Contamination [APP-107]**, Sheet 2 of the **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]** shows that the only works in the area of the SPC will be Works 10 - "*works to create and maintain habitat management areas*". It is noted on **ES Volume 2, Figure 16.5 – Locations of Private Water Supplies [APP-105]** that the private water supplies provided by South Norfolk Council are not reproduced on this figure, as the Council requested this

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			data not be reproduced due to GDPR concerns. In conclusion, risks to the PWS within the Study Area around Sub-Sites 8A and 8B have not been identified as: • The PWS abstract from the chalk at significant depth beneath the overlying Diamicton. • The works within Sub-Sites 8A and 8B will not penetrate the Diamicton, and ground investigation will be undertaken to confirm the design. • The works within Sub-Site 8B will not involve ground disturbance that could mobilise contamination from the former Market Lane Pit (i.e., the baseline is maintained).
WAT-046	RR-0620	Respondent stated that the development poses risks to their private drinking water supply from construction activities, ground disturbance and potential contamination, and that all private	The assessments presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 - Ground Conditions [APP-052]** have been undertaken in accordance with the methodology agreed following scoping. The agreed methodology uses a 250m Study Area for the identification of Private Water Supplies around areas to be

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		water supplies within 1 km of Site 3 should be surveyed and assessed.	used as PV arrays (i.e., where deep piled foundations are not required). The assessment of risks to abstractions (including Private Water Supplies (PWS)) has been undertaken on the basis of the available information, as provided by the BGS (water wells), the Environment Agency (permitted abstractions) and South Norfolk Council (private water supplies registered with South Norfolk Council pursuant to the provisions of the Private Water Supply Regulations 2016. These datasets do not include a water supply at Park Farm. The geology overlying the Crag and Chalk in the area of Site 3 comprises Diamicton, which is predominantly cohesive and as shown on **ES Volume 2, Figure 16.4 - Diamicton Thickness [APP-108]** extends to a thickness of approximately 15m in the area of Site 3. It is recognised that the composition of Diamicton can be variable, however a laterally or vertically extensive groundwater body is not anticipated to be present. The piled foundations for the PV arrays within Site 3 will extend to a maximum depth of 4m, i.e., the piles will not penetrate through the

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			Diamicton and into the underlying Crag and Chalk. It is recognised that PFAS contamination is commonly associated with airfields due to firefighting (use and training). PFAS-containing aqueous film forming foams (AFFF) firefighting foams (termed fluorosurfactants) have been used for the extinguishment of flammable liquid fires since 1962. In 1962, RAF Hardwick closed, and the main (off-site) airfield buildings and hangars were demolished. Some of the smaller buildings remain extant and are used by commercial businesses. Whilst PFAS hazards associated with the historical airfields have not been eliminated, given that the airfields were either no longer in use, or were demolished before the introduction of PFAS-containing AFFFs, PFAS hazards associated with the airfields are considered unlikely. The Conceptual Site Model presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 - Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184]** will be refined through ground investigation. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** includes commitments (secured by DCO Requirement

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			13) to undertake ground investigation and states that: "*The results of the ground investigation will be used to inform the detailed design of the Scheme*". The piled foundations for the PV arrays will be metal, and will not require the use of cast in-situ concrete. If conditions are such that piled foundations can't be used, pre-cast concrete ballast blocks may be used to anchor the arrays. In conclusion, risks to private water supplies approximately 800m east of Site 3 have not been identified as • The PWS likely abstract from strata at significant depth beneath the overlying Diamicton and the works within Site 3 will not penetrate the Diamicton. • Ground investigation will be undertaken to inform the design. This will include remediation or mitigation of contamination if it is found to be necessary by a Tier 2 Generic Quantitative Risk Assessment and/or further assessment stages.

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			Measures for the prevention of prevention of release of contamination through leaks and spills and sediment mobilisation during construction and decommissioning are set out and secured within the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**.
Water Framework Directive			
WAT-047	RR-0360, RR-0486, RR-1534	Respondents expressed that water framework has not sufficiently scoped for panel placement and the necessary infrastructure required.	The **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.2 – Water Framework Directive Assessment [APP-163]** is based on information available at the time of the Application being made and will be kept under review in line with new information and assessments which become available as part of the future ongoing design process for the Scheme, where this information may have relevance to WFD requirements and objectives.
WAT-048	RR-1776	Respondent stated that a WFD is needed for ditch and River Tas crossings. They stated that the PEIR contains no WFD screening or assessment, contrary to PINS SO 3.2.4.	Water Framework Directive (WFD) obligations are based on individual WFD waterbody catchment areas, and the River Tas and connecting watercourses/ditches are sub-divided into multiple WFD waterbody catchments. All relevant WFD catchments which may be impacted by the Scheme have been screened and where necessary, further assessed for

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			WFD compliance within the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.2 - Water Framework Directive Assessment [APP-163]**.

2.15 Cultural Heritage

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CUL-001	RR-0148, RR-0436, RR-1567, RR-1470, RR-0585, RR-0746, RR-0081, RR-0763, RR-0531, RR-1233, RR-0643, RR-0871, RR-2029, RR-0666, RR-0469, RR-1450, RR-0173, RR-0878, RR-0738, RR-1646, RR-0841, RR-0207, RR-0255, RR-0207, RR-1003, RR-1810, RR-2024, RR-1009, RR-1548, RR-1879, RR-0863, RR-0184, RR-0685, RR-0520, RR-1942, RR-1800, RR-0229, RR-1551, RR-1989, RR-1318, RR-1195, RR-0318, RR-1252, RR-1260, RR-1439, RR-0826, RR-0648, RR-2015, RR-0827, RR-0304, RR-0262, RR-0360, RR-0544, RR-0448, RR-0130, RR-1727, RR-0378, RR-0141, RR-0429, RR-0390, RR-0519, RR-1140, RR-1935, RR-1043, RR-0955, RR-0870,	Respondents expressed concern for the Scheme's impact on local cultural heritage and/or history, including designated and non-designated heritage assets and conversation zones. This also included potential impacts on listed buildings. Some respondents expressed specific concern to the impact on the setting of these heritage assets. Many respondents mentioned the potential impact on the Boudicca Way and/or the ancient Roman Pye Road.	An assessment of heritage assets, including Conservation Areas and listed buildings, is provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 Heritage Statement [APP-165** to **APP-168]**. As described in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**, heritage assets have been considered during the design process with the principle to mitigate impact by design, where practicable. This includes, for example, reducing the extent of Solar PV Arrays in proximity to some designated heritage assets. During the design process, regard has been had to Boudicca Way during the construction traffic routing, the siting of infrastructure within the Scheme and the **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** to minimise impacts as far as possible. An assessment of Boudicca Way from a visual

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	RR-0900, RR-0601, RR-2002, RR-0541, RR-0115, RR-1583, RR-1019, RR-1301, RR-0268, RR-0943, RR-1012, RR-0507, RR-0330, RR-1143, RR-0467, RR-0877, RR-0888, RR-0340, RR-1754, RR-1787, RR-0725, RR-0027, RR-1144, RR-1115, RR-1039, RR-0356, RR-1129, RR-1083, RR-0072, RR-1552, RR-1251, RR-0288, RR-0745, RR-0929, RR-1777, RR-1563, RR-0593, RR-0797, RR-0797, RR-1456, RR-0099, RR-1672, RR-0924, RR-1209, RR-1058, RR-0823, RR-0005, RR-0610, RR-1055, RR-0395, RR-0421, RR-0094, RR-1649, RR-1833, RR-1375, RR-0598, RR-0925, RR-1716, RR-1109, RR-1858, RR-1824, RR-0485, RR-1917, RR-0663, RR-0562, RR-1521, RR-0008, RR-1278, RR-0502, RR-1160, RR-1650, RR-1542, RR-1435, RR-1712, RR-0574, RR-0574, RR-1478, RR-1903, RR-2018, RR-2017, RR-1969, RR-1355, RR-0506, RR-0335,		amenity perspective is provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 – Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Construction vehicles in respect of Boudicca Way will be managed through the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**, which sets out anticipated closures and management of PRoW. A detailed PRoWPPMP will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority in accordance with Requirement 17 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Roman Pye Road bisects Site 4. As outlined in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.6 – Archaeological Mitigation Strategy [APP-173]**, further stages of informative trenching will be undertaken within the remaining areas of the Scheme not already subject to previous trenching. It has been agreed with NCC HES that the amount and location of any additional trenching will be targeted on areas of higher impact and will be proportionate to the cumulative impact of all elements of the Scheme.

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	RR-0006, RR-0904, RR-1326, RR-1958, RR-0020, RR-0273, RR-1256, RR-0814, RR-1377, RR-1517, RR-0533, RR-0656, RR-0964, RR-1753, RR-1448, RR-0773, RR-1256, RR-1312, RR-0773, RR-1331, RR-1749, RR-1392, RR-0478, RR-1557, RR-1953, RR-0188, RR-0744, RR-1093, RR-0527, RR-1226, RR-0093, RR-0464, RR-1597, RR-1860, RR-1124, RR-0388, RR-1637, RR-0242, RR-0406, RR-1977, RR-0976, RR-0726, RR-0373, RR-1388, RR-0122, RR-1099, RR-1670, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-0449, RR-0885, RR-0783, RR-0040, RR-0820, RR-1034, RR-0728, RR-0539, RR-0332, RR-1326, RR-1464, RR-1433, RR-0474, RR-1730, RR-0859, RR-0276, RR-1730, RR-0687, RR-2021, RR-1067, RR-0409, RR-1167, RR-1820, RR-0875, RR-0405, RR-0729, RR-0009, RR-0143, RR-1485, RR-0988, RR-0889, RR-0426, RR-1587, RR-1884, RR-0331,		

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	RR-1812, RR-1306, RR-0662, RR-0364, RR-1008, RR-0761, RR-1835, RR-1784, RR-1775, RR-1644, RR-1029, RR-0595, RR-0992, RR-1720, RR-0677, RR-0077, RR-0618, RR-1316, RR-0234, RR-1576, RR-0787, RR-1051, RR-0997, RR-0896, RR-1449, RR-0211, RR-0898, RR-0829, RR-0307, RR-0258, RR-1961, RR-1742, RR-0818, RR-1248, RR-1870, RR-1656, RR-0139, RR-1324, RR-1642, RR-1081, RR-1158, RR-1158, RR-0844, RR-0856, RR-0683, RR-1249, RR-0986, RR-1075, RR-1466, RR-0523, RR-1446, RR-1505, RR-1117, RR-0735, RR-1675, RR-1573, RR-1615, RR-0123, RR-1181, RR-0398, RR-1102, RR-0439, RR-0974, RR-1920, RR-0010, RR-1380, RR-1239, RR-0948, RR-0329, RR-0956, RR-1166, RR-0906, RR-1710, RR-1074, RR-0159, RR-1737, RR-1949, RR-1633, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-0749, RR-0022, RR-1153, RR-0570,		

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	RR-1911, RR-1198, RR-1821, RR-1600, RR-1033, RR-0866, RR-1570, RR-1638, RR-0942, RR-1938, RR-0661, RR-1579, RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-1995, RR-1611		
CUL-002	RR-1500, RR-1495, RR-0541, RR-2017, RR-1312, RR-1315, RR-0132, RR-1182, RR-0926, RR-0296, RR-0040, RR-0820, RR-1464, RR-1067, RR-0211, RR-1573, RR-1615, RR-0010, RR-1710, RR-1611, RR-0207, RR-0493, RR-1260, RR-0774, RR-0323, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-0115, RR-1783, RR-0333, RR-1552, RR-1581, RR-0099, RR-0823, RR-0610, RR-0395, RR-0096, RR-1969, RR-1326, RR-0020, RR-1953, RR-1326, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-0211, RR-1117, RR-1102, RR-0453, RR-1710, RR-1153, RR-1911, RR-1198, RR-1821, RR-0942, RR-0496, RR-0931, RR-0135, RR-1331, RR-1911, RR-0279	Respondents provided comments on the impacts to listed buildings. Many commented that there are more than 300 listed buildings within the Scheme's wider zone of interest. Some respondents expressed concern regarding the impact of their Grade II listed cottage / property. Some respondents stated there has been no assessment of potential impacts to their listed property.	An assessment on listed buildings, is provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1** - **Heritage Statement [APP-165 to APP-168]**. The study area extends to 5km from the Sites for the highest-grade heritage assets (i.e. World Heritage Sites, Scheduled Monuments, Grade I and Grade II* Listed Buildings). A study area of 2km has been adopted for the remaining designated heritage assets (i.e. Grade II Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) and 1km for non-designated heritage assets and HER entries. These study areas were determined based on professional judgement and were presented to all statutory consultees at PEIR stage. As noted within the **Consultation Report [APP-024],** in Historic England's PEIR Response from August 2025, it is noted that they *'broadly agree with the*

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			scope and methodology of the cultural heritage and archaeology assessments' as presented at PEIR stage, and further agree 'with the proposed extents of the study areas for different heritage assets and welcome the flexible approach based on the Zone of Theoretical Visibility and ground-truthed walkover surveys.' As described in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**, heritage assets have been considered during the design process with the principle to mitigate impact by design, where practicable. This includes, for example reducing the extent of Solar PV Arrays in proximity to some designated heritage assets.
CUL-003	RR-0276, RR-0595, RR-1102, RR-0055, RR-0751, RR-0827, RR-0669, RR-0032, RR-1067, RR-1158, RR-1446, RR-1233, RR-1552, RR-0054, RR-1248, RR-1624, RR-0357, RR-0520, RR-0493, RR-0519, RR-0268, RR-0356, RR-1552, RR-0094, RR-0719, RR-1276, RR-0332, RR-0656, RR-0676, RR-0232,	Respondents expressed concern for the Scheme's impact on historical churches. This included the Grade 1 listed church of Stratton St Michael, Church of St Mary, Grade 1 Listed St Catherine's Church, Grade I listed All Saint's Church in Wacton, and St Margaret's Church in Hempnall.	Assessment of Churches which were considered to be sensitive to development within the Scheme were assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168]**. It was considered that due to the embedded and proposed mitigation within the Scheme, there would be no harm to the significance of churches and, in several

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	RR-0332, RR-0988, RR-1306, RR-0234, RR-0055, RR-1996, RR-0929, RR-0593, RR-0528, RR-0032, RR-1158	Some respondents stated that Long Stratton has significant historic importance, including its origins as the hamlets of Stratton St Michael and Stratton St Mary recorded in the Domesday Book, its Grade I listed churches, and the nationally rare Sexton's Wheel at St Mary's Church.	cases, their settings will be improved by proposed mitigation measures. The Applicant notes the Consultee's comments regarding the historic importance of Long Stratton. The assessments noted that Long Stratton Conservation Area and the Listed Buildings within were not taken forwards for further assessment, as it was considered that there would be no impact to the conservation areas character and appearance, nor the listed buildings setting or significance by the Scheme. This is largely due to the presence of the Long Stratton Bypass, which extends between Long Stratton and Site 4 and the Cable Route Corridor, the extent of which includes a large roundabout to the north of the village.
CUL-004	RR-0585, RR-0797, RR-0746, RR-0421, RR-1067, RR-1611, RR-1721, RR-0421	Respondents provided comments on the Heritage Impact Assessment. Some respondents stated that the impact to listed buildings has not been considered by the Applicant. Respondent stated that under the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Area) Act 1990, the Inspectorate must give "considerable importance and weight" to the	The Applicant notes that **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168]**, **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.2 – Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment [AS-020 – AS-021]**, **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.3 – Archaeological Geophysical Survey [AS-022]**, **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.4 –**

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		preservation of listed buildings, conservation areas and known archaeological assets. The respondent stated that the Heritage Impact Assessment understates the harm to the Grade 1 listed Church of St Margaret and to the wider historical landscape. Another respondent expressed concern the Applicant's own Heritage Statement acknowledges archaeological sensitivity within the site, while the Norfolk HER identifies evidence of Roman settlement activity, enclosure systems, cropmarks, medieval field systems and historic routeways within the wider landscape. Given the scale of the proposed ground disturbance, respondent suggests there is a significant risk of irreversible harm to buried archaeological remains and to the setting of nearby heritage assets.	**Aerial Investigation Mapping Survey [AS-023 - AS-024]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.5 – Evaluation Trenching Report [APP-172]**. The Applicant considers that these assessments have been produced in line with the relevant legislation, planning policy and professional guidelines, and are considered to be robust and appropriate for the assessment of the Scheme. It was determined as part of the assessment that the Scheme would result in no impact to the Grade I Listed Church of St Margaret (NHLE 1050328) in Hempnall. As outlined in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.6 – Archaeological Mitigation Strategy [APP-173]**, further stages of informative trenching will be undertaken within the remaining areas of the Scheme not already subject to previous trenching. It has been agreed with NCCHES that the amount and location of any additional trenching will be targeted on areas of higher impact and will be proportionate to the cumulative impact of all elements of the Scheme.

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			The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]** and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** addresses potential direct impacts to historic landscape character.
CUL-005	RR-0519, RR-0888, RR-0356, RR-1741, RR-1995	Respondent expressed concern that the Scheme will lead to the destruction of ancient and historic field margins / patterns.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern over landscape and visual effects as a result of the Scheme. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** presents an assessment of the likely effects of the Scheme and includes considerations of the worst-case scheme parameters. Existing field boundaries are to be largely retained and, where necessary, reinforced by additional planting. The Applicant considers the proposed landscape measures which include woodland, hedgerows, and trees proposed within the **Outline LEMP [APP-**

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			199] (which is a secured document) have been carefully sited with regard to existing characteristic landscape features. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** addresses potential direct impacts to historic landscape character. The majority of fields within the Order Limits are classified as '20th century agricultural fields', which represent large fields established as a result of significant boundary removal following World War II. Such fields are considered to be of little significance, as their earlier historic character has already been altered as a result of the boundary removal. It is considered that the temporary change of use from agricultural to energy production will have no impact upon the legibility of the present established field patterns, nor the historic landscape character of the area as a whole.
CUL-006	RR-0863, RR-1252, RR-0519, RR-1821	Respondents expressed concern regarding the potential effects of the Scheme on archaeology, including the risk of damage to archaeological	The archaeological potential has been established through records, aerial mapping, geophysical surveys and targeted trial trenching, with the potential effects of the

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		sites and undiscovered historical remains.	Scheme reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 - Cultural Heritage [APP-046]**. In consultation with NCC Archaeological Advisor, an Archaeological Mitigation Strategy has been developed, as set out in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.6 – Archaeological Mitigation Strategy [APP-173]** which sets out details of the overarching methodology for undertaking a programme of mitigation. Requirement 12 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** requires written scheme of investigation to be submitted and approved with the relevant planning authority.
CUL-007	RR-0693, RR-0519	Respondents expressed concern regarding the impact on lanes and ancient tracks.	The characteristics of the local road network have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 -Transport and Access [APP-047]** and have informed the development of the access strategy. The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** includes a range of management measures, including designated routes, vehicle booking systems and traffic management measures, to minimise impacts on the Local Highway Network. While it is accepted that lanes, tracks and footpaths in general contribute to the overall historic landscape character of an area, the

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			assessment has not identified any footpaths which have any particular heritage value of equivalence to a non-designated heritage assets. Views from footpaths, including those of heritage assets, have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 – Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** and mitigated where potential impacts were identified.
CUL-008	RR-1772, RR-1166	Respondents stated that the archaeological baseline is not credible because: • Geophysics for Site 1 and 2 are incomplete and masked by interference; • Tithe maps were selectively omitted; • Medieval settlement of Little Moulton ignored; • All Stains Church and Depwade Hundred boundary are	The Applicant notes the historic and archaeological background of the area has been provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.2 – Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment [AS-020 – AS-021]**. The Applicant notes that extracts from the Moulton St Michael Enclosure and Tithe Maps as well as the Tivetshall St Margaret Enclosure and Tithe Maps and Stratton St Mary Tithe Map (which cover Site 1 and Site 2 have been included as Figures 3-7 within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.2 – Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment [AS-020 – AS-021]**. The Applicant notes any potential limitations to the geophysical survey have been acknowledged within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.3 – Archaeological Geophysical Survey [AS-022]**. While it is

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			acknowledged that non-invasive survey works (e.g. geophysical survey and aerial mapping) are not infallible, and will not identify all feature types, it is, however, very useful in identifying the principal concentrations of archaeology, and there is no reason to believe the interpretation and reporting provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.3 – Archaeological Geophysical Survey [AS-022]** is limited or inaccurate. As outlined in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.6 – Archaeological Mitigation Strategy [APP-173],** further stages of informative trenching will be undertaken within the remaining areas of the Scheme not already subject to previous trenching. It has been agreed with NCCHES that the amount and location of any additional trenching will be targeted on areas of higher impact and will be proportionate to the cumulative impact of all elements of the Scheme. The Applicant further notes that the possible site of All Saints Church, as identified within Sub-Site 1B by the HER and detailed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.2 – Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment [AS-020 – AS-**

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			021], as well as the results of the geophysical survey (**ES Chapter 3, Appendix 10.3 – Archaeological Geophysical Survey [APP-022]**), was identified during the course of the assessment, with this area subject to targeted trial trenching, as detailed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.5 – Evaluation Trenching Report [APP-173]**. The evaluation within this area identified no evidence of a medieval Church, with the only features revealed relating to elements of a long-lied field system with likely origins in the medieval period and continued use and reorganization into the post-medieval era.
Site-specific comments			
CUL-009	RR-1233, RR-1127, RR-1489, RR-0774, RR-0519, RR-0209, RR-2002, RR-2032, RR-1583, RR-1552, RR-1209, RR-0925, RR-1824, RR-0324, RR-0663, RR-1941, RR-1398, RR-1435, RR-0574, RR-1882, RR-0006, RR-0238, RR-0825, RR-0814, RR-0656, RR-0021, RR-0478, RR-1668, RR-0188, RR-0744, RR-0726, RR-0876, RR-0040, RR-0820, RR-1139, RR-0190,	Respondents expressed concern regarding the Scheme's potential impact on the Saxlingham Nethergate / Brooke / Shotesham / Hempnall Conservation areas / villages. Some respondents expressed concern that construction activity will cause damage to foundations of buildings in historical areas in Saxlingham Nethergate.	The Applicant notes that potential impacts to Brooke and Kirstead, Saxlingham Green, Saxlingham Nethergate and Fritton Conservation Areas were assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046],** which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – 168]**. The Applicant refers to its response to CUL-011 in relation to impacts to Fritton.

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	RR-1326, RR-0859, RR-1730, RR-0919, RR-0988, RR-1496, RR-0532, RR-1698, RR-1835, RR-1940, RR-0997, RR-0896, RR-0211, RR-0829, RR-0086, RR-0355, RR-1996, RR-0986, RR-0735, RR-1573, RR-1615, RR-0123, RR-0265, RR-1190, RR-1920, RR-0010, RR-1380, RR-0749, RR-1911, RR-1198, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0569, RR-0027, RR-0823, RR-0277, RR-0773, RR-0903, RR-0823	Other respondents stated that the Scheme is too close to the Brooke, Saxlingham Green and Fritton Conservation Areas, which lie within 250m of the Scheme. One respondent noted the developer has itself recognised the sensitivity of Saxlingham Green and the Conservation Area by excluding certain areas from development and increasing buffers around heritage assets. This acknowledgement is itself evidence that the proposal presents a risk of heritage harm.	These assessments noted that detailed assessments of Hempnall and Shotesham Conservation Areas were not taken forwards for further assessment as it was considered that there would be no impact to their character and appearance by the Scheme, though impacts to Saxlingham Nethergate Conservation Area were included in the potential impacts along AIL routes. The assessments concluded that its location along the AIL route will not result in any impact to the character and appearance of the conservation area. The significance of the Brooke and Kirstead Conservation Area is vested in its preserved historic character as a rural village The interrelationship between its historic buildings and the development of the village from medieval times onwards is the main contribution to both this assets significance and setting. Within the conservation area itself, a sense of enclosure is experienced with houses fronting onto the roads lined with mature vegetation, which provides an inward facing atmosphere and strong sense of tranquillity. Tree belts exist along the settlement edges, with views of the

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			countryside from within the village itself, and vice versa, very limited. The Scheme is largely screened from the Conservation Area due to the presence of the mature vegetation surrounding much of the village; however, it is acknowledged that views between Site 9 and the cricket club exist, with this complex situated to the south of the main core of the village, beyond the southern treeline. However, this intervisibility is not considered to be a significant viewpoint within the conservation area. The High Green area of the Brooke & Kirstead Conservation Area (at its south-westernmost corner) extends to within c. 130m north of Site 9, at their nearest points. As part of the design process, the south-western approach into the conservation area was considered, as when travelling north into the High Green area, these views could include glimpsed views of the western part of Site within their vistas. As such, Solar PV Panels were entirely removed from the western half of Site 9, with these areas to be retained as agricultural land. The removal of Solar PV Panels from the western half of Site 9 will also help retain the rural backdrop for

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			the westernmost part of the conservation area, with this rural backdrop noted as being an important landscape gap. It is further noted in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** that the setback established south of Church Hill, between Saxlingham Green and Saxlingham Nethergate, has been established primarily due to archaeological sensitivity within this area. The other setbacks in Sub-Site 7D and the northern part of Sub-Site 7F include the removal of Solar PV Panels from those fields which are situated adjacent the eastern and western approaches into the conservation area, with these areas to be retailed as grassland. Several linear belts of broadleaf woodland will also be established within the northern parts of Sub-Site 7D and 7F, continuations of established woodland already present within the landscape south of Saxlingham Green. The significance of Saxlingham Green derives primarily from its preserved historic settlement layout, with the surrounding vegetation helping to enclose the village from views across the surrounding rural landscape.

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			While there are a few gaps in the surrounding vegetation, these will be mitigated by proposed landscaping within Sub-Site 7D and 7F. These landscaping initiatives will ensure that the Scheme does not encroach upon Saxlingham Green. As described in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**, heritage assets have been considered during the design process with the principle to mitigate impact by design, where practicable. This includes, for example reducing the extent of Solar PV Arrays in proximity to some designated heritage assets. Construction vehicle routes have been selected with the principal aim of avoiding sensitive heritage assets and the routing of vehicles through local villages, wherever practicable. However, it is acknowledged that Abnormal Indivisible Loads (AIL) will pass through Conservation Areas. Mitigation measures relating to construction traffic is set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. In accordance with Requirement 15 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** a detailed CTMP will be submitted to and approved with the relevant

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			planning authority that must consult with the relevant highway authority. AIL movement will be carefully planned and will be undertaken under licence with the Highway Authority to ensure safe operation and to minimise impacts. AIL are not a frequent delivery method and only used for transformers and larger cable drums. AIL movements will be undertaken using strict traffic management, and notification of these types of movements will be communicated in advance. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** concludes that there will be no direct, physical impacts to any heritage assets along the proposed AIL routes.
CUL-010	RR-1203, RR-1233, RR-0931, RR-1234, RR-1791, RR-1552, RR-0925, RR-0324, RR-1394, RR-0135, RR-1969, RR-0006, RR-1326, RR-0669, RR-1946, RR-0269, RR-1730, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-0889, RR-0271, RR-1576, RR-1642, RR-1505, RR-1573, RR-0123, RR-1920, RR-0749, RR-0983, RR-0279, RR-1446, RR-0768	Respondents expressed concern regarding the potential impact to the war memorial in Saxlingham Nethergate. Respondents stated that they are particularly concerned about the proposal to compulsorily purchase land from the Old Rectory and the War Memorial to facilitate the proposed Abnormal and Indivisible Loads (AIL) route. They expressed	The Applicant notes the concerns regarding the War Memorial and the boundaries of the Grade II* Listed Old Rectory in Saxlingham Nethergate. The Applicant can confirm that no part of the registered title of either the War Memorial or The Old Rectory falls within the Order Limits. Accordingly, no powers of compulsory acquisition or acquisition of rights are sought

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		concern that this would require the demolition of a listed wall and the removal of the roadside hedge, which they consider to be important features contributing to the character of the village. The respondent further stated that, in their view, the village roads are unsuitable for the proposed heavy traffic and the AIL route. One respondent stated that war memorials will be demolished by the Scheme. One respondent (RR-1234) expressed concern that the memorial would be damaged by AIL and construction traffic.	over either property and neither title are within the scope of the Scheme. As set out in the **Land Plan [APP-006]** page 5 (sheet 3) and the **Book of Reference [APP-022]** the only land plots in this location for which rights are sought are Plots 03-001 and 03-002. Both plots are located wholly within adopted highway land. No rights are sought over land outside the adopted highway, including any land forming part of the curtilage of the War Memorial or The Old Rectory, for AIL movements or any other purpose. Whilst the adjacent public highway may be used on occasion for the movement of AILs, any such movements will be carefully planned and managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** to ensure the protection of nearby assets, including the War Memorial and The Old Rectory.
CUL-011	RR-0495, RR-1891, RR-0356, RR-0519, RR-0823, RR-0332, RR-0132, RR-0332, RR-1198	Respondent expressed concern for the Grade II listed Church Farm and adjoining Fritton Conservation Area, one respondent added that this is the proposed location of a 400KV	The Applicant has sought to reduce adverse effects on these receptors and reduce the visibility of the Scheme through considered siting of new features and where appropriate introduction of new landscape measures to

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		substation and utility solar infrastructure.	support landscape integrating and visual screening of the Scheme. At Site 5 the 400kV Project Substation has been sensitively sited centrally within the development area maximising the screening benefits of existing vegetation and maximising the setbacks from a number of receptors including local PRoW, residential properties and heritage receptors. Collectively these measures are designed to integrate the Scheme into the surrounding context and reduce adverse effects. Furthermore, the **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** seeks to retain and enhance existing vegetation, to aid the integration of the Scheme and Substation within the environment. A combination of new hedgerow with trees, tree planting and hedgerow improvements are proposed to respond to existing characteristic features and aid visual screening of the Scheme; whilst supporting biodiversity and green infrastructure connectivity. The Applicant notes that assessments of potential impacts to Fritton Conservation Area

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			and the Grade II Listed Buildings at Church Farm have been provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168]**. The assessment has concluded that based on the existing environmental baseline, as well as the proposed landscape mitigation, the Scheme will cause no harm to these heritage assets.
CUL-012	RR-2024, RR-1216, RR-0135, RR-0506, RR-0726, RR-0594, RR-1324, RR-1911	Respondents expressed concern that construction HGV traffic on narrow historic streets could cause vibration-related and structural harm to the fabric of adjacent listed buildings, and that no heritage-appropriate vibration or structural impact assessment had been undertaken.	The Applicant notes that traffic surveys recorded existing movements by HGVs on the Local Road Network within the Study Area, as detailed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. Potential impacts to heritage assets from the vibration of traffic were scoped out (see **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 -Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. The effects of vibration from the construction of the Scheme (excluding the CRC) are considered within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 - Noise and Vibration [APP-048]** for receptors up to a distance of 100m from vibration-generating construction activity. Vibration effects from the CRC are scoped out of these assessments. It was concluded that there is no potential for any swipes or strikes to heritage assets within the Order Limits, nor is it considered that there

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			will be any direct impacts upon heritage assets by vibration.
CUL-013	RR-1450	Respondent expressed concern for the heritage impact to their property, the Grade II listed Rectory. Respondent added that this classification comes from the surrounding setting / landscape as well as the building itself.	The Grade II* Listed Old Rectory (NHLE 1050320) in Great Moulton is situated c. 1.1km north of the Order Limits, north of Carr Lane. As noted within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 - Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Assessment [APP-165 – 168],** due to the distance between these two areas, as well as the intervening built-environment of Great Moulton, this asset was scoped out of further assessment as it was considered that the Scheme would not results in any impact to the significance of this asset.
CUL-014	RR-1456, RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-1477, RR-1820, RR-1442, RR-0997	Respondent expressed concern about impact of the Scheme on listed buildings in and/or adjacent to Site 7.	The Applicant notes that no Designated Heritage Assets fall within the Order Limits. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046],** which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168],** addressed potential impacts to Listed Buildings adjacent Site 7. The assessment acknowledges some temporary impacts to the settings of several Heritage Assets during construction phase

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			works; however, with the embedded and proposed mitigation within the Scheme, the assessments have concluded that the Scheme will overall result in no harm to the majority of the Listed Buildings within the proximity of Site 7. The exception to this is the Grade II* Listed Oaks Farmhouse, which is situated c. 150m east of Sub-Site 7L. This assessment notes that the presence of the Solar PV Panels will constitute a minor change in the wider setting of this asset, but as the significance of this asset is not highly influence by this setting, it is not considered that there will be an impact upon the buildings significance, or the ability to appreciate its significance.
CUL-015	RR-0929, RR-0593, RR-0528, RR-1446, RR-1312, RR-1611	Respondent stated that development of Site 4 would harm designated heritage assets, including Grade I, Grade II*, and Grade II listed buildings, through loss of their rural setting and views.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046],** which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168],** addresses potential impacts to Listed Buildings within the proximity of Site 4. These assessments have concluded that due to the embedded and proposed mitigation for the Scheme, it is considered that the Scheme will result in no harm to Listed Buildings within the proximity of Site 4. A detailed landscape and visual

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			assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**.
CUL-016	RR-1067, RR-1158, RR-1573, RR-1161, RR-1153	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of the Scheme on the Old Rectory which is near Site 4B, including vibration damage to its foundations.	Potential impacts to designated heritage assets have been addressed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]**, which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168]**. The Grade II* The Old Rectory (NHLE 1373264) is located south of Sub-Site 4B. As the Design of the Scheme progressed from PEIR stage, Solar PV Panels were removed from a number of fields to the north of this heritage asset, with these areas retained as either open green field or agricultural land.

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			Proposed landscape mitigation, in the form of native broadleaf woodland, will be established c. 420m north of the road, and any gaps in the existing north/south aligned hedgerow through the southernmost field will be infilled. These mitigation measures will result in no harm to the significance of the Old Rectory. Assuming RR-1573 is referring to the Grade II Listed The Old School (NHLE 1050668) and RR-1161 is Church Hill Cottages (NHLE 1373080), both within Saxlingham Nethergate. Both assets are situated along Church Hill, along which an AIL is proposed. Potential impacts to heritage assets from operational vibration of traffic were scoped out (see **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**). The effects of vibration from the construction of the Scheme (excluding the CRC) are considered within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048].** Whilst the adjacent public highway may be used on occasion for the movement of AILs, any such movements will be carefully planned and managed in accordance with the **Outline**

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			CTMP [APP-201] to ensure the protection of nearby assets.
CUL-017	RR-1791, RR-1326, RR-0931, RR-0135	Respondent, on behalf of Sir John Soane's Museum, objects to the demolishing or damage to the original boundary wall of Saxlingham Rectory. The respondent provided further information: Saxlingham Rectory (1784-87) was built by the celebrated architect Sir John Soane (1753-1837). It is one of his finest early works, being an excellent example of his attenuated neoclassical style. The budget for construction in the 1780s was tight, and so Soane made-up for this through clever planning: using symmetry and the formation of vistas through and out of the house. Alteration of the vista by the removal of trees, and the demolition of the original boundary wall would result in material damage to that carefully arranged scheme and thus alter the character of this Grade 2* listed house. Moreover, the boundary wall itself (which will be demolished or at least be severely damaged by the proposed transport route of the East	The Applicant notes the concerns regarding the War Memorial and the boundaries of the Grade II* Listed Old Rectory in Saxlingham Nethergate. The Applicant can confirm that no part of the registered title of either the War Memorial or The Old Rectory falls within the Order Limits. Accordingly, no powers of compulsory acquisition or acquisition of rights are sought over either property and neither title are within the scope of the Scheme. As set out in the **Land Plan [APP-006]** page 5 (sheet 3) and the **Book of Reference [APP-022]** the only land plots in this location for which rights are sought are Plots 03-001 and 03-002. Both plots are located wholly within adopted highway land. No rights are sought over land outside the adopted highway, including any land forming part of the curtilage of the War Memorial or The Old Rectory, for Abnormal Indivisible Load (AIL) movements or any other purpose.

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		Pye Solar project) was designed by Soane at the time of the house's construction. It comprises an integral part of the house's history, especially given that this wall – as well as the house itself – were constructed re-using building materials from the old rectory building as well as local white brick.	Whilst the adjacent public highway may be used on occasion for the movement of AILs, any such movements will be carefully planned and managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** to ensure the protection of nearby assets, including the War Memorial and The Old Rectory. In **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 – Transport Assessment [APP-174-APP-177]**, the swept path analysis within Appendix D shows the stretch of road in question through Saxlingham Nethergate. The works show that within this area, works required include temporary roadworks and the suspension of all on-street parking areas along the road to facilitate AIL movement. Potential areas where the loads by oversail/overrun are also indicated, none of which include the War Memorial or Old Rectory boundaries. The documents note that where some street furniture is positioned along the turns, conflict is not expected. Where a load may potential oversail, it is possible that tree canopies along the route may need to be trimmed

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			back. However, it is not proposed to remove any hedgerows along this route.
CUL-018	RR-0356, RR-0332	Respondent expressed concern for potential impacts to the Grade II listed Beech Farm.	Beech Farm is situated east of Sub-Site 5B and is recorded by Norfolk HER (49725) as a farmstead established piecemeal between the 18th-19th century. Historic mapping notes the modification of this farmstead since its construction, including the loss of several ranges, and construction of modern concrete, timber and metal buildings. Currently, the U-shaped footprint of the historic complex comprises a west-facing farmhouse, which is situated set back from The Street within the eastern part of the farmstead, as well as stables and a barn, which form the northern and southern parts of the courtyard to the west. Modern agricultural buildings have been established to the north, replacing an earlier C-shaped cattle yard complex. Views from the farmhouse itself are largely restricted, due to the neighbouring barns, and are largely focussed to the west between the two historic farm structures. It is possible there are glimpsed views towards to north-west

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			between the historic and modern barns, though these are limited by these buildings. Solar PV Panels have been removed from the fields immediately to the west and south-west of Beech Farm, with these fields to be left as agricultural. Solar PV Panels are to be established c. 25m to the north of the complex. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** indicates a new hedgerow boundary will be established on a roughly east/west alignment, which will extend from an existing field boundary to The Street. This hedgerow will be fronted by a new Native Linear Tree Belt, with this belt to follow the alignment of the new hedgerow, as well as follow the field boundaries further to the west. The **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) includes details on planting proposals for each landscape typology including outline planting densities. These details will be secured through the LEMP created prior to implementation of the Scheme by, or on behalf of, the Applicant, and will be approved by the relevant planning

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			authority pursuant to Requirement 7 in the **Draft DCO [AS-032].** It is considered that once fully mature, there will be no intervisibility between Beech Farm and the Solar PV Panels within Sub-Site 5B. While it is considered that the introduction of Solar PV Panels will result in the slight industrialisation of the wider setting of Beech Farm, it is considered that it will not result in in any harm to the assets significance, which is largely derived from its historic interest as an 18th-19th century farmstead of low/local significance.
CUL-019	RR-0502, RR-0761, RR-0097	Respondent expressed concern for the general impact on the historic Hundred Lane.	The Applicant notes the concern regarding Hundred Lane, which bisects Site 1. Any construction effects on this link would be temporary in nature and managed through the measures set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** alongside the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. Detailed management plans will be prepared substantially in accordance with the outline management plans and will be approved by the relevant planning authority in consultation with the relevant highway authority pursuant

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			to the Requirements of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** prior to construction. The Applicant notes the historic and archaeological background of the area has been provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.2 – Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment [AS-020 – AS-021]**. No historic paths have been identified as having any particular heritage value of equivalence to a non-designated heritage asset. Views from PRoW, including those on Hundred Lane, have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 – Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**.
CUL-020	RR-0841, RR-1727, RR-0856	Respondent expressed concern that the proposed scheme would have a significant impact on Site 8 and adjacent areas, due to Site 8's being adjudicated as part of a valued heritage landscape by an independent Landscape Architect.	The Applicant acknowledges the sensitivity of the South Norfolk Claylands landscape, including the influence of the Tas Valley and its tributaries, which contribute to the area's distinctive undulating landform and rural character. These characteristics, together with the landscape pattern and the relationship of the Scheme to the surrounding landscape, have been considered within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**.

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			The Applicant recognises that the Scheme would result in significant adverse effects on the local landscape character of Site 8. These effects are clearly identified within the LVIA and are assessed as Major Adverse and Significant during construction, decommissioning and in operation Year 1. As proposed landscape mitigation establishes and matures, including hedgerow reinforcement and new tree and woodland planting secured through the **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]**, the magnitude of effect reduces over time. By Operational Year 15, effects on the local landscape character are assessed as Moderate Adverse and Significant. The Applicant has reduced solar development in Sub-Site 8B, to reduce the impact on landscape setting and on cultural heritage assets, as documented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 5 - Reasonable Alternatives and Design Evolution [APP-041]**. However, the Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape and to views, but it is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the

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			residual adverse effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206].**
CUL-021	RR-0412, RR-0849	Respondent expressed concern for the impact of the proposals on the memorial bench on the bridle path near Great Moulton.	The Applicant notes this concern. Based on **ES Volume 2, Figure 7.5 - Site 1 Zone of Theoretical Visibility [AS-007]**, visibility of the Scheme is limited from this route located to the north of Great Moulton, due to the landform and intervening landscape features.
CUL-022	RR-1067, RR-1611	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact on their property, Tumbrel Barn, which forms part of a group of listed buildings associated with The Cedars, the historic farmhouse serving the land now proposed for development. Tumbrel Barn and Dairy Barn are listed as being within the curtilage of The Cedars and derive significance from their historic agricultural relationship with the surrounding farmland.	Assessment of potential impacts to the Grade II The Cedars (NHLE 1304177) is provided within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046],** which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168],** with this latter assessment addressing curtilage buildings of The Cedars. The Applicant considers that the assessment of The Cedars, including a discussion of curtilage, has been produced in line with the relevant legislation, policies and guidance, and is considered to be robust and

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		They stated that the Applicant has declined to recognise their property as a listed building for consultation purposes. As a consequence, they believe they have not received direct engagement or notification equivalent to that given to other affected heritage assets. The Cedars (List Entry No. 1304177), listed in 1951, is a prominent three-storey building with extensive views across the surrounding countryside. They stated that it is difficult to understand how the Applicant has concluded that neither The Cedars nor the associated curtilage-listed buildings would experience significant effects from a development immediately adjoining Site 4B and extending across the historic agricultural landscape that forms part of their setting. East Pye Solar has not, in the respondent's view, adequately assessed or justified the harm that would result to the significance and setting of this and surrounding properties.	appropriate for the assessment of the Scheme. The assessment has concluded that Tumbrel Barn and The Dairy should be viewed in terms of what they contribute to the principal listed building (The Cedars) and its setting, which is limited to the historic connection. Solar PV Panels have been removed from those areas of Sub-Site 4B to the north-east, east and south-east of these buildings, with much of these areas to be retained as grassland. To the north-east, a new linear native broadleaf woodland will be established, which will be a continuation of the established veteran trees already present to the north of The Cedars. To the north-west of The Cedars, views of Solar PV Panels within Sub-Site 4A will be oblique and beyond the busy A140 (Norwich Road). They will also be set at a considerable distance and will constitute a small part of wider vistas from the upper storeys of The Cedars. Whilst the slight visibility of Solar PV Panels within this Sub-Site is acknowledged by the Applicant, it is considered that the intervisibility due to the slight change in its

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		They are also concerned that the Applicant's heritage assessment, including the photographs used to assess impact on The Cedars does not accurately represent the true setting. These photographs have been taken from locations, angles or viewpoints that do not show the full picture. The Cedars and the associated curtilage-listed buildings, including Tumbrel Barn and Dairy Barn derive much of their significance from their historic agricultural setting and their relationship with the surrounding farmland. The Applicant's assessment does not adequately recognise this relationship or to the extent that the development would transform the character of that setting from open agricultural countryside to a large-scale industrial site. One respondent asked for the heritage assessment for Dairy Barn and Tumbrel Barn to be revised.	setting will not result in any harm to the significance of The Cedars (see **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – 168]**).

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CUL-023	RR-1552, RR-0229	Respondent expressed concern for the potential impacts to Old Hall in Saxlingham Nethergate, a Grade II* listed building.	Potential impacts to heritage assets within Saxlingham Nethergate, including the Grade II* Listed Old Hall (NHLE 1050665), have been included within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046],** which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168].** The Old Hall is situated along a proposed AIL route. The Applicant notes that traffic surveys recorded existing movements by HGVs on the Local Road Network within the Study Area, as detailed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. Potential impacts to heritage assets from the vibration of traffic were scoped out (see **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12: Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**). The effects of vibration from the construction of the Scheme (excluding the CRC) are considered within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12: Noise and Vibration [APP-048]** for receptors up to a distance of 100m from vibration-generating construction activity. Vibration effects from the CRC are scoped out of the assessment.

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			Whilst the adjacent public highway may be used on occasion for the movement of AILs, any such movements will be carefully planned and managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** to ensure the protection of nearby heritage assets. It was concluded that overall, there will be no impact to the Grade II* Old Hall.
CUL-024	RR-1822	Respondent expressed concern that the Scheme could impact on listed straw thatched properties in South Norfolk.	Potential impacts to all Listed Buildings, not just straw thatched properties, have been included within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046],** which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168]** These assessments concluded that with the embedded and proposed mitigation, there will be a neutral effect upon the significance of the majority of Listed Buildings, with the sole exception being the Grade II Listed Moulton Farmhouse (which is not straw thatched), to which there will be a minor adverse effect, which is considered not significant in EIA terminology.
CUL-025	RR-0356	Respondent expressed concern for potential impacts to the Grade II listed Fritton Rectory.	The Applicant notes that assessments of potential impacts to Fritton Conservation Area, which includes the Grade II Listed

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			Fritton Rectory (NHLE 1303982), has been provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168].** The assessment has concluded that based on the existing environmental baseline, as well as the proposed landscape mitigation in the form of extensive setbacks along the eastern boundary of Sub-Site 5B, as well as removal of Solar PV Panels from the south-eastern part of Sub-Site 5B, the Scheme will result in no impact to the Grade II Fritton Rectory.
CUL-026	RR-1552	Respondent stated that they are concerned about the remains of a moat on their property, which could result in the road collapsing into the moat.	The Applicant welcomes further information from the respondent regarding the location of this property / area so that a more detailed response can be provided.
CUL-027	RR-1995	Respondents expressed concern about the potential impacts on the historic area of Boyland.	Consideration has been given to Boyland deserted medieval village and Hall within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.3 – Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment [AS-020 – AS-021]**. Evidence of medieval period activity has been identified within Sub-Site 5A during fieldwork (**ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.5 – Evaluation Trenching Report [APP-172]**), and the

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			location of these remains, south of the area identified by Norfolk Historic Environment Record as the site of Boyland Deserted Medieval Village (DMV) (HER 10168) and Boyland Hall (HER 39694), suggests that the remains within this part of Sub-Site 5A are likely to be related to Boyland. In consultation with NCC HES, an Archaeological Mitigation Strategy has been developed, as set out in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.6 – Archaeological Mitigation Strategy [APP-173]** which sets out datils of the overarching methodology for undertaking a programme of mitigation. This includes the identified medieval remains within Sub-Site 5A. Requirement 12 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** requires written scheme of investigation, substantially in accordance with the Archaeological Mitigation Strategy, to be submitted and approved with the relevant planning authority.
CUL-028	RR-0064	Respondent expressed concern for the impact of the proposals on their Grade II listed Georgian home immediately adjacent to Site 4B and opposite Site 4A.	The Applicant is assuming this representation is in reference to the Grade II Listed The Cedars (NHLE 1304177), which is the only Designated heritage asset which meets this criteria.

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			The Applicant notes the Scheme extends to c. 70m east of the Grade II Listed The Cedars (NHLE 1304177) at their nearest points. Solar PV Panels have been removed from those areas of Sub-Site 4B to the north-east, east and south-east, with much of these areas to be retained as grassland. To the north-east, a new linear native broadleaf woodland will be established, which will be a continuation of the established veteran trees already present to the north of The Cedars. To the north-west of The Cedars, views of Solar PV Panels within Sub-Site 4A will be oblique and beyond the busy A140 (Norwich Road). They will also be set at a considerable distance and will constitute a small part of wider vistas from the upper storeys of The Cedars. Whilst the slight visibility of Solar PV Panels within this Sub-Site is acknowledged by the Applicant, it is considered that the intervisibility due to the slight change in its setting will not result in any harm to the significance of The Cedars (**ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – 168]**).

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CUL-029	RR-0519	Respondent expressed concern for potential impacts to the Roman Pye Road (A140), which bisects Site 4.	The alignment of Pye Road broadly follows the route of the present Norwich Road, which passes between Sub-Sites 4A and 4B. Potential areas of archaeological interest ranging from the prehistoric – Medieval periods were identified within Site 4 along the length of this road, as detailed within both **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.3 – Archaeological Geophysical Survey [AS-022]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.5 – Evaluation Trenching Report [APP-172]**. As outlined in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.6 – Archaeological Mitigation Strategy [APP-173],** further stages of archaeological works will be undertaken within the of the Scheme. . It has been agreed with NCCHES that the amount and location of any additional works will be targeted on areas of higher impact, and will be proportionate to the cumulative impact of all elements of the Scheme. The AMS **[APP-173]** notes the archaeological remains identified thus far within Site 4 will be subject to further archaeological mitigation, should the future design plans dictate the need.

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CUL-030	RR-0931	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of Grade 2 listed buildings on The Street.	The Applicant is assuming this is in reference to The Street, which runs through Fritton. The Applicant notes that assessments of potential impacts to Fritton Conservation Area, which includes the Grade II Listed Buildings along The Street, have been provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement Part 1 [APP-165 – APP-168].** The assessment has concluded that based on the existing environmental baseline, as well as the proposed landscape mitigation in the form of extensive setbacks along the eastern boundary of Sub-Site 5B, which abuts The Street, as well as removal of Solar PV Panels from the south-eastern part of Sub-Site 5B, the Scheme will cause no harm to these heritage assets.
CUL-031	RR-0077	Respondent expressed concern that the cable construction area passes through an ancient iron age settlement opposite a woodland. They noted the Applicant has failed to provide an adequate archaeological strategy for this during the operation of the Scheme lifetime.	The Applicant welcomes further clarity on the location of the Iron Age Settlement opposite the woodland. The Applicant notes that as outlined in both **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.6 – Archaeological Mitigation Strategy [APP-173],** further stages of archaeological works will be carried out within the Scheme, including along the length of

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			the Cable Route Corridor. It has been agreed with NCCHES that the amount and location of any additional archaeological works will be targeted on areas of higher impact and will be proportionate to the cumulative impact of all elements of the Scheme.
CUL-032	RR-0773	Respondent noted coming off Wash Lane and Lathgreen, 100 yards to the right of the junction is an old solidly built farmhouse dating back to the 16th century with a group of substantial barns. These were originally part of the Shotesham Estate which was dissolved in 1920 for death duties following WW1. The farmhouse and adjoining fields were formally listed on the 18th century Tithe map for Sir Robert Fellowes and the house listed as "himself".	The Applicant is assuming the farmstead being referred to here is Lathgreen Farm, which lies north-west of the junction of Wash Lane and Marsh Lane, c. 170m north-west of Sub-Site 8A. The buildings within this farmstead are neither listed nor considered to be a non-designated heritage asset. As such, it was not included for assessment within either **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]** or **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168]**.
CUL-033	RR-0823,	Respondent expressed concern for the Scheme's impact on Grade II listed Oaks Farmhouse, Upgate Green Farmhouse and nearby barn. Respondent primarily attributed the issue to the presence of solar panels at Site 8b appearing on the horizon,	The Applicant notes that potential impacts to the Grade II Listed Upgate Green Farmhouse (NHLE 1050681), Outhouse Immediately to North of Upgate Green Farmhouse (NHLE 1304804), and Grade II* Listed Oaks Farmhouse (NHLE1170906) have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046],** which

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		as well as Sites 7l and 7k to the west of Oaks Farmhouse.	supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – 168]**. Regarding Upgate Farm, as part of development of the Scheme, Solar PV Panels were removed from northernmost field of Sub-Site 8B. The existing substantial hedgerows along the southern part of this field and FP22 will be enhanced under the landscape proposals of the Scheme to offer further screening. The assessments have acknowledged that the wider agricultural setting of Upgate Farmhouse highlights its rural nature and intentional design; however, with the proposed mitigation, the assessment has concluded that overall significance of these designated heritage assets will not be harmed by the Scheme. Regarding Oaks Farmhouse, the assessments do acknowledge that the agricultural hinterland does form part of the wider historic setting of the heritage asset, and that there is a tenurial link between this heritage asset and much of the surrounding land, including Sub-Site 7L, which dates to

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			the early-mid 19th century; however, it is not considered that historic ownership alone makes any specific contribution to its significance has a listed farmhouse, and it is further noted that these lands are no longer form part of the holdings of Oaks Farmhouse. Oaks Farmhouse is currently set within a small plot which is enclosed by the property's gardens, which are bounded by mature hedgerows and trees to afford the complex a degree of privacy as a residence. A small field separates Oaks Farmhouse and Sub-Site 7L, with the eastern boundary of Sub-Site 7L formed of mature vegetation, though there are some gaps in this hedgerow which provided intervisibility between the heritage asset and the south-eastern corner of Sub-Site 7L. As part of the development of the Scheme, a setback has been established along the eastern boundary of Sub-Site 7L, with this setback resulting in the removal of much of this intervisibility. Visual screening, in the form of infill planting of the existing hedgerow, as well as the introduction of new native broadleaf woodland at the eastern boundary of Sub-Site 7L, will be carried out to

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			further reduce any visibility from this designated heritage asset. While it is acknowledged that the introduction of Solar PV Panels within Sub-Site 7L will constitute a minor change to the wider setting of Oaks Farmhouse, the wider vistas are not a key part in demonstrating the setting of this heritage asset, nor is the significance of the property highly influenced by this setting. The assessment concluded that the overall significance of this designated heritage asset will not be harmed by the Scheme.
CUL-034	RR-0144	Respondent expressed concern regarding the use of Site 6 construction compound being too close to Grade 2 listed buildings.	**The Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]** does not make reference to a compound within Site 6, though a compound will be present within the Cable Route Corridor immediately to the north. Impacts to Listed Buildings along the Cable Route Corridor have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046],** which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168]**, compounds have been sited to be sufficiently removed from heritage assets as to avoid or minimise (as practicable) impacts within their settings. These effects would be of a short-term duration and would ultimately be

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			reversable, meaning that the scale of effects would soon return to their previous setting unchanged.
CUL-035	RR-0188	Respondent expressed concern the Scheme will harm the historic setting of The Green and St Marys Church.	The Applicant assumes this is in reference to Saxlingham Nethergate. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046]**, which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – APP-168]**, notes that an AIL route is potentially required through Saxlingham Nethergate. Whilst the adjacent public highway may be used on occasion for the movement of AILs, any such movements will be carefully planned, as detailed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174-APP-177]**, and managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** to ensure the protection of heritage assets.
CUL-036	RR-1611	Respondent objected to the Applicant's Heritage Assessment in relation to their Grade II listed property. They do not agree with the assessment that views to the east will remain relatively unchanged, that there are no meaningful views towards Site 4B, that views of Site 4A	The Applicant welcomes further information from the respondent regarding the location of this property / area so that a more detailed response can be provided.

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		will be oblique, filtered and partial, and that no harm will be placed on the heritage asset. They stated that they found this conclusion shocking and inconsistent. Respondent has viewed photomontages and believes that the solar arrays will be highly visible from their home. They concluded that the assessment does not reflect what it is actually like to live at their home or to experience the landscape from their house.	

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REC-001	RR-0862, RR-0290, RR-1419, RR-1589, RR-0746, RR-1602, RR-1588, RR-0081, RR-1341, RR-0750, RR-0977, RR-1233, RR-1690, RR-1690, RR-2029, RR-0666, RR-1843, RR-0602, RR-1626, RR-0070, RR-0790, RR-0256, RR-0659, RR-1206, RR-2012, RR-0591, RR-0738, RR-0939, RR-0377, RR-0491, RR-0811, RR-0255, RR-0113, RR-0151, RR-1003, RR-0044, RR-1047, RR-0891, RR-1905, RR-0582, RR-1297, RR-1957, RR-0239, RR-1071, RR-0646, RR-0456, RR-1873, RR-1062, RR-1284, RR-0287, RR-0767, RR-1989,RR-0412, RR-0849, RR-0597, RR-1266, RR-1254, RR-0561, RR-0826, RR-0560, RR-0213, RR-2015, RR-0304, RR-1479, RR-0138, RR-0511,	Respondents expressed concern about the Scheme's potential impact on recreation and access to the countryside. This includes potential impacts on Public Rights of Way (PRoWs), public paths, footpaths, and other recreational routes/trails.	A 15m buffer to PRoW has been incorporated into the design of the Scheme, as secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. The Applicant is also committed to the provision of new permissive paths and community accessible space, as set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) which will provide opportunities for access and recreation. These measures will provide additional opportunities for access and recreation during the operational phase of the Scheme. The interaction between the Scheme and the PRoW network has been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 -Transport and Access [APP-047]** and the **Outline PRoWMPPMP [APP-203]**. The assessment considered the effects of construction traffic,

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	RR-0205, RR-1078, RR-0989, RR-0016, RR-0892, RR-1458, RR-1631, RR-0350, RR-1335, RR-0544, RR-0920, RR-0295, RR-0036, RR-0227, RR-0378, RR-0390, RR-1384, RR-1667, RR-0141, RR-0195, RR-0757, RR-0983, RR-1096, RR-0788, RR-0519, RR-0900, RR-0689, RR-0601, RR-1618, RR-1171, RR-0014, RR-1939, RR-0541, RR-0226, RR-2032, RR-0431, RR-1732, RR-0699, RR-0301, RR-0785, RR-1537, RR-0002, RR-1509, RR-1019, RR-1122, RR-0247, RR-0268, RR-0220, RR-1147, RR-1598, RR-0467, RR-0218, RR-1854, RR-0340, RR-0027, RR-1144, RR-0246, RR-0246, RR-1640, RR-1738, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-0565, RR-0752, RR-1083, RR-0072, RR-0718, RR-0771, RR-1673 RR-1552, RR-0066, RR-1287, RR-0090, RR-1490, RR-0214, RR-0745, RR-1777, RR-1563, RR-1243, RR-0334, RR-1581, RR-1119, RR-1456,		temporary PRoW closures, diversions and managed crossings on users of the PRoW network. The Applicant acknowledges the importance of the local PRoW network for both recreation and connectivity. Where temporary impacts on PRoWs are required during construction, appropriate management and mitigation measures are proposed, including signage, alternative routes where necessary, traffic marshal support, reduced vehicle speeds in areas where construction traffic interacts with PRoW users, and advance notification of closures. No permanent closures of PRoWs are proposed as part of the Scheme. Any PRoWs temporarily affected during construction will be reinstated and reopened following completion of the relevant works. The assessment adopts a reasonable worst-case scenario, assuming all construction activities occur simultaneously. In practice, construction activities will be staggered across the programme, reducing the extend of concurrent effects on the PRoW network. The assessment concludes that, with the

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	RR-1208, RR-0566, RR-0875, RR-0729, RR-0546, RR-0988, RR-0537, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1904, RR-1698, RR-1561, RR-1306, RR-0505, RR-0793, RR-0748, RR-0761, RR-1793, RR-1895, RR-0575, RR-0911, RR-0416, RR-1370, RR-0595, RR-1628, RR-0060, RR-1708, RR-0348, RR-0234, RR-1741, RR-1513, RR-0155, RR-0550, RR-1610, RR-1264, RR-1713, RR-1678, RR-0211, RR-0187, RR-0258, RR-2008, RR-0075, RR-1248, RR-0355, RR-1126, RR-0481, RR-1385, RR-1081, RR-1566, RR-0056, RR-1966, RR-0960, RR-0844, RR-0057, RR-1925, RR-0986, RR-1751, RR-1255, RR-1466, RR-0112, RR-1505, RR-1280, RR-1413, RR-1694, RR-0867, RR-0735, RR-0250, RR-1218, RR-1675, RR-1666, RR-1615, RR-1161, RR-0742, RR-1665, RR-1861, RR-0194, RR-0881, RR-1102, RR-1967, RR-1593, RR-0453, RR-1380, RR-0810, RR-0043,		

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	RR-0128, RR-1239, RR-1239, RR-1859, RR-0948, RR-0354, RR-0441, RR-1913, RR-0956, RR-0906, RR-1710, RR-1986, RR-1300, RR-1544, RR-1737, RR-1259, RR-1949, RR-0749, RR-0647, RR-1444, RR-1600, RR-1780, RR-0796, RR-1638, RR-1033, RR-1570, RR-1501, RR-1579, RR-1634, RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0964		
REC-002	RR-0999, RR-0070, RR-0790, RR-0256, RR-0659, RR-0800, RR-1078, RR-0350, RR-0601, RR-0247, RR-0246,RR-1640, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1083, RR-1552, RR-0090, RR-1581, RR-0696, RR-1224, RR-1857, RR-0573, RR-1861, RR-1521, RR-0502, RR-1369, RR-0719, RR-1903, RR-1044, RR-1850, RR-1395, RR-0775, RR-0669, RR-1785, RR-0273, RR-1256, RR-0003, RR-1105, RR-1178, RR-0670, RR-0660, RR-1557, RR-0915, RR-1545, RR-0744, RR-0676, RR-1262, RR-0580, RR-0269, RR-0430,	Respondents expressed concern that new permissive paths and existing PRoWs will be narrow and fenced off, becoming 'industrial corridors'. Some respondents expressed concerns around safety when PRoWs and routes are diverted during construction. One respondent expressed safety concerns in relation to narrow widths making footpaths difficult to pass, in particular when encountering others with dogs.	A minimum 15m offset (including security fencing) from all PRoW is secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. In respect of the new permissive paths, the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** secure a minimum usable width for pedestrian access of 2m, with permissive paths having a 15m buffer to any infrastructure (excluding landscaping) associated with the Scheme. An **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]** has been prepared to provide a framework for the management of PRoW, promoted walking routes and permissive paths, with the key objective being to ensure that these routes

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	RR-0058, RR-0652, RR-0132, RR-0406, RR-1099, RR-0298, RR-1689, RR-0296, RR-0349, RR-1247, RR-1354, RR-0568, RR-1808, RR-0190, RR-0539, RR-1133, RR-0668, RR-1469, RR-1464, RR-1049, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-0817, RR-1067, RR-0566, RR-0729, RR-0546, RR-0988, RR-0537, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1926, RR-0748, RR-0416, RR-1370, RR-1708, RR-1264, RR-0211, RR-0986, RR-0112, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-1666, RR-0123, RR-1102, RR-1593, RR-0453, RR-1380, RR-0810, RR-0043, RR-0128, RR-1859, RR-0948, RR-0441, RR-1913, RR-0906, RR-1710, RR-1986, RR-1259, RR-1780, RR-1638, RR-1579, RR-0290, RR-1233, RR-0350, RR-1209, RR-1521, RR-0397, RR-1701, RR-0129, RR-0533, RR-0580, RR-0058, RR-0729, RR-0735, RR-1989, RR-0823, RR-0188, RR-1692, RR-1225, RR-1418		remain open and safe to use throughout the Scheme's construction, operational and decommissioning phases, where practicable. Management measures secured in the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]** to protect user safety include the installation of signage along the PRoW to inform users about construction activity, drivers yielding to all PRoW users (including equestrians), the widening of access tracks where applicable to allow vehicles to pass PRoW users safely, the positioning of Traffic Marshals or Banksmen where relevant along a PRoW impacted by construction traffic to hold vehicles if a PRoW user is present, speeds limited to 5–10mph near PRoW, and keeping the PRoW clear of construction vehicles and apparatus outside of permitted construction hours so far as is practicable.

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REC-003	RR-1588, RR-0081, RR-1349, RR-1962, RR-1450, RR-0070, RR-0790, RR-0256, RR-0659, RR-2012, RR-0377, RR-0151, RR-1810, RR-0891, RR-1297, RR-1216, RR-0545, RR-0561, RR-1479, RR-0295, RR-0227, RR-1727, RR-0141, RR-2032, RR-1732, RR-0785, RR-0246, RR-0246, RR-1673 RR-1490, RR-0823, RR-1861, RR-0868, RR-0317, RR-1355, RR-1395, RR-1701, RR-0129, RR-0273, RR-1749, RR-0744, RR-1887, RR-0158, RR-0642, RR-0286, RR-1139, RR-0703, RR-1295, RR-0566, RR-1884, RR-1698, RR-1959, RR-0761,, RR-1895, RR-0575, RR-0911, RR-0171, RR-1741, RR-0155, RR-0481, RR-1413, RR-0867, RR-1675, RR-1861, RR-0881, RR-0354, RR-0441, RR-0906, RR-1300, RR-1737, RR-0749, RR-0647, RR-1570	Respondents expressed concern about the Scheme's impact on horse-riding activities and bridleways. One respondent noted construction activity could leave shards on bridleways which can injure horses.	A 15m buffer to PRoW/bridleways has been incorporated into the design of the Scheme, as secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 – Transport and Access [APP-047]** consider fear and intimidation on non-motorised users on roads, which includes horse riders. Measures to manage traffic and access in relation to horse-riding activity and bridleways are provided in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline CTMP [APP-201], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline OTMP [APP-202]**. These include measures such as requiring drivers to yield to equestrians, reduced vehicle speeds where construction traffic interfaces with PRoWs and bridleways, the use of traffic marshals where appropriate, signage to inform users of construction activities, and management of construction vehicle movements to minimise interactions with non-motorised users, including horse riders. An **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]** has also been prepared which provides an assessment of PRoW and permissive paths, including bridleways, during construction,

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			operational, and decommissioning phases. Where temporary closures are necessary to ensure safety, measures will include keeping PRoW clear of construction vehicles and apparatus outside of permitted construction hours as far as practicable to do so, and for any damage to the surface of the PRoW directly attributable to the Scheme to be repaired as soon as practicable. The surface will be made good and return to its original condition following construction. The PRoW management measures will be developed further in the detailed **PRoWPPMP** to be secured by Requirement 17 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
REC-004	RR-0429, RR-1581	Respondent stated that at least 30km of footpaths are directly affected by the Scheme.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 – Transport and Access [APP-047]** consider fear and intimidation on non-motorised users on roads, which includes users of public footpaths. Measures to manage traffic and access in relation to PRoW users are provided in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline CTMP [APP-201], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline OTMP [APP-202]**. An **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]** has also been prepared which provides an

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			assessment of PRoW and permissive paths, including bridleways, during construction, operational, and decommissioning phases. No PRoW are proposed to be permanently closed, and any PRoW subject to temporary closures during construction will be managed through the measures set out within the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. The PRoW management measures will be developed further in the detailed **PRoWPPMP** to be secured by Requirement 17 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant is also committed to the provision of new permissive paths and community accessible space, as set out in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a secured document) which will provide opportunities for access and recreation.
REC-005	RR-0304	Respondent requested any diversion or temporary PRoW closures should be kept to a minimum with clear alternative routes provided by the Applicant.	An **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]** has been prepared which provides an assessment of PRoW and permissive paths, including bridleways, during construction, operational, and decommissioning phases. Where temporary PRoW closures are proposed, alternative routes have been

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			detailed in the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]** and have been designed where practicable to facilitate a reasonable alternative route during the temporary closure. The PRoW management measures will be developed further in the detailed PRoWPPMP to be secured by Requirement 17 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
REC-006	RR-0068	Respondent requested to know if footpaths had been surveyed.	With regards to the assessment of traffic and transport, footpaths have not been surveyed for pedestrian flows. This is due to low existing baseline traffic flows on the Local Road Network, and no notable pedestrian movements on the network during in-person site visits. The Manual Classified Count (MCC) survey on Hempnall Roundabout does include for pedestrian flows, however none were recorded. Traffic surveys are detailed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174** to **APP-177]**, alongside an assessment of PRoW within the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Further, a visual amenity assessment of Public Rights

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			of Way is presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Right of Way Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-149].** The ES recognises the High sensitivity of recreational receptors, including users of the Boudicca Way and Via Beata Way. The Applicant acknowledges that the assessment identifies significant visual effects for users of certain PRoWs, particularly during the construction phase and, in some locations, there is significant effect in Year 15. Closure of routes during the construction phase are temporary, there is not permanent closure of PRoW within the Scheme.
Site-specific comments			
REC-007	RR-0290, RR-0297, RR-1274, RR-0757, RR-1732, RR-0005, RR-0251, RR-1990, RR-1435, RR-0719, RR-1903, RR-2017, RR-1000, RR-0744, RR-1802, RR-0623, RR-1124, RR-1182, RR-1808, RR-1730, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-0729, RR-0988, RR-0532, RR-1264, RR-1248, RR-1995, RR-0647	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact to Boudicca Way and other important footpaths.	The effects on PRoWs and permissive paths, including Boudicca Way, have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** and the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. Where temporary impacts are required during construction, mitigation measures including signage, alternative routeing, traffic marshal support and reduced vehicle speeds are proposed to

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			minimise disruption and maintain safe access. No permanent closures of PRoWs are proposed and any PRoWs temporarily affected during construction will be reinstated and reopened following completion of the relevant works. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Further, a visual amenity assessment of Public Rights of Way is present in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Right of Way Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-149]**. This includes assessment on Boudicca Way and PRoW. The Applicant acknowledges that the assessment identifies significant visual effects for users of certain PRoWs, particularly during the construction phase and, in some locations, there is significant effect in Year 15. The ES also recognises the High sensitivity of recreational receptors, including users of the Boudicca Way and Via Beata Way. The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, with landscape and visual considerations

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			embedded into the design principles and design evolution of siting infrastructure. The design evolution of the Scheme in respect of landscape and visual context is set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening / reinforcing existing hedgerows, new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape

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			character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**.
REC-008	RR-0823, RR-1802, RR-0073, RR-1926	Respondent highlighted that Shotesham Action Group obtained over 550 signatures and addresses of people who regularly use public rights of way footpaths strongly objecting to the proposed provision of solar panels on Site 8. Respondents expressed concern regarding the impact of lanes and footpaths that will be impacted near Site 8 that are currently used for walking, cycling, and dog walking. A respondent expressed concern about the potential impact on the F22 and 19 footpaths within sites 8a and 8b, particularly in terms of removing panoramic views and safety issues associated with fencing.	The Applicant notes the concerns regarding the use and value of PRoWs, footpaths and local lances in the vicinity of Site 8. With regards to traffic and transport, the effects on PRoWs have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** and the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. The Applicant acknowledges that routes including Footpaths 19 and 22 are used by walkers, cyclists and other recreational users. Where temporary impacts on PRoWs are required during construction, appropriate management and mitigation measures are proposed, including signage, alternative routes where necessary, traffic marshal support and reduced vehicle speeds. No permanent closures of PRoWs are proposed

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			and any PRoWs temporarily affected during construction will be reopened following completion of the relevant works. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Further, a visual amenity assessment of Public Rights of Way is present in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Right of Way Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-149]** and on residential properties in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.8 - Residential Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-148]**. The Applicant acknowledges that the assessment identifies significant visual effects for users of certain PRoWs, particularly during the construction phase and, in some locations, there is significant effect in Year 15. The ES also recognises the High sensitivity of recreational receptors, including users of the Boudicca Way and Via Beata Way. Closure of routes during construction phase are temporary, there is not permanent closure of PRoW within the Scheme.

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			The Applicant notes the concern about the Scheme's impact on landscape and visual amenity, as well as tranquillity. The Order Limits are not located within any national designated landscape (National Parks or National Landscapes) or local landscape designations. The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, with landscape and visual considerations embedded into the design principles and design evolution of siting infrastructure. The design evolution of the Scheme in respect of landscape and visual context is set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening / reinforcing existing hedgerows (infill planting / laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** **(**which is a secured document) through a

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			Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**.
REC-009	RR-0269, RR-1326, RR-1986, RR-1634	Respondent expressed concern about the AIL route proposed to come through the village from Poringland en route to sub-site 7F. The road is un-numbered (and not A or B), on a bend and narrower than the proposed loaded vehicle. One respondent stated that their favourite footpath, the roughly circular	AIL movements have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**, the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]** (including an AIL report in Appendix D) and the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. An assessment of the proposed AIL routes, including vehicle tracking, is provided within the Transport Assessment. AIL movements would be managed by specialist haulage contractors and subject to

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		walk from the Church, Wash Lane, across The Green, across Broaden Lane and back into Saxlingham Nethergate by another Wash Lane to the War Memorial will be ruined by the proposals for site 7D, 7F and CRC12.	detailed traffic management measures to ensure their safe movement. The Applicant also notes the concerns regarding effects on local footpaths and circular walking routes. The interaction between the Scheme and the PRoW network has been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** and the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. Where temporary closures or management measures are required during construction, appropriate mitigation is proposed. No permanent closures of PRoWs are proposed and any PRoWs temporarily affected during construction will be reopened following completion of the relevant works. Further the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** includes a minimum set back of this infrastructure from the PRoW. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes for visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management, maintenance and monitoring of the landscape measures during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199] (**which is a

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			secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
REC-010	RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869	Respondent expressed concern about the potential impact on bridleways, paths due to the National Grid Substation in particular.	The Applicant notes the concerns regarding the impacts on paths in the vicinity of the National Grid Substation. A response with regards to traffic and transport is provided in REC-09. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Further, a visual amenity assessment of Public Rights of Way is presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Right of Way Visual Amenity assessment [APP-149]**.
REC-011	RR-1901, RR-0097,	Respondent expressed concern for the destruction of ancient byways including 100 Lane and Narrowgate Way (an ancient Drovers Lane), and the destruction of the archaeological of Little Moulton off 100 Lane.	The interaction between the Scheme and the PRoW network has been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 1 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** and the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. No permanent closure of PRoWs are proposed as part of the Scheme. Where temporary impacts are required during construction, appropriate management and mitigation measures will be implemented and affected routes will be reopened following completion of relevant works.

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			The Applicant notes the historic and archaeological background of the area has been provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.2 – Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment [AS-020 – AS-021]**, and the area of Little Moulton was further assessed as part of **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.3 – Archaeological Geophysical Survey [AS-022]**, **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.4 – Aerial Investigation Mapping Survey [AS-023 – AS-024],** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.5 – Evaluation Trenching Report [APP-172]**. As outlined in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.6 – Archaeological Mitigation Strategy [APP-173],** further stages of informative trenching will be undertaken within the remaining areas of the Scheme not already subject to previous trenching. It has been agreed with NCCHES that the amount and location of any additional trenching will be targeted on areas of higher impact and will be proportionate to the cumulative impact of all elements of the Scheme.
REC-012	RR-0591	Respondent stated that Hundred Lane, Broadgate Lane, Narrowgate Lane and the footpath off Hundred	As stated in the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**, no permanent closures of public roads or PRoWs are proposed as part of the

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		Lane towards Tivetshall Church will no longer be usable.	Scheme. Whilst some temporary closures or management measures may be required during construction, these would be subject to appropriate mitigation, and any affected PRoWs would be reopened following completion of the relevant works.
REC-013	RR-0827	Respondent expressed concern regarding access point A20 to Sub-Site 4b, which will cross the busy B1537 and will be using PRoW Long Stratton 3, removing it from public use.	The proposed access arrangements have been assessed within **ES Volume 1 Chapter 11 -Transport and Access [APP-047]** and the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 – Transport Assessment [APP-174 – APP-177]**, which includes access design, visibility assessments and swept path analysis. Appropriate management and mitigation measures are proposed within the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** to manage construction traffic movements and maintain highway safety, including on B1527 and access A20. The Applicant acknowledges that a section of PRoW Long Stratton FP3 and FP4 are proposed to be temporarily closed during construction. Diversion routes and associated mitigation measures are set out within the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. No permanent closures are proposed, and the

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			affected PRoWs will be reopened following completion of the relevant works.
REC-014	RR-1661	The respondent stated that the proposed development would have adverse visual and noise impacts on the rural surroundings, particularly in relation to Site 9. They expressed concern that the southern approach to Brooke Conservation Area via Footpath 6 would be significantly harmed, affecting footpath users, nearby residents, and the setting of the village when viewed from the south.	A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Further, a visual amenity assessment of Public Rights of Way is present in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Right of Way Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-149]** and on residential properties in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.8 Residential Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-148]**. Visual effects on Footpath 6 are assessed. The hedgerow along Footpath 6 will be reinforced with trees to screen the view towards solar PV from the footpath. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows (infill planting/laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**

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			(which is a secured document) through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**. Noise is addressed in **ES Volume 1 Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**, which concludes that no residual significant effects have been identified during the construction, operation and maintenance and decommissioning phases.
REC-015	RR-0744	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of the Scheme on Via Beata.	The Applicant notes the concern raised in relation to the Via Beata. The Via Beata is considered within the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203].** The only direct interaction

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			between the route and the Order Limits is the Via Beata crosses the Order Limits within the southern extent of CRC4 along Wood Lane. As set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**, the Scheme has adopted mitigation measures that ensure the level of change for users of the PRoW network are kept to a minimum, including a minimum 15m offset to Solar PV Arrays (including security fencing) from all PRoW, a general strategy for the strengthening and gapping up of hedgerows along PRoW, and limiting crossings of all PRoW to reduce disruption of their use during construction and operation. The Scheme has been designed to respect and enhance the experience of people using quiet lanes, PRoW and key recreational routes, including the Boudicca Way and Via Beata Way. The landscape and visual effects on the Via Beata have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 – Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. During the construction phase, the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]** provides a framework to ensure that the Via Beata

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			remains open and safe to use wherever practicable.
REC-016	RR-0539	Respondent stated that Station Road cuts through their parish and could split the community into two separate entities.	The effects of construction traffic on local communities, including community severance, have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**, supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]** and **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. In alignment with industry best-practice IEMA Guidance, severance has been assessed by magnitude of effect, based on changes in traffic flow of 30%, 60% and 90% corresponding to slight, moderate and substantial severance impacts. The percentage change in traffic flows on Station Road are recorded in Table 11.16 (ATC-17) of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** as 3% for all vehicles, or 7% for HGVs. The assessment also considered the effects of construction traffic on road users and local communities and identified appropriate management and mitigation measures where required. This includes measures such as delivery scheduling, designated construction routes and traffic management measures,

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			where required, to minimise disruption to local communities. The assessment on Station Road concludes that, with the proposed mitigation in place, effects relating to community severance would not be significant.
REC-017	RR-1067	Respondent expressed concern regarding the only remaining rural PRoW (PROW3) to the north of Long Stratton. They stated that this forms part of a historic network of footpaths extending towards Norwich.	The Applicant is aware of PRoW Long Stratton FP3 and its interaction with the Scheme is identified within the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. Whilst temporary management measures may be required during construction, appropriate mitigation measures are proposed to minimise effects on users. No permanent closure of Long Stratton FP3 or any PRoW is proposed and any temporary closures would be reopened following completion of the relevant works.
REC-018	RR-1812	One respondent stated that the well-used bridlepath from Hempnall via Pymars Lane and the loke to Saxlingham via the old, abandoned church will be severely damaged as an amenity.	As shown in Sheet 9 of the **Access and PRoW Plan [APP-011]**, the southern section of Pymar's Lane does not intersect with the Scheme and therefore will not be impacted. A section of PRoW Saxlingham Nethergate FP14 runs to the western border of Sub-Site 7D and will be subject to medium-term

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			closure with diversionary routes and mitigation proposed within the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. No permanent closure of the route is proposed, and any temporarily affected PRoW will be reopened following the completion of the relevant works. Landscape and visual considerations, includin g the experience of PRoW users, have been a key consideration throughout the iterative design process. The Applicant acknowledges that users of these routes would experience views of the Scheme in some locations and that there would be effects on visual amenity, tranquillity and the rural character currently experienced by footpath users. The residual effects on PRoW users, including those arising from views of fencing and solar infrastructure, have been assessed. These effects have been assessed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Rights of Way Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-149]** and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**.

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REC-019	RR-0850	Respondent expressed concern for the potential impact on access and amenity to the path opposite Hallowing Lane.	As shown in Sheet 19 of the **Access and PRoW Plan [APP-011]**, a section of Great Moulton RB18, which continues northbound to the bottom of Hallowing Lane, will be subject to medium-term closure with diversionary routes and mitigation proposed within the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. No permanent closure of the route is proposed, and the temporarily affected PRoW will be reopened following the completion of relevant works. Landscape and visual considerations, includin g the experience of PRoW users, have been a key consideration throughout the iterative design process. The Applicant acknowledges that users of these routes would experience views of the Scheme in some locations and that there would be effects on visual amenity, tranquillity and the rural character currently experienced by footpath users. The residual effects on PRoW users, including those arising from views of fencing and solar infrastructure, have been assessed. These effects have been assessed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Rights of Way Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-**

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			149] and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**.
REC-020	RR-1287	Respondent expressed concern for the potential impact to the Rebellion Way cycle path.	The Applicant has reviewed the Rebellion Way cycle route, which makes use of both public highway and PRoW. A section of PRoW used by the cycle route, Tivetshall St Margaret RB6, which bisects Sub-Site 2B, will be subject to medium-term closure with diversionary routes and mitigation proposed within the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. No permanent closure of the route is proposed, and the temporarily affected PRoW will be reopened following the completion of relevant works.
REC-021	RR-0856	Respondent expressed concern for access along Footpath 22 to a patchwork of public footpaths which are enjoyed by many.	As detailed in the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**, there are two PRoW numbered with a '22' which interact with the Scheme. These are Long Stratton FP22 and Shotesham FP22. Shotesham FP22, which interacts with Sub-Site 8A, is the only of the two which is subject to medium-term closure. Diversionary routes alongside mitigation measures are proposed in the outline management plan. No permanent closure of the route is proposed, and the temporarily

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			affected PRoW will be reopened following the completion of relevant works. Landscape and visual considerations, includin g the experience of PRoW users, have been a key consideration throughout the iterative design process. The Applicant acknowledges that users of these routes would experience views of the Scheme in some locations and that there would be effects on visual amenity, tranquillity and the rural character currently experienced by footpath users. The residual effects on PRoW users, including those arising from views of fencing and solar infrastructure, have been assessed. These effects have been assessed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Rights of Way Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-149]** and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. The Applicant considers that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects on Site 8 have been minimised as far as practicable through the design evolution and embedded mitigation. It is considered by the Applicant,

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			for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**, that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case, including its status as Critical National Priority Infrastructure and its contribution to delivery of a significant level of low carbon energy generation, ecological and landscape enhancements, biodiversity net gain, and provision of permissive paths and community accessible space. Evidence for the need for the Scheme is set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**. The mitigation hierarchy has been applied to avoid, reduce, mitigate or compensated for, through the design process. Mitigation is secured through various management plans including the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, **Outline DEMP [APP-198], Outline LEMP [APP-199]** (which is a secured document.)
REC-022	RR-0856	Respondent expressed concern that both CRC 3 and an internal haul road in 8B are proposed to cross/access Baxter's Lane. A mere 150 m from the 1st of 6 properties. Using	Access A52, which provides access to Sub-Site 8B on Baxter's Lane, utilises an existing field access to minimise the impacts from establishing new site accesses. The suitability

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		torturous routes along single track lanes totally unsuitable for HGV and AILs necessitating the needless destruction of verges, hedgerows and trees to reach access points in Baxter's Lane. It begs the question of why half of 8B has been retained, if not to facilitate the construction of the haul road to give access to Market Lane and site 8A. The CRC 13 already accesses Site 8B via fields, from Site 9.	of the access arrangements has been assessed through access design, visibility assessments, vehicle tracking and swept path analysis as detailed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]**. The proposed access strategy, including the use of internal haul routes, has been developed to minimise use of the Local Road Network wherever practicable whilst taking account of site-specific constraints. The Applicant notes that the assessment adopts a reasonable worst-case scenario assuming all construction activities occur simultaneously. In practice, construction activities will be staggered across the programme.

2.17 Transport and Access

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General comments			
TRA-001	RR-0862, RR-1526, RR-0290, RR-0436, RR-1276, RR-1567, RR-1419, RR-1553,RR-0723, RR-0585, RR-1602, RR-1588, RR-1290, RR-1294, RR-0559, RR-0977, RR-1176, RR-0751, RR-1233, RR-1177, RR-0571, RR-1843, RR-1962, RR-1460, RR-1188, RR-1450, RR-1450, RR-1626, RR-0591, RR-1232, RR-1572, RR-0738, RR-0993, RR-1765, RR-0174, RR-0049, RR-0013, RR-0255, RR-1555, RR-0151, RR-0044, RR-1617, RR-0727, RR-1127, RR-0886, RR-0891, RR-1876, RR-0300, RR-1568, RR-1231, RR-1585, RR-1112, RR-1297,RR-1009, RR-1696, RR-0953, RR-1350, RR-1216, RR-0239, RR-0863, RR-1183, RR-0641, RR-0372, RR-1609, RR-1217, RR-1062,	Respondents expressed concern that the local road network is unsuitable for construction traffic. Some respondents noted its narrow and rural nature, and/or expressed concern that some routes are also used by walkers and horse riders. One respondent stated that the Applicant has already acknowledged that roads are not suitable for construction traffic.	During the design process, consideration was given to limiting movements through communities such as Hempnall, Brooke and Saxlingham Nethergate as far as practicable, together with considering the most suitable access routes and locations. Factors considered are set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 – Transport and Access [APP-047]**, which includes the internalisation of construction haul routes, where possible, to minimise impacts. Measures also include the use of a vehicle booking system and vehicle holding areas to proactively manage construction vehicle movements to site and ensure impacts on the rural and local road network is reduced where practicable, as described in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. The proposed access strategy has been developed in consultation with Norfolk County Council as the Local Highway Authority.

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	RR-0545, RR-0033, RR-1942, RR-0495, RR-1020, RR-1815, RR-1528, RR-0800, RR-1361, RR-0297, RR-1274, RR-0516, RR-1011, RR-0084, RR-1173, RR-0806, RR-1011, RR-0412, RR-0849, RR-0088, RR-1266, RR-1254, RR-0500, RR-0560, RR-2015, RR-0827, RR-1479, RR-0262, RR-1529, RR-1073, RR-0196, RR-1631, RR-0920, RR-1773, RR-0295, RR-0036, RR-1702, RR-0375, RR-1110, RR-0227, RR-1727, RR-0291, RR-0141, RR-1503, RR-0757, RR-0519, RR-0788, RR-0831, RR-1357, RR-0601, RR-0689, RR-0156, RR-1618, RR-1939, RR-0846, RR-2032, RR-0431, RR-1732, RR-0376, RR-1729, RR-0785, RR-1891, RR-0247, RR-0535, RR-0673, RR-0341, RR-0507, RR-0330, RR-0905, RR-0120, RR-0340, RR-0427, RR-0725, RR-1169, RR-1541, RR-0822, RR-0246, RR-0393, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-0565 RR-0752, RR-1129,		Highway Works will support the safe movement of construction vehicles along narrower sections of the local road network and reduce potential disruption to the public highway. The Highway Works will contain localised improvements to deteriorated road edges or temporary highway and traffic works. Highway Works that have provisionally been identified where the AIL may overrun or oversail are identified in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, along with the likely and suitable access routes to the Scheme. Site access design, vehicle tracking and swept-path analysis has also been undertaken to assess the suitability of access as included in Appendix C of the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174** to **APP-177]**. Mitigation measures are also set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** to reduce, as far as practicable, the impacts of the Scheme on the local road network. In accordance with Requirement 15 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** a detailed CTMP will be submitted to and approved with the relevant planning authority that must consult with the relevant highway authority.

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	RR-0294, RR-1948, RR-1246, RR-0072, RR-0718, RR-0771, RR-1673 RR-1552, RR-0066, RR-1715, RR-0090, RR-0288, RR-0745, RR-1976, RR-1777, RR-1563, RR-0797, RR-1762, RR-1162, RR-1456, RR-1672, RR-0182, RR-0861, RR-1145, RR-0755, RR-1209, RR-1564, RR-0823, RR-1402, RR-0610, RR-1688, RR-0104, RR-0094, RR-1459, RR-1649, RR-0925, RR-1109, RR-1390, RR-0248, RR-1858, RR-0251, RR-0035, RR-1864, RR-1861, RR-1755, RR-0512, RR-0868, RR-0711, RR-1750, RR-0963, RR-0502, RR-1072, RR-1069, RR-0944, RR-0872, RR-0972, RR-1215, RR-1478, RR-0336, RR-0387, RR-0558, RR-0445, RR-1394, RR-0522, RR-0068, RR-0543, RR-1379, RR-0795, RR-0344, RR-1664, RR-2017, RR-0339, RR-1882, RR-1969, RR-1214, RR-0335, RR-0241, RR-0668, RR-1319, RR-1044, RR-0006, RR-0697, RR-0552, RR-1395,		

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	RR-1383, RR-1701, RR-1108, RR-0012, RR-1515, RR-1077, RR-1116, RR-0273, RR-0784, RR-0003, RR-1154, RR-0533, RR-1070, RR-0656, RR-0996, RR-0463, RR-0161, RR-0021, RR-0773, RR-0840, RR-1392, RR-1396, RR-1557, RR-0424, RR-1227, RR-1693, RR-0744, RR-1786, RR-0592, RR-0032, RR-0687, RR-0895, RR-1049, RR-0580, RR-1575, RR-1635, RR-0981, RR-0283, RR-0093, RR-1212, RR-1229, RR-1493, RR-0430, RR-0215, RR-0733, RR-0652, RR-1703, RR-0367, RR-0984, RR-0726, RR-0197, RR-1403, RR-1689, RR-0373, RR-1670, RR-0296, RR-1186, RR-0050, RR-0449, RR-0134, RR-0836, RR-1630, RR-0349, RR-0990, RR-0109, RR-0131, RR-1139, RR-0286, RR-0728, RR-1519, RR-2011, RR-0668, RR-0697, RR-0698, RR-0450, RR-1464, RR-1433, RR-1084, RR-0859, RR-1730, RR-0276, RR-1049, RR-0039, RR-0777,		

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	RR-1238, RR-0817, RR-1406, RR-0600, RR-0611, RR-0069, RR-1820, RR-1208, RR-0405, RR-0843, RR-0095, RR-0437, RR-1988, RR-1586, RR-0009, RR-1485, RR-0988, RR-1269, RR-1728, RR-0302, RR-1191, RR-0312, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1698, RR-1561, RR-1222, RR-1351, RR-1807, RR-0662, RR-1008, RR-1358, RR-1442, RR-1220, RR-1023, RR-0850, RR-1772, RR-0761, RR-1793, RR-1835, RR-1775, RR-0107, RR-0992, RR-0577, RR-1265, RR-0171, RR-0947, RR-1628, RR-0677, RR-1708, RR-1136, RR-1997, RR-1057, RR-0155, RR-0550, RR-1610, RR-1282, RR-1713, RR-1940, RR-0997, RR-0898, RR-0829, RR-0307, RR-0838, RR-1571, RR-1961, RR-1742, RR-2008, RR-1382, RR-0139, RR-1934, RR-1324, RR-1566, RR-1966, RR-0057, RR-0986, RR-1255, RR-0425, RR-1075, RR-0112, RR-1446, RR-1809,		

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	RR-1117, RR-0588, RR-1694, RR-1413, RR-0867, RR-0250, RR-0735, RR-1218, RR-0029, RR-1666, RR-1573, RR-0123, RR-0742, RR-1665, RR-1861, RR-0265, RR-0667, RR-0194, RR-1181, RR-0881, RR-0398, RR-0167, RR-0446, RR-1920, RR-0010, RR-1380, RR-0991, RR-1659, RR-1268, RR-1859, RR-0948, RR-0354, RR-0441, RR-1913, RR-1766, RR-0554, RR-1166, RR-1710, RR-1986, RR-0954, RR-1949, RR-0313, RR-0749, RR-1831, RR-1153, RR-2001, RR-0147, RR-0126, RR-0149, RR-1998, RR-1344, RR-0713, RR-1059, RR-1972, RR-1821, RR-1418, RR-1600, RR-1780, RR-1033, RR-1570, RR-0942, RR-1579, RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0097, RR-1262, RR-1615, RR-0295		
TRA-002	RR-0722, RR-0862, RR-1291, RR-0290, RR-0148, RR-0436, RR-1276, RR-1419, RR-0962, RR-1470, RR-1881, RR-0723, RR-0585, RR-1203, RR-1602,	Respondents expressed concern about the Scheme's impact on increased traffic, including general disruption to roads and access routes, disruption from AILs and HGV	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Traffic and Access [APP-043]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 -Transport Assessment [APP-174** to **APP-177]** presents an assessment of the Scheme on traffic and

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	RR-0471, RR-0583, RR-1588, RR-1290, RR-1294, RR-0559, RR-0977, RR-1735, RR-1176, RR-0751, RR-0531, RR-1233, RR-1177, RR-2029, RR-1082, RR-0571, RR-1843, RR-1962, RR-1734, RR-1188, RR-0999, RR-1450, RR-1626, RR-1660, RR-1036, RR-1535, RR-0403, RR-0591, RR-1838, RR-0079, RR-1572, RR-0738, RR-1646, RR-0854, RR-0993, RR-1765, RR-0457, RR-0939, RR-0811, RR-0491, RR-0255, RR-0632, RR-1003, RR-1240, RR-0044, RR-1617, RR-0727, RR-1127, RR-1047, RR-1495, RR-0886, RR-1876, RR-0300, RR-1568, RR-1231, RR-1585, RR-1297, RR-1009, RR-1696, RR-0953, RR-1350, RR-1365, RR-1957, RR-1888, RR-0530, RR-0239, RR-1893, RR-0863, RR-1244, RR-1183, RR-0646, RR-1890, RR-0808, RR-0966, RR-0018, RR-0164, RR-1489, RR-1622, RR-0931, RR-1873, RR-0520, RR-0934, RR-0033, RR-1607,	movements and the number of HGV movements.	access, with the proposed construction routes and access points shown in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. Mitigation measures and management of traffic and access are set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** and **Outline OTMP [APP-202]** to minimise impacts as far as practicable. Detailed CTMP and OTMP will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority in accordance with the Requirements of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. AIL movement will be carefully planned and timed to reduce disruption and undertaken in consultation with the relevant Highway Authority to ensure safe operation and to minimise impacts. AIL are not a frequent delivery method and only used for transformers and larger cable drums. The AIL movements will be undertaken using strict traffic management and notification of these types of movements will be communicated in advance. Requirements for AIL (for elements such as transformers and cable drums) will be determined through the detailed design process and in consultation with statutory

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	RR-1800, RR-1020, RR-1815 ,RR-0347, RR-1528, RR-0517, RR-0800, RR-1234, RR-1361, RR-0297, RR-1274, RR-0516, RR-1011, RR-0084, RR-1173, RR-1011, RR-0346, RR-0365, RR-0412, RR-0849, RR-0088, RR-0597, RR-1266, RR-1254, RR-1439, RR-0826, RR-0648, RR-0560, RR-0213, RR-0304, RR-0511, RR-0262, RR-0205, RR-0325, RR-0475, RR-1078, RR-0989, RR-1529, RR-1150, RR-1709, RR-0196, RR-1631, RR-1584, RR-1538, RR-0920, RR-1773, RR-0821, RR-0295, RR-0036, RR-1702, RR-0375, RR-1110, RR-0417, RR-0378, RR-0291, RR-0779, RR-1667, RR-0747, RR-0429, RR-0731, RR-1503, RR-0757, RR-0569, RR-0519, RR-1096, RR-0788, RR-0855, RR-2009, RR-0831, RR-1357, RR-1443, RR-0549, RR-0601, RR-0230, RR-0689, RR-0156, RR-1618, RR-0589, RR-1939, RR-0431, RR-1732, RR-0376, RR-0785, RR-1891,		consultees. As part of the management of AIL, the selected haulier must notify the police, highway authorities and bridge owners when planning to transport AIL. It is likely that AIL deliveries will require temporary road closures or diversions on the day of the delivery and may require police escorts to maintain the safety of members of the public.

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	RR-1491, RR-1122, RR-0247, RR-0673, RR-0400, RR-0341, RR-0268, RR-1543, RR-0959, RR-0507, RR-0905, RR-1794, RR-0903, RR-0467, RR-0877, RR-1854, RR-1223, RR-1317, RR-1787, RR-1156, RR-0725, RR-1061, RR-1144, RR-0822, RR-0246, RR-1640, RR-0393, RR-1931, RR-1129, RR-0294, RR-1948, RR-1083, RR-0072, RR-1707, RR-0718, RR-0771, RR-1552, RR-0066, RR-0105, RR-1715, RR-0090, RR-0288, RR-0745, RR-1245, RR-1976, RR-1777, RR-1243, RR-1632, RR-0797, RR-1762, RR-1162, RR-1456, RR-1724, RR-1672, RR-0054, RR-0861, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0476, RR-1402, RR-1386, RR-0370, RR-1688, RR-1363, RR-1224, RR-0104, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-1816, RR-1459, RR-1175, RR-0046, RR-0681, RR-0973, RR-1833, RR-0925, RR-1390, RR-1168, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-0248, RR-1733, RR-1858,		

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	RR-0251, RR-0035, RR-1523, RR-1861, RR-1755, RR-0562, RR-1521, RR-0309, RR-0512, RR-1311, RR-0868, RR-1200, RR-1990, RR-0963, RR-0502, RR-1699, RR-0521, RR-1069, RR-1477, RR-0944, RR-0755, RR-1369, RR-0574, RR-0972, RR-1215, RR-1903, RR-0336, RR-0387, RR-1426, RR-1394, RR-0522, RR-0068, RR-1379, RR-0655, RR-0908, RR-0344, RR-2017, RR-0695, RR-0203, RR-1531, RR-0506, RR-0335, RR-0241, RR-0668, RR-1319, RR-0006, RR-1044, RR-0384, RR-1052, RR-1993, RR-0653, RR-0237, RR-1395, RR-2006, RR-0669, RR-1701, RR-1383, RR-0012, RR-1515, RR-0497, RR-0129, RR-1077, RR-0020, RR-1116, RR-0273, RR-1279, RR-1256, RR-0658, RR-1339, RR-1397, RR-1994, RR-0038, RR-0927, RR-0235, RR-0003, RR-1517, RR-0533, RR-1070, RR-0656, RR-0996, RR-0463, RR-0161, RR-1753, RR-0021,		

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	RR-1105, RR-0045, RR-0840, RR-0670, RR-1392, RR-1000, RR-0819, RR-1557, RR-0424, RR-0915, RR-1227, RR-0455, RR-1693, RR-1262, RR-0744, RR-1315, RR-1275, RR-1786, RR-0473, RR-0032, RR-0895, RR-1719, RR-1226, RR-0580, RR-0737, RR-0106, RR-1575, RR-1635, RR-0981, RR-2007, RR-0345, RR-0581, RR-1086, RR-0283, RR-0093, RR-1806, RR-0269, RR-0464, RR-0430, RR-0883, RR-0652, RR-1703, RR-2031, RR-0388, RR-0367, RR-1353, RR-0132, RR-0984, RR-0242, RR-0225, RR-1032, RR-0976, RR-0417, RR-0726, RR-0842, RR-1378, RR-0073, RR-0197, RR-1403, RR-1689, RR-0373, RR-0296, RR-0280, RR-0050, RR-0158, RR-1207, RR-0449, RR-1630, RR-0349, RR-1247, RR-0990, RR-0131, RR-1139, RR-0190, RR-1519, RR-0539, RR-0772, RR-1599, RR-0776, RR-0654, RR-0111, RR-0668, RR-1896, RR-1711,		

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	RR-0697, RR-0698, RR-0442, RR-0450, RR-1464, RR-1431, RR-1004, RR-0684, RR-0447, RR-0859, RR-1275, RR-0473, RR-0687, RR-1049, RR-1049, RR-0538, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-1546, RR-0817, RR-0513, RR-1067, RR-0629, RR-0085, RR-0701, RR-0803, RR-0119, RR-0600, RR-1167, RR-0692, RR-0611, RR-1342, RR-1820, RR-0754, RR-1387, RR-0566, RR-0405, RR-0095, RR-0437, RR-0919, RR-1988, RR-1586, RR-0009, RR-0546, RR-1485, RR-0988, RR-1113, RR-1842, RR-1269, RR-0889, RR-1197, RR-0302, RR-0459, RR-1191, RR-1845, RR-1706, RR-1496, RR-0537, RR-1698, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1904, RR-1698, RR-0331, RR-0594, RR-1222, RR-1807, RR-0793, RR-0662, RR-1008, RR-0293, RR-1442, RR-1358, RR-0893, RR-1220, RR-0850, RR-0243, RR-1772, RR-0761, RR-0761, RR-1793, RR-1623, RR-1835, RR-1775,		

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	RR-1644, RR-0575, RR-0154, RR-0595, RR-1370, RR-0992, RR-1265, RR-0171, RR-1092, RR-0947, RR-0098, RR-1628, RR-0677, RR-0907, RR-0489, RR-1136, RR-0618, RR-0146, RR-1997, RR-0234, RR-1057, RR-0540, RR-0787, RR-0155, RR-1051, RR-0326, RR-1610, RR-1282, RR-1713, RR-1940, RR-1449, RR-0896, RR-0211, RR-0829, RR-0307, RR-0187, RR-1128, RR-0838, RR-1571, RR-1360, RR-1742, RR-2008, RR-0818, RR-1382, RR-1934, RR-1642, RR-1324, RR-1487, RR-1566, RR-2010, RR-1492, RR-1966, RR-0337, RR-0057, RR-1872, RR-1996, RR-0986, RR-1751, RR-1255, RR-1466, RR-0112, RR-1446, RR-1048, RR-0588, RR-1809, RR-1924, RR-1117, RR-1413, RR-1694, RR-0867, RR-0250, RR-0735, RR-1218, RR-0029, RR-1666, RR-1573, RR-0123, RR-0742, RR-1665, RR-1861, RR-0194, RR-1181, RR-0881, RR-0398,		

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TRA-003	RR-0862, RR-1291, RR-1526, RR-1276, RR-0585, RR-1962, RR-1188, RR-0999, RR-1450, RR-1646, RR-0151, RR-0044, RR-1617, RR-1495, RR-2024, RR-0891, RR-1231, RR-1297,	Respondents expressed concerns regarding the increased risk of accidents and injury as a result of construction traffic. Comments noted particular concern for vulnerable	Road safety has been considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Traffic and Access [APP-043]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174** to **APP-177]**. **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174-APP-177]**

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	RR-1009, RR-1216, RR-0646, RR-0641, RR-1062, RR-0545, RR-0934, RR-1942, RR-0297, RR-1274, RR-1266, RR-0648, RR-0213, RR-1479, RR-0989, RR-1631, RR-1773, RR-0227, RR-0731, RR-0688, RR-0519, RR-0788, RR-1357, RR-0689, RR-0156, RR-0589, RR-1939, RR-1732, RR-0541, RR-0673, RR-0507, RR-0467, RR-0340, RR-1317, RR-1144, RR-0822, RR-0246, RR-1640, RR-0393, RR-1129, RR-0294, RR-1948, RR-0072, RR-0771, RR-0066, RR-0090, RR-0288, RR-0745, RR-0334, RR-1672, RR-1145, RR-0861, RR-0823, RR-1224, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-1816, RR-1459, RR-1649, RR-0973, RR-1833, RR-1733, RR-1858, RR-1864, RR-1861, RR-0868, RR-0711, RR-1750, RR-0963, RR-1477, RR-0755, RR-0872, RR-1215, RR-0522, RR-0344, RR-2017, RR-0339, RR-1882, RR-0506, RR-1044, RR-0653, RR-1395, RR-1383, RR-1108,	pedestrians such as children, the elderly and disabled people. One respondent noted that in winter months, lack of lighting makes safety on roads for pedestrians and others challenging already.	concludes the impact of the Scheme in relation to transport and access is not considered significant to the safe and efficient operation of the road network and PRoW network. Mitigation measures, including temporary traffic management, are set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** and **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]** to reduce, as far as practicable, the impacts of the Scheme on the local road and PRoW network, as well as to protect the integrity of the public highway and the safety of road users. In accordance with Requirements 15 and 17 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** a detailed CTMP and PRoWPPMP will be submitted to and approved with the relevant planning authority that must consult with the relevant highway authority.

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	RR-1515,RR-1077, RR-1116, RR-1256, RR-1397, RR-0038, RR-0003, RR-0656, RR-1105, RR-0840, RR-1396, RR-1000, RR-1557, RR-1693, RR-0744, RR-1049, RR-1635, RR-0581, RR-0283, RR-0093, RR-0269, RR-1229, RR-0399, RR-1210, RR-0883, RR-0733, RR-1353, RR-0225, RR-0726, RR-1263, RR-0197, RR-1689, RR-0373, RR-1887, RR-0296, RR-0449, RR-0134, RR-1630, RR-0642, RR-0990, RR-0109, RR-1139, RR-0286, RR-0190, RR-0539, RR-1599, RR-0450, RR-1464, RR-0859, RR-0687, RR-1049, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-0817, RR-1820, RR-0405, RR-0095, RR-0437, RR-0919, RR-1988, RR-0988, RR-1269, RR-1698, RR-0594, RR-1807, RR-0662, RR-1008, RR-1442, RR-1358, RR-1220, RR-1023, RR-1772, RR-1793, RR-0575, RR-0992, RR-0171, RR-0947, RR-1628, RR-0677, RR-1708, RR-0060, RR-1136, RR-1741, RR-0787,		

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	RR-0155, RR-1051, RR-0326, RR-0550, RR-1282, RR-1940, RR-0896, RR-0211, RR-0307, RR-0187, RR-1571, RR-1961, RR-1742, RR-2008, RR-1382, RR-1324, RR-1566, RR-0986, RR-1466, RR-1446, RR-0588, RR-1694, RR-0867, RR-0250, RR-1218, RR-0029, RR-1161, RR-0742, RR-1861, RR-0398, RR-1593, RR-1920, RR-0010, RR-1380, RR-1659, RR-1859, RR-1166, RR-1986, RR-0768, RR-1259, RR-1949, RR-0017, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-1153, RR-1911, RR-1344, RR-1821, RR-1600, RR-0675, RR-1033, RR-1638, RR-1570, RR-0661, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-1995, RR-0861, RR-0592, RR-1820, RR-1904		
TRA-004	RR-0290, RR-1567, RR-1553,RR-0723, RR-0585, RR-1602, RR-1290, RR-1294, RR-0559, RR-0977, RR-1176, RR-0751, RR-1233, RR-2029, RR-0571, RR-1962, RR-1188, RR-1450, RR-1626, RR-0403, RR-	Respondents expressed concern about the potential damage to roadside verges / roads from construction traffic.	For visibility splay for vehicles and highway works associated with AIL movements, vegetation may be required to be trimmed and, in some cases, vegetation and/or street furniture removed when absolutely necessary

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	0070, RR-0790, RR-0256, RR-0659, RR-0079, RR-0738, RR-1646, RR-0174, RR-0013, RR-0113, RR-1003, RR-1240, RR-1617, RR-1952, RR-0636, RR-1876, RR-1297, RR-1957, RR-1183, RR-0641, RR-0934, RR-0033, RR-1020, RR-1815, RR-1234, RR-1361, RR-0297, RR-1274, RR-0516, RR-1011, RR-0084, RR-1011, RR-0412, RR-0849, RR-0088, RR-0597, RR-1266, RR-1254, RR-0648, RR-0213, RR-1631, RR-1773, RR-0295, RR-0036, RR-1681, RR-1727, RR-0747, RR-0429, RR-0569, RR-0519, RR-0788, RR-0855, RR-2009, RR-1357, RR-1443, RR-0549, RR-0601, RR-0230, RR-0156, RR-1618, RR-0589, RR-0541, RR-0247, RR-0268, RR-1598, RR-0507, RR-0467, RR-0725, RR-0822, RR-1640, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1246, RR-1715, RR-0288, RR-0745, RR-1724, RR-0861, RR-0823, RR-1042, RR-1857, RR-0094, RR-1459, RR-	Some respondents specifically referred to potential damage caused by AILs.	to maintain the required sight lines for safety and to accommodate oversail. Street furniture removal will be temporary and will be reinstated, as set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** sets out management measures in relation to tree pruning, including an Arboricultural Method Statement will be adopted and that the pruning works will be implemented by a suitably qualified arboricultural Contractor working in accordance with British Standard 3998: 2010 'Tree Work – Recommendations. AIL movement will be carefully planned and timed to reduce disruption and undertaken under licence with the Highway Authority to ensure safe operation and to minimise impacts. AIL are not a frequent delivery method and only used for transformers and larger cable drums. The AIL movements will be undertaken using strict traffic management and notification of these types of movements will be communicated in advance.

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	0046, RR-0973, RR-1833, RR-1390, RR-0251, RR-0035, RR-0711, RR-1750, RR-0502, RR-1477, RR-1215, RR-0336, RR-0387, RR-1426, RR-0445, RR-0061, RR-0522, RR-0068, RR-1379, RR-0135, RR-0339, RR-1969, RR-1044, RR-0006, RR-1383, RR-1701, RR-1515, RR-0235, RR-0702, RR-0003, RR-0656, RR-0996, RR-0463, RR-0161, RR-0021, RR-1105, RR-0840, RR-0670, RR-1392, RR-1557, RR-0424, RR-1693, RR-0721, RR-1786, RR-0687, RR-0895, RR-1049, RR-1635, RR-0981, RR-0345, RR-0283, RR-0162, RR-1283, RR-0399, RR-0430, RR-1703, RR-2031, RR-1353, RR-0726, RR-1378, RR-1403, RR-1689, RR-1670, RR-0050, RR-0449, RR-1630, RR-0349, RR-0131, RR-0286, RR-0190, RR-1599, RR-1433, RR-0859, RR-0702, RR-0817, RR-0085, RR-1167, RR-0611, RR-1820, RR-0095, RR-1988, RR-0009, RR-1113, RR-0302, RR-		

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	0686, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1904, RR-0594, RR-1721, RR-1807, RR-0950, RR-0662, RR-0293, RR-1835, RR-1029, RR-0992, RR-0171, RR-0947, RR-1708, RR-0234, RR-1741, RR-0540, RR-0787, RR-0155, RR-1051, RR-1282, RR-1449, RR-0896, RR-0211, RR-0829, RR-0307, RR-0187, RR-2008, RR-0355, RR-1642, RR-0337, RR-0057, RR-0986, RR-0588, RR-0250, RR-0735, RR-0389, RR-1573, RR-1161, RR-0123, RR-0194, RR-1102, RR-1593, RR-0199, RR-0167, RR-1920, RR-0354, RR-1710, RR-1986, RR-1300, RR-1544, RR-1259, RR-1949, RR-1633, RR-0017, RR-0749, RR-0749, RR-0022, RR-1153, RR-0126, RR-1972, RR-1821, RR-1600, RR-1033, RR-1022, RR-0661, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0966		
TRA-005	RR-0290, RR-2029, RR-1082, RR-1240, RR-2024, RR-1350, RR-1183, RR-0141, RR-0855, RR-0541, RR-0427, RR-1791,	Respondent expressed concern regarding the widening of roads for HGVs and AILs. This includes	The Applicant notes the concerns regarding road widening, the removal of street furniture,

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	RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1976, RR-1456, RR-0861, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0696, RR-0395, RR-2030, RR-0925, RR-1733, RR-0963, RR-1414, RR-1682, RR-1435, RR-0522, RR-0006, RR-0702, RR-1105, RR-0424, RR-1227, RR-1693, RR-0721, RR-0032, RR-0430, RR-0652, RR-2031, RR-0252, RR-0286, RR-0684, RR-0702, RR-1730, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-0095, RR-0919, RR-1586, RR-0009, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-1904, RR-0761, RR-0496, RR-0211, RR-0355, RR-1642, RR-1161, RR-1615, RR-1102, RR-0354, RR-1710, RR-1986, RR-0768, RR-1544, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-1911, RR-1033, RR-1634, RR-0097, RR-0330, RR-1307, RR-0557	concerns around the removal of street furniture. Some respondents expressed concern about the removal of building frontage to accommodate HGVs and AILs.	and potential works required to facilitate HGV and AIL movements. Firstly, the DCO powers facilitating such works include inherent controls. For example, Article 10 (Power to alter layout, etc., of streets) which includes the power to alter, remove, replace or relocate any street furniture, includes an obligation on the undertaker to restore any street that has been temporarily altered to the reasonable satisfaction of the street authority. The proposed access arrangements and AIL routes have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** and the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174** to **APP-177]**, including vehicle tracking and swept-path analysis. Where localised highway works are required, these have been identified to facilitate the safe movement of vehicles and would be subject to detailed design and agreement with the relevant highway authority. There will be no removal of building frontage to accommodate HGV and AIL movements.

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			The Applicant considers that any highway works required would be proportionate and appropriately managed, and that the assessment concludes, with the proposed mitigation measures in place, effects associated with HGV and AIL movements would not be significant.
TRA-006	RR-1529, RR-1443, RR-0549, RR-0246, RR-1459, RR-0248, RR-1204, RR-1699, RR-1116, RR-0592, RR-0158, RR-0761, RR-1742, RR-0057, RR-0588, RR-1949, RR-1059, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0093, RR-1806, RR-1447, RR-1017, RR-1137	Respondent expressed particular concern about emergency service access to properties that are on minor roads.	The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** includes measures to manage construction traffic and temporary traffic management in a manner that maintains highway safety and minimises disruption to road users. Where temporary traffic management is required, access arrangements will be developed in consultation with the relevant authorities, including maintaining access for emergency vehicles where necessary. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** concludes that, with the proposed mitigation measures in place, effects on the operation of the Local Highway Network would not be significant.
TRA-007	RR-0931, RR-1234, RR-0827, RR-0541, RR-1552, RR-0066, RR-1715, RR-2017, RR-0373, RR-1730, RR-0687, RR-1067, RR-1807, RR-1772, RR-0588,	Respondent stated that no detailed on-the-ground survey of the impact and feasibility of the transport and access routes has been carried out by the Applicant. They stated that the	The Applicant does not agree that the assessment is solely desk-based. The development of the access strategy included site visits and an on-the-ground review of the proposed access routes. The proposed

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	RR-1166, RR-0986, RR-1119, RR-2017, RR-1158, RR-0243	assessment seems to only be desk-based, which is unacceptable. They requested a detailed survey should be carried out. One respondent stated that the Transport Assessment underestimates HGV volumes, omits AIL routing and tanker movements, provides no cumulative construction modelling and no road safety assessment. One respondent stated that the ES Transport Assessment underestimates HGV volumes, and omits AIL routing and tanker movements.	access arrangements have also been assessed through access design, visibility assessments, vehicle tracking and swept path analysis as presented within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 -Transport Assessment [APP-174-APP-177]**. The Applicant does not agree that HGV volumes, AIL movements or road safety effects have been omitted. These matters are assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**, supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]**. The assessment also includes consideration of cumulative effects and road safety. Trip generation forecasts are based on a reasonable worst-case scenario, assuming all construction activities occur simultaneously. In practice, construction activities will be staggered across the programme. The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** also includes measures such as pre- and post-construction road condition surveys and traffic management measures to manage potential effects on the Local Highway Network. The

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			Applicant therefore considers that a robust assessment of transport and access effects has been undertaken.
TRA-008	RR-0531, RR-0673, RR-1931, RR-1699, RR-0241, RR-0744, RR-0580, RR-0283, RR-0539, RR-0668, RR-0039, RR-1238, RR-0817, RR-1793, RR-0098, RR-1628, RR-1986, RR-0749, RR-1153	Some respondents expressed concern regarding the cumulative impact of other construction vehicles using this road for other developments in the area. Respondents noted that major routes, including the A140, are already used by other construction vehicles. One respondent stated that there has been no account taken of national and local highway improvement projects and existing diversions and congestion. One respondent expressed concern regarding the cumulative impact around Great Moulton when the FIELD BESS project is under construction.	An assessment of cumulative developments has been provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 – Transport and Access [APP-047]** in accordance with industry-standard IEMA Guidance. This includes an assessment of A140, including traffic flows at three locations on the link. The cumulative development list with respect to traffic and transport has been prepared in consultation with Norfolk County Council as the Local Highway Authority. The cumulative schemes considered are set out in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 2.4 - Cumulative Schemes [APP-118]**, with the shortlist prepared in consultation with the relevant local planning authorities. This shortlist includes the 400MW (estimated 3,000MWh) BESS scheme at Land north of Carr Lane, Great Moulton (planning reference 2025/1689), located approximately 900m north of Sub-Site 1B and other large infrastructure schemes in the wider area.

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			Mitigation measures for construction traffic, including cumulative effects and managing traffic movements on key links including A140, are secured in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. In accordance with Requirement 15 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032],** a detailed CTMP will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority in consultation with the relevant highway authority, ensuring that construction vehicle movements are coordinated and impacts appropriately managed throughout the construction phase.
TRA-009	RR-0304, RR-1139, RR-0588, RR-0674, RR-0103, RR-1613, RR-0665, RR-0982, RR-0973, RR-2017, RR-0235, RR-1139	Respondent requested Applicant secure a robust Construction Traffic Management Plan through the DCO and ensure routing restrictions are enforceable and kept to agreed construction hours. Some respondents stated that construction traffic on smaller rural roads should be carefully managed. A respondent requested strict construction controls such as rigid limitations on construction traffic hours on (Redacted), completely avoiding key household and	The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** provides a framework for managing construction traffic and includes measures such as designated construction routes, delivery scheduling, a vehicle booking management system, controls on HGV delivery times, traffic management measures and community engagement. The Outline CTMP is secured through the Requirements of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, which requires a detailed CTMP to be prepared and approved by the relevant planning authority in consultation with the relevant highway authority prior to construction.

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		educational hours, with continuous noise monitoring at our property line. One respondent stated that the proposed construction traffic management and access arrangements lack credible enforcement mechanisms, adding that experience from other local developments shows that routing conditions are often poorly monitored and breached once construction begins. Others mentioned the lack of / quality of traffic and construction routeing mitigation.	The Applicant recognises the need to carefully manage construction traffic on rural roads and has developed the access strategy in consultation with NCC as the Local Highway Authority. The detailed CTMP will include measures to manage construction traffic movements, including proposed monitoring and enforcement mechanisms, and will be substantially in accordance with the approved **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**.
TRA-010	RR-1363, RR-0539, RR-1464, RR-0293, RR-0570, RR-1418	Respondent expressed that plans for traffic control will not be suitable and will cause further gridlock and congestion.	The traffic management measures set out within the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** have been developed in accordance with industry best practice and are specifically intended to minimise disruption to the Local Highway Network. These measures include delivery scheduling, vehicle booking systems, designated routes, managed vehicle movements and temporary traffic management where required. The Applicant considers that these measures provide a robust framework for managing construction traffic. A detailed CTMP,

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			substantially in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, will be prepared and approved by the relevant planning authority in consultation with the relevant highway authority pursuant to the Requirements of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** prior to construction. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** concludes that, with these measures in place, effects on network operation and driver delay would not be significant.
TRA-011	RR-0751, RR-0758, RR-1067, RR-0541	Respondent stated that the maps detailing traffic movement do not take into account the recent bypass construction and planned associated house buildings developments. One respondent stated that it is impossible to find clear details on AIL routing within the 228 documents submitted by the Applicant on the PINS website.	The Applicant is aware of the opening of the Long Stratton Bypass, and this has informed the preparation of the access strategy. As shown in **ES Volume 2, Figure 11.1 - Indicative Transport and Access Study Area [APP-094]**, the bypass is included within the study area. This is additionally indicated within the routeing figures in **ES Volume 2 Figures 11.2 - 11.8 - Likely and Suitable Access Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]** (which also includes indicative AIL routeing), alongside acknowledgement within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174]** to **APP-177]** and **ES Volume 1 Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**.

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			The OS basemaps presented on plans and figures do not affect the assessments provided as part of the Application. Nonetheless, at the beginning of the Examination, the Applicant intends to update the OS basemaps of the Works Plan and the main suite of other plans submitted with the Application. In the meantime, the **Land Plan [APP-006]** submitted with the DCO Application already shows the Long Stratton bypass on the OS basemap. Please refer to the Land Plan to view the proximity of the Long Stratton Bypass with the Order Limits. Cumulative and in-combination effects are assessed in **ES Volume 1 Chapter 11: Transport and Access [APP-047]**. Baseline traffic flows have also been growthed to the peak construction year using industry-standard TEMPro software which captures committed housing developments as part of its inherent background growth estimates. Any developments not captured already within TEMPRo are also detailed in Section 11.11 of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**.
TRA-012	RR-0539, RR-0668, RR-0761, RR-0577, RR-0331	Respondent expressed concern regarding the permanent access	Accesses A03 and A04 on Frith Way are proposed for both the construction and

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		routes in Great Moulton, specifically the ones needed for the National Grid Substation One respondent stated that long term maintenance access would negatively affect local residents and rural lanes.	operational phases of the Scheme. Operational traffic associated with routine maintenance is anticipated to be no more than five visits per month undertaken by staff using a car, 4x4 or van. Occasional ad-hoc HGV visits may be required to replace components such as batteries and inverters. The Applicant notes that panel replacement activities may occur during the operational life of the Scheme. Such activities are anticipated to be no worse than the construction phase and would be managed through the **Outline OTMP [APP-202]**, which includes measures to manage operational traffic and minimise effects on the Local Highway Network.
TRA-013	RR-1730, RR-1911, RR-1059, RR-1995	Respondent stated that the proposed Abnormal Indivisible Loads (AIL) vehicle access routes require vehicles to traverse over land, pedestrian bridges and waterways that cannot be traversed.	AIL movements have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**, the **ES Volume 3**, **Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174** to **APP-177]** and the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. The Transport Assessment includes an assessment of the proposed AIL routes and associated vehicle tracking to demonstrate the suitability of the routes and access arrangements.

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			The Applicant does not agree that the proposed AIL strategy relies on routes that cannot be traversed. AIL movements would be managed by specialist haulage contractors and subject to detailed route planning, surveys and traffic management measures prior to movement.
TRA-014	RR-1730, RR-1911, RR-1059, RR-1995	Respondent stated that the proposals require significant sized high-load AIL vehicles (circa 45m x 5m each) to travel through very tight C roads, through conservation areas and immediately adjacent to historic listed buildings with no foundations.	AIL movements have been assessed within **ES Volume 1 Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**, the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 -Transport Assessment [APP-174** to **APP-177]** and the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. AIL route assessments, including vehicle tracking, have been undertaken to assess the suitability of the proposed routes. AIL movements would be managed by specialist haulage contractors and subject to detailed route planning and traffic management measures prior to movement. The assessment of transport effects concludes that, with the proposed mitigation measures in place, effects associated with hazardous and large loads would not be significant. Potential impacts by AIL to listed buildings and conservation areas have been addressed

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			within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 10 – Cultural Heritage [APP-046],** which is supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 10.1 – Heritage Statement [APP-165 – 168]**.
TRA-015	RR-1266, RR-1209	Respondent expressed concern for the impact of the Scheme on agricultural traffic.	Existing traffic flows, including agricultural vehicle movements, have been considered within the transport assessment presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. The assessment considers the effects of construction and operational traffic on the Local Highway Network and identifies appropriate management and mitigation measures where required. The Applicant also notes that land within the Solar PV Sites would no longer be subject to routine agricultural operations during the operational phase of the Scheme, reducing agricultural vehicle movements associated with those areas.
TRA-016	RR-0018	Respondent requested alternative routing options that minimise damage to agricultural land.	The access strategy has been developed through an iterative design process and consultation with NCC as the Local Highway Authority, taking account of environmental, engineering, land and highway constraints. Where practicable, existing access points and

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			internal haul routes have been utilised to minimise impacts on agricultural land and reduce use of the Local Highway Network. The Applicant considers that the proposed access arrangements represent the most practical and deliverable approach and that the associated effects have been appropriately assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. A detailed SRMP will be produced and controlled through DCO Requirement as set out in the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**. The detailed SRMP will be completed to incorporate measures to minimise the impact of construction traffic on agricultural land. The **Outline SRMP [APP-204]** sets out in paragraph 5.1.1 that trafficking of unsurfaced soils will be limited.
TRA-017	RR-0213	Respondent expressed that Scheme conflicts with GNLP Policy 6 which requires safe and suitable access for all users and is also contrary to National Planning Policy Framework	The Applicant does not agree that the Scheme conflicts with GNLP Policy 6 or the NPPF in relation to transport and access. The transport and access effects of the Scheme have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**, supported by **ES Volume 3**, **Appendix**

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		which requires avoidance of severe transport impacts.	**11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]**, and **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. The access strategy has been developed in consultation with NCC as the Local Highway Authority and is supported by access design, visibility assessments, vehicle tracking and swept path analysis. The assessment concludes that, with the proposed management and mitigation measures in place, effects on highway safety, road users and the operation of the Local Highway Network would not be significant. The Applicant therefore considers that safe and suitable access can be achieved and that the residual transport effects of the Scheme are acceptable.
TRA-018	RR-1204	Respondent expressed concern regarding the 50m wide haul road which runs through many fields.	Internal haul routes have been incorporated into the construction strategy to minimise the use of the Local Highway Network and reduce interactions between construction traffic, local communities and road users. These are detailed within the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** and **ES Volume 2, Figure 11.2 to 11.8 - Likely and Suitable Access Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**. The Applicant

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			considers that the use of internal haul routes represents an important mitigation measure and helps minimise transport effects during construction. The assessment of transport effects in **ES Volume 1 Chapter 11 Transport and Access [App-047]** conclude that, with the proposed mitigation in place, including the use of internal haul routes, effects on the highway network are not significant. The **Design Approach Document [APP-212]** sets out the key considerations to designing the Cable Route Corridor. The Cable Route Corridor was refined during the design evolution of the Scheme to take into account environmental constraints and technical requirements. This included keeping the route as short and direct as possible.
TRA-019	RR-2017	Respondent expressed concern that access to both homes and businesses will be hindered by the Scheme.	The transport and access effects of the Scheme including access to homes and businesses have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** and are supported by the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** and **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. The assessment concludes that, with the proposed

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			management and mitigation measures in place, effects with regards to transport and access would not be significant. Where temporary traffic management measures are required during construction, these will be designed to minimise disruption and maintain access to properties and businesses wherever practicable.
TRA-020	RR-0940	Respondent expressed general support for traffic mitigation measures.	The Applicant welcomes this comment. Traffic management measures are detailed within the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**.
TRA-021	RR-0539	Respondent stated that there has been no indication of diversion routes / changes to existing highway routes.	Traffic management measures are detailed within the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. The precise arrangements of any diversion routes if required will be refined through detailed design and consultation with NCC as the Local Highway Authority. Detailed traffic management measures will be secured through the detailed CTMP and other management plans required by the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** prior to construction.
TRA-022	RR-1775	Respondent expressed that the Scheme is in breach of Highways Act 1980.	The Applicant does not agree that the Scheme is in breach of the Highways Act 1980. The transport and access strategy has been developed in consultation with NCC as

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			the Local Highway Authority and has been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**, supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174-APP to 177]**, **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** and **Outline OTMP [APP-202]**. The Applicant considers that the proposed access arrangements, highway works and traffic management measures provide a safe and deliverable framework for the construction, operation and decommissioning of the Scheme. Detailed traffic management and access arrangements will be secured through the Requirements of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** and developed in consultation with the relevant authorities prior to implementation.
TRA-023	RR-0457	Respondent stated that only main roads should be used as access routes.	The Applicant has sought to maximise the use of A and B roads and internal haul routes wherever practicable. However, due to the geographic nature of the Scheme and site-specific physical and environmental constraints, access via some sections of the Local Road Network is required.

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			The access strategy has been developed in consultation with NCC as the Local Highway Authority and is supported by a range of management and mitigation measures set out within the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**.
Site-specific comments			
TRA-024	RR-1130, RR-0561, RR-0821, RR-0601, RR-0427, RR-1791, RR-0324, RR-1477, RR-0574, RR-0135, RR-1969, RR-1326, RR-1077, RR-0021, RR-0302, RR-1644, RR-0271, RR-0997, RR-1573, RR-1161, RR-1102, RR-0149, RR-1998, RR-0324, RR-1642, RR-0574, RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-0574, RR-1442, RR-1262, RR-0601, RR-1477, RR-0574, RR-1326, RR-1000, RR-0768, RR-1642, RR-1615	Respondents objected to the use of AIL and HGV routes in Saxlingham Nethergate and Saxlingham Green due to the conservation area, listed buildings and village war memorial near Broaden Lane. One respondent expressed particular concern about the width of the access road to The Green and the village which is 4 metres wide only in some parts. Some respondents expressed concern that haulage routeing may impact Saxlingham Nethergate Primary School.	In respect of Saxlingham Nethergate, The Street will not be used for general construction traffic. The only construction traffic expected in Saxlingham Nethergate will be for the movement of the AIL. This is supported by an AIL Report and site access design, vehicle tracking and swept-path analysis within Appendix C and D of the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174]**. For AIL movements within Norfolk (and Suffolk) there is an embargo against AIL movements during peak traffic times. These restricted times are Monday to Friday 07:00 to 09:00 and 16:00 to 18:00. It is anticipated that the AIL movements would take place during the weekend and during daylight hours to enhance visibility.

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			Each AIL movement will be carefully planned and timed to reduce disruption and undertaken under licence with the Highway Authority to ensure safe operation and to minimise impacts. AIL are not a frequent delivery method and only used for transformers and larger cable drums. The movements will be undertaken using strict traffic management, and notification of these types of movements will be communicated in advance. Requirements for AIL will be determined through the detailed design process and in consultation with statutory consultees, to be secured through a detailed CTMP by Requirement of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. As part of the management of AIL, the selected hauler must notify the police, highway authorities and bridge owners when planning to transport AILs. It is likely that AIL deliveries will require police escorts and/or temporary road closures or diversions on the day of the delivery to maintain the safety of members of the public. Mitigation measures relating to construction traffic and AIL is set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. In accordance with Requirement

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			15 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** a detailed CTMP will be submitted to and approved with the relevant planning authority that must consult with the relevant highway authority.
TRA-025	RR-1158, RR-1176, RR-0827, RR-0744, RR-1096, RR-1699, RR-1067, RR-0929, RR-0593, RR-0528, RR-0054, RR-1716, RR-1699	One respondent expressed concern that AIL Hall Lane route requires negotiating new road layout and bypass road bridge built to national standard, 44Tn. The applicant states they don't know the weight limit of the bridge yet I do and the AIL is 78Tn. Respondent expressed concern that Hall Lane is not a suitable route for construction traffic as a narrow single lane with new layout. One respondent opposed the widening of Hall Lane if it includes cutting down Horse Chestnut Trees.	The Applicant notes the concern regarding the suitability of Hall Lane bridge for construction traffic. The Applicant confirms that Hall Lane would be used for AILs only and would not form a route for general construction HGVs or LGVs. As such, vehicle movements on this route would be limited in frequency. The Applicant has liaised with NCC regarding the suitability of the Hall Lane Overbridge for the proposed AIL movements. NCC has confirmed that the bridge is capable of accommodating the size and weight of the vehicles proposed to use this route. As such, the bridge is considered suitable for the proposed AIL movements. There would be no loss of Horse Chestnut trees on Hall Lane and only tree trimming or pruning may be required for AIL movements.

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TRA-026	RR-0545, RR-1640, RR-0072, RR-0543, RR-1664, RR-0773, RR-1593, RR-1344, RR-0773	Respondents objected to the use of Market Lane and Wash Lane as a route for construction traffic.	During the design process, the Applicant, in consultation with the Highways Authority, has sought to internalise construction routes, where possible, to reduce movements on the local road network. The construction routes are set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. Construction traffic routeing between Sub-Sites 8A and 8B includes a short section of Market Lane due to physical constraints associated with Shotesham Beck and the presence of hedgerows, which limit the ability to provide a direct connection between the two site parcels. The area between Sub-Sites 8A and 8B is also identified as an Avoidance Area within the **Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216]**. Accordingly, trenchless crossing methods are proposed for this section of the cable route, avoiding the need for an open-cut crossing in this location, while a short section of the existing highway network (Market Lane) is required to facilitate HGV movements between the two site parcels. There are two access points on Wash Lane; A47, which is a crossing point for the temporary construction phase of the CRC; and A48, which has been retained for

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			flexibility subject to detailed design. Construction vehicles are not proposed to utilise Wash Lane to access the Scheme, as shown in **ES Volume 2, Figures 11.2 - 11.8 - Likely and Suitable Access Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**. Construction traffic and access management measures are set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** by Requirement 15 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
TRA-027	RR-1047, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-1256, RR-1644, RR-0520, RR-0229, RR-0574, RR-1000, RR-1576, RR-0265	Respondent expressed concern for safety of pedestrians and users of The Street, Fritton and the B1527. They noted that school buses regularly use The Street.	The effects of construction traffic on road safety, including impacts on non-motorised users, have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 -Transport and Access [APP-047]**. The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** includes a range of management and mitigation measures, including delivery scheduling, designated routes, traffic management measures and traffic marshal support where required, to minimise effects on local communities and road users. The assessment concludes that, with the proposed mitigation in place, effects on road safety would not be significant. The detailed CTMP, secured through the Requirements of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, will be developed in consultation with Norfolk County Council as

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			the Local Highway Authority prior to construction.
TRA-028	RR-1183, RR-0511, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0539, RR-1807, RR-0850, RR-0761, RR-0933	Respondent expressed concern for the use of Lodge Road and Frith Way for construction traffic. One respondent noted heavy traffic will damage an already fragile road, noting there are no safe pedestrian refuge areas, increasing danger to pedestrians.	The Applicant notes the concerns regarding the use of Lodge Road and Frith Way during construction. The characteristics of Lodge Road and Frith Way were considered as part of the transport assessment and informed the development of the access strategy. The effects of construction traffic on road safety and non-motorised users have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**, supported by the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]** and **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** includes management and mitigation measures designed to support the safe movement of construction traffic and minimise effects on local communities and road users. In addition, pre- and post-construction road condition surveys will be undertaken on relevant local roads, with any defects reasonably attributable to construction traffic being

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			rectified to the satisfaction of NCC as the Local Highway Authority. The assessment concludes that, with the proposed mitigation in place, effects on road safety and the Local Highway Network would not be significant.
TRA-029	RR-0768, RR-0571, RR-0457, RR-0681, RR-0691, RR-0284, RR-0488, RR-0601	Respondents expressed concern for traffic and AIL movement impacts on Stoke Holy Cross and surrounding areas in particular. Other areas mentioned outside of the Order Limits included impacts on Poringland and Norwich. One respondent noted heavy trucking along roads in Stoke Holy Cross has already caused issues for underwater mains. One respondent added that Poringland Road to Stoke Holy Cross is an established commuter route	The Applicant notes that Soke Holy Cross will not be used for general construction traffic, however, will be utilised for AIL movements. The transport and access effects of the Scheme, including construction traffic routeing and AIL movements, have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**, supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]** and **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. The assessment includes the strategic route network and roads beyond the Order Limits where traffic associated with the Scheme is forecast to travel. This is also supported by an AIL Report and site access design, vehicle tracking and swept-path analysis within Appendix C and D of **ES Volume 3,**

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		which experiences closures due to the road's current condition.	**Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174]**. AIL movements would be managed by specialist haulage contractors and subject to detailed route planning and traffic management measures.
TRA-030	RR-1158, RR-0412, RR-0849, RR-0511, RR-1418, RR-1067, RR-1183	Respondents expressed concern regarding the potential impact to the A140. Respondent expressed concern Scheme predicted construction road use on A140, south from Hempnall roundabout, exceeds 10% and needs reassessment demonstrating poor or lack of proper assessment.	As detailed in Table 11.16 of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**, the percentage impact of ATC3 (A140 south of Hempnall Roundabout) associated with the peak daily construction phase of the Scheme is 1% for all vehicles, or 2% for HGVs. As detailed in Table 11.22, the percentage impact of ATC3 associated with peak daily construction, plus cumulative schemes, is 6% for all vehicles, or 25% for HGVs. These percentages do not exceed IEMA Guidance thresholds requiring additional assessment of the link. This is detailed further in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**.
TRA-031	RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0761, RR-0827, RR-1459	Respondent expressed concern that Hempnall roundabout is at risk of destruction due to AIL movements	The Applicant does not agree that the Scheme would result in the destruction of the Hempnall Roundabout. AIL movements have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter**

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		after recently being completed, branding this a waste of public funds.	**11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**, **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174 to 177]** and the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. AIL movements would be managed by specialist haulage contractors and subject to detailed route planning, vehicle tracking and traffic management measures prior to movement, which may include pre-condition surveys, where deemed necessary. A Manual Classified Count (MCC) was commissioned for Hempnall Roundabout and assessed in Section 9 of the **Transport Assessment [APP-174 to 177]**. Impacts associated with turning movements are not directly detailed in IEMA Guidance, however there are no points at which traffic flows are expected to exceed defined thresholds requiring further assessment to be undertaken. A technical note has also been prepared which includes a full assessment of Hempnall Roundabout and is detailed in Appendix B of the **Transport Assessment [APP-174 to 177]**. The conclusions of this

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			assessment do not identify significant effects on the junction.
TRA-032	RR-1209, RR-0546, RR-1358, RR-1890, RR-1073, RR-1698	Respondents expressed concern for the use of the B1332 and the increase in traffic this will cause. One respondent stated that the road from the B1332 through Brooke is also unsuitable for construction traffic because it is narrow, has a primary school near the junction, runs through a residential area and features several tight corners before reaching the Scheme site.	The Applicant notes that B1332 through Brooke will not be used for construction HGV movements, however, will be utilised for some staff movements and may be used for AILs. The characteristics of the local highway network, including physical conditions, existing traffic conditions, and nearby sensitive receptors, informed the transport assessment and development of the access strategy. The Applicant is aware of the location of the primary school, and this is identified and considered within the assessment presented in **ES Volume 1 Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. The assessment, supported by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174]** and **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, considered the effects of construction traffic on road safety and local communities. The assessment concludes that, with the proposed management and mitigation in place, effects on the highway network and road users would not be significant.

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TRA-033	RR-1403, RR-1644, RR-0265, RR-0149, RR-1998	Respondent expressed concern over the suitability of the Krons for construction traffic, which narrow road with no passing places or footpaths.	The Applicant notes the concern regarding the suitability of The Krons for construction traffic. The use of this links forms part of an access strategy developed following consultation and feedback from NCC. In consultation with NCC, it was noted that the preferred access strategy to Sub-Sites 7A-F would be via The Krons and B1527, instead of utilising The Krons / A140 junction. Meeting minutes with NCC are detailed in Appendix E of the **Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]**. The suitability of the road has been assessed through access design, visibility assessments, vehicle tracking and swept-path analysis, as detailed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174** to **APP-177]**. The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** includes a range of management and mitigation measures designed to minimise impacts on the local road network and the assessment within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** concludes that with these measures in place, effects on the highway network would not be significant.

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TRA-034	RR-0585, RR-0646, RR-1995, RR-0255	Respondent noted that the B1527 and C201 are unsuitable for sustained HGV movements over a 2-3 year construction period. One respondent expressed concern that Scheme will delay commercial traffic on the southern side of the county via the A140 and east on B1527.	The effects of construction traffic on these links and the local and major road networks have been assessed within **ES Volume 1 Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174 to 177]**. The assessment considers forecast HGV movements, road safety and potential delay effects and adopts a reasonable worst-case scenario assuming all construction activities occur simultaneously. In practice, construction activities will be staggered across the programme. The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** includes measures such as delivery scheduling, vehicle booking systems and designated construction routes to minimise disruption to other road users. The assessment concludes that, with the proposed mitigation in place, effects on road safety and driver delay would not be significant.
TRA-035	RR-0287, RR-1861, RR-1986	Respondent expressed concern for traffic impacts on Alburgh Road. This includes concerns for pedestrian safety along this road.	The effects of construction traffic on Alburgh Road have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. The forecast change in traffic on this link is 3% for all traffic and 4% for HGVs

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		One respondent expressed concern that the road is not wide enough to accommodate two-way traffic and already struggles with HGVs from other developments.	(Table 11.16), which is below the relevant IEMA screening thresholds for further assessment. The characteristics of Alburgh Road were considered as part of the development of the access strategy. Appropriate management and mitigation measures are proposed within the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, including measures relating to access to Site 3 and the management of construction traffic movements. The assessment considered effects on road safety and concludes that, with the proposed mitigation in place, effects on pedestrians and other road users would not be significant.
TRA-036	RR-1363, RR-0698, RR-1434	Respondent stated that Littlebeck Lane is not suitable and will affect their property access.	The Applicant acknowledges the constraints associated with Littlebeck Lane and these were considered as part of the development of the access strategy and the assessment presented within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** includes management measures specifically designed to minimise vehicle conflicts on constrained roads, including the use of vehicle holding areas and call-forward arrangements to

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			control construction vehicle movements. This would allow more control over construction vehicle movements, reducing the potential for vehicle conflicts on Littlebeck Lane and enabling existing road users to access the link safely and efficiently. The construction phase is also temporary in nature and construction activities will be staggered across the programme. Therefore, construction effects on Littlebeck Lane are temporary, and may not last for the duration of the construction programme. A detailed CTMP, substantially in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, will be secured through the Requirements of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** and approved prior to construction. The assessment concludes that, with the proposed mitigation in place, effects on local access and road users would not be significant.
TRA-037	RR-1204, RR-1699, RR-0744	Respondent expressed concern regarding the haul road that runs across Parker's Lane, which will cause major disruption to residents and emergency services.	The crossing of Parker's Lane forms part of the temporary construction phase of the Cable Route Corridor. Where temporary traffic management or closures are required, appropriate diversion routes and managements will be developed and secured through the detailed CTMP, which will be

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			substantially in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** and approved pursuant to the Requirements of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant also notes that measures will be implemented to maintain access for emergency vehicles where required.
TRA-038	RR-1256, RR-0702, RR-1995	Respondent stated that the proposed Site 5 entrances (including ES Motor Sports, Wheels4Less and Jack in the Box children's nursery) have limited visibility.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding visibility at existing accesses in the vicinity of Site 5, including ES Motor Sports, Wheels4Less and Jack in the Box Children's Nursery. The potential effects of construction traffic on the local highway network, including sensitive receptors and vulnerable road users, have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. Construction traffic would be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201**], which includes measures to manage vehicle movements and maintain highway safety during the construction period. The Applicant notes that the representation relates to existing highway conditions and visibility at private accesses. The Scheme does not alter these existing access

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			arrangements. Taking account of the proposed mitigation and management measures, the assessment concluded that effects on affected receptors and road users would generally be minor or negligible.
TRA-039	RR-1158, RR-1995, RR-1203	Respondent expressed concern that traffic studies were done prior to the opening of the Long Stratton Bypass.	The Applicant notes the concern regarding the timing of the traffic surveys in relation to the opening of the Long Stratton Bypass. The Applicant is aware of the Long Stratton Bypass, and its opening has informed the development of the access strategy and transport assessment. The assessment presented within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 -Transport Assessment [APP-174-APP-177]** utilises forecast future baseline traffic conditions and is considered robust for the purposes of assessing the likely effects of the Scheme. The Applicant therefore considers that the transport assessment provides an appropriate basis for assessing the effects of the Scheme on the highway network.
TRA-040	RR-0827, RR-0296, RR-1067	Respondent stated that temporary construction compound in Sub-Site 4A will add additional pressure on the	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the potential effects of the

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		local road network, especially with HGV traffic.	temporary construction compound at Sub-Site 4A on the local highway network. The traffic associated with temporary construction compounds, including Sub-Site 4A, was taken into account within the construction traffic forecasting and trip generation assessment presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. The forecast construction traffic flows therefore reflect the traffic associated with the Scheme as a whole, including the operation of temporary construction compounds. The potential effects of these forecast traffic flows were assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. Taking account of the proposed mitigation and management measures, the assessment concluded that effects on affected road links and receptors would generally be minor or negligible.
TRA-041	RR-2009, RR-1707, RR-0296	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of traffic moving through Long Stratton.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the potential effects of construction traffic on Long Stratton. Please refer to **ES Volume 2, Figures 11.2 – 11.8 - Likely and Suitable Routes to the**

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			Scheme [APP-095], which identify the proposed routes to the Scheme. These figures show that construction HGV traffic associated with the Scheme is not anticipated to route through Long Stratton. The Applicant notes that AILs, including cable drum movements, may utilise routes through Long Stratton. However, these movements would be infrequent in nature and would be managed in accordance with the AIL management measures set out in Section 6.4 of the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. Accordingly, while a limited number of managed AIL movements may pass through Long Stratton, regular construction HGV traffic is not anticipated to route through the town as part of the Scheme.
TRA-042	RR-0964, RR-0101	Respondent expressed concern the road entrance to the proposed sub-station in Site 5 is near the entrance to their property. It is already dangerous to pull out of the driveway, a concealed entrance on a fast and busy road. The addition of this entranceway will aggravate this situation, they noted to access the	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the proximity of the proposed access arrangements to existing properties and the potential effects on highway safety for residents and pedestrians. The suitability of the proposed access arrangements has been assessed through swept path analysis undertaken as part of the application. Access 23 is shown on Drawing

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		local countryside they need to walk along the verge, this can pose a danger to them.	333101678-STN-HGN-XX-DR-TR-5500 Sheet 37, which demonstrates the proposed AIL access arrangement, and Access 24 is shown on Drawing 333101678-STN-HGN-XX-DR-TR-5500 Sheet 35. These drawings are included within Appendix C of **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 -Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]** and demonstrate the suitability of the proposed access arrangements for the design vehicles assessed. The potential effects of construction traffic on the local highway network, including pedestrians and other vulnerable road users, have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. In accordance with the IEMA Guidelines for Environmental Assessment of Road Traffic, links serving sensitive receptors and vulnerable road users were subject to a greater level of scrutiny within the assessment. Construction traffic would also be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, which includes measures to manage vehicle movements and maintain highway safety during the construction period. Taking

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			account of the proposed mitigation and management measures, the assessment concluded that effects on affected receptors and non-motorised users would generally be minor or negligible.
TRA-043	RR-1383, RR-1515	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of construction vehicles, particularly around the old brick tunnel that goes from Site 5 under the road, under Boyland Hall and into the field.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the potential impact of construction traffic on the brick tunnel beneath Boyland Hall. Please refer **to ES Volume 2, Figures 11.2 – 11.8 - Likely and Suitable Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**, which identify the proposed construction traffic routes associated with the Scheme. These figures show that Boyland Hall Lane does not form part of the proposed HGV or AIL routeing strategy. The Applicant notes that construction vehicles may utilise a short section of Boyland Hall Lane to access the CRC. However, this would be limited to the section required to access the works area and would not involve construction traffic routing along the road as part of a wider access route to the Scheme. The Applicant also notes that the access strategy and layout of the Scheme have been

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			developed having regard to existing environmental constraints and physical features within the area. This includes existing infrastructure, structures, watercourses, heritage features and other constraints that influence the location of access points and construction routes. Further details regarding the construction of the CRC are provided within the **Outline Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216]**. Accordingly, the Applicant does not anticipate the brick tunnel beneath Boyland Hall being affected by construction traffic movements associated with the Scheme.
TRA-044	RR-1593, RR-1640	Respondents objected to the use of Wood Lane and Chequers Lane as a routes for construction traffic.	The Applicant acknowledges the concerns raised regarding the use of Wood Lane and Chequers Lane for construction traffic. Please refer to **ES Volume 2, Figures 11.2 – 11.8 - Likely and Suitable Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**, which identify the proposed HGV and AIL routes associated with the Scheme. These figures show that construction traffic is not anticipated to route via Wood Lane or Chequers Lane.

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			Accordingly, construction traffic associated with the Scheme is not anticipated to use Wood Lane or Chequers Lane.
TRA-045	RR-1294, RR-0977	Respondents expressed concern regarding the access routes for the BESS Site, stating they are unsuitable and will not be able to handle emergency services vehicles. Respondent stated that the BESS site will be accessed via narrow, single-track rural lanes. They stated that these routes are entirely incompatible with the rapid deployment of specialised heavy emergency vehicles, hazardous material advisors, and high-volume pumping appliances required by NFCC to manage a chemical fire.	The Applicant acknowledges the concerns raised regarding access to the BESS Site for emergency service vehicles. The suitability of the proposed access arrangements has been assessed through swept path analysis. Swept path analysis has been undertaken for the BESS access arrangements using an emergency fire appliance, demonstrating that emergency vehicles can access the BESS Site. Site access drawings and vehicle tracking assessments included within Appendix C of **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 -Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]** also demonstrate that the proposed access can accommodate construction HGVs, which represent a larger design vehicle than a typical emergency response vehicle. Construction traffic would be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, which includes measures designed to maintain access and manage vehicle

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			movements on constrained sections of the local highway network. The Applicant therefore does not agree that the proposed access routes are inherently unsuitable for emergency service vehicles. Emergency vehicle access requirements have been considered as part of the access design process and demonstrated through the vehicle tracking assessments submitted with the application. The Applicant has submitted an **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** using guidance from Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) and incorporating recommendations of the National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC). Section 4 covers all requisite firefighting requirements for the Scheme including fire service access, firefighting water supply, and emergency planning requirements and is fully compliant with NFCC guidance. Requirement 6 in the Draft DCO requires a detailed BSMP to be approved by the relevant planning authority in consultation with Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service and the Environment Agency. The detailed BSMP

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			must be substantially in accordance with the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**.
TRA-046	RR-0295, RR-0227	Respondents stated that access to Site 8 should be provided via Brooke Road, a more suitable two-lane route, with a bridge across the watercourses between the sites. They stated that this would avoid safety issues, verge loss and disruption to residents.	The Applicant acknowledges the suggestion that access to Site 8 should be provided via Brooke Road, together with the construction of a bridge between Sites 8A and 8B. The access strategy for the Scheme has been developed to minimise construction traffic routing through villages where practicable. Accordingly, the use of Brooke Road as the principal access route to Sub-Sites 8A and 8B has been avoided in order to reduce the need for construction HGV traffic to route through Shotesham village. The only Scheme traffic anticipated to route in this area would be infrequent AIL movements, which would be managed in accordance with the AIL management measures set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. In addition, the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** states that HGVs serving Sites 7G-H, 8A-B and 9 would be restricted to either a 10 m rigid vehicle or a 12 m drawbar vehicle, recognising the constrained nature of the local road network.

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			With regard to the proposed bridge between Sites 8A and 8B, the area between the two site parcels is identified as an avoidance area within **the Outline Cable Route Construction Statement [APP-216]**. As a result, construction traffic routeing between Sub-Sites 8A and 8B includes a short section of Market Lane. This approach avoids the need for a crossing of Shotesham Beck within the avoidance area and minimises impacts on existing hedgerows between the two site parcels.
TRA-047	RR-1020, RR-1815	Respondent expressed concern that although not hosting Scheme infrastructure, Topcroft will face impacts from traffic movements.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern that Topcroft may experience traffic impacts despite not hosting any Scheme infrastructure. Please refer to **ES Volume 2, Figures 11.2 – 11.8 - Likely and Suitable Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**, which identify the proposed routes to the Scheme. These figures show that construction traffic associated with the Scheme is not anticipated to route through Topcroft. Construction traffic would be required to use the designated routes identified within the application documents and managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-**

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			201]. Accordingly, construction traffic associated with the Scheme is not anticipated to route through Topcroft and direct traffic effects on the village are therefore not expected.
TRA-048	RR-0297, RR-1274	Respondent expressed particular concern for the impact of HGVs on the Boudicca Way.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the potential effects of construction traffic on users of the Boudicca Way. The potential effects of construction traffic on non-motorised users, including impacts on non-motorised user amenity, non-motorised user delay, and fear and intimidation, have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. This assessment considered the road links used by construction traffic that may also be used by pedestrians, cyclists and other non-motorised users, including users accessing the Boudicca Way. In accordance with the IEMA Guidelines for Environmental Assessment of Road Traffic, links serving vulnerable road users were subject to a greater level of scrutiny within the assessment. In addition, the management of Public Rights of Way during construction is set out within the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. Where

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			temporary closures or diversions are required, these have been identified together with measures to maintain access during the construction period. Taking account of the proposed mitigation and management measures, the assessment concluded that effects on non-motorised users would generally be minor or negligible.
TRA-049	RR-1326, RR-1820,	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact to the service pipes which run under the surfaces of The Street and Church Hill which could be vulnerable to damage from heavy vehicles.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the potential effects of construction traffic on underground utilities and service connections located beneath The Street and Church Hill. Construction traffic would be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, and any works affecting the public highway would be subject to detailed design and construction planning prior to commencement. This process would include the identification of existing utilities and services where relevant and the implementation of appropriate protection measures where required. The suitability of the proposed routes for construction traffic has been assessed as part of the application, and construction traffic

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			would be managed in accordance with the proposed traffic management measures. The Applicant does not anticipate damage to existing utility infrastructure as a consequence of construction traffic movements.
TRA-050	RR-0060, RR-0539	Respondent expressed that there is no information on the changes to the B1134 Station Road including which side of the road and how much wider it would be.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the extent of proposed works on the B1134 Station Road. The location of the proposed Highway Works is shown on Sheet 19 of the **Works Plans [dAS-003]**, and demarcated as Works No. 9. In addition, Drawings 333101678-STN-HGN-XX-DR-TR-5500 Sheet 63 and Sheet 64, provided within Appendix C of **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 - Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-77]**, demonstrate how the proposed construction vehicles can access the site from the B1134 Station Road. The application has been submitted with an outline level of design appropriate for the DCO stage of the process. The application therefore identifies the location and extent of the works required in principle, with detailed engineering design to be developed following consent. This is consistent with the DCO

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			process, whereby detailed design is progressed after development consent has been granted and prior to construction commencing. Accordingly, while the extent of land required for the works is identified within the application documents, the detailed design of any highway modifications, including the precise form and extent of any widening, would be developed at a later stage as part of the detailed design process.
TRA-051	RR-0721	Respondent stated that the access to the location at Lundy Green is inadequate.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the adequacy of access arrangements at Lundy Green. The Applicant notes that construction vehicles are not proposed to access Site 3 via Lundy Green, and instead will be accessing via Spring Lane, as shown in Figure 11.5 of **ES Volume 2 Figures 11.2 to 11.8 Likely and Suitable Access Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**. An access on Lundy Green (as shown in Sheet 11 of the **Access and Rights of Way Plan [APP-011]**) is only required as a crossing point only, to facilitate the construction of the CRC. This will be temporary in nature and construction vehicles

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			will not travel east/westbound on Lundy Green.
TRA-052	RR-1698	Respondent expressed particular concern about traffic on Site 9.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding traffic associated with Site 9. Construction traffic associated with Site 9 has been assessed within **ES Volume 1 Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. In recognition of the constrained nature of the local road network serving Site 9, Paragraph 7.6 of **the Outline CTMP [APP-201]** states that HGVs serving Sub-Sites 7G-H, 8A-B and 9 would be restricted to either a 10 m rigid vehicle or a 12 m drawbar vehicle. Construction traffic would also be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, which includes measures such as delivery scheduling and monitoring systems, waiting areas and call-forward procedures, and temporary traffic management measures, where required, to minimise potential conflicts and maintain highway safety. Taking account of the proposed mitigation and management measures, the assessment concluded that effects on affected receptors and road users would generally be minor or negligible.

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TRA-053	RR-0093	Respondent expressed that Firth Way and surrounding lanes are unsuitable for sustained, heavy industrial transport.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the suitability of Frith Way and surrounding rural lanes for construction traffic. An access point is proposed on Frith Way (see **Access and Rights of Way Plan [APP-011]**), and has been retained for flexibility. The current proposed access for Site 1 is, however, via B1134 Station Road. This is detailed in **ES Volume 2 Figures 11.2 to 11.8 Likely and Suitable Access Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**. The suitability of the proposed access arrangements has been assessed through vehicle tracking and swept path analysis undertaken as part of the application, and this includes the access points located in Frith Way. In addition, construction traffic would be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, which includes measures such as delivery scheduling and monitoring systems, restrictions on vehicle types and sizes where required, temporary traffic management measures, and waiting areas and call-forward procedures to minimise potential conflicts on constrained roads.
TRA-054	RR-0218	Respondent expressed concern regarding increased traffic through	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding traffic through Woodton, and notes

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		Woodton to the main Norwich/Bungay Road.	that construction vehicles are not proposed to be routed through the village of Woodton. As detailed in **ES Volume 2 Figures 11.2 to 11.8 Likely and Suitable Access Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**, construction vehicles will access B1332 Norwich Road from Sites 3, 7G-L, and 8 from Church Road to the north of Woodton, and B1527.
TRA-055	RR-0823	Respondent expressed concern that traffic routeing will impact Shotesham Common, an SSSI.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding potential effects on Shotesham Common SSSI arising from construction traffic. The Applicant notes that construction traffic associated with the Scheme is not anticipated to route through Shotesham village. **ES Volume 2, Figures 11.2 – 11.8 - Likely and Suitable Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]** shows the proposed routes to the Scheme. The only Scheme traffic anticipated to pass in the vicinity of this area would be infrequent AIL movements on Norfolk Road. Other than these infrequent AIL movements, construction traffic is not anticipated to route through the area referred to within the representation. AIL movements would be managed in accordance with the measures set out in

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			Section 6.4 of the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. Accordingly, the Applicant does not anticipate significant traffic effects on Shotesham Common SSSI arising from construction traffic associated with the Scheme.
TRA-056	RR-1570	Respondent expressed concern for access to their property, noting their property is the only property along Workhouse Lane and cannot be accessed by any alternative route. They do not consider the application documents sufficiently explain how uninterrupted access for emergency vehicles, residents and essential services would be guaranteed at all times.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding access to properties on Workhouse Lane during the construction period. Construction traffic would be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, which includes measures to manage vehicle movements and maintain access on the local highway network during construction. The Applicant does not anticipate that access to properties on Workhouse Lane would be prevented as a result of the Scheme. Any temporary traffic management measures required during construction would be developed through the detailed CTMP, with consideration given to maintaining access for residents, emergency services and essential service providers. The detailed CTMP would be prepared following detailed design and prior to commencement of construction, allowing

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			traffic management measures to be refined having regard to local conditions and access requirements. As set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, the detailed CTMP would incorporate mechanisms to allow traffic management measures to be adjusted and refined to reflect road use and stakeholder feedback.
TRA-057	RR-0411	Respondent expressed concern for increased traffic on the B1257. Respondent also noted concern for the footpath that runs south from the SW corner to the village (Fritton), which is an important asset and the only safe pedestrian exit from Gowing Way that doesn't involve the B1257, which is a dangerous segment from fast traffic as it lies outside the 30mph limit for Hempnall and lacks usable verges.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding increased traffic on the B1527 and the potential effects on Public Rights of Way in the vicinity of Gowing Way. The **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]** has been prepared using the Norfolk County Council Definitive Map and Statement, which forms the official record of Public Rights of Way within the area. The Applicant notes that there is no designated Public Right of Way directly to the southwest of Gowing Way in the location described within the representation. Furthermore, the field immediately adjacent to and southwest of Gowing Way lies outside the Order Limits and would therefore remain unaffected by the Scheme. If the representation refers to Morningthorpe Footpath 5, which connects with

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			Morningthorpe Footpath 11 and Morningthorpe Footpath 9, these routes fall within the Order Limits associated with Sites 5A and 5B. As shown on Sheet 13 of the **Access and Public Rights of Way Plan [APP-011]**, temporary closures of these routes would be required during construction for safety reasons while construction activities are taking place. A signposted diversion route would be provided via The Street, Morningthorpe Footpath 17, School Road, Morningthorpe Restricted Byway 4 (Boyland Hall Lane) and the B1527. These arrangements are set out in Table 4.2 - Temporary PRoW Closures and Diversions within the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** indicates that construction activities at Site 5A are expected to take place over approximately six months and at Site 5B over approximately five months, with periods of overlap between the two. Accordingly, any temporary closures would be limited to the construction period, following which the affected Public Rights of Way would be reopened.

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			With regard to the B1527, the potential effects of construction traffic have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. Construction traffic would be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. Taking account of the proposed mitigation and management measures, the assessment concluded that effects on affected receptors and road users would be minor and negligible.
TRA-058	RR-0539,	Respondent expressed concern regarding the planned transport routes that will pass through Tivetshall. Respondent stated that the information provided is inadequate, as to does not provide any details on the extent of changes to the required routes.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the proposed construction traffic routes in the vicinity of Tivetshall St Margaret and Tivetshall St Mary. Please refer to **ES Volume 2, Figures 11.2 – 11 - Likely and Suitable Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**, which identify the proposed routes to the Scheme. These figures show that construction traffic associated with the Scheme is not anticipated to route through the villages of Tivetshall St Margaret or Tivetshall St Mary. Traffic associated with the Scheme would instead utilise Station Road to the north of these villages to access the relevant site parcels. Accordingly, construction traffic would not be expected to pass directly

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			through either village as part of the proposed access strategy.
TRA-059	RR-1406	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impacts on the local villages or Brooke and Shotesham used to access some of the sites.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the potential effects of construction traffic on the villages of Brooke and Shotesham. Construction HGV traffic associated with the Scheme is not anticipated to route through Brooke village. The only Scheme traffic anticipated to use roads within Brooke relates to AILs, which would be infrequent in nature and managed in accordance with the AIL management measures set out in Section 6.4 of the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. The Applicant also notes the reference to Shotesham. Construction traffic associated with the Scheme is not anticipated to route through Shotesham village. Accordingly, the Applicant does not anticipate direct effects on the village arising from construction traffic routing through it. The potential effects of construction traffic on local communities have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. Taking account of the proposed mitigation and management

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			measures, the assessment concluded that effects on affected receptors would generally be low or negligible.
TRA-060	RR-1023	Respondent stated that Harvey Lane is narrow, unlit and fundamentally unsuitable for heavy goods vehicles.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the suitability of Harvey's Lane for construction traffic. Construction traffic using Harvey's Lane would be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, which includes measures such as delivery scheduling and monitoring systems, waiting areas and call-forward procedures, restrictions on vehicle types and sizes where required, and temporary traffic management measures to minimise potential conflicts on constrained roads. Harvey's Lane may also be used by AIL. Where this is the case, AIL movements would be managed in accordance with the measures set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, which includes measures to facilitate the safe movement of AILs and minimise potential effects on other road users and local communities. The potential effects of construction traffic on the local highway network have been

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			assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. Taking account of the proposed mitigation and management measures, the assessment concluded that the effects would be low or negligible.
TRA-061	RR-0818	Respondent stated that Baxter's Lane, Shotesham All Saints is incorrectly labelled as Brooke Road on plans, and is a narrow road that is unsuitable for HGVs	As shown in **ES Volume 2, Figures 11.2 - 11.8 - Likely and Suitable Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**, Baxter's Lane, alongside the proposed access routeing to Site 8 is correctly indicated. The characteristics of Baxter's Lane were considered as part of the transport assessment and informed the development of the access strategy. The suitability of the proposed routeing has been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 -Transport and Access [APP-047]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 11.1 -Transport Assessment [APP-174 to APP-177]**, including access design, vehicle tracking and swept path analysis. The assessment concludes that, with the proposed management and mitigation measures in place, effects on the Local Highway Network would not be significant.

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TRA-062	RR-0182	Respondent expressed concern for traffic impacts on the B1134, travelling between Attleborough and the A140.	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the potential effects of construction traffic on the B1134 between Attleborough and the A140. The potential effects of construction traffic on the local highway network have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. This assessment considered the forecast traffic flows associated with the Scheme and the resulting changes in traffic conditions on affected links. Construction traffic would be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, which includes measures such as delivery scheduling and monitoring systems, waiting areas and call-forward procedures to manage vehicle movements and minimise disruption on the highway network. Taking account of the forecast traffic flows and the proposed mitigation measures, the assessment concluded that the effects on the B1134 would be low or negligible.
TRA-063	RR-0585	Respondent stated that the C201 is a narrow local road with tight residential	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the use of the C201.

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		sections, which should only be used to connect local communities.	The Applicant notes that this section of road would be used for AIL movements only and would not be used by general construction HGV traffic. The Scheme includes internal haul routes where practicable in order to reduce the need for construction traffic movements on the public highway network. AIL movements through Saxlingham Green would be infrequent in nature and subject to specific management measures. The management of AIL movements is set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, which includes measures to facilitate the safe movement of AILs and minimise potential effects on other road users and local communities. In addition, the Highway Works identified along the proposed AIL routes, as described in Section 6.3 of the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, have been developed to accommodate AIL movements safely on constrained sections of the highway network and reduce potential impacts on local communities and road users.
TRA-064	RR-1698	Respondent expressed that (C road: USRN 36000886), leading to Honeypot Lane (C road:	The Applicant acknowledges the concerns raised regarding the use of Heath Road, Honeypot Lane and the surrounding local road network, including the presence of

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		USRN36000949) passes Brooke Primary School and the Farm Shop complex, with multiple cars always parked here. They note Brooke Primary School carries out its Cycle Training using and Brecon Road, which leads off High Green. This route passes twelve Listed properties, it narrows and from Astley Cooper Place there are no pedestrian pavements either side of the road. It also narrows and there are no 'passing places' which will inevitably lead to the destruction of the grass verges.	Brooke Primary School, local businesses, listed buildings and the limited availability of footways and passing places. As shown in **ES Volume 2 Figures 11.2 to 11.8 Likely and Suitable Access Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**, construction vehicles are not proposed to be routed on High Green through Brooke. In addition, construction HGVs are not proposed to route along B1332 Norwich Road through Brooke. Construction vehicles are proposed to access Site 8 via a section of Heath Road and Honeypot Lane. The potential effects of construction traffic, including on these links, on local communities and vulnerable road users have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 -Transport and Access [APP-047]**. In accordance with the IEMA Guidelines for Environmental Assessment of Road Traffic, links serving sensitive receptors and vulnerable road users were subject to a greater level of scrutiny within the assessment than links without sensitive receptors. Taking account of the proposed mitigation and management measures, the assessment concluded that the effects on

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			non-motorised users would be minor or negligible. Construction traffic would be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, which includes measures such as delivery scheduling and monitoring systems, waiting areas and call-forward procedures, restrictions on vehicle types and sizes in constrained locations, and temporary traffic management measures where required. These measures are intended to minimise potential conflicts between construction traffic and other road users and maintain highway safety during the construction period. This includes minimising associated effects on Heath Road and Honeypot Lane. In addition, the use of smaller vehicle types on constrained sections of the local road network is identified within Paragraph 7.6 of the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. Detailed construction traffic management arrangements would be developed through the detailed Construction Traffic Management Plan, taking account of local highway conditions and constraints.

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TRA-065	RR-1255	Respondent expressed site 8B proposals will completely isolate them with extreme difficulty travelling anywhere during the construction.	The Applicant refers to its response to TRA-067, which explains the anticipated construction traffic levels associated with Site 8B and the measures proposed to manage construction traffic on the local highway network. As set out therein, the construction period associated with Sites 8A and 8B is expected to be approximately three months in duration and construction traffic would be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**. Taking account of the proposed traffic management measures and the temporary nature of the works, the Applicant does not anticipate that residents would be isolated or prevented from accessing the local highway network during the construction period.
TRA-066	RR-1698	Respondent noted, travelling beyond Honeypot Lane and continuing to Heath Road, Brooke Primary School has its 'Wishing Wood'. The coaches carrying the children to this wood will be travelling exclusively on the AIL and HGV route for East Pye Solar, their estimate for this route could be up to 136 HGV movements per day	The Applicant acknowledges the concern regarding the potential interaction between construction traffic and access to Brooke Primary School's Wishing Wood. Honeypot Lane and Heath Road form part of the proposed cable drum route, as shown on **ES Volume 2: Figures 11.8 – Likely and Suitable Routes to the Scheme [APP-095]**. Please also refer to **ES Volume 2, Figures 11.2 - 11.8 – Likely and Suitable Routes to**

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		plus another unspecified number of AIL movements. There is no off road parking for the school coaches at the 'Wishing Wood' so the use of this route by East Pye Solar could severely restrict if not curtail the school's use of this fantastic outdoor space for educational purposes.	**the Scheme [APP-095]**, which shows that these routes would also be used by HGVs accessing Sites 8A and 8B. Construction HGV traffic on Honeypot Lane and Heath Road would be associated with Sites 8A and 8B only. As shown in Table 4.1 of the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, Sites 8A and 8B are expected to generate a combined peak of four HGV movements per day, together with 11 LGV movements per day. Accordingly, HGV traffic associated with these sites would be substantially lower than the traffic levels suggested within the representation. Furthermore, the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** indicates that the construction period associated with Sub-Sites 8A and 8B is expected to be approximately three months in duration. The peak vehicle movements identified in Table 4.1 represent a peak scenario and would not occur consistently throughout this period, with most days expected to experience lower traffic levels than this peak. Construction traffic would also be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, which includes measures designed to

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			manage vehicle movements and minimise disruption on the local highway network during the construction period. In addition, the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** sets out the management measures that would be implemented for AIL movements. Taking account of the relatively low traffic volumes associated with Sites 8A and 8B and the proposed management measures, the Applicant does not anticipate that access to Wishing Wood would be materially restricted by construction traffic.
TRA-067	RR-1698	Respondent noted on Littlebeck Lane (Neither M,A,B or C: USRN 36001084,) joining Mill Lane(Neither M,A,B or C: USRN 36001267). This lane is single track with no passing places with ditches on either side. Used by walkers, horse riders, cyclists and horse drawn vehicles.	The Applicant acknowledges the concerns raised regarding the use of Littlebeck Lane and Mill Lane by construction traffic and the presence of vulnerable road users. The Applicant refers to its response to TRA-067, which addresses the assessment of constrained rural roads, the management of construction traffic movements through the measures set out in the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, and the assessment of effects on vulnerable road users within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. Taking account of the proposed mitigation and management measures, the

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			assessment concluded that effects on non-motorised users would be minor or negligible.
TRA-068	RR-1698	Respondent noted on Woodton Road (C road: USRN 36002210): This lane is single track with no passing places. It passes two Listed buildings one of which is extremely close to the road and the road has a large stretch of 'Roadside Nature Reserve'. Used by walkers, horse riders, cyclists and horse drawn vehicles. The Hierarchy of Road Users places those road users 'most at risk' in the event of a collision at the top of the hierarchy (Rule 129).	The Applicant acknowledges the concerns raised regarding the use of Woodton Road and the presence of vulnerable road users, including walkers, cyclists, horse riders and horse-drawn vehicles. The suitability of Woodton Road for the proposed construction traffic has been assessed through vehicle tracking analysis, which demonstrates that the proposed construction vehicles can utilise the route. In recognition of the constrained nature of the local road network, the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** states that HGVs serving Sub-Sites 7G-H, 8A-B and 9 would be restricted to either a 10m rigid vehicle or a 12m drawbar vehicle. The final vehicle types to be used would be confirmed through the detailed CTMP once the contractor and detailed construction arrangements have been established. The Applicant acknowledges the limited passing opportunities available along sections of Woodton Road. Construction traffic would therefore be managed in accordance with the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, which includes temporary traffic management measures

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			where required, together with delivery scheduling and monitoring systems. These measures are intended to manage vehicle movements on constrained roads and minimise the potential for vehicles travelling in opposing directions to meet on narrow sections of the network. In addition, waiting areas and call-forward procedures would be used to manage construction traffic movements, ensuring that vehicles are released onto constrained sections of the local road network in a controlled manner. This would help minimise the likelihood of construction vehicles meeting one another on sections of road with limited passing opportunities, while maintaining access for other road users during the construction period. The potential effects on vulnerable road users have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 - Transport and Access [APP-047]**. In accordance with the IEMA Guidelines for Environmental Assessment of Road Traffic, links used by vulnerable road users and sensitive receptors were subject to a greater level of scrutiny within the assessment. Taking account of the proposed

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AIR-001	RR-1291, RR-1567, RR-1553, RR-1962, RR-1734, RR-0591, RR-0270, RR-0013, RR-0632, RR-0727, RR-1127, RR-1350, RR-1888, RR-0863, RR-1244, RR-0646, RR-0145, RR-1062, RR-1800, RR-0297, RR-1274, RR-0516, RR-1252, RR-0648, RR-0262, RR-0036, RR-0295, RR-0731, RR-0519, RR-1625, RR-2009, RR-0689, RR-0673, RR-0247, RR-1012, RR-0507, RR-1794, RR-0218, RR-1854, RR-1854, RR-1640, RR-0565 RR-1931, RR-1083, RR-0771, RR-1552, RR-1251, RR-0929, RR-1563, RR-0593, RR-1632, RR-0528, RR-1868, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0476, RR-1224, RR-1857, RR-0094, RR-1901, RR-1716, RR-1109, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-1699, RR-1369, RR-1215, RR-0344, RR-	Respondents expressed concern for worsening air quality and pollution, and/or increase in dust/dust particles during construction, operation and/or decommissioning.	**ES Volume 3, Appendix 13.1 - Construction and Decommissioning Dust Risk Assessment [APP-180]** presents the construction dust risk assessment and an assessment from traffic on air quality from construction and decommissioning is presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 13 – Air Quality [APP-049]**. No significant effects on air quality are identified in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 13 – Air Quality [APP-049]**. Mitigation and control measures for dust and vehicle emissions are provided in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. In accordance with Requirements 13 and 14 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, detailed CEMP and OEMP will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority.

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	0758, RR-0506, RR-1050, RR-1052, RR-0653, RR-1958, RR-0422, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-0927, RR-0003, RR-0533, RR-1312, RR-0045, RR-0478, RR-1693, RR-0744, RR-0687, RR-1493, RR-0225, RR-0976, RR-0726, RR-1403, RR-1247, RR-1139, RR-0539, RR-0668, RR-0442, RR-0450, RR-1431, RR-0684, RR-1084, RR-0859, RR-1049, RR-2021, RR-1085, RR-1988, RR-0988, RR-1842, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-0594, RR-1358, RR-0761, RR-1370, RR-0171, RR-1628, RR-0540, RR-1610, RR-1282, RR-0211, RR-1158, RR-0856, RR-1872, RR-1102, RR-1593, RR-1920, RR-1380, RR-0991, RR-1641, RR-1766, RR-1949, RR-0756, RR-0022, RR-0147, RR-0675, RR-0796, RR-1033, RR-0661, RR-0674, RR-1634, RR-1604, RR-1111		
AIR-002	RR-1962, RR-0591, RR-0854, RR-0270, RR-1216, RR-0390, RR-	Respondent expressed concern about the potential for toxic gas (such	A BESS Fire Emissions to Air Risk Assessment (Plume Study) has been

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	0247, RR-1868, RR-1716, RR-1109, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-0251, RR-1204, RR-0135, RR-0241, RR-0424, RR-0687, RR-0093, RR-1192, RR-0060, RR-0550, RR-0307, RR-0867, RR-1059, RR-1972	as hydrogen fluoride) being released from BESS.	undertaken to understand the potential risk of air quality impacts of emissions released during a BESS fire on human receptors. This assessment considers the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA)-recommended relevant air pollutants that may be harmful to human health, including hydrogen fluoride. This assessment is presented in Appendix B of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** and has been used to inform emergency response mitigation measures presented in the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. The Plume Study demonstrated that there was no significant risk of impacts on any sensitive residential receptor location with 1km of the BESS compound in the event of a BESS fire. The Plume Study identified 3 PROWS (Tivetshall St Margaret Footpath 3 located 60m east, Great Moulton Restricted Bridleway 18 approximately 90m north-east, Great Moulton Restricted Bridleway 19 approximately 40m north of the BESS Unit locations based on the indicative BESS layout) that may need to be temporarily closed in the event of a BESS fire.

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			The UKHSA is a statutory consultee for the Scheme and has confirmed that they are satisfied with the Applicant's submitted documentation and conclude that the "*proposed development should not result in any significant adverse impact on public health*."
AIR-003	RR-1294	Respondent stated that developers must model toxic fire gas plumes against all sensitive human and environmental receptors within a 1km radius, in accordance with updated NFCC standards. The proximity of this infrastructure to rural settlements such as Great Moulton, Hempnall and Saxlingham Nethergate exposes residents to unmanageable air-quality crises.	The NFCC 2026 Grid Scale Energy Storage System Planning – Guidance for Fire and Rescue Services states "*developers may also wish to commission an analysis of fire gas plume modelling under different scenarios. This helps to understand the impact on local communities from conditions such as prevailing wind*". As a result, a BESS Fire Emissions to Air Risk Assessment (Plume Study) has been undertaken to understand the potential risk of air quality impacts of emissions released during a BESS fire on human receptors. This assessment is presented in Appendix B of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** and has been used to inform emergency response mitigation measures presented in the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. The Plume Study demonstrated that there were no significant risk of impacts on any

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			sensitive residential receptor location with 1km of the BESS compound in the event of a BESS fire. The Plume Study identified 3 PROWS (Tivetshall St Margaret Footpath 3 located 60m east, Great Moulton Restricted Bridleway 18 approximately 90m north-east, Great Moulton Restricted Bridleway 19 approximately 40m north of the BESS Unit locations based on the indicative BESS layout) that may need to be temporarily closed in the event of a BESS fire. A risk assessment of the potential impact on visibility has also been undertaken for nearby road and rail receptors. The predicted visibility distances in the event of a BESS fire are greater than the safe stopping distances for roads and rail. The UKHSA is a statutory consultee for the Scheme and has confirmed that they are satisfied with the Applicant's submitted documentation and conclude that the "*proposed development should not result in any significant adverse impact on public health*."

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AIR-004	RR-1127	Respondents expressed concern that increased dust and air pollution will impact home-installed technology like air-source heat pumps.	An assessment of the effects of the Scheme on air quality is provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 13 – Air Quality [APP-049]**. Operational air quality effects are not considered to be significant and have been scoped out of the ES through agreement with PINS and statutory consultees. The assessment presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 13 – Air Quality [APP-049]** therefore assesses the impact of construction and decommissioning road traffic emissions. The assessment concludes that the Scheme would not result in any significant adverse air quality effects. Dust emissions during construction, operation and decommissioning are assessed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 13.1 Construction and Decommissioning Dust Risk Assessment [APP-180]**. The dust risk assessment presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 13.1 - Construction and Decommissioning Dust Risk Assessment** determines appropriate mitigation measures, in accordance with best practice guidance, for inclusion in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. The highest level of mitigation measures from best practice guidance have been included.

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			Detailed versions of these management plans are secured by Requirements 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. With these mitigation measures in place and secured through DCO Requirements, the effects of dust during construction, operation and decommissioning will be 'not significant' in EIA terms. Non-Road Mobile Machinery (NRMM) emissions are also controlled through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, which are secured by Requirements 13, 14 and 21 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032],** respectively.

2.19 Socio-Economics

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SOC-001	RR-0862, RR-1419, RR-1553, RR-0746, RR-0751, RR-0531, RR-1690, RR-1007, RR-0666, RR-1962, RR-0602, RR-1460, RR-1643, RR-1660, RR-1535, RR-0403, RR-0070, RR-0790, RR-0256, RR-0659, RR-1206, RR-0256, RR-0591, RR-0878, RR-0993, RR-1765, RR-0366, RR-1624, RR-0357, RR-0113, RR-1555, RR-0151, RR-1952, RR-1127, RR-0886, RR-1347, RR-0582, RR-1568, RR-1297, RR-0953, RR-1731, RR-0966, RR-0372, RR-0520, RR-0633, RR-0495, RR-0874, RR-0767, RR-1989, RR-0517, RR-0884, RR-0560, RR-2015, RR-1479, RR-0262, RR-0325, RR-1605, RR-1089, RR-0089, RR-1529, RR-1584, RR-0544, RR-0920, RR-0295, RR-0417, RR-0195, RR-0390, RR-1443, RR-0176,	Respondents expressed that the Scheme could have an adverse effect on local property values. Some respondents expressed concern that the proposals were already impacting property values.	The Applicant's **Book of Reference [APP-022]** includes persons who may be eligible to claim compensation if the DCO is granted and the Scheme developed. Under Part 1 of the Land Compensation Act 1973, property owners (Category 3) are eligible to claim compensation for any physical impacts from the operation of the Scheme, such as noise and vibration. However, compensation is not available for loss of value due to visual impacts or diminished views. This is consistent with established planning law. The Applicant will comply with statutory process for any compensation claims submitted and will review and assess each claim in accordance with the relevant legislation under which it is made. In any event, whilst the Applicant acknowledges that impacts to price is a concern for neighbouring residents and businesses, published research and evidence to date does not indicate that solar farms

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	RR-1729, RR-0699, RR-1583, RR-0535, RR-0220, RR-1794, RR-1088, RR-1061, RR-0027, RR-0246, RR-0393, RR-0328, RR-1237, RR-1083, RR-0805, RR-0105, RR-0745, RR-1976, RR-1581, RR-1868, RR-0182, RR-0861, RR-1974, RR-0005, RR-0610, RR-1363, RR-1164, RR-1042, RR-0094, RR-1021, RR-1330, RR-2028, RR-0598, RR-1525, RR-1514, RR-0512, RR-1160, RR-0502, RR-0944, RR-1369, RR-1903, RR-1426, RR-1379, RR-0758, RR-0695, RR-1050, RR-1469, RR-1044, RR-0238, RR-0775, RR-1108, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-0129, RR-0273, RR-0458, RR-1256, RR-1339, RR-0702, RR-1590, RR-0504, RR-1517, RR-0533, RR-1262, RR-1178, RR-1262, RR-1965, RR-0660, RR-1392, RR-0819, RR-1557, RR-0424, RR-0915, RR-1315, RR-0032, RR-0592, RR-1424, RR-1226, RR-0527, RR-0580, RR-0737, RR-0464, RR-0430, RR-0733,		have a significant adverse long-term effect to nearby property values. This is because there is no empirical evidence that industrial scale solar farms cause significant long-term adverse effects on property prices. Whilst it is acknowledged that there have been no known studies of completed >50MW solar Schemes in the UK, studies from the USA and Netherlands do not show any definitive evidence of adverse effects between solar farms and property prices, and conclude that other external factors (such as wider property markets, macroeconomic trends, changes to local services such as schools and healthcare providers) are likely to be more important factors in changes to property prices. Furthermore, there is a difference between short-term troughs in property saleability during peaks in construction activity versus the long-term property value once the Scheme is operating and mitigation set in place.

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	RR-0652, RR-0132, RR-1434, RR-1388, RR-1670, RR-0373, RR-0296, RR-0551, RR-0946, RR-0134, RR-1630, RR-0490, RR-0411, RR-0109, RR-0772, RR-0539, RR-1133, RR-0111, RR-1469, RR-0697, RR-0698, RR-1464, RR-0817, RR-1406, RR-0231, RR-1167, RR-1342, RR-1014, RR-0858, RR-1387, RR-0198, RR-0988, RR-1197, RR-1698, RR-1192, RR-1454, RR-1812, RR-1222, RR-0748, RR-1220, RR-1835, RR-1623, RR-0992, RR-0577, RR-0508, RR-0907, RR-1562, RR-1136, RR-1024, RR-1316, RR-0540, RR-1610, RR-1713, RR-0898, RR-1961, RR-1742, RR-0818, RR-1382, RR-1107, RR-1487, RR-1385, RR-1081, RR-0960, RR-0053, RR-0909, RR-0337, RR-0452, RR-0556, RR-0001, RR-1767, RR-1505, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-0809, RR-0704, RR-1573, RR-1665, RR-1615, RR-0741, RR-1967, RR-1376, RR-1927, RR-2019, RR-0570,		

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	RR-2019, RR-1059, RR-0796, RR-1570, RR-1634, RR-0097, RR-0816, RR-1903		
SOC-002	RR-0436, RR-1294, RR-1349, RR-0839, RR-0666, RR-0469, RR-1450, RR-1626, RR-0738, RR-0811, RR-0841, RR-0255, RR-1240, RR-1297, RR-1346, RR-1350, RR-0229, RR-1989, RR-1266, RR-0648, RR-1479, RR-0511, RR-0774, RR-0262, RR-0774, RR-1702, RR-1110, RR-0518, RR-0747, RR-1005, RR-0757, RR-0519, RR-1140, RR-0323, RR-1443, RR-0589, RR-2002, RR-0376, RR-0785, RR-1783, RR-0247, RR-0400, RR-0247, RR-1012, RR-0507, RR-0467, RR-1088, RR-1061, RR-1144, RR-0393, RR-1129, RR-1083, RR-1948, RR-1287, RR-0288, RR-0214, RR-1563, RR-0170, RR-0924, RR-0730, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-1042, RR-0620, RR-1175, RR-0598, RR-0925, RR-1436, RR-1716, RR-1733, RR-0306, RR-0918,	Respondents expressed concern regarding the potential impact of the Scheme on the local economy and local businesses. Some respondents considered that the Scheme would not deliver meaningful socio-economic benefits.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 - Socio-Economics [APP-050]** incudes an assessment on the economy and local businesses. The assessment concludes that the Scheme will deliver socio-economic benefits including for local businesses during the construction phase as a result of supply chain opportunities such as sourcing some materials and components locally, creating partnerships between suppliers, manufacturers and distributors that that will stimulate economic activity within the local area. In total, the construction of the Scheme will support 1,044 net direct and indirect jobs and is estimated to generate £137m in GVA over the construction phase. The Applicant is committed to promoting innovation, employment and skills within the communities. Measures and partnerships are outlined in the **Outline ESSC [APP-205]**. The detailed ESSCS is secured through Requirement 19 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. This will identify opportunities relating to skills, the supply chain and employment

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	RR-1699, RR-0558, RR-0987, RR-0397, RR-1379, RR-0344, RR-2017, RR-0758, RR-0203, RR-1558, RR-0506, RR-0825, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-1785, RR-0020, RR-0814, RR-1377, RR-0533, RR-1448, RR-1178, RR-1749, RR-1557, RR-0424, RR-1227, RR-0744, RR-1049, RR-0527, RR-1457, RR-1462, RR-0132, RR-0417, RR-1378, RR-1378, RR-0926, RR-0197, RR-0373, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-0349, RR-1354, RR-0876, RR-0474, RR-1004, RR-0817, RR-1362, RR-1342, RR-0405, RR-0988, RR-1842, RR-0426, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1698, RR-0594, RR-0603, RR-1807, RR-0793, RR-1442, RR-1220, RR-0509, RR-1726, RR-0761, RR-1835, RR-1029, RR-0992, RR-1194, RR-1576, RR-0540, RR-0550, RR-0896, RR-0829, RR-0307, RR-0187, RR-1961, RR-0818, RR-1324, RR-1081, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-0219, RR-0123, RR-0453, RR-0974,		which the Applicant commits to progressing post-consent in accordance with the Outline ESSCS. These initiatives will help support local individuals and businesses in accessing the employment, skills, and supply chain benefits associated with the Scheme.

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	RR-0167, RR-1380, RR-0043, RR-1268, RR-1415, RR-1949, RR-1259, RR-0022, RR-1972, RR-1600, RR-1780, RR-1938, RR-0661, RR-0674, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-1450, RR-0620		
SOC-003	RR-0290, RR-0081, RR-1294, RR-0839, RR-0666, RR-1843, RR-0469, RR-1450, RR-1036, RR-0852, RR-1064, RR-1739, RR-1568, RR-1350, RR-1071, RR-1183, RR-0025, RR-1026, RR-0648, RR-0262, RR-0133, RR-1982, RR-0267, RR-0390, RR-0429, RR-0757, RR-0519, RR-0323, RR-0589, RR-0247, RR-0400, RR-0507, RR-1754, RR-1156, RR-1061, RR-0752, RR-1129, RR-1083, RR-1287, RR-1563, RR-0034, RR-1581, RR-0924, RR-0730, RR-1209, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0005, RR-1164, RR-1175, RR-1261, RR-1001, RR-1716, RR-1390, RR-0248, RR-0251, RR-0573, RR-0224, RR-0918, RR-1069, RR-0150, RR-0795, RR-2017, RR-0758, RR-0203,	Respondent expressed concern regarding the Scheme's impact on tourism. Some respondents mentioned that Norfolk generates around £3bn annually in tourism and the Scheme could impact this figure. Includes loss of tourism from holiday makers.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 - Socio-Economics [APP-050]** incudes an assessment on local tourism assets. There are no known tourist assets within the Order Limits with the exception of a limited area of the Pulham Patch activity farm. Any losses incurred by Pulham Patch will be addressed through an agreed compensation arrangement. However, there are a number of tourist attractions and tourist accommodation providers located near to the Order Limits that have the potential to be indirectly adversely affected by the Scheme. Indirect effects during the operation and maintenance phase can relate to visual and glint and glare effects. There is also the potential for glint and glare from the Scheme. Such indirect effects are considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 – Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** and **ES, Volume 1**

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	RR-1524, RR-1558, RR-1850, RR-0825, RR-0012, RR-1785, RR-0020, RR-1256, RR-0814, RR-1377, RR-0533, RR-1448, RR-1312, RR-1256, RR-0773, RR-1749, RR-0840, RR-0670, RR-0478, RR-1557, RR-0424, RR-0915, RR-1545, RR-0744, RR-0687, RR-1093, RR-0527, RR-1802, RR-0623, RR-1124, RR-0373, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-1797, RR-0349, RR-1354, RR-0490, RR-0876, RR-1519, RR-1674, RR-0899, RR-0474, RR-1004, RR-1730, RR-0276, RR-1483, RR-1014, RR-0405, RR-0729, RR-0426, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1698, RR-1904, RR-1812, RR-1807, RR-1220, RR-1835, RR-1784, RR-0575, RR-0911, RR-1628, RR-0348, RR-1057, RR-0540, RR-1449, RR-0829, RR-0307, RR-0258, RR-1961, RR-1742, RR-1107, RR-1324, RR-1487, RR-1081, RR-0053, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-0809, RR-0123, RR-0194, RR-0453, RR-0974, RR-1380,		**Chapter 18 – Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**. Moreover, the assessment of impacts on temporary accommodation in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 - Socio-Economics [APP-050]** did not find significant adverse effects for any phase of the project (Table 14.28). This is based on an assessment of local accommodation capacity (in hotels, B&Bs, and AirBnBs) and worst-case scenarios for the number of workers requiring accommodation. Even with half of the scheme's peak construction workforce needing accommodation, in the region of 374 rooms across South Norfolk would be available for the wider market (paragraph 14.8.35). The scheme is not, therefore, expected to adversely affect tourism via placing undue demands on temporary accommodation.

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	RR-1659, RR-0043, RR-1268, RR-0055,RR-1949, RR-1972, RR-1821, RR-1780, RR-1022, RR-0661, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-1450		
SOC-004	RR-1007, RR-0891, RR-1350, RR-0018, RR-0390, RR-0376, RR-0400, RR-0507, RR-1088, RR-1144, RR-1243, RR-1482, RR-1261, RR-1001, RR-1716, RR-0987, RR-0397, RR-1379, RR-0344, RR-2017, RR-1963, RR-1319, RR-1943, RR-0497, RR-1749, RR-0840, RR-0424, RR-0915, RR-0744, RR-0527, RR-1963, RR-1085, RR-0426, RR-0603, RR-1056, RR-0793, RR-1023, RR-1029, RR-1829, RR-0100, RR-0829, RR-1961, RR-0053, RR-1700, RR-0219, RR-1102, RR-0167, RR-0440,	Respondents expressed concern regarding the potential impact of the Scheme on agricultural employment and tenant farmers. Respondents specifically raised concerns about potential job losses for agricultural workers and tenant farmers.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 – Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** provides an assessment on agricultural businesses with a farming report provided in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 15.2 - Farm Reports [APP-183]**. The assessment concludes Minor Adverse (not significant) effects to farm business viability during the operational phase. The Applicant has entered a voluntary option to lease agreement with the respective landowners of the Sites. The Applicant is pursuing voluntarily agreements with landowners along the CRC and is seeking compulsory acquisition and temporary use powers through the DCO. Further detail is provided in the **Grid Connection Statement [APP-207]** and the **Statement of Reasons [APP-020]**.
SOC-005	RR-1250, RR-1196, RR-0267, RR-0697, RR-0698, RR-0937, RR-1178, RR-0332, RR-1464, RR-0101, RR-1406, RR-1208,	Respondent expressed concern regarding loss of residential amenities.	Potential effects on residential amenity have been assessed within the Human Health Statement in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 - Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**,

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	RR-0405, RR-1842, RR-1253, RR-1807, RR-1057, RR-1665, RR-1164, RR-0840		including consideration of noise, access, traffic, visual amenity and the overall quality of the local living environment. The assessment also takes account of the baseline health characteristics and vulnerabilities of the surrounding community. During construction, potential effects may arise from temporary activities such as construction traffic, plant operation, earthworks and the presence of temporary construction compounds. These activities have the potential to influence health and wellbeing through short-term changes to noise levels, air quality, traffic conditions, accessibility and visual amenity. However, taking account of the embedded mitigation measures, construction-phase effects on human health, and therefore residential amenity, were assessed as negligible or minor adverse and not significant. During operation, the Scheme will give rise to very low levels of activity, with limited vehicle movements and no ongoing combustion processes. Consequently, operational effects on air quality, noise, transport, water quality and ground conditions are assessed as negligible, with no identified pathways for

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			adverse physical health effects. Changes to landscape character and visual amenity represent the principal pathway through which operational effects on health and wellbeing and in turn residential amenities could occur, particularly in relation to mental wellbeing, sense of place and perceived environmental quality. However, embedded mitigation, including landscape design, planting and long-term management secured through the **Outline LEMP [APP—203]**, will limit the scale and duration of these effects. As such, operational effects on human health, and therefore residential amenity, are assessed as not significant.
SOC-006	RR-1873, RR-0094, RR-0506, RR-0682, RR-1286, RR-0181, RR-0160, RR-1674, RR-0729, RR-1487	Respondent expressed concern that CCTV will be personally intrusive to individuals and their private activities. One respondent expressed concern plans are not detailed enough about where CCTVs will be placed in relation to their property.	Security requirements are considered proportionate. The parameters and commitments for CCTV are set out and secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. CCTV systems will be internal facing to ensure that surveillance is directed inwards the infrastructure within the Scheme, rather than outwards towards neighbouring properties or private activities.

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			The precise final location, appearance and specification of CCTV equipment forms part of the detailed design, which will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority through the Requirement in Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032].**
SOC-007	RR-1962, RR-0384, RR-0825, RR-0741, RR-0666, RR-0620, RR-1680	Respondents expressed concern for potential impact to businesses in general (unspecified). Some respondents expressed concern about the impact to a holiday business that is reliant on the countryside attracting people to the area.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 – Socio-Economics [APP-050]** assesses socio-economic effects for each phase of the Scheme. These are summarised in Table 14.28. Significant effects identified are Major or Moderate Beneficial impacts on jobs in South Norfolk in the construction phase and decommissioning phase, and on Skills and the Labour Market in all three phases. No significant adverse effects are identified, with the temporary accommodation market and the tourism industry assessed. Therefore, no significant adverse effects have been identified once the Scheme's embedded mitigations are taken into account. Moreover, local businesses and workers could benefit from the expenditure in the area created by the Scheme's workforce (especially during the construction and decommissioning phases, as mentioned above).

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			ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 - Socio-Economics [APP-050] incudes an assessment on local tourism assets. There are no known tourist assets within the Order Limits with the exception of a limited area of the Pulham Patch activity farm. Any losses incurred by Pulham Patch will be addressed through an agreed compensation arrangement. However, there are a number of tourist attractions and tourist accommodation providers located near to the Order Limits that have the potential to be indirectly adversely affected by the Scheme. Indirect effects during the operation and maintenance phase can relate to visual and glint and glare effects. There is also the potential for glint and glare from the Scheme. Such indirect effects are considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 – Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** and **ES, Volume 1 Chapter 18 – Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes for visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management, maintenance and monitoring of the landscape measures during construction

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			and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The assessment concludes Minor Adverse (not significant) effects to the tourism industry.
SOC-008	RR-0247, RR-1948, RR-1243, RR-1716, RR-0397, RR-1524, RR-1004, RR-0426, RR-0603, RR-1029	Some respondents expressed scepticism about the number of jobs the Scheme could create. Some respondents expressed doubt that any jobs for locals would be created, suggesting contractors from elsewhere would be brought in.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 - Socio-Economics [APP-050]** incudes an assessment on the economy and local businesses, including jobs based on best practice. The Applicant is committed to promoting innovation, employment and skills within the communities. Measures and partnerships are outlined in the **Outline ESSC [APP-205]**. The detailed ESSCS is secured through Requirement 19 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. This will identify opportunities relating to skills, the supply chain and employment which the Applicant commits to progressing post-consent in accordance with the Outline ESSCS. These initiatives will help support local individuals and businesses in accessing the employment, skills, and supply chain benefits associated with the Scheme.

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			The Applicant's employment proposals align with the Norfolk NSIP Employment and Skills Framework, particularly its commitment to employment and employability support, by promoting local recruitment and targeted opportunities for disadvantaged groups.
SOC-009	RR-0036, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0761, RR-1708, RR-1570, RR-0674	Respondent expressed particular concern about the general disruption of the Scheme on residents who work from home and/or who are home schooled.	Potential effects of the Scheme on local communities have been considered within the Human Health Statement in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 - Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**. The assessment identifies that nearby residents may experience temporary construction-related effects, including increased noise levels, changes in traffic conditions and alterations to access arrangements, which could affect day-to-day activities undertaken at home. Operational effects, including changes to noise levels, have also been assessed. However, having regard to the nature, duration and scale of these effects, and with the implementation of mitigation measures secured through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, **Outline OTMP [APP-202]** and **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**, effects on residents, including those working or studying from home, are

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			assessed as not significant during both the construction and operational phases. These findings are consistent with those presented in the **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]** and the Equality Impact Assessment recognises the importance of continued engagement and monitoring throughout the construction phase to help identify and manage any emerging community concerns. With specific regard to community liaison, this is directly secured through Requirement 4 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** through the provision of a community liaison group. This group will act as an intermediary between the public and the construction contractors to ensure community concerns and any information they need are communicated and responded to, so as to reduce community anxiety and impacts on mental wellbeing, and to assist in directing the public to mental health support if required.
SOC-010	RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0761	Respondent expressed particular concern about the distress the Scheme disruption could cause to those living with Dementia.	The **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]** recognises that people with cognitive impairments, such as dementia, may be more sensitive to temporary changes familiar environments, routes, and access

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			arrangements. The assessment therefore considered the potential for construction activities and temporary changes associated with the Scheme to cause confusion, anxiety and distress for these individuals. The assessment, concluded that, while temporary disruption may occur during construction, the effects would be reduced through a range of management and mitigation measures secured through the various management and mitigation measures are secured through the various outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]**. These measures include the management of temporary access arrangements, signage, wayfinding, communication and community engagement, which are intended to help residents and visitors understand and adapt to temporary changes in the local environment. Detailed management plans, which will be substantially in accordance with these outline management plans, that will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority, in consultation with relevant statutory consultee, where specified in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The approval of the

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			detailed management plans is secured by the Requirements in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. With specific regard to community liaison, this is directly secured through Requirement 4 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** through the provision of a community liaison group. The community liaison group will provide a mechanism for local concerns to be raised and addressed, and for timely information about construction activities and temporary changes to be communicated to affected communities. This is particularly relevant for people living with dementia, their families and carers, who may benefit from advance notice of changes and clear information about alternative arrangements. Having regard to the findings of the Equality Impact Assessment and the secured mitigation measures, the Applicant considers that the potential for construction-related disruption to cause distress to people living with dementia has been appropriately assessed. The assessment determined that any effects would be temporary in nature and would be managed through the mitigation and

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			community liaison measures secured as part of the Scheme.
SOC-011	RR-1955	Respondent expressed would support compensation being given to the occupiers of properties for any loss of value of their property caused by proximity to the proposed solar panels or by their outlook being significantly affected by them. Such compensation could be decided by the Lands Tribunal if not agreed and should be a condition of any planning consent.	The Applicant's **Book of Reference [APP-022]** includes persons who may be eligible to claim compensation if the DCO is granted and the Scheme developed. Under Part 1 of the Land Compensation Act 1973, property owners (Category 3) are eligible to claim compensation for any physical impacts from the operation of the Scheme, such as noise and vibration. However, compensation is not available for loss of value due to visual impacts or diminished views. This is consistent with established planning law. The Applicant will comply with statutory process for any compensation claims submitted and will review and assess each claim in accordance with the relevant legislation under which it is made. In any event, whilst the Applicant acknowledges that impacts to property prices is a concern for neighbouring residents and businesses, published research and evidence to date does not indicate that solar farms have a significant adverse long-term effect to nearby property values. This is because there is no empirical evidence that industrial scale

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			solar farms cause significant long-term adverse effects on property prices. Whilst it is acknowledged that there have been no known studies of completed >50MW solar Schemes in the UK, studies from the USA and Netherlands do not show any definitive evidence of adverse effects between solar farms and property prices, and conclude that other external factors (such as wider property markets, macroeconomic trends, changes to local services such as schools and healthcare providers) are likely to be more important factors in changes to property prices. Furthermore, there is a difference between short-term troughs in property saleability during peaks in construction activity versus the long-term property value once the Scheme is operating and mitigation set in place.
SOC-012	RR-1749	Respondent expressed participants with the Boudicca UltraMarathon have already indicated they would not participate in the event if infrastructure were built.	The interaction between the Scheme and PRoW / Boudicca Way has been detailed within the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. Where temporary impacts on the route are required during construction, appropriate management and mitigation measures are proposed to minimise disruption to users.

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			No permanent closure of Boudicca Way or any PRoW is proposed and any temporary impacts during construction would be managed in accordance with the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. A detailed landscape and visual assessment is reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043]**. Further, a visual amenity assessment of Public Rights of Way is present in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.9 - Public Rights of Way Visual Amenity Assessment [APP-149]**. Effect on Boudicca Way has been assessed. A **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** has been developed which includes strengthening/reinforcing existing hedgerows (infill planting/laying coppicing) and new tree and woodland planting. Such measures would provide visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management and monitoring of the landscape during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Further mitigation measures

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			relating to construction and decommissioning are secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**, respectively via the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The Applicant acknowledges that the Scheme would introduce changes to the landscape character and views. It is considered by the Applicant for the reasons set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** that the residual adverse landscape and visual effects are demonstrably outweighed by the Scheme's benefits and needs case.
SOC-013	RR-0436	Respondent stated that construction labour workforce will show little concern for the daily lives of local residents in their drive to meet project deadlines.	The proposed management and mitigation measures set out in the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]** and are secured through various outline management plans **[APP-196 to APP-205]**. Of particular relevance to the assessment of effects on local communities and mitigation measures are set out **in ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 - Landscape and Visual [APP-043], Chapter 11 – Transport and Access [APP-047]**, **Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**, **Chapter 13 – Air Quality [APP-049]**, **Chapter 14 - Socio-Economics [APP-050]** and **Chapter 18 - Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**.

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			Management and mitigation measures are secured through the various outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]**. The Scheme will seek to be registered under the Considerate Constructors Scheme. In addition, the Applicant will advocate that suppliers that deliver to, and hauliers that visit the Scheme, are members of the Fleet Operator Recognition Scheme and that contractor and sub-contractor vehicles arriving at the Sites and Sub-Sites comply with the Construction Logistics and Community Safety) programme, which aims to protect vulnerable road users who share the roads with construction vehicles. Prior to commencing construction, the Contractor will implement a Stakeholder Communications Plan that includes community engagement and will detail a complaints procedure. A display board will be installed on the Sites and a website will be set up which include contact details for the Site Manager or Community Liaison Manager with whom nuisance or complaints can be lodged. With specific regard to community liaison, this is directly secured through Requirement

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			4 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** through the provision of a community liaison group. This group will act as an intermediary between the public and the construction contractors to ensure community concerns and any information they need are communicated and responded to, so as to reduce community anxiety and impacts on mental wellbeing, and to assist in directing the public to mental health support if required.
SOC-014	RR-1005	Respondent stated that they operate stables, with their horses and liveries regularly using the surrounding fields for training and exercise, which would be negatively impacted.	The Applicant notes the concern regarding equestrian activity in the vicinity of the Scheme. The effects of non-motorised users have been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 11 Transport and Access [APP-047]** and the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**. Where construction traffic interacts with PRoW, appropriate management and mitigation measures are proposed, including traffic marshal support, reduced vehicle speeds and signage. The assessment concludes that, with the proposed mitigation measures in place, effects on PRoW users would not be significant.

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SOC-015	RR-0036	Respondent expressed particular concern about the general disruption of the Scheme on residents who are carers.	The **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]** recognises that residents with caring responsibilities may be sensitive to construction-related disruption, particularly where temporary traffic management, road closures, PRoW diversions, noise, dust, or changes in access affect daily routines, resident mental health, access to healthcare, or the ability to provide informal care. Management and mitigation measures are secured through the various outline management plans **[APP-196** to **APP-205]**. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. With specific regard to community liaison, this is directly secured through Requirement 4 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** through the provision of a community liaison group. This group will act as an intermediary between the public and the construction contractors to ensure community concerns and any information they need are communicated and responded to, so as to reduce community anxiety and impacts on mental wellbeing, and

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			to assist in directing the public to mental health support if required.
SOC-016	RR-0394	Respondent expressed general support for the Scheme's employment plans.	The Applicant welcomes this expression of support for the Scheme's employment plans and looks forward to continuing constructive engagement during the Examination. The detailed ESSCS to be prepared will be informed by continuous engagement with relevant stakeholders. The timeline for development of the detailed ESSCS is set out in Table 7.1 of the **Outline ESSCS [APP-205]**. The detailed ESSCS is secured through Requirement 19 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
SOC-017	RR-1701	Respondent acknowledged that impacts to house prices are not considered by planners, however queried what is considered to be the acceptable level of associated harm, if there is an upper limit. Respondent provided example considerations: stress, financial challenge, loss of amenity, harm to mental health, failure to attract new residents, failure to create jobs promised.	The Applicant's **Book of Reference [APP-022]** includes persons who may be eligible to claim compensation if the DCO is granted and the Scheme developed. Under Part 1 of the Land Compensation Act 1973, property owners (Category 3) are eligible to claim compensation for any physical impacts from the operation of the Scheme, such as noise and vibration. However, compensation is not available for loss of value due to visual impacts or diminished views. This is consistent with established planning law.

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			The Applicant will comply with statutory process for any compensation claims submitted and will review and assess each claim in accordance with the relevant legislation under which it is made. The planning balance considering the positive, neutral and negative impacts are set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]**. Having had regard to all important and relevant matters, the Applicant has concluded that there are no adverse impacts of sufficient weight, either individually or collectively, that would mean the DCO should not be made. The adverse impacts identified are clearly outweighed by the substantial public benefits that would arise from providing low-carbon energy to meet the needs identified in NPS EN-1. In any event, whilst the Applicant acknowledges that impacts to property prices is a concern for neighbouring residents and businesses, published research and evidence to date does not indicate that solar farms have a significant adverse long-term effect to nearby property values. This is because there is no empirical evidence that industrial scale solar farms cause significant long-term

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			adverse effects on property prices. Whilst it is acknowledged that there have been no known studies of completed >50MW solar Schemes in the UK, studies from the USA and Netherlands do not show any definitive evidence of adverse effects between solar farms and property prices, and conclude that other external factors (such as wider property markets, macroeconomic trends, changes to local services such as schools and healthcare providers) are likely to be more important factors in changes to property prices. Furthermore, there is a difference between short-term troughs in property saleability during peaks in construction activity versus the long-term property value once the Scheme is operating and mitigation set in place.
SOC-018	RR-1113	Respondent noted there is little UK-based manufacturing incorporated into the Scheme.	Whilst construction of a scheme of this nature does involve the use of imported materials, the Applicant will take measures to maximise benefits through the supply chain to local businesses. These measures are set out in the **Outline ESSCS [APP-205]** and include informing small businesses about contract and purchasing opportunities available from

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			the Scheme and early engagement with potential contractors.
SOC-019	RR-1807	Respondent expressed concern that there appears to be no socioeconomic mitigation, e.g. for those operating hospitality businesses from their homes, which may be impacted by the Scheme.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 – Socio-Economics [APP-050]** assesses socio-economic effects for each phase of the Scheme. These are summarised in Table 14.28. Significant effects identified are Major or Moderate Beneficial impacts on jobs in South Norfolk in the construction phase and decommissioning phase, and on Skills and the Labour Market in all three phases. No significant adverse effects are identified, with the temporary accommodation market and the tourism industry assessed. As no significant adverse effects have been identified above for receptors during any phase of the Scheme once embedded mitigation is taken into account, no additional mitigation measures for the Scheme are required. Embedded mitigation measures, such as the **Outline Employment, Skills and Supply Chain Strategy [APP-205],** of which a detailed version is secured within the **Draft DCO [APP-AS032]** are outlined throughout the ES.

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SOC-020	RR-0977	Respondents expressed concern regarding the impact on Katherine's Kitchen.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 – Socio-Economics [APP-050]** assesses the sensitivity of the tourism industry receptor as Medium (Table 14.4). This reflects that the share of South Norfolk's employment in tourism is comparable to the regional level (Table 14.14 - note that this includes unlicensed restaurants and cafes, such as the business in question). The Minor Adverse impact on the tourism industry assessed for the construction phase, operation phase, and decommissioning phase (including in the cumulative assessment) reflects expected Low magnitudes of impact; these are based on: • The absence of tourism assets within the Order Limits • The potential for disruption during construction, but the countervailing potential for additional expenditure by the workforce to benefit the tourism industry • The potential for visual and glint and glare effects during the operation and maintenance phase

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			Therefore, no significant adverse effects were accounted for once the Scheme's embedded mitigations are taken into account.
SOC-021	RR-0659	Respondent stated that the Scheme would threaten the future of their primary school (school unspecified).	The Applicant notes the respondent's concern regarding the primary school and its future. Potential effects of the Scheme have been considered in the Human Health Statement within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 - Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**. The assessment identifies that school children and parents travelling to and from school may experience temporary construction-related effects, including changes to access arrangements and increased noise levels, as well as operational noise effects once the Scheme is in place. However, having regard to the nature, duration and scale of these effects, the assessment concludes that impacts on schools and school users would be not significant during both the construction and operational phases with the implementation of mitigations including but not limited to the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, **Outline CTMP [APP-201], Outline OTMP [APP-202]** and the **Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]**.

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			These findings are consistent with those presented in the **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]**. With specific regard to community liaison, this is directly secured through Requirement 4 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** through the provision of a community liaison group. This group will act as an intermediary between the public and the construction contractors to ensure community concerns and any information they need are communicated and responded to.
SOC-022	RR-0747	Respondent stated that the Scheme would impact their award winning cabin holiday business, featured on BBC 1, Channel 4's George Clarke's Amazing Spaces and in The Guardian (10 of the Best Cosy Cabin Holidays in the UK), The Times (24 of the UK's Most Magical Cabin Stays), plus Simple Things, Elle and Grazia have all run features. (Business name redacted by the Planning Inspectorate). The most relevant site is Site 10.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 - Socio-Economics [APP-050]** incudes an assessment on local tourism assets. There are no known tourist assets within the Order Limits with the exception of a limited area of the Pulham Patch activity farm. Any losses incurred by Pulham Patch will be addressed through an agreed compensation arrangement. However, there are a number of tourist attractions and tourist accommodation providers located near to the Order Limits that have the potential to be indirectly adversely affected by the Scheme. Indirect effects during the operation and maintenance phase can relate to visual and

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			glint and glare effects. There is also the potential for glint and glare from the Scheme. Such indirect effects are considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 – Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** and **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 – Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes for visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management, maintenance and monitoring of the landscape measures during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The assessment concludes Minor Adverse (not significant) effects to the tourism industry.
SOC-023	RR-0246	Respondent stated that if excavation or major ground disturbance takes place on equine grazing land associated with their property, they have concerns regarding the long-term suitability and safety of that land for horse grazing and equine use.	The location of the respondent's property, and therefore the land in question, has been redacted and it is therefore not possible to provide a location-specific response to this representation. As described in Section 6 of the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**: "*During the decommissioning phase… Soil mitigation*

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			measures during the construction stage outlined in this outline SMP would still apply during the decommissioning phase in principle" and "*A detailed [*Soil Management Plan (SMP)] *will be needed to be in place to reflect weather, soil and land conditions to ensure the Order Limits is returned to its original use and condition as far as practicable. The detailed SMP for the decommissioning phase will primarily include… Soil profiles to be reinstated will be designed to ensure soils/land to be restored to previous condition; Treatment of overburden and placement by subsoiler/ripper especially for BESS where the ground has been sealed; Restore field drainage where required to avoid waterlogging; Soil placement; and Soil aftercare and any remediation required.* The mitigation measures described within the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]** are secured by the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**.
SOC-024	RR-1164	Respondent requested a full socio-economic impact assessment, including the effect on local businesses and town centre vitality,	The Applicant considers that the scope of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 – Socio-Economics [APP-050]** is appropriate, with the ES more widely covering all areas necessary and was agreed with the Planning Inspectorate through the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 2.2 -**

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		be required before the application is determined.	**EIA Scoping Opinion [APP-114]**. Socio-economic effects for each phase of the Scheme are assessed. These are summarised in Table 14.28. Significant effects identified are Major or Moderate Beneficial impacts on jobs in South Norfolk in the construction phase and decommissioning phase, and on Skills and the Labour Market in all three phases. No significant adverse effects are identified, with the temporary accommodation market and the tourism industry assessed. Whilst impacts on town centre vitality are not specifically assessed, the beneficial employment impacts including through the supply chain and the spending of workers in the area (i.e. indirect/induced effects) will benefit local businesses. The **Outline ESSCS [APP-205]** will be progressed to a detailed ESSCS, secured through Requirement 19 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**.
SOC-025	RR-0620	Respondent stated that they operate a luxury furnished holiday let business within 1 km of Site 3 and that the proposed development would harm the tranquillity, amenity and economic viability of the business.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 - Socio-Economics [APP-050]** incudes an assessment on local tourism assets. There are no known tourist assets within the Order Limits with the exception of a limited area of the Pulham Patch activity farm However,

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		(Name of business redacted by Planning Inspectorate).	there are a number of tourist attractions and tourist accommodation providers located near to the Order Limits that have the potential to be indirectly adversely affected by the Scheme potentially including the business in question dependent upon its exact location. Indirect effects during the operation and maintenance phase can relate to visual and glint and glare effects. There is also the potential for glint and glare from the Scheme. Such indirect effects are considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 7 – Landscape and Visual [APP-043]** and **ES Volume 1 Chapter 18 – Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** includes for visual screening and landscape integration. The proposed implementation, management, maintenance and monitoring of the landscape measures during construction and operation of the Scheme is secured in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** through a Requirement in the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. The assessment concludes Minor Adverse (not significant) effects to the tourism industry.

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SOC-026	RR-0093	Respondent expressed: "Direct Threat of Business Failure to Hunters Lodge (Frith Way, NR15 2HH) • [REDACTED] Hunters Lodge, a highly successful local holiday let located on Frith Way, Great Moulton (NR15 2HH). • Hunters Lodge is directly proximal to the scheme's proposed boundaries, specifically the massive industrial solar infrastructure and the highly volatile Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) compounds mapped along Frith Way. • [REDACTED] relies entirely on the quiet, untouched character of the South Norfolk countryside. [REDACTED] mostly 5-star ratings from guests who specifically pay a premium to escape urban noise and find tranquillity. The introduction of heavy industrial construction and massive battery	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 – Socio-Economics [APP-050]** assesses the sensitivity of the tourism industry receptor as Medium (Table 14.4). This reflects that the share of South Norfolk's employment in tourism is comparable to the regional level (Table 14.14). The Minor Adverse effect on the tourism industry assessed for the construction phase, operation phase, and decommissioning phase (including in the cumulative assessment) reflects expected Low magnitudes of impact; these are based on: • The absence of tourism assets within the Order Limits • The potential for disruption during construction, but the countervailing potential for additional expenditure by the workforce to benefit the tourism industry • The potential for visual and glint and glare effects during the operation and maintenance phase Therefore, no significant adverse effects were accounted for once the Scheme's embedded mitigations are taken into account.

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		complexes directly on our doorstep will ruin this appeal. Guests will not book a holiday to stay adjacent to an active utility site. The project will cause our 5-star ratings to dwindle, bookings to dry up, and will ultimately drive this successful local business to complete financial failure."	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]** assesses construction and operational noise impacts at receptors which are nearer to noise generating equipment, to the south of Great Moulton. These are receptors NSR1A and NSR1B. The assessment concludes that no significant effects are expected to occur at these receptors and therefore no significant effects are anticipated to occur at Hunters Lodge.

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	RR-0790, RR-0256, RR-0659, RR-0985, RR-1206, RR-0852, RR-0634, RR-2012, RR-0414, RR-1838, RR-1572, RR-0738, RR-1307, RR-1646, RR-0993, RR-0270, RR-1765, RR-1063, RR-0366, RR-2026, RR-0998, RR-0939, RR-0811, RR-0491, RR-0049, RR-1321, RR-0255, RR-0632, RR-1889, RR-1614, RR-1555, RR-0151, RR-1003, RR-0044, RR-1617, RR-1952, RR-0727, RR-1127, RR-0886, RR-0636, RR-0891, RR-0401, RR-0480, RR-1905, RR-0300, RR-1585, RR-1112, RR-1009, RR-1696, RR-0828,RR-1547, RR-1705, RR-0953, RR-1189, RR-0145, RR-1350, RR-1957, RR-1216, RR-1345, RR-1848, RR-1548, RR-0530, RR-1879, RR-0863, RR-0239, RR-1893, RR-1071, RR-1309, RR-0613, RR-1411, RR-0808, RR-0018, RR-0236, RR-0456, RR-1026, RR-0739, RR-0319, RR-1101, RR-1609, RR-0882,RR-0078, RR-1622, RR-0184, RR-0381,	be located on previously developed (brownfield) land and/or rooftops, industrial units, farm buildings, commercial buildings, warehouses, airports, carparks, railway lines, motorways, major roads and/public transport routes, new buildings and extensions, and golf courses, chicken houses. Sites around the A140, Sites alongside the A11, Sites around the A47,	lowest quality land relative to the wider area based on Natural England's 'Predictive Likelihood of BMV' mapping. Non-BMV land was considered during site selection, along with previously developed land and rooftops, as reported in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215],** which considers potential for non-BMV alternative sites identified through desktop mapping to accommodate the Scheme. As set out in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**, while rooftop and smaller-scale solar installations are an important part of the energy mix, they cannot alone meet the scale of capacity required to achieve clean power and net zero objectives. Large-scale ground-mounted solar therefore remains necessary in addition to, not instead of, rooftop solar. During the design evolution of the Scheme, consideration was given to reducing the impact on BMV quality land, as far as practicable, as described in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** presents an assessment on agricultural land quality, soils,

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SOI-002	RR-0722, RR-1592, RR-1526, RR-1174, RR-0644, RR-1276, RR-1567, RR-1589, RR-1881, RR-0585, RR-1908, RR-0746, RR-1602, RR-0471, RR-0419, RR-1588, RR-1290, RR-1294,	Respondents expressed that the Scheme could adversely affect UK food security and domestic food production.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** presents an assessment on food production and the rural economy. The Applicant does not consider that food security will be compromised by the Scheme (or solar energy more widely),

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	RR-1621, RR-1668, RR-1877, RR-0424, RR-1557, RR-0915, RR-0358, RR-0455, RR-1693, RR-0782, RR-1545, RR-1095, RR-1315, RR-1786, RR-0687, RR-0181, RR-1049, RR-0676, RR-0527, RR-1946, RR-1262, RR-0110, RR-1575, RR-0093, RR-0362, RR-1484, RR-1149, RR-0345, RR-1015, RR-0283, RR-1718, RR-0282, RR-1806, RR-1447, RR-0180, RR-1230, RR-1427, RR-0883, RR-0202, RR-0058, RR-1417, RR-0623, RR-1124, RR-0091, RR-2031, RR-1637, RR-0132, RR-0406, RR-1080, RR-0640, RR-1977, RR-1032, RR-0842, RR-1328, RR-0122, RR-0373, RR-0031, RR-1099, RR-0298, RR-1852, RR-0553, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-0050, RR-0158, RR-0065, RR-1207, RR-0134, RR-1554, RR-1630, RR-0885, RR-0349, RR-1247, RR-0990, RR-0466, RR-0109, RR-0990, RR-1844, RR-0131, RR-0286, RR-1139, RR-0190, RR-0728, RR-0539,		

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	RR-0253, RR-0259, RR-0654, RR-1846, RR-1469, RR-0514, RR-1017, RR-0332, RR-1801, RR-0442, RR-0450, RR-1054, RR-1433, RR-1431, RR-0684, RR-1651, RR-0702, RR-1275, RR-0687, RR-1049, RR-1730, RR-0212, RR-1481, RR-0762, RR-2021, RR-0777, RR-0817, RR-1067, RR-1295, RR-0547, RR-0629, RR-0701, RR-0803, RR-0119, RR-1483, RR-1406, RR-0074, RR-0240, RR-1167, RR-0611, RR-1830, RR-1085, RR-1137, RR-0650, RR-1387, RR-1219, RR-0875, RR-0095, RR-0843, RR-0405, RR-0919, RR-1988, RR-0143, RR-1804, RR-1914, RR-0564, RR-1485, RR-0460, RR-1728, RR-1440, RR-1272, RR-0302, RR-0459, RR-0023, RR-0206, RR-1496, RR-0714, RR-1428, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-1884, RR-0125, RR-0331, RR-1959, RR-1454, RR-1351, RR-0505, RR-0950, RR-1807, RR-1008, RR-1442, RR-0893, RR-0712, RR-0243,		

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	RR-1772, RR-1822, RR-0761, RR-1835, RR-1895, RR-0083, RR-0575, RR-0416, RR-1869, RR-0595, RR-1029, RR-1370, RR-1829, RR-0249, RR-0116, RR-0171, RR-1148, RR-0947, RR-1076, RR-1628, RR-0677, RR-1708, RR-0928, RR-0060, RR-1136, RR-1194, RR-1213, RR-0348, RR-1057, RR-1918, RR-1997, RR-0234, RR-1741, RR-1522, RR-0540, RR-1513, RR-1823, RR-0787, RR-0155, RR-1103, RR-1051, RR-1610, RR-1678, RR-1449, RR-0898, RR-0187, RR-0838, RR-1360, RR-1961, RR-1742, RR-2008, RR-0818, RR-1870, RR-1656, RR-2003, RR-0638, RR-0481, RR-1324, RR-1639, RR-1487, RR-1385, RR-1566, RR-0994, RR-1037, RR-1819, RR-1910, RR-0361, RR-0057, RR-0352, RR-1249, RR-0443, RR-0452, RR-0986, RR-1828, RR-1334, RR-1767, RR-0425, RR-1075, RR-1446, RR-0112, RR-1505, RR-1280, RR-1117, RR-1694,		

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	RR-0588, RR-0867, RR-0735, RR-1155, RR-1700, RR-0250, RR-0029, RR-0809, RR-0219, RR-1666, RR-0704, RR-1573, RR-1615, RR-0123, RR-1665, RR-1861, RR-0667, RR-0194, RR-1181, RR-0881, RR-0398, RR-1102, RR-1404, RR-0439, RR-0199, RR-0052, RR-0167, RR-0010, RR-0051, RR-1380, RR-1376, RR-1659, RR-0043, RR-1268, RR-1641, RR-0554, RR-1669, RR-1166, RR-1536, RR-1710, RR-1927, RR-0954, RR-0274, RR-1415, RR-1986, RR-1300, RR-1544, RR-0159, RR-1737, RR-1949, RR-0067, RR-1527, RR-1680, RR-0756, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-1911, RR-0713, RR-1059, RR-1972, RR-1821, RR-1418, RR-1600, RR-0440, RR-1938, RR-1022, RR-0661, RR-0887, RR-1351, RR-0873, RR-0419, RR-1233, RR-1580, RR-1909, RR-0708, RR-0462, RR-1749, RR-1219, RR-0083, RR-1194, RR-1536, RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111,		

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	RR-0097, RR-1995, RR-1294, RR-1935, RR-0339, RR-0203, RR-0668, RR-1469, RR-0332, RR-1801, RR-0315, RR-0687, RR-1049		
SOI-003	RR-1470, RR-0531, RR-1233, RR-1007, RR-1734, RR-0548, RR-0070, RR-0790, RR-0256, RR-0659, RR-0591, RR-0270, RR-1216, RR-1932, RR-0520, RR-0033, RR-1942, RR-0826, RR-1803, RR-0262, RR-1727, RR-2009, RR-0900, RR-0601, RR-0115, RR-0905, RR-1325, RR-0888, RR-0246, RR-1486, RR-0356, RR-1083, RR-0294, RR-0066, RR-1287, RR-1437, RR-0770, RR-1114, RR-0087, RR-0924, RR-1055, RR-1459, RR-1901, RR-0485, RR-0485, RR-0008, RR-1699, RR-0574, RR-0336, RR-1903, RR-0968, RR-2017, RR-0135, RR-1999, RR-0682, RR-0237, RR-1286, RR-1785, RR-1077, RR-1474, RR-0660, RR-1392, RR-1027, RR-1262, RR-0473, RR-0737, RR-0345, RR-0058, RR-0778,	Respondents expressed concern regarding the potential effects of the Scheme on soil health and land quality. Some respondents mentioned the potential impacts to clay soil.	Soil, as a resource, is assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]**. Measures for the management and handling of soils, including the reinstatement of soils, are described in the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**. With the exception of the National Grid Substation and Grid Connection Infrastructure, the soil and land conditions will be returned to its original use and condition as far as practicable. In accordance with Requirement 18 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, a detailed SRMP will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. The detailed SRMP will set out detailed tests to minimise and ameliorate the potential impacts on the soils including clay soils.

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	RR-1032, RR-1378, RR-1247, RR-0466, RR-1139, RR-0332, RR-2021, RR-1137, RR-1219, RR-0566, RR-0405, RR-0331, RR-0532, RR-0947, RR-1708, RR-1282, RR-0056, RR-0867, RR-1380, RR-0956, RR-0379, RR-0570, RR-1638		
SOI-004	RR-0636, RR-0828, RR-1873, RR-0767, RR-0320, RR-0203, RR-1701, RR-1392, RR-0110, RR-1219, RR-1628, RR-2008, RR-0481, RR-1487, RR-0523, RR-0112, RR-1986, RR-1995, RR-0575	Respondents expressed dissatisfaction that sheep would not graze at the Site, or scepticism as to whether sheep grazing/other forms of agri-voltaics are possible. Some respondents expressed that wiring underneath fields will prevent grazing on site.	As noted in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15- Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** and the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**, management in the Solar PV Arrays could include sheep grazing. In accordance with Requirement 7 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, a detailed LEMP will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority.
SOI-005	RR-1083, RR-0502, RR-1474, RR-1392, RR-0058, RR-0466, RR-1219, RR-0712, RR-0947, RR-1708, RR-0481, RR-1487, RR-1638	Respondents were sceptical about the performance of planting under the panels. They stated that the shade will prevent growth or cause soil degradation.	The Applicant recognises the challenges of planting beneath panels, and as such have targeted the creation of a 'modified grassland' sward only in these areas, whilst still beneficial to wildlife, this is considered a more realistic and achievable target. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** demonstrates the proposed landscape and ecological measures, with prescriptions and management set out in the **Outline LEMP**

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			[APP-199], and the **Biodiversity Net Gain Report [APP-218]** demonstrates that the Scheme is able to deliver 37.42% gain for habitats, 31.35% gain for hedgerows and 16.08% gain for watercourses. Requirement 9 of the Draft DCO confirms the commitment to a minimum of 10% BNG. The effects on soils below the panels is considered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 – Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** at sections 15.8.93 to 15.8.102, including photographs showing that water and light reaches under the panels and grasses grow well. Soils will not degrade, and being rested from intensive arable use will have benefits for the soils for the duration of the operational phase.
SOI-006	RR-0018, RR-0914, RR-1319, RR-0792, RR-0744, RR-1049, RR-1706, RR-0426, RR-1741, RR-0829, RR-1700, RR-1415	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact on crop production and seasonal agricultural schedules, and any disruption to farming operations.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** states in paragraph 15.8.101 that water will reach the ground under the Solar PV Panels. The area under the panels could be managed by the grazing of sheep; to enable the grazing of sheep the panels will have to have a clearance of approximately 600mm from the lowest point of the framework to the ground.

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			Having 600mm of clearance will also ensure there is limited shading under the panel area.
SOI-007	RR-0939, RR-0491, RR-0940, RR-0172, RR-0585, RR-1932, RR-0826	Respondent stated that they would support the Scheme only in the case that productive farmland is properly managed, with clear protections in place. Other respondents requested an enforceable BMV land restoration plan.	The **Outline SRMP [APP-204]** states that a detailed SMP which will be controlled through DCO Requirement will be submitted which will include restoration principles to ensure the land is restored back to a comparable grade. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]**. states that the design allows the land to continue to be used for agriculture during the operation of the Scheme.
SOI-008	RR-0900, RR-0246, RR-1398, RR-0972, RR-0810	Respondent expressed concerns regarding the impact of concrete plinth-mounted solar panels and soil biodiversity.	The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** states that the mounting structures for the panels will be constructed of either anodised aluminium or galvanised steel. Concrete footings will only potentially be used where there is a need for archaeological protection. The land under concrete can be restored and this will be covered within the detailed SRMP, as set out in the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**, which will be controlled by DCO Requirement.
SOI-009	RR-1108, RR-0134, RR-0531, RR-0570	Respondent expressed concern that a construction compound adjacent to	The **Outline SRMP [APP-204]** sets out that the construction compounds can be readily

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		their land in Site 6 will damage the soil quality, making it unlikely to be used as a mitigation field.	restored, and the construction compounds are a short-term disturbance only. Paragraph 145.8.8 in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** further emphasises that construction compounds are easily restored. Soils in construction compound areas will not be adversely affected and will be capable of full use after the end of the construction phase. Areas for the Cable Route Corridor, including for the related construction compounds near site 6, will be surveyed before construction commences as set out in the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**. The particular soils for that area will be assessed and the timing of the works and the restoration techniques will be specified in the detailed SRMP which will be controlled by DCO Requirement.
SOI-010	RR-0390, RR-1486, RR-0333	Respondent expressed concern that the removal of agricultural land may lead to a loss of farming knowledge, passed down generation to generation; for example, on soil types, what crop is best where and	This comment is noted. As set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** the land can continue to be used for agriculture during the operation of the Scheme.

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		when, unique field drainage and characteristics.	
SOI-011	RR-0243, RR-1772, RR-1166	Respondents stated that the ES does not include a full ALC survey, a soil structure analysis, compaction assessment, drainage impact assessment or cumulative BMV loss analysis.	A full ALC has been carried out over the Order Limits excluding the CRC which is to be subject of a detailed soil survey prior to construction in accordance with the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**. Cumulative effects are set out in Section 15.11 of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** in. Soil structure is assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]**; detailed soil information is available in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 15.1 - Agricultural Land Classification [APP-182]**.
SOI-012	RR-0062, RR-0394	Respondent expressed support for agricultural land being used for the Scheme as it would reduce intensive farming and pesticide usage.	The Applicant welcomes this comment.
SOI-013	RR-1578, RR-0451	Respondent expressed concern that the loss of agricultural land and farms may mean that the maintenance usually carried out by farmers, such as on hedgerows, drains and tree maintenance, would cease.	The Applicant notes this comment. As set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051** the land can continue to be used for agriculture during the operation of the Scheme, and there is minimal loss of agricultural land.

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SOI-014	RR-1749. RR-1776	Respondent expressed concern that Soil or Land Management Plan does not clarify long term impacts or restoration.	The land within the scheme will be restored back to a comparable ALC Grade upon decommissioning, as set out in the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]** a detailed SRMP, which is to be controlled by DCO Requirement will set out detailed restoration measures.
SOI-015	RR-1741, RR-0155	Respondents stated that farmers are entering agreements with solar developers in response to economic pressures within agriculture, including declining support, rising costs, labour shortages and market volatility, rather than because food production is unimportant. Respondents stated that the guaranteed income offered by developers frequently exceeds returns from food production, and that this demonstrates a failure of agricultural policy rather than evidence that farmland is surplus to requirements. Respondents stated that the planning system should not facilitate the replacement of food production with infrastructure development on this basis.	This comment is noted. As set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** the land can continue to be used for agriculture during the operation of the Scheme.
SOI-016	RR-0840, RR-1415	Respondent expressed concern for Woodton's Hall Farm, an agricultural	Farm businesses are assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and**

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		business which has thrived and gained enormous recognition for the quality of its produce, grown and bred on South Norfolk land.	**Agricultural Land [APP-051]**. **ES Volume 3, Appendix 15.2 - Farm Reports [APP-183]** provides details of the effects of the scheme on farm businesses. As part of the assessment into farm businesses, the landowners were interviewed in person to establish the farming circumstances. The Scheme uses approximately 15% of the land controlled by farm business 7. As set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 – Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]**, there will be a low magnitude impact on farm business 7 due to the small amount of their land involved within the scheme. The business is an arable enterprise, therefore of low sensitivity. There will be no significant impact upon farm business 7.
SOI-017	RR-1984, RR-1415	Respondent expressed concern regarding the welfare of the animals at Old Hall Farm.	Farm businesses are assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]**. **ES Volume 3, Appendix 15.2 - Farm Reports [APP-183]** provides details of the effects of the Scheme on farm businesses. As part of the assessment into farm businesses, the landowners were interviewed in person to establish the farming circumstances. The Scheme uses approximately 26% of the land

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			controlled by farm business 4. As set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 – Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]**, there will be a medium magnitude impact on farm business 4 due to the amount of their land involved within the scheme. The business is a livestock rearing business so is of low sensitivity. There will be no significant impact upon farm business 4.
SOI-018	RR-1776	Respondents asked whether the cable route corridor contains any BMV land.	The Applicant refers to its response to SOI-011.
SOI-019	RR-1701	Respondent asked whether there is a commitment to avoid the use of glyphosate and similar sprays, which are shown to have wide-reaching negative effects on soil life and human health.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 - Water Environment [APP-045]** highlight that grassland under the panels will be maintained using machinery. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** states that the grazing of sheep may be used to maintain the land under and around the panelled areas.
SOI-020	RR-1166	Respondent stated that the ES does not include a soil compaction assessment.	Compaction is covered in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** section 15.5.8. The **Outline SRMP [APP-204]** sets out basic principles for avoiding and monitoring compaction. The

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			Outline SRMP [APP-204] sets out that a detailed SRMP will be completed which will set out detailed tests to minimise compaction and amelioration methods for if compaction occurs. The detailed SRMP will be controlled by DCO Requirement.
SOI-021	RR-1166	Respondent stated that the ES does not include cumulative BMV loss analysis.	These cumulative effects are set out in Section 15.11 of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]**.
SOI-022	RR-0059	Respondent expressed concern specifically regarding Site 10 and the impact the proposals would have on Jersey cows which they believe will be disrupted by the voltage of the cables when they are laid.	The cables are to be laid underground well below the plough level, as set out in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** paragraph 15.8.33. Cattle will not be impacted by the voltage within the cables.
SOI-023	RR-1601	Respondent stated the Scheme will affect their ability to keep horses, by impacting grazing land in Tasburgh.	Land within the Order Limits surrounding Tasburgh is in arable production as set out in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 15.2 - Farm Reports [APP-183]** and horses are not grazed on arable land. Land surrounding Tasburgh subject to works are shown on Sheet 10 of the **Works Plan [AS-002 and AS-003]**.

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SOI-024	RR-1506	Respondent expressed they fear for the wellbeing of their livestock on their fields.	Construction compounds are a short-term disturbance which will be reinstated, as set out in the **Outline SRMP [APP-204]**. The panels create no noise, and fixed infrastructure creates minimal noise and will have little to no impact on livestock out with the Order Limits. Noise and vibrations are assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. Further consideration is given to potential effects on farming in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 15.2 - Farming Reports [APP-183].**
SOI-025	RR-1822	Respondent expressed concern regarding the impact of the Scheme on the supply of Long Straw.	The land within the Order Limits has been used for intensive arable agriculture and livestock farming. Long straw is not grown on the site. Modern crop varieties do not prioritise straw length, but rather yield, vigour, disease and pest resistance, grain quality and other agronomic features. The Scheme utilises only a small proportion of arable land in the area, so the potential for long straw to still be grown is not significantly adversely affected. The land under the panelled areas will remain in agricultural use, as set out in **ES Volume**

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GRO-001	RR-0862, RR-1470, RR-0585, RR-0746, RR-1908, RR-1294, RR-1007, RR-0666, RR-0548, RR-0469, RR-1450, RR-1765, RR-1321, RR-1009, RR-1350, RR-1244, RR-0931, RR-1616, RR-1062, RR-0561, RR-0827, RR-0360, RR-0295, RR-1727, RR-0390, RR-0900, RR-0689, RR-0451, RR-0400, RR-0218, RR-1754, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1131, RR-1129, RR-1083, RR-1552, RR-0066, RR-1287, RR-1251, RR-0090, RR-1563, RR-0708, RR-1632, RR-1581, RR-1868, RR-0924, RR-0005, RR-1055, RR-1164, RR-1445, RR-1716, RR-1109, RR-0485, RR-0573, RR-0663, RR-1521, RR-0008, RR-1699, RR-0502, RR-1398, RR-0872, RR-1369, RR-0972, RR-1215, RR-1903, RR-0987, RR-0522,	Respondents expressed concern regarding the potential impact of contamination from the Scheme. Some respondents expressed concern regarding contamination of local water supplies. Some respondents expressed concern regarding ground contamination from toxic minerals / leeching from solar PV panels and/or BESS. Some respondents expressed concern regarding contamination from cleaning of panels and weed management. Some respondents expressed insufficient hydrological modelling has been undertaken.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]** provides an assessment of potential contamination from the Scheme on groundwater. The Applicant confirms all Solar PV Panels will be PFAS free (including within the manufacturing process), meaning there is no risk of the mobilisation of PFAS coatings on the panels. The panels will be cleaned with distilled water. Mitigation measures regarding the control and management from the risk of pollution from the Scheme is included in the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. In accordance with Requirement 14 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, a detailed OEMP will be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. Measures in relation to weed management are set out in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. The assessment within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 - Flood Risk Assessment &**

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	RR-0397, RR-1050, RR-0241, RR-0653, RR-1958, RR-1701, RR-1785, RR-0201, RR-0814, RR-0533, RR-0964, RR-1448, RR-0773, RR-1178, RR-1965, RR-0840, RR-1749, RR-0670, RR-0792, RR-1668, RR-1557, RR-1693, RR-1786, RR-0527, RR-1946, RR-1090, RR-0737, RR-1575, RR-2007, RR-0283, RR-1187, RR-0269, RR-0883, RR-0058, RR-1098, RR-0778, RR-2031, RR-0388, RR-0367, RR-1637, RR-0406, RR-0717, RR-1378, RR-1099, RR-1403, RR-1689, RR-1298, RR-0175, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-0454, RR-1207, RR-0349, RR-1247, RR-1354, RR-0490, RR-0783, RR-1663, RR-0450, RR-0474, RR-1004, RR-0499, RR-1084, RR-0276, RR-0687, RR-0276, RR-2021, RR-1085, RR-0566, RR-1348, RR-0729, RR-1988, RR-0023, RR-0206, RR-1706, RR-0537, RR-1698, RR-0331, RR-1306, RR-1091, RR-0364, RR-0712,		**Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]** includes hydraulic model information and mapping provided by the EA. The EA confirmed during a meeting in December 2025 that further hydrological modelling was not required. The BESS will have a surface water drainage system that is lined with an impermeable membrane to prevent the ingress of potential contaminants to the strata beneath. The system will incorporate a penstock valve which will activate if the fire alarm sounds to isolate the surface water drainage system as secured within the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. Similarly, the National and Project Substations will also have surface water drainage systems lined with an impermeable membrane as secured within the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. The surface water drainage mitigation is secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** and the detailed drainage design is secured through DCO Requirement 11.

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	RR-1023, RR-1793, RR-1784, RR-1658, RR-1370, RR-1829, RR-0171, RR-1708, RR-0060, RR-0234, RR-1522, RR-1449, RR-0838, RR-1961, RR-1742, RR-1966, RR-0986, RR-1466, RR-0867, RR-0809, RR-1181, RR-0974, RR-0199, RR-0052, RR-0167, RR-1190, RR-0043, RR-0441, RR-1641, RR-0554, RR-1166, RR-1710, RR-1949, RR-1527, RR-0570, RR-0177, RR-1821, RR-1600, RR-0440, RR-0796, RR-1638, RR-1938, RR-1465, RR-1294, RR-0469, RR-1450, RR-1689, RR-0437, RR-1370, RR-0838, RR-0097		
GRO-002	RR-0207, RR-0151, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-1299, RR-1552, RR-1581, RR-0099, RR-0005, RR-1164, RR-1716, RR-1168, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-0573, RR-0663, RR-1204, RR-1699, RR-0872, RR-1369, RR-0972, RR-1319, RR-1785, RR-1178, RR-0670, RR-0792, RR-0778, RR-0717, RR-1099, RR-1689, RR-0684, RR-0276, RR-1167,	Respondents express concern for risk to groundwater. Some respondent stated that there remain unsolved risks with groundwater contamination.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 - Ground Conditions [APP-052]** assesses effects associated with mobilisation of existing contamination in the ground, in accordance with the methodology agreed following scoping, informed by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 - Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186]**.

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	RR-0566, RR-0437, RR-1988, RR-0537, RR-1141, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-0331, RR-0364, RR-1793, RR-1370, RR-0540, RR-0550, RR-0829, RR-0838, RR-1742, RR-1158, RR-0052, RR-1920, RR-0043, RR-0441, RR-0832, RR-0554, RR-1710, RR-0746,RR-0531, RR-0931, RR-0440		As described in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 – Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186]** the risks presented by existing contamination in the ground, to groundwater (both in terms of biodiversity and as a resource) have been assessed as typically Very Low to Low. The Conceptual Site Model presented in ES Volume **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 - Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186]** will be refined through Ground Investigation. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** includes ground investigation as a mitigation measure, with the detailed design of the scheme to be informed by the results of the ground investigation. The results of the ground investigation will be presented in a Tier 2 Generic Quantitative Risk Assessment (GQRA). If / where the GQRA identifies potential hazards within this area, then further work (including the use of fate and transport models) may be undertaken as part of a Detailed Quantitative Risk Assessment. As described in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 Ground Conditions [APP-052]**: "As

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			discussed at a meeting with the EA on 27 March 2025 it was agreed with the EA that a ground investigation will not be necessary to support the ES on the basis that the Outline CEMP will include a requirement for ground investigation to be undertaken post-consent". The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** requires that: • A Foundation Works Risk Assessment (FWRA) is prepared for the BESS, National Grid Substation and any other structures requiring deep foundations and/or piling such as the 132kV and 400kV Substations, informed by the post-consent ground investigation (secured by DCO Requirement 13). • Hydrogeological Risk Assessment is undertaken if required, where trenchless cable crossings interact with Principal or Secondary A Aquifers, or pass beneath surface watercourses or sensitive ecological receptors, secured within the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**. The surface water drainage systems for the BESS, National Grid and Project Substations will be lined with an impermeable membrane

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			to prevent the infiltration of runoff to the strata beneath. This is secured within the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. Embedded mitigation measures for pollution management are set out and secured within the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**.
GRO-003	RR-1470, RR-0531, RR-1398, RR-0972, RR-1776, RR-1023, RR-1190, RR-2019, RR-0570, RR-2019, RR-1821, RR-1492, RR-0960, RR-1749, RR-1821, RR-1543, RR-0144, RR-0620, RR-1138, RR-0960, RR-0683, RR-0570, RR-1821, RR-1896, RR-0447, RR-0538, RR-0513, RR-0960, RR-0683	Respondents expressed concern about the locations of unexplored ordnance across the site. One respondent (RR-1398) stated that the historic WWII air force base in Hardwick could contain buried unexploded bombs and dumped chemicals. There has been no modelling of these impacts in respect of Hardwick and Airfield Farm.	**ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 – Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186 to APP-186]** includes a desk based unexploded ordnance assessment, together with mitigation measures. These measures will be provided in the detailed CEMP, as secured through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and Requirement 13 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. As reported in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 – Ground Conditions [APP-052]**, UXO may be present within the Order Limits. Mitigation measures to address UXO have been incorporated into the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and comprise a detailed UXO desk study to confirm the UXO hazard level. Where a potential UXO hazard is identified by the detailed UXO desk study, the detailed study

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			will include further recommended mitigation measures (e.g. non-intrusive surveys to further delineate potential UXO hazards, and investigation and removal of targets identified by the non-intrusive survey) for the intended types of development and anticipated working practices.
GRO-004	RR-1876, RR-0195, RR-0390, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1131, RR-1287, RR-1581, RR-0005, RR-1379, RR-0792, RR-2031, RR-0349, RR-0566, RR-1190, RR-1641, RR-1166, RR-0177, RR-1938, RR-0425	Respondents expressed concern that wind/storm damage will cause chemicals to leak from components. Some respondents enquired about the potential for weather related damage to solar PV panels.	The assessment of the Scheme has taken into account climate change resilience, including storm intensity, as assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 6 – Climate Change [APP-042]**. The Climate Change Resilience Assessment concluded that, with embedded mitigation measures in place, no significant climate change risks during the construction, operation and maintenance, and decommissioning phases have been identified , including in relation to potential damage to solar panels from extreme weather events. The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** includes water management measures and monitoring of weather forecasts to mitigate from storms and other extreme weather conditions.

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GRO-005	RR-0666, RR-0545, RR-0135, RR-1701, RR-0539, RR-0097	Respondents expressed concern that the Scheme or a BESS incident may contaminate the borehole water supply their home and business relies on.	The **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 - Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186]** presents a Tier 1 Preliminary Risk Assessment (PRA) which includes assessment of risks to groundwater as a resource (including Private Water Supplies). The assessment has been undertaken in accordance with the methodology agreed following scoping and on the basis of the available information, as provided by the Environment Agency, British Geological Survey and South Norfolk Council, and is also informed by the geological baseline as evidenced on the published geological mapping. The assessment uses a 250m Study Area for low ground disturbance works such as construction of PV arrays, and a 1km Study Area around structures that may require deeper piled foundations. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 - Ground Conditions [APP-052]** assesses effects associated with mobilisation of existing contamination in the ground, in accordance with the methodology agreed following scoping. The assessed effects include: "*Ground disturbance during all phases resulting in existing contamination (if present) in the ground being mobilised. The effect of*

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			which is controlled waters receptors (i.e., surface water and groundwater) being exposed to contamination". The effects are: • Construction and Decommissioning Phases Hydrology (surface water): Negligible, Not Significant and Temporary • Construction and Decommissioning Phases Hydrogeology (groundwater): Minor, Not Significant and Temporary • Operational Phase Hydrology (surface water): Negligible, Not Significant and Temporary • Operational Phase Hydrogeology (groundwater): Minor, Not Significant and Temporary The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** includes ground investigation as a mitigation measure, with the detailed design of the scheme to be informed by the results of the ground investigation. The results of the ground investigation will be presented in a Tier 2 Generic Quantitative Risk Assessment (GQRA). If / where the

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			GQRA identifies potential hazards within this area, then further work (including the use of fate and transport models) may be undertaken as part of a Detailed Quantitative Risk Assessment. Furthermore, the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** requires that Foundation Works Risk Assessments (FWRA) are prepared for the BESS, National Grid Substation and any other structures requiring deep foundations and/or piling such as the 132kV and 400kV Project Substations, informed by the post-consent ground investigation. As described in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 - Ground Conditions [APP-052]**: "A*s discussed at a meeting with the EA on 27 March 2025 it was agreed with the EA that a ground investigation will not be necessary to support the ES on the basis that the Outline CEMP will include a requirement for ground investigation to be undertaken post-consent".* The surface water drainage system for the BESS will be lined with an impermeable membrane so that it is a contained system for surface water and firewater runoff and to

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			prevent infiltration of runoff to the strata beneath. This is secured within the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**.
GRO-006	RR-0585, RR-1007, RR-1129, RR-0397, RR-1749, RR-0778, RR-1166, RR-0243	Respondents expressed concern regarding potential pollution from PFAS.	As described in the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 - Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186]** the potential sources of existing PFAS contamination within the Order Limits are limited to the former RAF Hardwick and RAF Seething airfields. It is recognised that PFAS contamination is commonly associated with airfields due to firefighting (use and training). PFAS-containing aqueous film forming foams (AFFF) firefighting foams (termed fluorosurfactants) have been used for the extinguishment of flammable liquid fires since 1962. By 1946, RAF Seething had closed and the majority of the airfield reverted to agricultural use. In 1962, RAF Hardwick closed, and the main airfield buildings and hangars were demolished. Some of the smaller buildings remain extant and are used by commercial businesses'. Whilst PFAS hazards associated with the historical airfields have not been eliminated, given that the airfields were either no longer in use, or were demolished before the introduction of PFAS-

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			containing AFFFs, PFAS hazards associated with the airfields are considered unlikely. The Conceptual Site Model presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 – Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186]** will be refined through Ground Investigation. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** includes ground investigation as a mitigation measure, with the detailed design of the scheme to be informed by the results of the ground investigation. The results of the ground investigation will be presented in a Tier 2 Generic Quantitative Risk Assessment (GQRA). As described in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 - Ground Conditions [APP-052]** "A*s discussed at a meeting with the EA on 27 March 2025 it was agreed with the EA that a ground investigation will not be necessary to support the ES on the basis that the Outline CEMP will include a requirement for ground investigation to be undertaken post-consent".* Measures for the management of firewater from batteries is contained within the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**.

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			Commitments have been made to provide a surface water drainage system that will contain firewater runoff and prevent uncontrolled release to the environment as secured within the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. The solar panels will be PFAS free and will be cleaned with distilled water as set out and secured within the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** in the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]**. As set out in Section 9 of **ES Volume 3, Appendix 9.1 – Flood Risk Assessment** & **Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy [AS-018]**, the surface water drainage systems for the BESS, National Grid and Project Substations will incorporate a lined impermeable membrane to prevent the infiltration of runoff from these areas to the strata beneath (secured within the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. Detailed surface water drainage design is secured through DCO Requirement 11.
GRO-007	RR-0295, RR-1344	Respondents stated that no groundwater baseline testing appears to have been carried out.	As described in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 – Ground Conditions [APP-052]**: "A*s discussed at a meeting with the EA on 27 March 2025 it was agreed with the EA that a ground investigation will not be necessary to*

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			support the ES on the basis that the Outline CEMP will include a requirement for ground investigation to be undertaken post-consent". Sampling and analysis of the groundwater has therefore not been undertaken at this stage. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** includes ground investigation as a mitigation measure (which will include sampling and laboratory testing of groundwater and surface water to provide a water quality baseline), with the detailed design of the scheme to be informed by the results of the ground investigation. The results of the ground investigation will be presented in a Tier 2 Generic Quantitative Risk Assessment (GQRA). **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 - Ground Conditions [APP-052]** assesses effects associated with mobilisation of existing contamination in the ground, in accordance with the methodology agreed following scoping, informed by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 - Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186]**. The Conceptual Site Model presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 – Phase 1**

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			Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186] will be refined through Ground Investigation. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** includes ground investigation as a mitigation measure, with the detailed design of the scheme to be informed by the results of the ground investigation The results of the ground investigation will be presented in a Tier 2 Generic Quantitative Risk Assessment (GQRA).
GRO-008	RR-0486, RR-1534	Respondents stated that contamination pathway modelling must be conducted.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 - Ground Conditions [APP-052]** assesses effects associated with mobilisation of existing contamination in the ground, in accordance with the methodology agreed following scoping, informed by **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 – Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184** to **APP-186]**. The Conceptual Site Model presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 – Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186]** will be refined through Ground Investigation. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** includes ground investigation as a mitigation measure, with the detailed design of the scheme to be informed by the results of the

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			ground investigation. The results of the ground investigation will be presented in a Tier 2 Generic Quantitative Risk Assessment (GQRA). If / where the GQRA identified potential hazards, then further work (including the use of fate and transport models) may be undertaken as part of a Detailed Quantitative Risk Assessment. As described in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 16 – Ground Conditions [APP-052]**: "A*s discussed at a meeting with the EA on 27 March 2025 it was agreed with the EA that a ground investigation will not be necessary to support the ES on the basis that the Outline CEMP will include a requirement for ground investigation to be undertaken post-consent".*
GRO-009	RR-0478	Respondent expressed concern for the impact of the Scheme on Hempnall Beck, noting contamination of the Beck will feed into the River Tas.	The Hempnall Beck has been identified as a receptor and assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]** Embedded mitigation measures (flood risk and pollution management) have been included for all phases of the Scheme as secured within the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**.

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			Based on the above, the impacts from the Scheme to the Hempnall Beck and other water receptors have been assessed within chapter 9 as 'Not Significant', with the exception of the cessation of agricultural use/fertiliser which is 'Significant Major Beneficial'.
GRO-010	RR-0931	Respondent expressed concern regarding the possibility of sewage and asbestos leaking into ground water.	The proposed elements of the Scheme do not contain asbestos. As described within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 – Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186]** the potential sources of asbestos contamination within the Order Limits include the former RAF Seething and RAF Hardwick airfields, Market Lane Pit and a former refuse tip in Sub-Site 4B. Asbestos is considered a risk to human health via the inhalation pathway and is not considered to be mobile or migratory in the water environment, with 'damping down' of asbestos used as a common method to prevent loose fibres becoming mobile. Where amenity facilities will be provided, foul wastewater will be collected and contained

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			within sealed systems and tankered away from the site as secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**.
GRO-011	RR-1765	Respondent expressed concern for the potential pollution of Shotesham Beck and River Tas.	The Applicant notes this comment and refers to its response to GRO-09.
GRO-012	RR-0270	Respondent expressed concern that the water table will be affected.	Risks to groundwater from existing contamination in the ground have been assessed within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 – Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186]**. As described in Appendix 16.1, the risks presented by existing contamination in the ground, to groundwater (both in terms of biodiversity and as a resource) have been assessed as typically Very Low to Low. The risks to groundwater associated with the former refuse tip are assessed as Moderate. Contamination associated with the fill in the former pit is potentially present regardless of the construction of the Scheme, as the landfill is assumed to not benefit from an engineered liner and therefore to operate on the 'dilute and disperse' principle. The baseline condition is that contamination associated

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			with this PSC could be leaching out into the surrounding water environment. The impacts to groundwater recharge on aquifers during all Phases of the Scheme has been assessed within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]**. With the incorporation of the embedded mitigation measures set out and secured within the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** the effects have been assessed as 'Not Significant'.
GRO-013	RR-1378	Respondent expressed concern regarding the potential contamination from construction compounds.	Embedded mitigation measures for the construction phase of the Scheme are provided and secured within the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**. With the incorporation of these mitigation measures, the effects in relation to potential contaminant mobilisation during the construction phase of the Scheme are assessed as 'Not Significant' within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 9 – Water Environment [APP-045]**.
GRO-014	RR-1272	Respondent stated that there are high pressure gas pipes from Bacton Terminal that run underneath some of	The Applicant has considered utilities in the design of the Scheme, including the high-pressure gas main. Offset to utilities from

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		the Sites. They expressed concern regarding the risk of gas leaks to various receptors.	infrastructure of the Scheme are shown on the **Works Plan [AS-002** and **AS-003]**. The **Draft DCO [AS-032]** includes for Protective Provisions in Schedule 14 to safeguard utilities assets and associated operations.

2.22 Noise and Vibration

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NOI-001	RR-0722, RR-0962, RR-0583, RR-0419, RR-0256, RR-0591, RR-1572, RR-1307, RR-1350, RR-0613, RR-1183, RR-0145, RR-1609, RR-1046, RR-1062, RR-0584, RR-1800, RR-0874, RR-0837, RR-0347, RR-0346, RR-0969, RR-0560, RR-0213, RR-0325, RR-1584, RR-0378, RR-0291, RR-0779, RR-0195, RR-0731, RR-1503, RR-1625, RR-0689, RR-0601, RR-1618, RR-0209, RR-1891, RR-1491, RR-0220, RR-0507, RR-1854, RR-0246, RR-1931, RR-0254, RR-1083, RR-1552, RR-1251, RR-0090, RR-0494, RR-1777, RR-1563, RR-0797, RR-1603, RR-1868, RR-1456, RR-1724, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-1386, RR-0094, RR-1021, RR-1459, RR-1175, RR-1649,	Respondents expressed concern regarding the impact of noise and vibration in general.	The assessment of construction noise and vibration is presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 - Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. Mitigation measures to control noise and vibration are described **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032].** Contractors would be required to ensure that works are carried out in accordance with best practicable means as stipulated in the Control of Pollution Act. In accordance with Requirement 13 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** a detailed CEMP will be submitted to and approved with the relevant planning authority.

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	RR-1917, RR-0562, RR-1338, RR-0880, RR-1990, RR-0918, RR-1699, RR-1069, RR-0944, RR-0755, RR-0972, RR-1903, RR-0397, RR-0655, RR-0624, RR-0795, RR-0420, RR-1201, RR-0492, RR-1052, RR-1958, RR-0422, RR-1077, RR-1339, RR-1590, RR-0504, RR-0996, RR-1753, RR-0186, RR-0045, RR-0840, RR-1000, RR-0424, RR-1693, RR-1315, RR-0687, RR-1946, RR-0580, RR-0737, RR-0362, RR-0269, RR-1230, RR-0058, RR-0733, RR-1124, RR-0367, RR-1353, RR-0984, RR-0835, RR-0373, RR-0551, RR-0158, RR-0449, RR-0349, RR-0190, RR-0492, RR-0450, RR-0684, RR-0859, RR-0687, RR-1049, RR-2021, RR-1067, RR-0231, RR-1167, RR-1387, RR-1914, RR-0564, RR-0988, RR-0459, RR-1845, RR-0023, RR-0537, RR-1056, RR-0748, RR-1220, RR-1023, RR-0243, RR-1772, RR-1895, RR-0416, RR-1029, RR-1370, RR-0577,		If required, the Applicant will seek prior consent for noisy works under Section 61 of Control of Pollution Act. A Section 61 submission will describe the construction methods, predicted noise levels, proposed working hours, monitoring strategy, communication protocols with the relevant planning authority and the mitigation techniques to be employed. The purpose of the submission is to demonstrate that noise and vibration have been controlled as far as reasonably practicable.

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	RR-1628, RR-1136, RR-0618, RR-1610, RR-1713, RR-0898, RR-1382, RR-0355, RR-1934, RR-0481, RR-1487, RR-1385, RR-1158, RR-0844, RR-0856, RR-1872, RR-0443, RR-0001, RR-1676, RR-1446, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-1573,RR-0123, RR-0127, RR-0453, RR-1920, RR-0010, RR-1380, RR-1376, RR-0810, RR-1268, RR-1641, RR-1766, RR-1166, RR-1166, RR-1710, RR-0055, RR-1949, RR-0067, RR-1600, RR-1638, RR-1033, RR-1570, RR-1938, RR-0661, RR-0674, RR-1634, RR-1604, RR-1111		
NOI-002	RR-0862, RR-1291, RR-1567, RR-1419, RR-1553, RR-1881, RR-0746, RR-1203, RR-1602, RR-0419, RR-1290, RR-1735, RR-0839, RR-1177, RR-2029, RR-1082, RR-1962, RR-1460, RR-1188, RR-1660, RR-1036, RR-0256, RR-1646, RR-1765, RR-0811, RR-0013, RR-0632, RR-1617, RR-0727, RR-0886, RR-1876, RR-1739, RR-1568,	Respondents expressed concern about the impact of noise and vibration during the construction of the Scheme. Some respondents expressed particular concern about construction related noise and vibration impacting their day to day lives.	

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	RR-1231, RR-1297, RR-1009, RR-0863, RR-1183, RR-0646, RR-0641, RR-1489, RR-0520, RR-0545, RR-1020, RR-1815, RR-1361, RR-0297, RR-1274, RR-0516, RR-0597, RR-1834,RR-1439, RR-0648, RR-1883, RR-1479, RR-0262, RR-0472, RR-0475, RR-1078, RR-0693, RR-1150, RR-1458, RR-1631, RR-0350, RR-0544, RR-0295, RR-0920, RR-0036, RR-0227, RR-0747, RR-1096, RR-1625, RR-0549, RR-0257, RR-1507, RR-0233, RR-0230, RR-1618, RR-1939, RR-2002, RR-0846, RR-0699, RR-0047, RR-0338, RR-0400, RR-0341, RR-1012, RR-0330, RR-1794, RR-0218, RR-1144, RR-0822, RR-0246, RR-0393, RR-0565 RR-1931, RR-1948, RR-0771, RR-1552, RR-0745, RR-1245, RR-1976, RR-1777, RR-0929, RR-0593, RR-1851, RR-0528, RR-1564, RR-1305, RR-1209, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0610, RR-2030, RR-1445, RR-1857, RR-		

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	1816, RR-0902, RR-0973, RR-1833, RR-1375, RR-1901, RR-1897, RR-1733, RR-0542, RR-0868, RR-1204, RR-0944, RR-1369, RR-1215, RR-1903, RR-1426, RR-0655, RR-0758, RR-0668, RR-1319, RR-1395, RR-1701, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-1152, RR-0003, RR-0533, RR-1070, RR-1256, RR-1331, RR-0670, RR-1396, RR-0819, RR-0424, RR-1693, RR-0744, RR-0744, RR-1569, RR-1802, RR-1703, RR-1124, RR-1032, RR-0976, RR-0726, RR-1263, RR-0263, RR-0073, RR-1689, RR-1403, RR-0296, RR-0449, RR-0411, RR-1139, RR-1406, RR-1348, RR-1842, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1192, RR-0331, RR-1506, RR-1812, RR-1807, RR-0293, RR-1442, RR-0761, RR-0171, RR-0489, RR-1708, RR-1741, RR-0540, RR-0155, RR-1282, RR-0211, RR-0829, RR-0187, RR-1382, RR-2010, RR-1492, RR-0909, RR-0337, RR-1466, RR-0250, RR-1615, RR-		

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	1102, RR-1593, RR-0453, RR-0446, RR-0128, RR-0354, RR-1710, RR-0159, RR-1737, RR-1259, RR-0279, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-0647, RR-0022, RR-1344, RR-0674, RR-1995, RR-1262, RR-0684, RR-1920, RR-1659, RR-1084		
NOI-003	RR-0862, RR-1291, RR-1419, RR-0746, RR-1290, RR-1735, RR-0643, RR-1690, RR-1177, RR-2029, RR-1962, RR-1460, RR-0999, RR-0064, RR-1660, RR-1646, RR-0854, RR-0270, RR-0113, RR-0151, RR-1047, RR-1876, RR-1696, RR-0646, RR-0966, RR-0641, RR-1062, RR-0545, RR-0934, RR-1020, RR-1815, RR-0767, RR-1361, RR-0297, RR-1274, RR-0516, RR-0500, RR-0648, RR-1078, RR-1529, RR-1458, RR-1631, RR-0350, RR-0544, RR-0295, RR-1538, RR-0227, RR-0291, RR-0195, RR-1503, RR-0390, RR-1625, RR-0549, RR-0257, RR-1507, RR-0233, RR-0230, RR-0601, RR-0589, RR-0047,	Respondents expressed concern about the impact of noise and vibration during operation of the Scheme. This includes any phases of maintenance. This includes potential noise from tracker panels.	The assessment of operational noise and vibration is presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 - Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**, which includes noise and vibration from tracker motors. The assessment concludes that the rating level from tracker motors are expected to be considerably below the background sound level, indicating a negligible impact, resulting in long term negligible adverse effects which are not significant. Mitigation measures to control noise and vibration during operation are described **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. Noise emitting plant will be selected with consideration of noise emissions where practicable. The specification of plant machinery with low noise emission and properly attenuated supply and extract terminations will help to

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	RR-0588, RR-0588, RR-1924, RR-0250, RR-0167, RR-0446, RR-1859, RR-1710, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-0149, RR-1998, RR-1344, RR-1972, RR-1821, RR-1418, RR-1600, RR-1780, RR-1638, RR-0674, RR-1579, RR-1995		
NOI-004	RR-0862, RR-0113, RR-1696, RR-0646, RR-1890, RR-1062, RR-0633, RR-1438, RR-1757, RR-0560, RR-0295, RR-1773, RR-0076, RR-0295, RR-0227, RR-0699, RR-1583, RR-0400, RR-0467, RR-1144, RR-1486, RR-1129, RR-1948, RR-1976, RR-1777, RR-1632, RR-2030, RR-1459, RR-1716, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-1733, RR-0251, RR-0780, RR-1369, RR-1215, RR-1426, RR-1683, RR-0506, RR-0335, RR-0238, RR-1850, RR-0781, RR-0964, RR-1256, RR-0391, RR-1693, RR-1049, RR-1093, RR-0883, RR-0132, RR-1689, RR-0373, RR-1207, RR-0539, RR-0772, RR-0668, RR-1017, RR-0450, RR-1464,	Respondents expressed concern about the impact of noise and vibration from the National Grid Substation, Project Substations, transformers and/or inverters.	The Applicant notes the concerns raised regarding substations, transformers and inverters. Noise from these elements of the Scheme have been considered within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** secures the commitment that the rating level from operational elements other than the BESS will not exceed the background sound level at residential receptors, and that sound levels from the BESS will not exceed those outlined in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. The detailed design will therefore be required to achieve the assessed and secured noise limits.

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	RR-1084, RR-0859, RR-0074, RR-0611, RR-0988, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1192, RR-0594, RR-1306, RR-0793, RR-0662, RR-1008, RR-1442, RR-1772, RR-1658, RR-1720, RR-0234, RR-1051, RR-1610, RR-0896, RR-1742, RR-2008, RR-1487, RR-1446, RR-0588, RR-0588, RR-1413, RR-0167, RR-0446, RR-1380, RR-1766, RR-1166, RR-1710, RR-1100, RR-1949, RR-1258, RR-1972, RR-1600, RR-0796, RR-1570, RR-1638, RR-1579, RR-0873, RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-0097, RR-0884		
NOI-005	RR-0578, RR-0862, RR-1177, RR-1962, RR-0113, RR-1696, RR-1873, RR-1773, RR-0390, RR-1935, RR-2009, RR-0047, RR-1156, RR-1777, RR-1375, RR-1390, RR-1069, RR-0522, RR-0339, RR-1683, RR-1850, RR-1040, RR-0012, RR-1086, RR-1230, RR-0132, RR-1689, RR-1207, RR-0539, RR-1084, RR-0473, RR-1014, RR-1706,	Respondents expressed concern about the impact of noise and vibration from the BESS. Some respondents highlighted the proximity of the BESS to nearby properties in relation to this concern.	The Applicant notes the concerns raised regarding the BESS. BESS noise has been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** includes a specific commitment that noise from the BESS will achieve the predicted sound levels set out in the ES. The final BESS design and equipment selection will therefore need to be

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	RR-1358, RR-0712, RR-1835, RR-0992, RR-1720, RR-1441, RR-1446, RR-0588, RR-1413, RR-1967, RR-0446, RR-1949, RR-1821, RR-1780, RR-1638, RR-0873, RR-1465, RR-1995		consistent with those assessed levels and secured commitments.
NOI-006	RR-0722, RR-0184, RR-0561, RR-1702, RR-1110, RR-2009, RR-1147, RR-1794, RR-0254, RR-1160, RR-1903, RR-1214, RR-0478, RR-0032, RR-1093, RR-1353, RR-0132, RR-0642, RR-0286, RR-0539, RR-1067, RR-0171, RR-0211, RR-0425, RR-1300, RR-1600, RR-1570, RR-1638	Respondents expressed concern about the impact of noise and vibration on local wildlife, including horses and/or farm animals.	Minimum offset distances from key ecological features are secured through the **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213].** Habitat corridors are reinforced and expanded through the protection and management of woodland, hedgerows and hedgerow trees, scrub and hedgerow planting as detailed in the **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** and **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**, thereby avoiding significant noise impacts. Mitigation measures to control noise and vibration during operation are described **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**; this includes in relation to the solar invertors, National Grid Substation, BESS, Integrated Conversion Units/33kV Sub-Distribution Switch Rooms and Project Substations. The specification of plant machinery with low noise emission and properly attenuated supply and extract terminations will help to

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			minimise noise emissions during the operational phase. The use of enclosures, local screening, mufflers, and silencers will also be used as appropriate. Plant within the National Grid Substation will be designed to have minimal tonal, impulsive or intermittent features as far as is practicable. In accordance with Requirement 14 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** a detailed OEMP will be submitted to and approved with the relevant planning authority.
NOI-007	RR-2029, RR-1216, RR-0648, RR-1209, RR-0684, RR-1192, RR-1008, RR-1324, RR-0446	Respondent expressed concern that construction traffic would cause vibrations to their property, causing structural issues (location not specified).	Construction vibration has been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**, including consideration of construction activities and traffic where relevant. Construction works will be managed through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline CTMP [APP-201]**, with detailed controls secured prior to construction. These measures will manage construction activity and associated vehicle movements to avoid unacceptable vibration effects.
NOI-008	RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0094, RR-0269, RR-0761, RR-0674	Respondent expressed concern that there has been no mitigation for noise measures.	The Applicant refers to its response to NOI-2 and NOI-03.

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		One respondent detailed acoustic modelling and bundling as lacking in noise mitigation measures.	
NOI-009	RR-0746, RR-1757, RR-1085	Respondent expressed concern for the impact of noise and vibration on health in general, including sleep.	The Applicant notes the concerns raised regarding health and sleep. Noise effects relevant to health and wellbeing have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**, including consideration of the Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level (LOAEL) and Significant Observed Adverse Effect Level (SOAEL) framework where applicable. Operational controls are secured through the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and construction controls through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**. The Applicant considers that appropriate mitigation is secured to avoid significant adverse noise effects on health, wellbeing and sleep.
NOI-010	RR-0902, RR-1435	Respondent stated that the applicant has failed to assess the risk of construction vibration to their home despite being informed that much of the property lacks foundations.	The assessment of construction vibration is presented within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. The assessment of construction vibration is based on reasonable worst-case assumptions on piling locations for Solar PV Arrays. In the case of Site 8, receptors are considered to be at least 100m from piling works. Based on

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			this, vibration levels are anticipated to be below 0.4 mm/s PPV, result in a low magnitude of impact, which could be up to minor adverse effect which is not significant.
NOI-011	RR-1291, RR-1059	Respondent requested a cumulative noise assessment, treating their property as a sensitive receptor, with low frequency noise specifically modelled and operational limits secured by requirement.	Operational noise has been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**, including cumulative considerations where applicable and assessment using appropriate guidance. The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** secures commitments that BESS noise will achieve predicted sound levels, rating levels from other operational elements will not exceed background sound levels at residential receptors, and PRoW sound levels will not exceed 55 dB(A). The Applicant considers that cumulative operational noise, including relevant acoustic character, has been appropriately assessed and controlled.
NOI-012	RR-1262, RR-1749	Respondent expressed concern that the Applicant has not provided specific, verifiable or quantified noise impact data, and that insufficient evidence has been submitted to enable a clear understanding of the Scheme's potential effects.	Environmental sound surveys have been undertaken around the Scheme which have established the existing background sound level. This information is presented within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 12.1 - Baseline Sound Survey Report [APP-178]** and has been

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		Respondent also expressed that reports of other developments across the country where inverter noise has had a detrimental impact on residents' quality of life, combined with the absence of no clear data, was causing concern.	used to calculate impacts associated with the Scheme. **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]** provides the assessment of construction and operational noise and vibration effects, including predicted operational sound levels. The operational noise assessment is based on guidance provided within BS 4142:2014+A1:2019 and undertaken by suitably qualified acousticians. The assessment considers noise from inverters, and is based on example inverter noise data provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 12.2 - Noise Modelling and Calculations [APP-179]**. At this stage, the final selection of equipment has not been made and therefore it is not possible to undertake a finalised assessment, however the assessment presented is considered to provide a worst-case indication of impacts at receptors. Impacts at receptors considered within the assessment are presented within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 12.2 - Noise Modelling and Calculations [APP-179]**. The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** secures commitments requiring the Scheme to

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			operate within the assessed noise levels. The Applicant therefore considers that sufficient information has been provided to understand and control the Scheme's potential noise effects.
NOI-013	RR-1085, RR-1995	Respondent expressed concern that the noise impact assessments provided by the Applicant do not adequately reflect the "creeping" background noise levels that will affect the health and wellbeing of neighbouring residents.	Baseline sound conditions and operational noise effects have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** secures operational noise commitments, including that rating levels from operational elements other than the BESS will not exceed the background sound level at residential receptors. The Applicant considers that the assessment and secured controls address potential changes in background noise levels.
NOI-014	RR-1291	Respondent stated that the acoustic baseline at their property is exceptionally quiet, so the perceived intrusion will be disproportionate to that modelled against a typical rural receptor.	Baseline sound levels used in the operational noise assessment are presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. The assessment considers representative residential receptors and applies appropriate criteria for operational noise. Operational commitments are secured through the **Outline OEMP [APP-197**], including limits

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			relative to background sound levels at residential receptors.
NOI-015	RR-0873	Respondent expressed concern for individuals who suffer from Tinnitus being in close proximity to noise making equipment.	The assessment considers noise from inverters, and is based on example inverter noise data provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 12.2 - Noise Modelling and Calculations [APP-179]**. Noise associated with the cooling systems for central inverters produce broadband sound with no identifiable tones. At this stage, the final selection of equipment has not been made and therefore it is not possible to undertake a finalised assessment, however the assessment presented is considered to provide a worst-case indication of impacts at receptors. Impacts at receptors considered within the assessment are presented within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 12.2 - Noise Modelling and Calculations [APP-179]**. The assessment of operational noise in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]** considers effects at residential receptors and applies appropriate assessment criteria.

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			The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** secures operational noise commitments to control the Scheme's sound levels. The Applicant considers that these controls are appropriate for protecting residential amenity, including for sensitive individuals.
NOI-016	RR-0549	Respondent stated the current pylons emit noise which will be increased by the Scheme.	The Scheme's operational noise effects, including new electrical infrastructure associated with the Scheme, have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. Operational noise controls are secured through the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. Existing noise from third-party infrastructure is outside the Applicant's control, but the Scheme has been assessed on the basis of its own predicted noise contribution and secured limits.
NOI-017	RR-0973	Respondent stated that residents would bear the consequences of unacceptable noise impacts, including potential costs for soundproofing, window replacement or impacts on their ability to remain in their homes.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]** assesses the likely construction and operational noise and vibration effects of the Scheme. Operational noise mitigation measures are secured through the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** to ensure that the Scheme operates within assessed sound levels. The Applicant

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			considers that the assessment demonstrates that unacceptable noise effects requiring property-level mitigation, such as soundproofing, are not anticipated. The results of the assessment at receptors around Site 10 are presented within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 12.2 - Noise Modelling and Calculations [APP-179]**. The results indicate that without further mitigation, the rating level due to operation of the Scheme would be below the background sound level at all receptors around Site 10 during the periods assessed. This indicates that operational noise would result in negligible impacts, which represent negligible effects and are not significant.
NOI-018	RR-0093	Respondent expressed concern for noise from the Scheme impacting those using hearing aids, as the technology amplifies all surrounding ambient sound indiscriminately, making it difficult to isolate speech when background noise is elevated. Respondent also expressed that the low-frequency background hum will trigger cognitive fatigue and make	Operational noise has been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**, including consideration of operational plant and relevant acoustic characteristics. Low frequency noise has been considered within the assessment, and is demonstrated to not result in a significant effect in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**,

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		day to day life difficult for hearing aid users.	Once consideration of mitigation has been included, operational noise from the Scheme has been demonstrated to be below the typical background sound level at all receptors except NSR3B (Dwellings on Station Road, nearest to the BESS), where the specific sound level is calculated to be 1 dB above the early morning background sound level. On this basis, there is not expected to be an increase in ambient sound levels due to operational noise as a result of the Scheme. The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** secures commitments to achieve the predicted BESS sound levels and to limit other operational noise relative to background sound levels at residential receptors. The Applicant considers these controls are appropriate to avoid unacceptable operational noise effects.
NOI-019	RR-0588	Respondent stated that the Examining Authority should require clear evidence that operational noise has been assessed at the nearest homes, schools, community buildings, public rights of way, and other sensitive receptors, not merely	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]** assesses noise and vibration at representative sensitive receptors, including residential receptors, schools, community buildings and PRoW where relevant.

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		averaged over a large area or treated as a minor residual effect.	The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** secures operational noise commitments, including specific sound levels on PRoW not exceeding 55 dB(A). The Applicant therefore considers that relevant sensitive receptors have been appropriately assessed.
NOI-020	RR-0446	Respondent asked the Examining Authority to require the Applicant to provide robust site-specific noise assessment work. This should include night-time LA90 baseline monitoring at the nearest dwellings, BS 4142-compliant assessment where applicable, cumulative operational modelling, assessment of tonal and low-frequency components, and clear identification of mitigation. The assessment should also address relevant national policy, the Noise Policy Statement for England, Government noise guidance, relevant Energy National Policy Statements and the current NPPF noise policy.	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]** presents the noise and vibration assessment, including baseline night-time L_{A90} sound information obtained from surveys, operational noise assessment and consideration of BS 4142 where applicable. The assessment has informed secured commitments in the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, including controls for the BESS, other operational elements and PRoW. The Applicant considers that the assessment addresses the relevant policy and guidance requirements, including the Noise Policy Statement for England, NPPF and relevant energy NPS, and provides an appropriate basis for controlling operational noise effects.
NOI-021	RR-1166	Respondent stated that the ES does not provide night-time baseline data, low-frequency noise modelling, tonal penalties (BS 4142), cumulative noise	**ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]** includes baseline night-time sound information and operational noise assessment for the Scheme's relevant

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		assessment or light modelling. They stated that this is contrary to BS 4142, BS 8233, NPS EN-1, EN-3, EN-5.	operational elements. The operational noise assessment includes consideration of tonal penalties, low frequency noise and a cumulative assessment of operational noise. Operational controls are secured through the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, including commitments that BESS noise will achieve predicted sound levels and rating levels from other operational elements will not exceed background sound levels at residential receptors. The Applicant considers that these commitments provide appropriate and enforceable operational noise controls. Measures to control lighting from the Scheme are described in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** with measures secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**.
Site-specific comments			
NOI-022	RR-1108, RR-0134	Respondent expressed concern for the noise impacts from a construction compound proposed for Site 6, respondent noted their property is adjacent to this site.	Construction noise has been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. **ES Volume 3, Appendix 12.2 - Noise Modelling and Calculations [APP-179]** provides additional detail in relation to construction noise impacts from the site compound at Site 6 in Table 2.3.

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			The magnitude of impact at all residential properties associated with Site 6 is low, resulting in minor adverse effects which are not significant. Construction activities, including construction compounds, will be controlled through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, which secures good practice noise management measures. A detailed CEMP will be prepared prior to construction and will include measures appropriate to the final construction layout and programme.
NOI-023	RR-1020, RR-1815	Respondents expressed concern that operational noise will impact Topcroft.	Topcroft is located approximately 1 km from construction routes and where operational equipment will be installed. On this basis, receptors within Topcroft are outside of the study area and not expected to experience significant effects. Operational noise has been assessed at representative sensitive receptors in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** secures operational noise commitments, including limits relative to background sound levels at residential receptors. The Applicant considers

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			that the assessment and secured controls appropriately address operational noise effects on nearby communities.
NOI-024	RR-0328 RR-1995	Respondent has expressed concern about operational noise, including from transformers, on their property near site 5.	Operational noise from substations, transformers and associated plant has been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. The assessment includes assessment of low frequency transformer noise. This is presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 12.2 - Noise Modelling and Calculations [APP-179]**. The assessment indicates that without mitigation, operational rating levels are expected to be below the background sound levels at all receptors around Site 5, be of negligible impact, which results in a negligible effect which is not significant. There is therefore no reliance on mitigation to reduce operational noise levels around Site 5. The assessment is based on example noise data, as finalised equipment selections have not yet been made. Environmental sound levels at MP34 were approximately 100 m away from the ES

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			Motorsport site and is considered to be representative of background sound levels at receptors near to this location. The sound climate, reported within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 12.2 - Baseline Sound Survey Report [APP-178]** was noted to consists of vehicular movements on the sounding road network, and intermittent gunshot from shooting on the eastern portion of the site. Intermittent noise from gunshots, or commercial activities (if they are present at this location) are unlikely to affect the measured background sound level, as the $L_{A90,15minutes}$ parameter would not be significantly influenced by intermittent sounds. The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** secures the commitment that rating levels from operational elements other than the BESS will not exceed the background sound level at residential receptors. The detailed design will be required to comply with these secured commitments.
NOI-025	RR-1460	Respondent works in a local school, and states that the construction noise will disrupt the school day and that it	Construction noise has been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**.

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		will be unpleasant for the children to listen to.	Construction works will be controlled through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**, which includes good practice measures to manage noise and disturbance. The detailed CEMP will be prepared prior to construction and will include appropriate controls for works near sensitive receptors, including schools where relevant.
NOI-026	RR-0295	Respondent expressed concerns regarding their property not having any foundations. They requested a vibration assessment to be undertaken during statutory consultation. The respondent will hold IGP to their claim that any damage will result in compensation.	The assessment of construction vibration is presented within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. The assessment of construction vibration is based on reasonable worst-case assumptions on piling locations for solar PV elements. In the case of Site 8, receptors are considered to be at least 100 m from piling works. Based on this, vibration levels are anticipated to be below 0.4 mm/s PPV, result in a low magnitude of impact, which could be up to minor adverse effect which is not significant. The resultant level of vibration could be just perceptible, and significantly below levels at which building damage could occur in fragile buildings.
NOI-027	RR-1209	Respondent expressed concern for the potential for vibration from construction vehicles to damage the	Construction vibration has been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**.

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		Grade II listed properties along the road through Shotesham All Saints.	Construction traffic and access will be managed through the **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** and construction works through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]**. These documents secure controls to manage construction activity and vehicle movements and to avoid unacceptable vibration effects. Transport routes are presented in **ES Volume 2, Figure 11.1 - Indicative Transport and Access Study Area [APP-094]**. The nearest routes to Shotesham All Saints are presented in Figure 11.6, which indicates that construction vehicles would not go through Shotesham All Saints.
NOI-028	RR-0094	Respondent expressed concern that noise from the 400kV substation will disturb parishioners using St Catherines Church in Fritton, including funeral proceedings taking place on the grounds.	Operational noise from the Project Substation and associated electrical infrastructure has been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. St Catherine's Church in Fritton is represented by NSR34. This is expected to experience negligible impact from operational noise, which, in combination with receptor sensitivity, is considered to be a negligible effect, and is not significant. Operational noise controls are secured through the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, including

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			commitments to control rating levels from operational elements at sensitive receptors.
NOI-029	RR-1590	Respondent expressed that there should be no further noise for areas near The Maltings.	It is unclear where the Interested Party is located. The Maltings are located within Long Stratton, with the nearest operational site being over 1 km away. Due to the distance between the site and the Maltings, it is not included within the study area of the operational noise assessment. Based on the receptor being located outside of the study area, the resultant operational noise impacts are expected to be not significant. Noise and vibration effects have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. Operational noise commitments are secured through the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, including limits relative to background sound levels at residential receptors. The Applicant considers that the Scheme's noise effects have been appropriately assessed and controlled.
NOI-030	RR-1091	Respondent expressed concern about the impact of noise and vibration on the baseline tranquillity of Wacton.	Noise and vibration have been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**.

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			Operational noise controls are secured through the **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**, while construction and decommissioning effects will be controlled through the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. The Applicant considers that the assessment and mitigation appropriately address the potential effects raised. Wacton is over 1 km from the Scheme and is outside of the construction and operational noise study areas. The impacts at receptors within Wacton are expected to be negligible and not significant.
NOI-031	RR-0446	Respondent requested a site-specific cumulative noise assessment, including night-time baseline monitoring, low-frequency and tonal assessment, and assessment of substations, inverters, BESS and associated cooling equipment together for Site 1.	Operational noise from substations, inverters, BESS and associated cooling equipment has been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**, with secured operational noise commitments in the O**utline OEMP [APP-197]**. These commitments include BESS predicted sound levels, rating levels from other operational elements not exceeding background sound levels at residential receptors, and PRoW levels not exceeding 55 dB(A). The Applicant considers that operational noise has been appropriately assessed and controlled.

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NOI-032	RR-0674	Respondent requested relocation of equipment, Moving all noise-producing field inverters and step-up transformers deep into the interior of the site, away from (Redacted).	The Scheme has been developed using a parameters-based approach and assessed within the design envelope presented in the Application. Operational noise from inverters, transformers and associated equipment has been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 12 – Noise and Vibration [APP-048]**. The **Outline OEMP [APP-197]** secures operational noise limits, and the detailed design will be required to comply with those commitments.

2.23 Electromagnetic Fields

Table 2.23 Electromagnetic Fields

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EMF-001	RR-0862, RR-1291, RR-0560, RR-0246, RR-0914, RR-1990, RR-1069, RR-0972, RR-0890, RR-0293, RR-1708, RR-1190, RR-1659, RR-1570	Respondents expressed concern about the potential impact of electromagnetic fields (EMF).	An assessment of Electromagnetic Fields (EMF) pertaining to human health is provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 17 - Electromagnetic Fields [APP-053]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 17.1 – High Level Electromagnetic Field Assessment [APP-188]**. While the evidence indicates that no significant adverse human health effects are expected, mitigation measures for EMF are set out in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. Electric fields are contained within the cable's protective insulation and sheath; therefore, no external electric fields are expected to occur due to the underground cables. The maximum levels of electromagnetic radiation during construction, operation and decommissioning phases will be below International Commission on the Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection reference levels.

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EMF-002	RR-1291, RR-1347, RR-1659	Respondents expressed concerns regarding the impact of radio frequency exposure. One respondent noted concern that their amateur radio emergency system will not work.	The sources of EMF from the Scheme are the electrical infrastructure (cables and inverters) which oscillate at a low frequency of 60 Hz (Source: EDF Renewables, Electromagnetic Fields, https://www.edf-re.com/wp-content/uploads/Electromagnetic-Fields-EC.pdf). This level of frequency is extremely low and not within the same range that radio frequencies operate, typically in the kilo/mega/giga magnitude (i.e. KHz/MHz/GHz), which is 1e3/1e6/1e9 times larger than oscillating frequency of electrical infrastructure of the Scheme. Therefore, the scheme is not predicted to interfere with amateur radio emergency systems.
EMF-003	RR-1776	Respondent requested an EMF assessment on fish and bats (particularly the 400kV export cable at Hempnall Beck).	The Applicant notes the Respondent's request for an EMF assessment on fish, with particular reference to the 400 kV export cable crossing at Hempnall Beck. The potential operational effects of EMF from underground electrical cables on freshwater fish receptors, including European eel *Anguilla anguilla*, were considered within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. The assessment concluded that significant effects are not

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			anticipated, taking account of embedded mitigation secured through the Scheme design. Hempnall Beck will be crossed using trenchless crossing techniques. The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** confirms that, where trenchless crossings are beneath main rivers, including Hempnall Beck, the cable depth would be a minimum of 5m below the surveyed riverbed. This minimum burial depth provides substantial physical separation between the 400 kV cable and aquatic receptors within Hempnall Beck. Magnetic field strength decreases with distance from the cable, and supporting evidence indicates that modelled EMF levels for a typical 400 kV cable at 5m burial depth would be below background geomagnetic levels. On this basis, the Applicant considers that the embedded mitigation secured through the Scheme design, including trenchless crossing of Hempnall Beck and a minimum 5m burial depth below the surveyed riverbed, provides an appropriate level of protection for freshwater fish receptors. Significant operational EMF effects on fish, including

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			European eel, are therefore not anticipated, and no additional EMF assessment or mitigation is considered necessary. This minimum burial depth provides also provides substantial physical separation between the 400kV cable and terrestrial mammals such as bat species; the Scheme does not include the construction of a significant amount of additional overhead lines (which are already present within the Order Limits) and therefore no additional EMF assessment or mitigation is considered necessary for this species group.
EMF-004	RR-1291	Respondent requested an independent EMF/radio frequency survey at their property boundary, with a binding emissions cap and post-commissioning verification.	The sources of EMF from the Scheme are the electrical infrastructure (cables and inverters) which oscillate at a low frequency of 60 Hz (Source: EDF Renewables, Electromagnetic Fields, https://www.edf-re.com/wp-content/uploads/Electromagnetic-Fields-EC.pdf). This level of frequency is extremely low and not within the same range that radio frequencies operate, typically in the kilo/mega/giga magnitude (i.e. KHz/MHz/GHz), which is 1e3/1e6/1e9 times larger than oscillating frequency of electrical infrastructure of the Scheme.

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			Frequencies associated with electrical infrastructure pertaining to the Scheme are well-known from other renewable energy developments and the principles of electromagnetic induction; therefore, a survey is not considered to be required.

2.24 Major Accidents and Disasters

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MAD-001	RR-0862, RR-0290, RR-0183, RR-0585, RR-0746, RR-0977, RR-0625, RR-0751, RR-1841, RR-1177, RR-2029, RR-0469, RR-1450, RR-0173, RR-0591, RR-0993, RR-0049, RR-1003, RR-1876, RR-1890, RR-0641, RR-1101, RR-1609, RR-1687, RR-1062, RR-1800, RR-0517, RR-0318, RR-1173, RR-0213, RR-1479, RR-0360, RR-0477, RR-0378, RR-0141, RR-1503, RR-1443, RR-0900, RR-0694, RR-0699, RR-1543, RR-0959, RR-0905, RR-1325, RR-1854, RR-1754, RR-0822, RR-1563, RR-0708, RR-0924, RR-1055, RR-0395, RR-1164, RR-1445, RR-1109, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-0248, RR-0306, RR-0780, RR-0880, RR-1160, RR-0872, RR-1903, RR-0522, RR-0397, RR-1379, RR-1050, RR-0552,	Respondents expressed concern about the risk of a fire / damage / toxic gases / explosion from Scheme infrastructure.	The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** outlines the key fire safety provisions for the BESS, including measures to reduce BESS failure risks and mitigate credible failure incident scenarios. The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** identifies how the Applicant will use good industry practice to reduce risk to life, property and the environment from the BESS. By way of a Requirement 6 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** prior to the commencement of construction of the BESS, the Applicant will require a BSMP to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority that must consult with the with Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service and the Environment Agency. As part of preparation of the detailed BSMP, the Applicant will incorporate the latest good practices for battery storage safety, failure detection and prevention, along with the emergency response planning, as guidance continues to develop in the UK and internationally.

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	RR-1701, RR-1785, RR-0784, RR-0504, RR-0533, RR-1839, RR-1448, RR-1965, RR-0840, RR-1964, RR-1392, RR-1396, RR-1557, RR-1693, RR-1786, RR-0687, RR-1090, RR-0599, RR-2007, RR-0269, RR-1493, RR-1427, RR-0778, RR-0388, RR-2031, RR-1637, RR-0835, RR-0225, RR-0175, RR-1689, RR-1298, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-0261, RR-0454, RR-0065, RR-1207, RR-1354, RR-0990, RR-0474, RR-0231, RR-1014, RR-0023, RR-0206, RR-1706, RR-0537, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-0603, RR-1351, RR-1091, RR-0364, RR-0293, RR-0712, RR-1658, RR-0911, RR-0677, RR-0489, RR-0060, RR-1136, RR-1024, RR-0540, RR-0787, RR-0550, RR-1449, RR-1961, RR-1742, RR-1385, RR-1075, RR-1446, RR-0588, RR-1809, RR-0700, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-0809, RR-0194, RR-1102, RR-0052, RR-0810, RR-0043, RR-0832, RR-1641, RR-1166,		

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	RR-1710, RR-0570, RR-1059, RR-1638, RR-1938, RR-0942, RR-1734, RR-1160		
MAD-002	RR-0207, RR-0487, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-1720, RR-0942, RR-1287, RR-1198, RR-1418	Respondent expressed that Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service has stated that the proposed National Grid Substation location presents a fire risk to the village of Great Moulton.	
MAD-003	RR-0013, RR-0502, RR-0506, RR-0045, RR-1049, RR-1569, RR-1442, RR-0022	Respondents expressed concern regarding crime, anti-social behaviour and/or personal security associated with the Scheme.	The Applicant refers to its response to C&D-027.
MAD-004	RR-0403, RR-0502, RR-0158, RR-0276, RR-0097, RR-0270, RR-0873	Respondents stated concerns that the Scheme could become a target for terrorism and/or other national security threats.	While such risks are not specific to this Scheme and apply broadly across national infrastructure, the Applicant continues to engage with relevant authorities to ensure the Scheme aligns with applicable guidance and regulations. Security requirements have, however, been embedded into the design of the Scheme from the outset and are considered proportionate. The **Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP-213]** set out the parameters and commitments for the design of the Scheme, including security measures, such as fencing, cameras and motion lighting.
MAD-005	RR-0403, RR-1542	Respondent stated that they have serious concerns about the security of this energy infrastructure when all components are made in China. Bad actors have been known and proven to have exploited digital backdoors such as this, making the whole Scheme vulnerable.	

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			In accordance with national policy, the delivery of the Scheme would improve the resilience of the UK electricity system against the general threat of war or terror (i.e. in the event another electricity generation project was to be targeted, the Scheme would then ensure continued electricity supply).
MAD-006	RR-0996, RR-1465	Respondent expressed concern for general safety risks and threat to the Norwich to London main rail line.	The Scheme has been designed to avoid or minimise risks to existing infrastructure, including the railway network. A risk assessment of the potential impact on visibility has also been undertaken for nearby road and rail receptors within the **Outline BSMP [APP-200].** The predicted visibility distances in the event of a BESS fire are greater than the safe stopping distances for rail.

2.25 Telecommunications, Utilities and Television

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TEL-001	RR-1307, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-1477, RR-0021, RR-1820, RR-1442, RR-0761, RR-0844, RR-1300, RR-1708	Respondents expressed concern about the impact and possible disruption on local broadband networks, water networks and other utility crossings.	The **Draft DCO [AS-032]** includes protective provisions for the protection of operators of electronic communication networks. Where applicable, these protective provisions will protect the interests, assets, and statutory functions of local broadband networks whose infrastructure may be affected by the Scheme.
TEL-002	RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-2030, RR-1733, RR-0761, RR-0844	Respondent expressed general concern for ground subsidence at properties and underground utilities as a result of Scheme activity.	An assessment of utilities is presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 – Other Environmental Matters [APP-054],** concluding that: '*Telecommunications, television reception and utilities will experience no adverse likely significant effects during construction, operation and maintenance and decommissioning...*'. The **Draft DCO [AS-032]** includes for protective provisions in Schedule 14 to safeguard utilities assets and associated operations.
TEL-003	RR-1183, RR-0551, RR-0539, RR-0654	Respondent expressed concern regarding the risk of interruption to B4RN underground fibre cables.	
TEL-004	RR-0914	Respondent stated that the Application documents contain little information about utilities crossings.	

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			An assessment of potential ground stability hazards is presented within the **ES Volume 3, Appendix 16.1 - Phase 1 Ground Conditions Assessment [APP-184 to APP-186]**. It is not considered that the construction of the Scheme would influence the likelihood of naturally occurring land stability hazards (e.g., collapsible ground stability, compressible ground stability, shrink-swell stability, dissolution, landslides or running sands being realised within land outside of the Order Limits. The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** includes a range of measures to manage construction traffic and minimise effects on the Local Road Network. This includes pre- and post-construction road condition surveys that will be undertaken, with scope agreed with NCC as the Local Highway Authority. Any defects reasonably attributable to construction traffic associated with the Scheme would be rectified to the satisfaction of the Local Highway Authority.

2.26 Glint and Glare

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GLI-001	RR-1291, RR-0746, RR-0666, RR-1765, RR-1047, RR-0886, RR-1568, RR-1112, RR-1183, RR-1609, RR-0520, RR-1800, RR-1551, RR-0800, RR-0884, RR-0500, RR-0648, RR-0560, RR-0089, RR-1073, RR-0693, RR-1538, RR-0195, RR-0390, RR-0757, RR-0047, RR-1012, RR-0507, RR-0905, RR-1061, RR-0246, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1299, RR-1129, RR-0370, RR-2030, RR-1816, RR-1138, RR-1733, RR-0562, RR-1990, RR-1369, RR-1903, RR-0968, RR-0522, RR-0339, RR-0506, RR-0773, RR-1749, RR-0819, RR-1315, RR-0032, RR-1049, RR-0676, RR-0580, RR-0110, RR-1053, RR-0883, RR-0058, RR-1124, RR-0835, RR-1030, RR-1704, RR-1776, RR-0642, RR-0349, RR-0728,	Respondents expressed concern about glint and glare from the panels impacting properties, drivers, horse riders, walkers, air traffic (including Norwich airport and local air bases which are frequently used by the RAF and USAF), railways, and wildlife.	A glint and glare assessment is presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 – Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 18.1 - Glint and Glare Assessment [AS-025** to **AS-029]**. This considers drivers on roads and railway, residential properties, and users of aerodromes. As part of the Statutory Consultation material, agreement on sensitive receptors and associated Study Areas was sought with relevant consultation bodies through the presentation of the PEIR for comment. Impacts of glint are considered where appropriate within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 8 – Ecology and Biodiversity [APP-044]**. Measures to control lighting from the Scheme are described in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 7.11 – Lighting Strategy [APP-151]** with measures secured in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196]** and **Outline OEMP [APP-197]**. Further, mitigation for glint and glare in the

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	RR-2011, RR-2011, RR-0442, RR-0859, RR-1049, RR-1067, RR-0437, RR-0459, RR-0594, RR-1056, RR-1008, RR-1023, RR-0761, RR-1520, RR-0083, RR-1057, RR-1051, RR-1940, RR-0838, RR-0818, RR-0481, RR-1158, RR-1872, RR-1446, RR-0123, RR-0453, RR-1380, RR-1659, RR-0956, RR-1949, RR-0316, RR-1258, RR-1821, RR-1418, RR-1033, RR-1570, RR-1938, RR-0661, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-1995, RR-0511, RR-1995, RR-1262		form of instant hedgerow is proposed, as described in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. The Applicant considers that solar reflections towards all aerodromes could be operationally accommodated. If required, panels can be further mitigated by changing the backtracking angle to tilt solar reflections away from receptors. Further mitigation can be implemented by changing the configuration of panels, such as the azimuth, tilt (for fixed panels) and backtracking angle (for single-axis tracking panels). This is secured through the O**utline OEMP [APP-197]**.
GLI-002	RR-1291, RR-1776, RR-1765	Respondent requested a site-specific glint and glare assessment, with screening, anti-reflective treatments or array re-orientation as required. One respondent stated that there is no mention of any mitigation or screening for glint and glare in the Application documents.	A glint and glare assessment is presented in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 – Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]** and **ES Volume 3, Appendix 18.1 - Glint and Glare Assessment [AS-025 to AS-029]**. This considers drivers on roads and railway, residential properties and users of aerodromes. The Applicant had assessed glint and glare impacts in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 18.1 - Glint and Glare Assessment [AS-025** to

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			AS-029], including at preliminary design stages to identify where mitigation would be required. As a result, the Scheme has embedded mitigation as part of its design. Table 7 of the appendix outlines the existing and proposed screening identified predicted to mitigate impacts for dwellings/residents. The **Green Infrastructure Strategy [AS-005]** provides detail on the proposed landscape and ecological measures, including visual screening.
GLI-003	RR-1291	Respondent stated they suffer from headaches which are triggered by flashing and reflected light. They are concerned the tracker PV panels will produce moving reflections and cause further headaches.	Solar reflections produced are of intensity similar to or less than those produced from still water and significantly less than reflections from glass and steel. Solar panels implementing a single-axis tracker do not move constantly and move imperceptible at a rate that is not noticeable to an observer. The Scheme has embedded mitigation measures outlined in in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 18.1. Glint and Glare Assessment [AS-025** to **AS-029]** to ensure

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			that effects are not significant upon roads users and residents.
GLI-004	RR-1765	Respondent stated that the tracker panels will directly impact properties on Baxter's Lane, particularly in the morning, and then impact properties on Upgate Green on Brooke Road.	The Applicant has assessed the impact of glint and glare upon dwellings in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 18.1. Glint and Glare Assessment [AS-025** to **AS-029]**. The Applicant has assessed 482 dwellings including those located on Baxters Lane, Upgate Green and Brooke Road. The Scheme is not predicted to significantly affect residential amenity.
GLI-005	RR-1067	Respondent stated that their property lies between Sites 4A and 4B, which run parallel to the A140, a heavily trafficked strategic route carrying in excess of 20,000 vehicle movements per day. This road also forms one of the principal gateways to the Norfolk Broads, a National Park. The respondent also mentioned the proposed location of solar arrays, a construction compound within Site 4A and a substation within Site 4B. Given the proximity of the development to the A140 and the Hempnall Roundabout, they are	The Applicant has assessed the impact of glint and glare upon roads in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 18.1. Glint and Glare Assessment [AS-025** to **AS-029]**. Solar reflections from fixed panels and SAT panels are geometrically possible towards a 4.2km section of the A140; however, are not predicted to be significant due to be being screened by existing vegetation, proposed vegetation, existing buildings and intervening terrain. The assessment and its conclusions have been drawn from experience with previous engagement with National Highways

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		concerned that glint and glare effects may adversely affect drivers and create highway safety risks. The respondent stated they cannot see how these risks to safety can be mitigated.	and has been accepted for previous solar schemes.

2.27 Human Health and Equalities

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HUM-001	RR-0722, RR-0862, RR-1291, RR-0436, RR-1419, RR-1567, RR-1657, RR-1553, RR-0746, RR-0723, RR-0419, RR-1294, RR-0559, RR-0977, RR-0751, RR-1841, RR-0871, RR-1690, RR-1177, RR-1007, RR-1962, RR-0602, RR-0999, RR-0548, RR-1232, RR-0878, RR-0738, RR-0366, RR-0377, RR-0013, RR-0151, RR-1047, RR-0891, RR-1876, RR-1347, RR-1297, RR-1346, RR-1888, RR-1345, RR-1183, RR-0646, RR-0646, RR-0372, RR-0456, RR-1873, RR-1217, RR-0520, RR-1616, RR-0287, RR-0874, RR-0347, RR-1989, RR-0517, RR-0318, RR-0622, RR-1106, RR-1619, RR-0500, RR-0560, RR-0404, RR-2015, RR-0774, RR-0325, RR-1078, RR-0989, RR-1467, RR-0327, RR-1458, RR-1631,	Respondents expressed that the Scheme has/will impact their mental and/or physical health and/or safety. Some respondents expressed concern for the Scheme's impact to quality of life for residents. Some respondents expressed concern for increased stress and/or anxiety as a result of the Scheme.	Human health has been assessed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 – Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]** which considers human health in relation to transport and access, noise, air quality, PRoW, socio-economics, and landscape and visual effects. Mental health has also been considered, as presented in the **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]**. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline CTMP [APP-201], Outline OEMP [APP-197], Outline OTMP [APP-202], Outline LEMP [APP-199], Outline PRoWPPMP [APP-203]** and **Outline ESSC [APP-205]** outline measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032].**

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	RR-0295, RR-0920, RR-1512, RR-0448, RR-0036, RR-0267, RR-0295, RR-0292, RR-0291, RR-0390, RR-0732, RR-0195, RR-0688, RR-0617, RR-2009, RR-1043, RR-0912, RR-1171, RR-0846, RR-0376, RR-0699, RR-0002, RR-1583, RR-0220, RR-1598, RR-0330, RR-0905, RR-1794, RR-0218, RR-1144, RR-0246, RR-1039, RR-1738, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1299, RR-1237, RR-1129, RR-0771, RR-1552,RR-0288, RR-0745, RR-0833, RR-1289, RR-1533, RR-1245, RR-1563, RR-0334, RR-0170, RR-1868, RR-1456, RR-0182, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0476, RR-1482, RR-0005, RR-1224, RR-0104, RR-1164, RR-2030, RR-1042, RR-1445, RR-0094, RR-0902, RR-1459, RR-1175, RR-0598, RR-1375, RR-0925, RR-1109, RR-1733, RR-0035, RR-1917, RR-1521, RR-0780, RR-1514, RR-0502, RR-0921, RR-1160, RR-1398, RR-0521,		With specific regard to community liaison, this is directly secured through Requirement 4 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** through the provision of a community liaison group. This group will act as an intermediary between the public and the construction contractors to ensure community concerns and any information they need are communicated and responded to, so as to reduce community anxiety and impacts on mental wellbeing, and to assist in directing the public to mental health support if required.

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	RR-1069, RR-0755, RR-0872, RR-1369, RR-0972, RR-1215, RR-1903, RR-0445, RR-0061, RR-1400, RR-1394, RR-0068, RR-0397, RR-0420, RR-0135, RR-0071, RR-1882, RR-0335, RR-1469, RR-0006, RR-0904, RR-1052, RR-1993, RR-1850, RR-0775, RR-0669, RR-0384, RR-1383, RR-1515, RR-0497, RR-0658, RR-0003, RR-0533, RR-0586, RR-0964, RR-1105, RR-1262, RR-1312, RR-1965, RR-1392, RR-1396, RR-0478, RR-0424, RR-0915, RR-1227, RR-1693, RR-0101, RR-0473, RR-0592, RR-0687, RR-1049, RR-1719, RR-1093, RR-0676, RR-1262, RR-0599, RR-1053, RR-0283, RR-0232, RR-1457, RR-1210, RR-1391, RR-0883, RR-0733, RR-0058, RR-1802, RR-1703, RR-1124, RR-0388, RR-0367, RR-0373, RR-1378, RR-0263, RR-0197, RR-1670, RR-1776, RR-0296, RR-1776, RR-0946, RR-1630, RR-0349, RR-1247, RR-0876, RR-0568,		

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	RR-0990, RR-0190, RR-0539, RR-0654, RR-1674, RR-0899, RR-1017, RR-0450, RR-0101, RR-0473, RR-0687, RR-1049, RR-1546, RR-0817, RR-0231, RR-1167, RR-1342, RR-0069, RR-1014, RR-1855, RR-0566, RR-0875, RR-0843, RR-1586, RR-1988, RR-1197, RR-1253, RR-1582, RR-1706, RR-0426, RR-0537, RR-1698, RR-1884, RR-0125, RR-1959, RR-1904, RR-1454, RR-1506, RR-1222, RR-0363, RR-0793, RR-1442, RR-1926, RR-1220, RR-0761, RR-0761, RR-1835, RR-1644, RR-0118, RR-0416, RR-0508, RR-0249, RR-1148, RR-0907, RR-1292, RR-1708, RR-0060, RR-1136, RR-1024, RR-0234, RR-1713, RR-0211, RR-1571, RR-0818, RR-0075, RR-0080, RR-0108, RR-0638, RR-1487, RR-1385, RR-0734, RR-1966, RR-0844, RR-0053, RR-0856, RR-0683, RR-1925, RR-0352, RR-0443, RR-0556, RR-0596, RR-0986, RR-0011, RR-1828,		

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	RR-1075, RR-0588, RR-1280, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-0219, RR-1161, RR-1665, RR-0265, RR-0881, RR-0127, RR-0741, RR-1967, RR-0439, RR-0974, RR-0446, RR-0810, RR-0128, RR-1239, RR-1859, RR-0354, RR-1913, RR-1766, RR-0768, RR-1710, RR-1300, RR-0055 ,RR-0067, RR-0313, RR-0022, RR-0570, RR-2001, RR-1600, RR-1780, RR-0796, RR-1570, RR-1638, RR-1938, RR-1022, RR-0674, RR-1579, RR-0942, RR-1634, RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-1698		
HUM-002	RR-0864, RR-0846, RR-0450, RR-1988, RR-0009, RR-0867, RR-0446, RR-1059	Respondent stated that these proposals constitute a breach of their human rights. One respondent explained that the prospect of Scheme approval is an infringement of their human rights to live in this area peacefully, securely and without the threat of unnecessary and detrimental mass industrialisation.	The **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]** considers the potential for the Scheme to discriminate against, or disproportionately affect, individuals with protected characteristics under the Equality Act 2010. It assesses potential impacts on private and family life, access, PRoW, traffic, noise, air quality, landscape character, mental health and neighbourhood quality.

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			The Scheme does not impact upon the rights of any individual, company or group as defined by the articles under Schedule 1 of the Human Rights Act 1998 (as amended).
HUM-003	RR-0213, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-0761, RR-1767, RR-1446, RR-1600	Respondents expressed particular concern about the impact of the Scheme on neurodivergent people who may be distressed due to alterations in their quiet environment.	The **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]** recognises that construction noise and vibration may be experienced differently by some individuals, including those who are more sensitive to sensory stimuli. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197] and Outline DEMP [APP-198]** outline measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Following implementation of these mitigation measures, **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]** concludes that the impact would be neutral overall. With specific regard to community liaison, this is directly secured through Requirement 4 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** through the provision of a community liaison group. This group will act as an intermediary between the

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			public and the construction contractors to ensure community concerns and any information they need are communicated and responded to, so as to reduce community anxiety and impacts on mental wellbeing, and to assist in directing the public to mental health support if required.
HUM-004	RR-0646, RR-1458, RR-1446,	Respondents expressed concern regarding the Scheme's impact on people with protected characteristics, including children/young people and those with health conditions or disabilities whose wellbeing depends on a quiet, natural environment.	These protected characteristics are assessed in the **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]**. The Equality Impact Assessment identifies potential temporary construction effects. The **Outline CEMP [APP-196, Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]** outline measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. Following implementation of these mitigation measures, **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]** concludes that the impact would be neutral overall. Long-term operational benefits include new permissive paths and community accessible spaces included within the Scheme, as

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			secured through the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]**. The Applicant therefore considers that likely significant effects on these groups have been appropriately identified, assessed and mitigated through the Scheme design and embedded management measures.
HUM-005	RR-1100, RR-0862	Respondents expressed concern that Scheme infrastructure may cause cancer.	Potential health effects associated with EMF have been considered within the Human Health Statement within **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 - Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**, drawing on the findings of **ES Volume 1, ES Chapter 17 - Electromagnetic Fields [APP-053]**. The assessment concluded that predicted EMF levels during operation would remain well below the reference limits established by the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection and would not present a physical health risk. While it is recognised that EMFs can be a source of public concern, the Scheme incorporates appropriate design measures, including setbacks and cable burial depths, to minimise exposure.
HUM-006	RR-1312, RR-1776	Respondents expressed concern that there may be many unknown health	Potential health effects have been assessed within the Human Health Statement in **ES**

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		impacts, particularly to children, resulting from the Scheme. Respondent noted air quality reduction, light quality reduction, reduced play space, and broader psychological effects of living next to industrial sites.	**Volume 1, Chapter 18 - Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**. The assessment considers pathways particularly relevant to human health, including air quality, access to outdoor routes and recreational spaces, visual changes, disturbance and impacts on wellbeing. The Human Health Statement concludes that, with embedded mitigation and additional noise mitigation measures in place, the Scheme is not expected to result in likely significant adverse residual effects on human health. While some residual landscape and visual effects remain in limited locations, these are not anticipated to result in significant long-term effects on health or wellbeing, including for children and young people. The protected characteristics are considered in the **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]**.
HUM-007	RR-1563	Respondent noted their medical condition will be inflamed by worsening air quality, condition is not specified.	An assessment of the air quality effects of road traffic emissions associated with the Scheme is provided in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 13 – Air Quality [APP-049].** The assessment concludes that the Scheme

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			would not result in any significant adverse air quality effects. Dust emissions during construction, operation and decommissioning are assessed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 13.1- Construction and Decommissioning Dust Risk Assessment [APP-180]**. The dust risk assessment presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 13.1 - Construction and Decommissioning Dust Risk Assessment** determines appropriate mitigation measures for inclusion in the **Outline CEMP [APP-196], Outline OEMP [APP-197]** and **Outline DEMP [APP-198]**. The outline management plans outline the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans will ensure that impacts are kept to a minimum and are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032].**
HUM-008	RR-1291	Respondent requested a health-led set back distance from their property curtilage.	The design of the Scheme has been informed by an environmentally led approach, setbacks from residential properties embedded into the design principles and design evolution of siting infrastructure. The design evolution of

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			the Scheme is set out in the **Design Approach Document [APP-212]**. The Human Health Statement in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 - Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]** confirms that with embedded mitigation and additional noise mitigation measures in place, the Scheme is not expected to result in likely significant adverse residual effects on human health.
HUM-009	RR-0566	Respondent requested a social impact assessment as part of the application.	The Applicant considers that, taken as a whole, the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** provides a wide-ranging assessment of social impacts, including a socio-economic assessment in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 – Socio-Economics [APP-050]** and a Human Health Statement in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 - Other Environmental Matters [APP-054].** Furthermore, potential effects on physical, mental and social wellbeing, including impacts on vulnerable groups and people with protected characteristics is considered within **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]**.

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			The Applicant therefore considers that these issues have been appropriately assessed and mitigated as far as reasonably practicable.
HUM-010	RR-1775	Respondent expressed concern the Scheme is in breach of Health and Safety guidelines.	Section 18.2 of **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 - Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]** considers that all major accident and disaster risk events associated with the construction, operation, and decommissioning of the Scheme can be appropriately mitigated through design and the application of management and mitigation measures secured through the various outline management plans **[APP-196 to APP-205].**
HUM-011	RR-0094	Respondent expressed general concern that Scheme will be located near sites of religious importance such as a church, synagogue and a Mosque.	This matter is considered within the **Equality Impact Assessment [APP-214]**. As places of worship play an important role in community cohesion and wellbeing, maintaining access is an important consideration. The **Outline CTMP [APP-201]** and **Outline OTMP [APP-202]** include measures such as advance warning signage, reduced speed limits, banksmen and access management controls to minimise disruption and maintain safe access for pedestrians and road users.

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			In accordance with Requirement 15 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** a detailed CTMP will be submitted to and approved with the relevant planning authority that must consult with the relevant highway authority.

2.28 Aviation

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AVI-001	RR-0487, RR-1470, RR-0746, RR-1945, RR-0207, RR-0207, RR-1252, RR-0757, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-1129, RR-1287, RR-0099, RR-0395, RR-0573, RR-0502, RR-1903, RR-0552, RR-0371, RR-1124, RR-1637, RR-0175, RR-1298, RR-1776, RR-0728, RR-0371, RR-1481, RR-1516, RR-1504, RR-0437, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-0364, RR-1008, RR-0761, RR-1720, RR-0838, RR-1075, RR-1446, RR-1102, RR-0052, RR-1380, RR-0043, RR-1543, RR-1511, RR-1945	Respondents expressed concern regarding the impact of the Scheme on Tibenham Airfield.	The Applicant has engaged with Tibenham Airfield to inform the assessments of the Scheme upon aviation. Engagement with Norfolk Gliding Club is listed in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 18 – Other Environmental Matters [APP-054]**. The Applicant has assessed the glint and glare impacts in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 18.1 - Glint and Glare Assessment [AS-025 to AS-029]** and other aviation concerns including Engine Failure After Take-Off (EFATO), Glider Launch Failure (GLF), turbulence, wind shear and electromagnetic interference in the **High Level Investigative Report [APP-222]**. The Scheme, in context of the specific circuits and approaches operated by Norfolk Gliding Club, was not judged to significantly cause a significant scenario, due to reflecting panels
AVI-002	RR-1511, RR-1945, RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-1637, RR-0761, RR-1446	Respondents expressed concern regarding the impact of glare from the panels near Tibenham Airfield.	

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			being behind a pilot travelling in the direction of a circuit, or views of reflecting panels coinciding with the sun. The Scheme was not judged to significantly reduce the available space for EFATO and GLF, based on best practice and no significant effect on thermal updrafts, turbulence or wind shear was predicted.
AVI-003	RR-0207, RR-1551, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-1811, RR-0395, RR-1138, RR-0502, RR-1903, RR-0670, RR-1124, RR-1776, RR-0728, RR-1049, RR-1481, RR-0437, RR-1008, RR-1023, RR-0838, RR-1380, RR-1659	Respondents expressed concern regarding the impact of the Scheme on Seething Airfield.	The Applicant has engaged with Seething Airfield to inform the glint and glare assessments of the Scheme upon aviation activity in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 18.1 - Glint and Glare Assessment [AS-025 to AS-029]**. The Scheme is not predicted to significantly impact operations associated with Seething Airfield, as presented in **Potential Impact on Seething Aerodrome Forced Landing Options [APP-223].**
AVI-004	RR-1511, RR-0207, RR-0955, RR-0870, RR-1287, RR-0099, RR-1446	Respondents expressed concern regarding the possibility of increased bird activity around Site 1 which could increase bird strike risk for aircraft operating in and out of Tibenham.	As set out in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 18.1 - Glint and Glare Assessment [AS-025 to AS-029],** it is considered likely that the Scheme will result in increased opportunity for nesting bird species; primarily, this will

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			benefit passerine species associated with agricultural habitats (for example: yellowhammer *Emberiza citrinella)*, which pose no significant risk regarding bird strike. No large open areas of wetland habitat or similar open habitat will be created that will attract flocks of gulls and wildfowl (Canada geese *Branta canadensis* for example) potentially representing a greater risk of bird strike.
AVI-005	RR-1896, RR-0447, RR-0538, RR-0513, RR-1446, RR-0570	Respondents expressed concern that the fire risk at sites 1 and 2, where a major hub is proposed on Great Moulton plain, will affect Tibbenham Airfield.	The Scheme has been designed in accordance with relevant legislation, industry standards and fire safety requirements to ensure that fire risks do not present a significant risk. The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** outlines the key fire safety provisions for the BESS, including measures to reduce BESS failure risks and mitigate credible failure incident scenarios. The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** identifies how the Applicant will use good industry practice to reduce risk to life,

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			property and the environment from the BESS. BESS fire risk is addressed at BAT-001-005.
AVI-006	RR-1422, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1102, RR-0097	Respondents expressed concern about the proximity of the Scheme to Seething Airfield, including mentions of the air ambulance using the airfield regularly.	The Applicant refers to its response to AVI-003.
AVI-007	RR-0276, RR-1008, RR-1659	Respondent expressed concern that helicopters could not fly due to large numbers of electricity pylons.	Pylons to be utilised by the Scheme are part of the existing baseline, with diverted routes constructed in accordance with legislation, policy and guidance. The pylons associated with the existing 400kV overhead line are typically 50m above ground level[1] and therefore not within the expected height of helicopter activity in the area, which would need to be much higher in the areas where pylons are located due to being in areas of residents. The scheme introduces new pylons circa 60m above ground level. The increase of 10m compared to existing pylons would have no appreciable

[1] National Grid, https://www.nationalgrid.com/designed-t

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			impact on the ability of helicopters to fly in the vicinity.
AVI-008	RR-0486, RR-1534	Respondents stated that aviation safety assessments must be carried out that are acceptable to Tibenham Airfield and GAAC.	The Applicant refers to its response at AVI-001. In addition, the Applicant notes that the GAAC does not set out an assessment methodology.
AVI-009	RR-1551, RR-0670	Respondents noted that no further modelling or impacts have been assessed for Seething Airfield / Site 10 beyond glint and glare.	The Applicant has engaged with Seething Airfield to understand the impact of the Scheme in relation to operations at Seething Airfield. The Applicant has assessed the potential impacts on Seething airfield in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 18.1 - Glint and Glare Assessment [AS-025 to AS-029]** and has embedded mitigation in the design by way of clear areas to facilitate the event of EFATO.
AVI-010	RR-1287	Respondent, a former member of Norfolk Gliding Club, stated that the Scheme, and Site 1 specifically, would pose a detrimental threat to Tibenham Airfield and the gliding club, which is based there.	The Applicant refers to its response at AVI-001.

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AVI-011	RR-1516	Respondent expressed that Scheme was not developed collaboratively with Norfolk Gliding Club, ignoring CAA guidelines in the lack of engagement.	The Applicant has assessed impacts pertaining to glint and glare in accordance with the relevant guidance (including that published by the CAA) and industry best practices, which are included as Appendix A within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 18.1 - Glint and Glare Assessment [AS-025** to **AS-029]**. There is no guidance outlining an assessment methodology for other aviation concerns raised by Norfolk Gliding Club. For instance, relevant guidance by the CAA describes areas remaining available in the event of EFATO should be considered, but does not prescribe a methodology to assess this, or threshold values that determine whether an impact is significant or not. However, the Applicant presents the relevant guidance to assess the concerns raised by Norfolk Gliding Glub and has assessed the impact in accordance with these guidelines and best practices in the **High Level Investigative Report [APP-222]**.
AVI-012	RR-1811	Respondent expressed concern for the ability of planes to crash land should there be engine failure upon	The Applicant has assessed impacts upon the ability of pilots needing to 'crash land' in the event of engine failure after taking off

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		taking off from Seething Airfield. Respondent also suggested the removal of subsite 10B as a result of this.	from Seething Airfield and have embedded mitigation by way of clear areas as part of the Scheme's design set out in **Potential Impact on Seething Aerodrome Forced Landing Options [APP-223]**. Removal of Sub-Site 10B was not deemed appropriate, given that the best practice would be for a pilot to remain 'gliding' in a straight line, and avoiding turns greater than 45 degrees from the bearing angle of travel.

2.29 Battery Safety

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BAT-001	RR-0487, RR-0290, RR-0183, RR-1470, RR-1553, RR-0585, RR-1294, RR-1470, RR-1177, RR-2029, RR-0469, RR-1450, RR-1643, RR-1036, RR-0173, RR-1626, RR-1307, RR-0738, RR-0854, RR-0993, RR-0270, RR-1031, RR-0366, RR-0255, RR-0632, RR-1555RR-1876, RR-0300, RR-1585, RR-1009, RR-1216, RR-1890, RR-0808, RR-0966, RR-1101, RR-1687, RR-0033, RR-0495, RR-1942, RR-1011, RR-1252, RR-0597, RR-1106, RR-1439, RR-0404, RR-0213, RR-1479, RR-0475, RR-0360, RR-1250, RR-1196, RR-0477, RR-0036, RR-0378, RR-0390, RR-0757, RR-0617, RR-1625, RR-1935, RR-2009, RR-1443, RR-1043, RR-0257, RR-0900, RR-1507, RR-0233, RR-0230, RR-0689, RR-0694,	Respondents expressed concern about potential safety risks of the BESS and substations. This includes in relation to properties, paths, bridleways, businesses and schools. This includes fire risk, potential release of toxic gases, thermal runway etc. Some respondents provided examples of BESS fires, including Liverpool 2020 and Moss Landing in California in 2025. Some respondents highlighted concerns for evacuation plans for nearby properties if a fire was to occur. Some respondents cited safety risks with the BESS' proximity to schools and nurseries.	The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** outlines the key fire safety provisions for the BESS, including measures to reduce BESS failure risks and mitigate credible failure incident scenarios. The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** identifies how the Applicant will use good industry practice to reduce risk to life, property, and the environment from the BESS. The safety objectives for the design of the Applicant's BESS site are listed in Section 1.4 of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. Section 1.4.2 of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** stipulates: "*Final BESS design and site layout will have been validated through mandatory Large Scale Fire Testing (LSFT) and rigorous consequence modelling to minimise the requirement for any NFRS intervention in a thermal runaway incident. LSFT must establish minimum equipment spacing distances that demonstrate there is*

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	RR-1097, RR-1618, RR-1618, RR-1729, RR-0699, RR-1389, RR-0785, RR-0673, RR-0247, RR-0400, RR-1156, RR-0822, RR-0246, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-1486, RR-0333, RR-1131, RR-1299, RR-0813, RR-0468, RR-1287, RR-0066, RR-0941, RR-0708, RR-1162, RR-1581, RR-1868, RR-1817, RR-0182, RR-0924, RR-0005, RR-1055, RR-0395, RR-0104, RR-1164, RR-0144, RR-1375, RR-1901, RR-0925, RR-1901, RR-1436, RR-1716, RR-1109, RR-0428, RR-1840, RR-0432, RR-0251, RR-1204, RR-1699, RR-0872, RR-0502, RR-1069, RR-0972, RR-1215, RR-1903, RR-0522, RR-0397, RR-0068, RR-1379, RR-0344, RR-0135, RR-0339, RR-1050, RR-0241, RR-1319, RR-0552, RR-0904, RR-1052, RR-2006, RR-0422, RR-1701, RR-0012, RR-1002, RR-1116, RR-1339, RR-0814, RR-0927, RR-0533, RR-1753, RR-1448, RR-1178, RR-1749, RR-1392,	Some respondents expressed concern that the general national strategy for BESS fires is to let them burn naturally. A few respondents expressed concern about the use of lithium batteries.	*no fire propagation to adjacent BESS enclosures or ESS equipment. NFRS intervention in worst case scenarios would typically be limited to boundary cooling of adjacent BESS and Energy Storage System (ESS) units to prevent the fire from spreading. This strategy will be finalised with NFRS and be clearly communicated in the Emergency Response Plan (ERP);* • *To ensure that fire, smoke, and any release of toxic gases does not significantly impact site operatives, first responders, and the local community; and* • *To ensure that firewater run-off is contained and tested before release or, if necessary, removed by tanker and treated offsite*." A plume study has been undertaken as presented in Appendix B of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. The Plume Study demonstrated that there were no significant impacts on any sensitive residential receptor location with 1km of the BESS compound in the event of a BESS fire. A risk assessment of the potential impact on visibility has also been undertaken for nearby road and rail. The predicted visibility distances in the event

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	RR-0792, RR-0478, RR-1557, RR-0424, RR-0358, RR-1095, RR-0592, RR-0032, RR-0744, RR-0527, RR-1476, RR-1090, RR-0845, RR-1575, RR-0599, RR-2007, RR-0581, RR-0093, RR-0282, RR-1806, RR-1447, RR-1423, RR-0058, RR-0778, RR-2031, RR-0373, RR-1263, RR-1099, RR-1403, RR-1689, RR-0551, RR-0158, RR-0349, RR-0490, RR-0990, RR-0539, RR-0654, RR-2011, RR-1017, RR-1651, RR-0276, RR-0687, RR-1481, RR-1546, RR-0015, RR-0922, RR-0231, RR-0074, RR-1167, RR-1342, RR-1085, RR-1137, RR-0405, RR-0437, RR-0919, RR-1988, RR-0988, RR-1728, RR-1845, RR-1706, RR-0426, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1698, RR-1192, RR-0603, RR-0363, RR-1306, RR-1772, RR-1793, RR-0761, RR-1623, RR-1784, RR-1658, RR-0416, RR-0947, RR-1720, RR-0677, RR-1562, RR-1708, RR-1136, RR-1057, RR-1610, RR-0307,		of a BESS fire are greater than the safe stopping distances for roads and rail. The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** includes mitigation measures, including the preparation of an Emergency Response Plan (ERP) at detailed design stage that will incorporate all necessary emergency response procedures and actions based upon thermal runaway test data supplied by the BESS system provider. The ERP could also contain measures such as notification of potentially affected residents and temporary closure of PRoW. By way of a Requirement 6 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** prior to the commencement of construction of the BESS, the Applicant will require a BSMP to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority that must consult with the with Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service and the EA. As part of preparation of the detailed BSMP, the Applicant will incorporate the latest good practices for battery storage safety, failure detection and prevention, along with the emergency response planning, as guidance continues to develop in the UK and internationally.

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	RR-0838, RR-1961, RR-2008, RR-1870, RR-1656, RR-0607, RR-1324, RR-1487, RR-0909, RR-0425, RR-1446, RR-1809, RR-1505, RR-0588, RR-1694, RR-1218, RR-1675, RR-0742, RR-0194, RR-1181, RR-0881, RR-1967, RR-0974, RR-0199, RR-0167, RR-1190, RR-0810, RR-0043, RR-1166, RR-0906, RR-1710, RR-1300, RR-1949, RR-1259, RR-1527, RR-0570, RR-1059, RR-1972, RR-1821, RR-1418, RR-1600, RR-0440, RR-1570, RR-1638, RR-0942, RR-1022, RR-1626, RR-0588, RR-0373RR-0873, RR-0942, RR-1465, RR-1396, RR-0886, RR-1389, RR-0873, RR-0183, RR-1082, RR-1626,		
BAT-002	RR-0862, RR-0290, RR-0585, RR-1294, RR-1962, RR-1626, RR-0591, RR-1307, RR-0738, RR-0255, RR-0530, RR-1687, RR-0495, RR-0516, RR-1011, RR-1252, RR-0597, RR-1106, RR-0213, RR-1479, RR-0477, RR-0378, RR-0617, RR-1625,	Respondents expressed concern that there is no credible mitigation for a BESS fire / explosion / toxic plume. Some respondent stated that there should be an evacuation zone, detailed evacuation plans and safe buffer around the BESS.	A BESS Fire Emissions to Air Risk Assessment (plume modelling) has been undertaken to understand the potential air quality impacts of emissions released during a BESS fire. This assessment is presented in Appendix B of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** and has been used to inform mitigation

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	RR-1935, RR-2009, RR-1443, RR-1043, RR-0257, RR-0900, RR-1507, RR-0233, RR-0230, RR-0689, RR-1618, RR-1729, RR-0785, RR-0247, RR-0822, RR-0246, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1299, RR-0805, RR-1287, RR-1164, RR-1042, RR-1375, RR-0925, RR-1436, RR-1716, RR-0251, RR-0502, RR-0872, RR-1682, RR-1215, RR-1903, RR-1050, RR-0241, RR-1392, RR-0424, RR-1693, RR-0581, RR-0373, RR-1099, RR-1403, RR-1689, RR-0454, RR-1167, RR-1085, RR-0919, RR-1988, RR-0988, RR-0426, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1698, RR-1192, RR-0363, RR-0712, RR-1772, RR-1623, RR-1708, RR-1136, RR-1487, RR-1505, RR-0588, RR-0974, RR-1166, RR-1710, RR-1300, RR-1949, RR-1527, RR-1600. RR-0440, RR-1638, RR-1022, RR-0873, RR-0942, RR-0097	One respondent noted a major incident would require evacuation plans for residents within a circumference of 6km of the BESS site.	measures presented in the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. The Plume Study demonstrated that there were no significant impacts on any sensitive residential receptor location with 1km of the BESS compound in the event of a BESS fire. Effects beyond this distance would be even lower, and therefore the Applicant confirms there will be no requirement for a 6km radius evacuation zone. A risk assessment of the potential impact on visibility has also been undertaken for nearby road and rail receptors. The predicted visibility distances in the event of a BESS fire are greater than the safe stopping distances for roads and rail. As now mandated under NFPA 855 (2026), the Applicant will only be able to select a BESS system that has undertaken Large Scale Fire Testing (LSFT). At the detailed design stage, the selected BESS LSFT data will be leveraged to fully inform inputs for risk assessment tools which will be utilised together with detailed consequence modelling to provide a comprehensive site operations and emergency response safety audit. This is stipulated in the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** and will ensure that there is clear evidence

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			that the impacts of credible BESS fire scenarios are safely contained within the BESS site, and there is no fire risk to any residential receptor's property. By way of a Requirement 6 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** prior to the commencement of construction of the BESS, the Applicant will require a BSMP to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority that must consult with the with Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service and the EA. This means that NFRS and the EA must approve the BSMP before it can be submitted to the local planning authority. The Applicant's **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** stipulates specific risk assessments or test data analysis that must be conducted and signed off by an independent fire protection engineer. As part of preparation of the detailed BSMP, the Applicant will incorporate the latest good practices for battery storage safety, failure detection and prevention, along with the emergency response planning, as guidance continues to develop in the UK and internationally.

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BAT-003	RR-0290, RR-0183, RR-0585, RR-1307, RR-0891, RR-1009, RR-0033, RR-0516, RR-1252, RR-0597, RR-1043, RR-0694, RR-0699, RR-1389, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1299, RR-1287, RR-0066, RR-1868, RR-0005, RR-0104, RR-1164, RR-1716, RR-1204, RR-0502, RR-0872, RR-1069, RR-0972, RR-1050, RR-0241, RR-0552, RR-1178, RR-1095, RR-0687, RR-0581, RR-0778, RR-2031, RR-1689, RR-0349, RR-0539, RR-0654, RR-1017, RR-0687, RR-0231, RR-0405, RR-0536, RR-1826, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1192, RR-1351, RR-1772, RR-1658, RR-0416, RR-0947, RR-0677, RR-0060, RR-1708, RR-0550, RR-0211, RR-0307, RR-1742, RR-1324, RR-1487, RR-1446, RR-1181, RR-0881, RR-0974, RR-1190, RR-0810, RR-0043, RR-1166, RR-1710, RR-1300, RR-1527, RR-1059, RR-1972, RR-1821, RR-1638, RR-1017, RR-1961, RR-1059,	Respondents expressed concern about the availability of water supply for the fire service in the event of an emergency and the preparedness of emergency services to handle a BESS fire. One respondent asked where the water would be sourced in a fire event. Some respondents expressed concern about lack of detailed emergency response planning in the event of fire and that Norfolk Fire Services were not consultees. Some respondents expressed there is no general fire service provision and/or emergency service planning. Respondents also expressed concern the local fire station in Long Stratton only has one tender (specialised vehicle), recent fire in a recycling centre in Norfolk required 27 tenders. One respondent noted that only one	The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** includes an illustrative BESS layout, including the potential location for water storage tanks. The BESS area will be designed for firefighting to integrate into pressure fed (pump driven) fire hydrants fed from water tanks. Hydrant locations and the volume of water storage will be established in consultation with Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service, as described in the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. The firefighting water requirement will be fully assessed at the detailed design stage based upon based upon analysis of Large-Scale Fire Testing of the BESS design, plus any additional fire and explosion test data provided by an independent Fire Protection Engineer. Section 5.1.8 of the Applicant's **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** stipulates that**:** "*ERPs covering construction, operation and decommissioning phases will be developed once a construction team, and an operator have been appointed. These plans will be developed in consultation NFRS and other local emergency services to include the adequate provision of firefighting equipment onsite and ensure that fire, smoke, and any*

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	RR-1821, RR-0373, RR-0811, RR-0213, RR-0036, RR-0872, RR-0522, RR-0397, RR-0097, RR-0183, RR-0585, RR-1294, RR-1962, RR-0173, RR-1555, RR-1479, RR-0617, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1299, RR-0099, RR-0395, RR-1164, RR-1699, RR-0872, RR-1178, RR-0744, RR-2031, RR-0231, RR-1014, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1698, RR-1793, RR-1446, RR-1446, RR-1809, RR-1102, RR-0052, RR-0810, RR-0043, RR-1166, RR-1710, RR-1389, RR-1287, RR-0872, RR-1903, RR-0397, RR-0373, RR-0677, RR-0713, RR-0373,RR-0205, RR-1160, RR-0397, RR-0093	fire crew and engine are on call at Long Stratton Fire Station.	*release of toxic gases from a thermal runaway incident does not significantly affect site operatives, first responders, and the local community.*" The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** documents the Applicant's consultation with Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service. Engagement with NFRS will continue across the project lifecycle; this is secured through the DCO and NFRS is a statutory consultee for the Scheme. The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** includes mitigation measures, including the preparation of an Emergency Response Plan (ERP) at detailed design stage that will incorporate all necessary emergency response procedures and actions based upon thermal runaway test data supplied by the BESS system provider. By way of a Requirement 6 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]** prior to the commencement of construction of the BESS, the Applicant will require a BSMP to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority that must consult with the with Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service and the EA. This means that NFRS and the EA must approve the BSMP before it can be submitted to the

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			relevant planning authority. The Applicant's **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** stipulates specific risk assessments or test data analysis that must be conducted and signed off by an independent fire protection engineer. As part of preparation of the detailed BSMP, the Applicant will incorporate the latest good practices for battery storage safety, failure detection and prevention, along with the emergency response planning, as guidance continues to develop in the UK and internationally.
BAT-004	RR-0527, RR-0373, RR-0603, RR-1136, RR-0097	Respondents expressed concern that BESS fire risks will complicate insurance policies, respondents added that most insurance policies do not cover BESS risks, despite some of their homes lying within the 6km evacuation radius.	The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** covers all key BESS failure safety issues, namely fire risks, explosion risks, and fire emission risks. The safety objectives for the design of the BESS are listed in Section 1.4 of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. Section 1.4.2 stipulates: "*Final BESS design and site layout will have been validated through mandatory Large Scale Fire Testing (LSFT) and rigorous consequence modelling to minimise the requirement for any NFRS intervention in a thermal runaway incident. LSFT must establish minimum equipment spacing distances that demonstrate there is no fire*

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			propagation to adjacent BESS enclosures or ESS equipment. NFRS intervention in worst case scenarios would typically be limited to boundary cooling of adjacent BESS and Energy Storage System (ESS) units to prevent the fire from spreading. This strategy will be finalised with NFRS and be clearly communicated in the Emergency Response Plan (ERP); • *To ensure that fire, smoke, and any release of toxic gases does not significantly impact site operatives, first responders, and the local community; and* • *To ensure that firewater run-off is contained and tested before release or, if necessary, removed by tanker and treated offsite*." The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** provides comprehensive information on preventing and mitigating BESS failure and thermal runaway scenarios, fire water contamination, explosion risk, fire propagation risks, emergency access requirements, emergency response planning requirements, and credible BESS failure scenario hazard mitigation. As such, in the event of a BESS failure, the safety of the local community is assured.

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			A BESS Fire Emissions to Air Risk Assessment (plume modelling) has been undertaken to understand the potential air quality impacts of emissions released during a BESS fire on human receptors. This assessment is presented in Appendix B of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** and has been used to inform emergency response mitigation measures. The Plume Study demonstrated that there were no significant impacts on any sensitive residential receptor location with 1km of the BESS compound in the event of a BESS fire. Effects beyond this distance would be even lower, and therefore the Applicant confirms there will be no requirement for a 6km radius evacuation zone. A risk assessment of the potential impact on visibility has also been undertaken for nearby road and rail receptors. The predicted visibility distances in the event of a BESS fire are greater than the safe stopping distances for roads and rail. As now mandated under NFPA 855 (2026) the Applicant will only be able to select a BESS system that has undertaken Large Scale Fire Testing (LSFT). At the detailed

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			design stage, the selected BESS LSFT data will be leveraged to fully inform inputs for risk assessment tools which will be utilised together with detailed consequence modelling to provide comprehensive site operations and emergency response safety audit. This is stipulated in the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** pre-construction requirements (Section 5). This will ensure that there is clear evidence that the impacts of credible BESS fire scenarios are safely contained within the BESS Site and there is no fire risk to any residential receptor's property.
BAT-005	RR-1749, RR-1776	Respondents expressed concern for a lack of detail in Outline Battery Safety Management Plan, and risk assessments for major accidents (required under NPS EN 1 §4.11) raises further uncertainty, particularly regarding fire, pollution, and proximity to high pressure gas mains, water mains, railways, and Source Protection Zones. This contravenes CDM2015, EIA Regs Schedule 4(8) and NPS EN-1 §4.11 on major accident risk assessment.	An assessment of Major Accidents and Hazards was scoped out of the EIA by the Planning Inspectorate (**ES Volume 3, Appendix 2.2 - EIA Scoping Opinion**) as such events are assessed through the relevant topic chapters and the risks controlled through the relevant management plans, in particular the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. The Applicant considers that the ES has been prepared in full compliance with the EIA regulations and the scheme is in accordance with CDM 2015. Compliance with NPS EN-1

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		One respondent stated that no Outline BSMP has been provided by the Applicant.	is set out in the **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]** The Applicant has submitted an **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** which has been prepared for the Scheme using guidance from Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) and incorporating recommendations of the National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC). The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** fully accommodates the latest BESS safety requirements contained in NFPA 855 (2026) ensuring that any credible risks associated with battery storage are either prevented or fully mitigated if a BESS failure occurs. The safety objectives for the design of the BESS site are listed in Section 1.4 of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. Section 1.4.2 of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** stipulates: "*Final BESS design and site layout will have been validated through mandatory Large Scale Fire Testing (LSFT) and rigorous consequence modelling to minimise the requirement for any NFRS intervention in a thermal runaway incident. LSFT must establish minimum equipment spacing*

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			distances that demonstrate there is no fire propagation to adjacent BESS enclosures or ESS equipment. NFRS intervention in worst case scenarios would typically be limited to boundary cooling of adjacent BESS and Energy Storage System (ESS) units to prevent the fire from spreading. This strategy will be finalised with NFRS and be clearly communicated in the Emergency Response Plan (ERP); • *To ensure that fire, smoke, and any release of toxic gases does not significantly impact site operatives, first responders, and the local community; and* • *To ensure that firewater run-off is contained and tested before release or, if necessary, removed by tanker and treated offsite."* The Applicant has followed the National Fire Chiefs Council's (NFCC's) recommendation and commissioned a BESS fire emissions to air risk assessment (Plume Study) presented in Appendix B of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** to model emissions to air and visibility impacts from a BESS fire on all sensitive receptors within a 1km radius of the BESS

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			area. The air pollutants modelled include those requested by the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) in recent consultations for DCO BESS projects, with both short-term and long-term air quality impacts assessed. The pollutants assessed are representative of emissions recorded from fires for a range of LFP battery systems integrated in current BESS designs. The Plume Study in Appendix B of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** assesses the battery fire emission impacts on air quality at six worst case fire locations (using the illustrative BESS design in Appendix A) on sensitive receptors within a 1km radius of the BESS Site. Typically, a BESS fire would be a relatively short-term incident. The Plume Study therefore compared predicted concentrations against Acute Exposure Guidance Levels (AEGLs) and Emergency Response Planning Guidelines (ERPGs) which are relevant to short term releases, in addition to National Air Quality Objectives (NAQOs), Environmental Assessment Levels (EALs) and Workplace Exposure Limits (WELs).

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			The assessment in Appendix B concludes that there will be no significant adverse effects at the closest residential receptor locations in the event of a BESS fire incident. The UKHSA is a statutory consultee for the Scheme and has confirmed that they are satisfied with the Applicant's submitted documentation and conclude that the "*proposed development should not result in any significant adverse impact on public health*." The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** documents the drainage strategy for the BESS area. The Applicant confirms that firefighting water containment for the BESS has been designed on the basis of credible incident scenarios, including the potential for multiple units to be involved, and is not limited to routine or minor events. The approach set out in the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** is to contain and isolate firefighting water within the BESS area, rather than allow discharge to the environment. This is achieved through a sealed and isolatable drainage system, capable of retaining firefighting water and rainfall during an incident. The EA is a statutory consultee for the Scheme, and the Applicant is working

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			closely with the EA to ensure all pollution risks are mitigated and fully agreed. As now mandated under NFPA 855 (2026), the Applicant will only be able to select a BESS system that has undertaken Large Scale Fire Testing (LSFT). At the detailed design stage, the selected BESS LSFT data will be leveraged to fully inform inputs for risk assessment tools which will be utilised together with detailed consequence modelling to provide comprehensive site operations and emergency response safety audit. This is stipulated in the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** pre-construction requirements (Section 5). The objective of the test is to evaluate the thermal exposure impacts from a developed BESS enclosure fire, to determine propagation risk to adjacent BESS or equipment. Testing also defines the length of burn, duration of Peak Heat Release Rate, maximum burn temperatures, etc. Sections 5.1.3 – 5.1.6 of **the Outline BSMP [APP-200]** addresses the requisite risk assessments and consequence modelling that address all credible BESS failure events which will be provided at the detailed design stage. The Applicant will also commission site

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			specific heat flux and flame tilt consequence modelling to account for site topography and wind conditions to establish final equipment spacing distances for the Scheme. Final comprehensive risk assessment reports, BESS design and site-specific consequence modelling, and detailed Emergency Response Plans (ERPs) can only be drafted when based upon the specific BESS design selected at the detailed design stage. Key safety content requires that all equipment within the BESS area is defined, battery system operating limits and test data are fully defined, and the BESS failure protection system is defined. Incident response tactics require significant test data and rigorous consequence modelling from the specific BESS design to develop safe protocols for incident response. Section 4.4.3 – 4.4.5 of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** stipulates that the ERP will follow NFCC and NFPA 855 (2026) guidelines and stipulates the minimum content that an ERP must contain, including: *"Emergency procedures for all credible hazards and risks, including building, infrastructure and vehicle*

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			fire, wildfires, impacts on local respondents, impacts on transport infrastructure." The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** is secured through a requirement in Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**, which provides that Work No. 2 must not commence until a BSMP has been submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority. The approved plan must be substantially in accordance with the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. The Draft DCO also requires the relevant planning authority to consult with NFRS and the EA before determining the application, and that the Battery Safety Management Plan must be implemented as approved.
BAT-006	RR-0585, RR-1626	Respondents requested an independent BESS safety sign-off by Requirement.	The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** is secured through a Requirement in Schedule 2 of the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**. This stipulates that a detailed BSMP is to be submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority in consultation with NFRS, the EA, prior to the commencement of the works for the BESS. The BMSP will be substantially in accordance with the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]**. This means that NFRS and the EA must approve the BSMP before it can be submitted to the relevant planning authority. The

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			Applicant's **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** stipulates specific risk assessments or test data analysis that must be conducted and signed off by an independent fire protection engineer.
BAT-007	RR-1287, RR-1057	Respondents asked why there is no statutory, legal or financial obligation on the Applicant to support or finance emergency firefighting services.	The legal obligations secured under the DCO already suitably address matters of concern for the fire service. For example, the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** stipulates that**:** "*ERPs covering construction, operation and decommissioning phases will be developed once a construction team, and an operator have been appointed. These plans will be developed in consultation NFRS and other local emergency services to include the adequate provision of firefighting equipment onsite and ensure that fire, smoke, and any release of toxic gases from a thermal runaway incident does not significantly affect site operatives, first responders, and the local community.*" The **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** documents the Applicant's consultation with NFRS. Sections 2.1.1 and 2.1.5 stipulate that engagement with NFRS will continue across

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			the project lifecycle. This is secured through the DCO and NFRS is a statutory consultee for the Scheme. NFRS is also named as a consultee for the purposes of discharging Requirement 6 in respect of battery safety management. Notably ,the Scoping Opinion (presented in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 2.2 - EIA Scoping Opinion [APP-114]**) set out that "*The Inspectorate expects that the information on the fire risk associated with battery storage facilities and relevant mitigation, such as fire-fighting and containment measures on the environment should be set out in the OBSMP*". As set out above, the DCO secures that mitigation measure. Therefore, the Applicant does not consider any further obligation to be necessary or proportionate.
BAT-008	RR-0213	Respondent expressed concern that Scheme is in conflict with GNLP Policy 3 and NPPF requirements to safeguard public health as it does not provide safe separation distances from BESS to residential receptors.	The Applicant has followed NFCC recommendations and commissioned a BESS fire emissions to air risk assessment (Plume Study) in Appendix B of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** to model emissions to air and visibility impacts from a BESS fire on all sensitive receptors within a 1km radius of the BESS area.

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			As advised by the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) for similar BESS fire studies, the main air pollutants of concern associated with a BESS fire are particulate matter (PM_{10}) in terms of risk of impact on visibility and nitrogen oxides (NO_x), carbon monoxide (CO), formaldehyde (HCHO), hydrogen cyanide (HCN), hydrogen fluoride (HF), ammonia (NH_3) and hydrogen chloride (HCl) in terms of risk of impacts on human health. All the UKHSA-recommended air pollutants have been modelled in the Plume Study, with both short-term and long-term air quality impacts assessed. The pollutants assessed are representative of emissions recorded from fires for a range of LFP battery systems integrated in current BESS designs. The Plume Study in Appendix B of the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** assesses the battery fire emission impacts on air quality at six worst case fire locations (using the illustrative BESS design in Appendix A) on sensitive receptors within a 1km radius of the BESS Site. Typically, a BESS fire would be a relatively short-term incident. The Plume Study therefore compared predicted concentrations against Acute Exposure Guidance Levels (AEGLs) and Emergency

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			Response Planning Guidelines (ERPGs) which are relevant to short term releases, in addition to National Air Quality Objectives (NAQOs), Environmental Assessment Levels (EALs) and Workplace Exposure Limits (WELs). The assessment in Appendix B concludes that there will be no significant adverse effects at the closest residential receptor locations in the event of a BESS fire incident. The UKHSA is a statutory consultee for the Scheme and has confirmed that they are satisfied with the Applicant's submitted documentation and conclude that the "*proposed development should not result in any significant adverse impact on public health*." To validate the final BESS site design, the Applicant has also committed to commissioning an additional Plume Analysis Study at the detailed design stage as stipulated in the **Outline BSMP [APP-200]** (and secured through the **Draft DCO [AS-032]**): "*at the detailed design stage a BESS system and site specific Plume Analysis study will be conducted to assess the environmental*

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			impact of a site incident to sensitive receptors within a 1 km radius. Toxic gas emissions to sensitive receptors must be below relevant public health exposure limit guidelines when the battery system of a BESS is fully consumed (burnt out), production of Particulate Matter (PM) and a visibility impact assessment on any transport links within a 1 km radius of the BESS area will also be included. The ERP produced at the detailed design stage (template outlined in Section 4.4.4) will incorporate all necessary emergency response procedures and actions based upon thermal runaway test data supplied by the BESS system provider."

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COMB-001	R-0746, RR-1177, RR-1188, RR-1626, RR-1572, RR-0878, RR-1608, RR-1064, RR-0998, RR-1047, RR-2024, RR-1739, RR-0480, RR-1297, RR-1346, RR-1696, RR-1547, RR-1957, RR-1731, RR-1548, RR-1879, RR-0372, RR-0164, RR-0816, RR-0934, RR-1800, RR-1020, RR-1815, RR-0423, RR-1252, RR-0213, RR-0304, RR-0138, RR-0511, RR-0472, RR-1529, RR-1982, RR-1512, RR-0945, RR-0036, RR-0378, RR-0518, RR-0141, RR-0195, RR-0429, RR-1193, RR-0569, RR-0688, RR-0519, RR-2014, RR-1933, RR-1625, RR-1935, RR-1097, RR-2002, RR-2032, RR-0301, RR-0004, RR-0785, RR-1509, RR-1301, RR-1122, RR-0673, RR-0798, RR-0268, RR-0220, RR-1595, RR-0467, RR-0877,	Respondents expressed general concern for cumulative impacts of solar and BESS projects in the county, including expressing concern for the cumulative impact of additional infrastructure, such as new National Grid pylons and separate regional installations. Respondents stated that when considered alongside other solar NSIPs being progressed in the same part of East Anglia - including schemes in the Waveney and Tas Valleys, and along the proposed Norwich to Tilbury grid corridor - the cumulative loss of open countryside, farmland and rural character is severe.	The Applicant is aware of other projects in the region. The **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** presents an assessment of the cumulative effects of multiple existing and/or approved developments on the receptors presented in the ES. This includes **ES Volume 1, Chapter 15 - Soils and Agricultural Land [APP-051]** that presents an assessment on agricultural land quality, soils, local agricultural businesses, food production and the rural economy, including consideration of the economic and other benefits of BMV land, in accordance with planning policy. The **Statement of Need [APP-206]** explains that the Scheme's proposed location is appropriate for large-scale solar because of the existence of available and suitable land, suitable levels of solar irradiation and grid infrastructure with the capacity available to transmit the low carbon energy generated by the Scheme.

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	RR-1854, RR-0888, RR-1088, RR-0822, RR-1899, RR-1480, RR-0333, RR-1129, RR-1948, RR-0072, RR-1287, RR-0745, RR-1811, RR-1245, RR-1777, RR-1243, RR-1288, RR-0797, RR-1114, RR-1119, RR-0099, RR-1688, RR-0395, RR-1164, RR-1021, RR-1459, RR-1175, RR-0046, RR-1649, RR-1138, RR-1235, RR-1375, RR-1901, RR-1310, RR-1390, RR-0309, RR-0804, RR-1650, RR-1477, RR-0719, RR-1215, RR-0168, RR-0339, RR-1531, RR-0006, RR-1052, RR-0422, RR-0012, RR-0458, RR-0235, RR-1070, RR-0656, RR-1753, RR-1312, RR-0819, RR-0478, RR-0188, RR-0917, RR-0592, RR-0744, RR-0676, RR-1308, RR-0283, RR-0093, RR-0282, RR-1447, RR-1645, RR-0883, RR-0058, RR-0225, RR-0976, RR-0807, RR-0879, RR-1099, RR-0551, RR-0449, RR-0539, RR-0332, RR-1017, RR-1464, RR-1730, RR-0276, RR-0777, RR-0817,		The Clean Power 2030 Action Plan paves the way for new strategic plans for development of the GB energy system. The Connections Action Plan is clear that NESO's Connections Reform process and NESO's longer term strategic network and system planning processes must be aligned to ensure the overall network remains optimally planned. It is therefore expected that NESO's strategic plans build upon their own connections queue prioritisations to deliver coherent and consistent recommendations to deliver the Clean Power target on the way to achieving net zero. The Applicant acknowledges the need for early co-ordination between developers, local authorities and agencies involved in other NSIPs and large-scale developments across Norfolk and the wider region (inclusive of Suffolk). The Applicant will, where feasible, continue to co-ordinate with other projects and relevant stakeholders to understand and, where possible, manage cumulative accommodation and labour market pressures arising from the delivery of major infrastructure schemes. The Applicant will be

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	RR-1067, RR-0922, RR-1483, RR-1855, RR-0988, RR-1842, RR-0889, RR-0206, RR-1698, RR-1884, RR-0125, RR-1959, RR-1454, RR-0603, RR-1721, RR-1056, RR-1306, RR-0505, RR-0243, RR-1726, RR-1793, RR-1835, RR-0761, RR-1644, RR-0911, RR-1029, RR-0992, RR-1429, RR-1092, RR-1076, RR-1720, RR-0098, RR-1628, RR-0618, RR-1918, RR-1522, RR-1741, RR-1576, RR-0753, RR-0155, RR-1610, RR-1713, RR-0896, RR-1449, RR-2008, RR-0818, RR-1248, RR-1566, RR-0056, RR-1996, RR-1751, RR-0523, RR-0112, RR-0588, RR-1413, RR-0029, RR-0265, RR-0667, RR-0398, RR-0167, RR-0446, RR-0010, RR-0051, RR-1380, RR-1659, RR-0043, RR-1268, RR-0768, RR-1710, RR-1300, RR-1986, RR-0906, RR-1949, RR-0017, RR-1494, RR-0279, RR-0147, RR-0126, RR-1444, RR-0675, RR-1570, RR-1022, RR-1322, RR-0857,		submitting a DCO Interrelationship Report into the Examination. The **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** has been undertaken by competent experts with considerable experience assessing similar schemes. Details of qualifications, experience and professional institute membership are provided within **ES Volume 3, Appendix 1.2 - Statement of Expertise [APP-112]**.

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	RR-1465, RR-1604, RR-1111, RR-1806, RR-0594, RR-1997, RR-1821, RR-1418, RR-1439, RR-0648, RR-1773, RR-1010, RR-1019, RR-0120, RR-0246, RR-1329, RR-1557, RR-1684, RR-1137, RR-0905, RR-0585, RR-1602, RR-1290, RR-1588, RR-0763, RR-0802, RR-0173, RR-1646, RR-0891, RR-1026, RR-0516, RR-1266, RR-1106, RR-1931, RR-0573		
COMB-002	RR-0585, RR-1602, RR-1626, RR-1206, RR-0641, RR-0757, RR-0888, RR-0246, RR-1931, RR-0072, RR-1287, RR-0099, RR-0395, RR-1164, RR-0142, RR-1375, RR-1369, RR-1308, RR-1637, RR-0807, RR-1099, RR-1776, RR-0539, RR-1464, RR-1067, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-0331, RR-0243, RR-0486, RR-1534, RR-0446, RR-1659, RR-1314, RR-1000, RR-0362	Respondents stated that the cumulative impact of the Scheme has been inadequately assessed.	
COMB-003	RR-1177, RR-0725, RR-1287, RR-1701, RR-1474, RR-0384, RR-0819, RR-0051, RR-1380,	Respondent expressed concern that the Scheme will set a precedent for development in an area already	

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	RR-0301, RR-1595, RR-0752, RR-0745, RR-0525RR-1252, RR-1287, RR-1153, RR-0573	oversubscribed with solar and BESS projects.	
COMB-004	RR-1010, RR-0047, RR-1390, RR-0804, RR-1531, RR-0315, RR-0917, RR-0917, RR-1067, RR-0426, RR-2019, RR-0570	Respondents expressed concern for the cumulative impact of local housing schemes in-combination with the Scheme. Some respondents noted the potential impact of new housing developments near the Long Stratton Bypass.	
COMB-005	RR-1626, RR-0099, RR-1884, RR-1959, RR-1772, RR-0446, RR-1166	Respondents expressed concern that the Scheme will form part of the Norwich Main–Great Moulton–Yaxley energy corridor, and should be assessed as such, rather than in isolation.	
COMB-006	RR-0585, RR-1572, RR-0072, RR-1164, RR-0142, RR-1995	Respondents asked the Planning Inspectorate to give significant weight to in-combination impact of the Scheme, rather than treating it in isolation.	Regarding the interrelationships between environmental effects, **ES Volume 1, Chapter 19 – In-Combination Effects Assessment [APP-055]** presents the potential likely in-combination effects between topics, setting out the interrelationship arising as a result of direct effects from other environmental topics.

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COMB-007	RR-1305, RR-1606, RR-0869, RR-1369, RR-0761	Respondent expressed concern about the cumulative impacts of Project Substations and National Grid Substation.	The Applicant has assessed the likely significant effects of the Scheme, including the Project Substations and National Grid Substation, in the **ES [APP-036 to APP-195]** and outlined the measures taken to avoid, mitigate and minimise these impacts as far as possible. The management plans, which will ensure that the impacts are kept to a minimum, are secured via the Requirements contained within Schedule 2 to the **Draft DCO [AS-032].**
COMB-008	CC-008, RR-1245, RR-1965, RR-0283, RR-0577	Respondent expressed concern that cumulative schemes in Norfolk will put a strain on local services.	The Applicant refers to its response to COMB-01.
COMB-009	RR-1806, RR-1447, RR-0700	Respondents expressed concern for the cumulative impact of the Scheme alongside schemes at Tivetshall, Dickleburgh, Pulham, Hempnall, and along the A140 corridor.	
COMB-010	RR-0885, RR-1153	Respondents stated that the Applicant has not given a true assessment or accurate spatial mapping of the extent of the cumulative harm that a new National Grid substation would enable at this location.	The Applicant refers to its response to COMB-01.

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COMB-011	RR-1322, RR-0857	Respondents noted various bodies including the Council for the Protection of Rural England have expressed similar concern about the number of very large solar farms in the County and have provided detailed and considered alternatives suggested by professionals.	The Applicant refers to its response to COMB-01. As detailed in the **Site Selection Assessment [APP-215]**, the Applicant has followed a staged approach to site selection, with consideration to a range of planning, environmental and operational factors and the project objectives.
COMB-012	RR-0797	Respondent expressed concern South Norfolk Council and other local authorities are currently already required to respond simultaneously to multiple nationally significant infrastructure proposals, including major energy transmission schemes. There is a legitimate concern that local authorities do not have the capacity to provide the level of cumulative-impact assessment, coordination and scrutiny necessary for projects of this scale without placing additional burdens on local taxpayers	The Applicant recognises the demands placed on local authorities by the DCO process and has sought to support effective engagement through ongoing and constructive dialogue with the host authorities. The Applicant continues to engage regularly with South Norfolk Council and Norfolk County Council through regular meetings, providing opportunities to discuss technical matters and identify areas of concern and support the efficient progression of the Application. An overview of engagement with both local authorities is presented in the **Consultation Report [APP-024]**. The Applicant intends to continue this

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			collaborative approach throughout the Examination. The Applicant is aware of other projects in the region. The **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** presents an assessment of the cumulative effects of multiple existing and/or approved developments on the receptors presented in the ES.
COMB-013	RR-1974	Respondent expressed concern regarding the cumulative impact of a large solar farm adjacent to Hall Farm on the C497 road in close proximity to East Pye Solar and its associated corridor. They also noted the presence of another solar farm located between the villages of Newton Flotman and Mulbarton.	The Applicant refers to the response under row COMB-01. Application 2024/3750 at Hall Farm Land and Application 2021/2495 at Land North and South of Brick Kiln Lane have been included within the cumulative developments list, as detailed in **ES Volume 3, Appendix 2.4 - Cumulative Schemes [APP-058]**.
COMB-014	RR-1070	Respondent expressed concern for whether there has been any coordination between the Applicant and other nearby developments, for example, a nearby, unspecified gas mains installation project.	The Applicant is aware of other projects in the region. The Applicant welcomes further information from the respondent on the gas main project, to ensure it has been appropriately considered. The Applicant acknowledges the need for early co-ordination between developers, local authorities and agencies involved in other

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			NSIPs and large-scale developments across Norfolk and the wider region (inclusive of Suffolk). The Applicant will, where feasible, continue to co-ordinate with other projects and relevant stakeholders to understand and, where possible, manage cumulative accommodation and labour market pressures arising from the delivery of major infrastructure schemes. The Applicant will be submitting a DCO Interrelationship Report into the Examination.
COMB-015	RR-0282	Respondent expressed concern for the cumulative impact of the Scheme alongside schemes at Swardeston, Mulbarton, Silfield, Hempnall, and the Long Stratton bypass corridor. In particular, in relation to the landscape.	The Applicant refers to its response to COMB-01.
COMB-016	RR-0519	Respondent expressed concern that there is no clear Social Policy framework from the UK Government on which to base decisions concerning mass solar development in South Norfolk.	NPS EN-1, EN-3 and EN-5 are the primary policy basis for the Secretary of State determination of the DCO Application. The **Planning Statement [APP-209]** and **Policy Compliance Document [APP-210]** set out how the Scheme complies with relevant national and local planning policies. Further, **ES Volume 1, Chapter 14 - Socio-Economics [APP-050]** incudes an

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			assessment on socio-economics, including on employment, education, skills, worker's accommodation on local tourist assets. The chapter includes discussion on relevant legislation, policy and guidance.

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BEN-001	RR-0862, RR-0487, RR-0436, RR-1276, RR-1184, RR-0962, RR-0585, RR-0583, RR-1290, RR-1588, RR-0625, RR-0864, RR-0751, RR-1690, RR-0571, RR-1188, RR-0628, RR-0173, RR-1206, RR-1572, RR-0738, RR-1686, RR-1646, RR-1765, RR-0174, RR-0457, RR-0366, RR-0841, RR-1555, RR-0151, RR-1240, RR-1127, RR-1495, RR-2024, RR-1018, RR-0300, RR-1585, RR-1547, RR-1548, RR-1879, RR-1609, RR-0816, RR-0495, RR-1944, RR-1800, RR-1551, RR-1989, RR-1252, RR-1106, RR-1260, RR-0138, RR-0774, RR-0472, RR-1875, RR-1773, RR-0130, RR-0390, RR-0291, RR-0779, RR-0141, RR-0429, RR-0572, RR-0757, RR-0688, RR-0519, RR-0323, RR-1443, RR-1043, RR-0930,	Respondents expressed that the Scheme would provide no meaningful benefits to the local community, or that the proposed benefits would be insufficient. Some respondents expressed scepticism as to whether any community benefits would in practice be delivered. Some respondents expressed this included no reduction in energy bills, no guaranteed local employment, or no infrastructure improvements.	Efforts to provide specific benefits in locally impacted communities are set out in the **Outline ESSCS [APP-205]** for employment and economy and in the **Outline LEMP [APP-199]** in relation to landscape and through the provision of community benefits such as new permissive access routes and community accessible spaces. Mitigation measures set out within the **ES [APP-036** to **APP-195]** are designed to reduce and minimise significant effects where possible, The electricity generated by the Scheme would be exported to the national grid, at which point it would cease to be under the Applicant's control and would instead be dispatched and distributed by the operator in accordance with supply and demand across the network. The Scheme is anticipated to help meet the UK's net zero requirements for energy production, which is considered a critical national priority and set out in National

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	RR-0900, RR-0230, RR-1618, RR-0014, RR-0541, RR-0115, RR-1783, RR-0247, RR-0268, RR-0220, RR-1598, RR-1794, RR-0467, RR-0877, RR-0888, RR-0340, RR-1317, RR-1115, RR-1805, RR-1039, RR-1931, RR-0254, RR-1083, RR-0228, RR-1159, RR-0090, RR-1185, RR-1287, RR-1777, RR-1243, RR-2016, RR-0170, RR-0797, RR-1114, RR-0099, RR-0087, RR-0861, RR-0743, RR-0407, RR-1974, RR-0005, RR-0353, RR-1688, RR-0395, RR-0104, RR-1164, RR-1857, RR-1021, RR-1175, RR-1649, RR-0973, RR-1833, RR-0925, RR-1716, RR-0386, RR-1390, RR-1788, RR-0485, RR-0573, RR-1755, RR-0780, RR-1521, RR-0309, RR-0008, RR-0502, RR-1072, RR-1699, RR-1160, RR-1477, RR-1069, RR-0872, RR-1369, RR-0972, RR-0758, RR-0135, RR-0339, RR-0071, RR-1683, RR-1969, RR-0335, RR-0241, RR-1469, RR-0006, RR-0273,		Policy Statements. The need and benefits of the Scheme are set out in the **Planning Statement [APP-209]** and in the **Statement of Need [APP-206]**. The Community Benefit Fund is an optional commitment being made by the Applicant and is not required to mitigate the impacts of the Scheme – the Community Benefit Fund operates (and is to be agreed) entirely outside of the DCO process (it cannot be considered as part of the decision-making process). The Applicant makes note of the comments regarding the desire for reduced energy bills for local residents and confirms there remains an option for the exploration of initiatives. There are no current plans to provide subsidised energy or rebates to the local community directly as a result of the Scheme, however, the Applicant notes that guidance published in May 2025 by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ) 'Community Benefits and Shared Ownership for Low Carbon Energy Infrastructure', which provides expected and minimum thresholds and revisions community-led governance through local Fund Administrators and

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	RR-0458, RR-0616, RR-1121, RR-1377, RR-0533, RR-1178, RR-1781, RR-0424, RR-1693, RR-1953, RR-0032, RR-0687, RR-0895, RR-0737, RR-0981, RR-0283, RR-0282, RR-1447, RR-0269, RR-0464, RR-1597, RR-1860, RR-0883, RR-0202, RR-0132, RR-1378, RR-1510, RR-0848, RR-0296, RR-0449, RR-0885, RR-0783, RR-1808, RR-0990, RR-1399, RR-0190, RR-0824, RR-1674, RR-0278, RR-0450, RR-1464, RR-1004, RR-0684, RR-1730, RR-0817, RR-1406, RR-0069, RR-1820, RR-1855, RR-1988, RR-0988, RR-1582, RR-0206, RR-1587, RR-0537, RR-1141, RR-1884, RR-0532, RR-1959, RR-0331, RR-0603, RR-1812, RR-0363, RR-0505, RR-0793, RR-0662, RR-0364, RR-1023, RR-1726, RR-1793, RR-1644, RR-0154, RR-0098, RR-0234, RR-1057, RR-1741, RR-0838, RR-0818, RR-1870, RR-1656, RR-0481, RR-1642, RR-1037, RR-1492,		includes benefits such as bill discounts for households near Transmission infrastructure.

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	RR-0960, RR-1158, RR-0053, RR-0683, RR-0736, RR-0443, RR-0986, RR-1767, RR-1466, RR-1446, RR-1505, RR-1906, RR-0265, RR-0667, RR-0398, RR-1102, RR-0167, RR-1190, RR-0010, RR-1380, RR-0991, RR-1376, RR-1659, RR-1199, RR-1300, RR-1544, RR-1778, RR-0749, RR-0713, RR-1600, RR-0675, RR-1033, RR-1938, RR-1322, RR-0857, RR-0097, RR-0383, RR-0016, RR-1285, RR-0785, RR-1122, RR-1596, RR-1590, RR-0782, RR-0187, RR-0425, RR-2033		
BEN-002	RR-1777, RR-1701, RR-0793, RR-1199	Respondents expressed that not enough information or details has been provided on the Community Benefit Fund and/or requested further information/details.	The Applicant reaffirms its commitment to the provision of a Community Benefit Fund should the Scheme be consented. Information on the mechanics of the Community Benefit Fund and the areas to which it will contribute will be developed through consultation with South Norfolk Council and Norfolk County Council. The Community Benefit Fund is separate from the DCO process and so is not bound to the same timescales or information

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			requirements as submitted information. The Community Benefit Fund is an optional commitment being made by the Applicant and is not required to mitigate the impacts of the Scheme – the Community Benefit Fund operates (and is to be agreed) entirely outside of the DCO process (it cannot be considered as part of the decision-making process).
BEN-003	RR-0457, RR-0982, RR-0363, RR-1726	Respondent provided examples of community benefit initiatives, such as annual donations to community centres or schools. One respondent suggested the funded installation of domestic solar PV and battery storage for all residential properties within the affected parishes. For properties where solar is already installed, an equivalent financial credit should be provided to ensure equity. One respondent stated that they would be open to a community-owned or locally partnered energy project, which would keep financial returns within the local economy,	The Applicant notes the respondent's suggestions regarding community benefit initiatives, including potential support for local community facilities and schools. These suggestions are welcomed and will be taken into account by the Applicant. Further information regarding community benefit arrangements, which sit outside the DCO consenting process and are separate from the Application itself, will be made available in due course.

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		create local jobs and reinvest profits into local services and infrastructure. Respondents stated that alternative delivery structures should be encouraged given the record of community-led models in the UK.	
BEN-004	RR-0831, RR-0394	Respondent welcomed the idea of a Community Benefit Fund.	While separate to the DCO Application for the Scheme, the Applicant is committed to providing a Community Benefit Fund to allow for community-driven benefits that are not necessarily associated with the Scheme itself. Whilst no formal, mandatory mechanism for a Community Benefit Fund exists at present, the Applicant notes that guidance published in May 2025 by the DESNZ 'Community Benefits and Shared Ownership for Low Carbon Energy Infrastructure', which provides expected and minimum thresholds and revisions community-led governance through local Fund Administrators and includes benefits such as bill discounts for households near Transmission infrastructure. The Applicant has committed to Solar Energy UK (SEUK) Community Benefit Fund as a standard across the solar industry and awaits finalised guidance yet to be published from

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			SEUK which will set out best practices to support local communities. The Community Benefit Fund is separate from the DCO process and so is not bound to the same timescales or information requirements as submitted information. The Community Benefit Fund is an optional commitment being made by the Applicant and is not required to mitigate the impacts of the Scheme – the Community Benefit Fund operates (and is to be agreed) entirely outside of the DCO process (it cannot be considered as part of the decision-making process).
BEN-005	RR-1371, RR-1166	Respondents expressed that only site landowners that will benefit from the Scheme. They stated that they do not believe there has been good faith negotiations with landowners.	The Applicant refers to its response to NEE-004.
BEN-006	RR-1101	Respondent stated that the community benefit fund or compensation initiatives are a bribe.	The Community Benefit Fund is separate from the DCO process and so is not bound to the same timescales or information requirements as submitted information. The Community Benefit Fund is an optional commitment being made by the Applicant and is not required to mitigate the impacts of the

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			Scheme – the Community Benefit Fund operates (and is to be agreed) entirely outside of the DCO process (it cannot be considered as part of the decision-making process). Information on the mechanics of the Community Benefit Fund and the areas to which it will contribute will be developed through consultation with South Norfolk Council and Norfolk County Council.