



East Pye Solar
Applicant's Cover Letter to Procedural Deadline A
Submissions

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Dear Examining Authority,

Planning Act 2008 – Application for a Development Consent Order for East Pye Solar Farm

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Further to the **Rule 6 Letter [PD-005]**, published on 15 July 2026, I am writing to provide the Applicant's submissions for Procedural Deadline A of the East Pye Solar Farm Development Consent Order Examination.

The documents submitted at Procedural Deadline A are set out in tabulated form in Appendix A of this letter.

Annex D of the Rule 6 Letter [PD-005] Requests

Examination Procedure and Draft Examination Timetable

The Applicant notes the contents of the **Rule 6 Letter [PD-005]** that set out the examination procedure and draft examination timetable and has no comments to make.

Comments on Relevant Representations (RRs)

As requested in Annex F of the **Rule 6 Letter [PD-005]**, responses to RRs submitted by statutory parties (including parties identified as being listed within the Book of Reference) and organisations that are not statutory parties but may be considered notable are submitted at Procedural Deadline A. In addition, general responses to a summary of key themes arising from the RRs submitted by members of the public are also submitted at Procedural Deadline A.

Requests to be heard orally at the preliminary meeting ('PM'), Open floor hearing 1 ('OFH1'), Open floor hearing 2 ('OFH2') and Issue specific hearing 1 ('ISH1')

The Applicant would like to confirm our intention to be heard orally at the PM and ISH1 being held between Tuesday 15 September and Thursday 17 September 2026 at Dunston Hall, Norwich. The Applicant, legal representatives and consultant team will be present in person.

The Applicant can confirm that members of the project team will be in attendance at OFH1 scheduled on Tuesday 15 September and OFH2 scheduled on Wednesday 16 September 2026.

Annex F of the Rule 6 Letter [PD-005] Requests:

Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker

In accordance with Annex F of the **Rule 6 Letter [PD-005]**, an updated Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker is submitted at Procedural Deadline A to show the 'status of objection' column showing either 'yes', 'no' or 'withdrawn', and if 'withdrawn' providing the date of withdrawal.

The document is submitted in PDF and Excel format as requested. The table in the Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker has been expanded to include the additional information requested, including a summary of negotiations.

Aviation operations and safety

The Applicant is preparing a draft Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) with both the General Aviation Awareness Council and Norfolk Gliding Club. The Applicant is also continuing to engage with both parties ahead of Examination. This engagement will help to clarify the parties' respective positions and identify matters of agreement and disagreement.

The Applicant has prepared a Position Statement on Aviation **[EN0110014/EXAM/8.4]**, which is submitted alongside this letter at Procedural Deadline A. The Position Statement provides details of ongoing engagement and a summary of the Applicant's approach to, and response to aviation matters relating to all airfields and flight paths (including military flight paths) in the vicinity of the Order Limits. It also considers potential cumulative effects with other projects, including the Norwich to Tilbury project.

Applicant's Position Statement on White Clawed Crayfish

The Applicant notes the Examining Authority's (ExA) request for further information and potentially for surveys to be carried out for White Clawed Crayfish between July and September, in **the Rule 6 Letter [PD-005]**.

The Applicant has prepared a Position Statement on White Clawed Crayfish **[EN0110014/EXAM/8.5]**, which is submitted alongside this letter at Procedural Deadline A.

Other matters

Statements of Common Ground (SoCG)

We note the parties set out in the **Rule 6 Letter [PD-005]** where the Examining Authority requests that a Statement of Common Ground be prepared. We anticipate producing twelve SoCGs, as the General Aviation Awareness Council and Norfolk Gliding Club will be produced separately.

The first draft of all SoCGs will be submitted at Deadline 1 (6 October 2026), as requested by **Rule 6 Letter [PD-005]**.

Guide to the Application

An updated Guide to the Application is provided based on the changes, as set out in Appendix A.

Use of Artificial Intelligence

In accordance with the procedural decision made by the Examining Authority about the use of artificial intelligence (AI) in submissions, as set out in Annex F of the **Rule 6 Letter [PD-005]**, we can confirm that there has only been minor use of AI in the Applicant's Responses to Relevant Representations **[EN0110014/EXAM/8.6-8.10]**, for spelling and grammar checks, consistency checks (including document titles, examination library references and formatting), and to improve the readability of technical text. There has been no use of generative AI, as all text has been drafted by subject matter experts within the project team before the use of AI. All changes made or suggested by CoPilot have been checked by an appropriately knowledgeable or qualified person before inclusion. This means that all text has been validated for its content and accuracy by the author before submission of the Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations.

If there are any queries about the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Appendix A Documents Submitted to the Examination at Procedural Deadline A

Applicant Document Reference	Document Title	Revision Number	Reason for Submission
Updated Documents			
EN0110014/APP/1.3	Guide to the Application (clean)	3	Updated to reflect submissions made at Procedural Deadline A.
EN0110014/APP/1.3	Guide to the Application (tracked)	3	Updated to reflect submissions made at Procedural Deadline A.
EN0110014/APP/4.4	Land and Rights Negotiation Tracker (clean)	2	Requested by the Examining Authority in the Rule 6 Letter Request [PD-005] .
EN0110014/APP/4.4	Land and Rights Negotiation Tracker (tracked)	2	Requested by the Examining Authority in the Rule 6 Letter Request [PD-005] .
New Documents			
EN0110014/EXAM/8.3	Applicant's Cover Letter to Procedural Deadline A Submissions	1	To support submissions at Procedural Deadline A
EN0110014/EXAM/8.4	Applicant's Position Statement on Aviation	1	Requested by the Examining Authority in the Rule 6 Letter Request [PD-005]
EN0110014/EXAM/8.5	Applicant's Position Statement on White Clawed Crayfish	1	Requested by the Examining Authority in the Rule 6 Letter Request [PD-005]
EN0110014/EXAM/8.6	The Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations Part 1 -	1	Requested by the Examining

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	Host and Neighbouring Authorities		Authority in the Rule 6 Letter Request [PD-005]
EN0110014/EXAM/8.7	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	1	Requested by the Examining Authority in the Rule 6 Letter Request [PD-005]
EN0110014/EXAM/8.8	The Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations Part 3 - Other Statutory Bodies, Undertakers and Notable Parties	1	Requested by the Examining Authority in the Rule 6 Letter Request [PD-005]
EN0110014/EXAM/8.9	The Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations Part 4 - Parish and Town Councils, and Parish Meetings	1	Requested by the Examining Authority in the Rule 6 Letter Request [PD-005]
EN0110014/EXAM/8.10	The Applicant's Response to Relevant Representations Part 5 – By Theme	1	Requested by the Examining Authority in the Rule 6 Letter Request [PD-005]
EN0110014/EXAM/8.11	The Applicant's Guide to its Response to Relevant Representations	1	Requested by the Examining Authority in the Rule 6 Letter Request [PD-005]