



Planning Inspectorate

Application by National Grid Electricity Transmission for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Sea Link Project

Action Points arising from Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1 (CAH1) held on Tuesday 27 January 2026.

Action	Description	Action by	When
1.	Provide in writing the oral submission supplied setting out the case for compulsory acquisition/temporary possession against the tests in the Planning Act 2008.	Applicant	Deadline (DL) 4
2.	Provide further detail of potential alternative access routes to the Saxmundham converter station.	Suffolk County Council (SCC)	DL4
3.	Provide response in relation to suggested alternative routes provided by SCC at DL4.	Applicant	DL5
4.	Update the Land Rights Tracker to provide a list of unknown land plots (rather than all plots with an element of unknown). Include specific detail for each plot as to ongoing investigations.	Applicant	DL4
5.	Provide in writing the oral submission supplied which provided detail in relation to the anticipated future use of Suffolk plot 1/9.	Applicant	DL4
6.	Provide an inset or similar to the works plans for Suffolk plots 1/11, plots 2/55 to 2/85, and Kent plots 2/123 and 2/133 to show additional information on the various elements proposed.	Applicant	DL4
7.	Clarify the need for the entirety of Suffolk plot 2/20 for mitigation given that no mitigation is shown in the outline landscape and environmental management plan (oLEMP) for areas of this plot.	Applicant	DL4
8.	Provide an explanation for a wider haul road/access road strip in Suffolk plots 2/20 and 2/7 when compared with Scottish Power Renewables (SPR) scheme. Consider whether the width can be reduced within the examination whilst still retaining veteran tree(s).	Applicant	DL4
9.	Meet Mr Rix regarding impact on referenced plots including Christmas Tree plots and to provide further justification for need for planting adjacent to western access road and 18m screening. Provide an update on negotiations including response to Mr Rix request to be able to move agricultural machinery between fields within Suffolk plots 2/36 and 2/37 and review the	Applicant	DL4

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	need for the entirety of Suffolk plot 2/20 given Mr Rix's access requirements.		
10.	Provide in writing the oral submission supplied which clarified the need for the widened section of Suffolk plot 1/12.	Applicant	DL4
11.	Amend works plans to reflect smaller extent of acid grassland enhancement in works no 15 (Suffolk plot 4/7).	Applicant	DL4
12.	Consider the removal of Suffolk plots 4/27, 4/28 and 1/97 identified as Class 10 from the order limits. Any change to be submitted before DL5.	Applicant	DL5
13.	Explain how the potential reinstatement of the temporary construction compound in plot 2/133 would interact with landscape mitigation.	Applicant	DL4
14.	Update Schedule of Negotiations (SoN) to include missing representation numbers.	Applicant	DL4
15.	Meet and update on negotiations with Thanet District Council by DL4.	Applicant	DL4
16.	Provide an update on engagement with applicant regarding the progress of agreeing land rights and heads of terms.	Kent Wildlife Trust	DL4
17.	Update SoN to provide further details regarding use of Whitehouse Drove.	Applicant	DL4
18.	Update SoN to include detail of discussions with landowners to clarify outstanding concerns where agreement has not been reached.	Applicant	DL4
19.	Request affected persons withdraw objections when agreement is reached.	Applicant	Ongoing
20.	Update on parties not referenced in the SoN, including Amyas Peto, Stephen and Cherian Roberts, Erik Collins, Jane Taylor, Karen Collins, Manston Thorne Ltd, Pippa Southorn, Roger Alfred Stanley and Wendy Lynn Skinner and Statkraft UK Ltd. Also Hilda Mary Chaston (Suffolk plot 3/1) including clarification on inclusion within the Book of Reference.	Applicant	DL4
21.	Provide an update in relation to outstanding National Trust issues including a timetable for resolution within the examination.	Applicant	DL4
22.	Revise all land plans/Book of Reference (BoR) /Statement of Reasons (SoR) to ensure accurate and correct in relation to National Trust land.	Applicant	DL4
23.	Correct the error in the open space land in the BoR, where Suffolk plots 6/3 and 6/5 are listed twice.	Applicant	DL4

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24.	Clarify why some plots described as 'open space' in the BoR part 1 are not included in part 5.	Applicant	DL4
25.	Update on Crown land consent with key milestones towards reaching agreement (in relation to the examination timetable) and the likelihood and implications of agreement not being reached before the close of the examination.	Applicant	DL4
26.	Revise all land plans/BoR/SoR to ensure accurate and correct in relation to crown land.	Applicant	DL4
27.	Submit a section 135 case to explain how the scheme could go ahead without the benefit of crown land if crown consent will not be obtained by the close of the examination.	Applicant	DL7
28.	Provide an update with respect to protective provisions. Summarise information as to which parties you think there will be agreement with and which may not.	Applicant	DL4
29.	Submit a section 127/138 case setting out how the proposed development could proceed without impeding the ability of the Statutory Undertaker, who have objected, carrying out their undertakings for any outstanding objections.	Applicant	DL7
30.	Provide in writing the oral submission supplied setting out the outcome of Ofgem's decision and its impact on the funding of Sea Link. Update the funding statement as necessary to provide clarity with respect to funding in general and in particular regarding the pre-construction funding allowance.	Applicant	DL4
31.	Provide detail on measures that have been undertaken to ensure compliance with the Equality Act 2010 in engaging with all parties, including affected persons, identified since the Equalities Impact Assessment was undertaken.	Applicant	DL4