

Dover District Council Principal Areas of Disagreement to the Sea Link Project

The following has been prepared by Dover District Council (“the Council”) and has been updated following the discussions and further information submitted during the course of the examination. It should be read in conjunction with the Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) which will be submitted by the applicant at Deadline 7 and reflects the Council’s final position on one matter which has not been agreed during the examination.

Outstanding Principal Area of Disagreement				
Ref	Area of Concern	Explanation	Remedy Measures	Likelihood of Resolution
ECO1	Ecology – Discharge of conditions	<p>The Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) will be responsible for approving the LEMP that secures the habitat enhancement measures, including on-site measures and the off-site functionally linked land (FLL) compensation land in Kent.</p> <p>The unilateral undertaking (UU) under discussion will ensure the LPAs are resourced to monitor delivery of on-site BNG, however this does not include the FLL compensation land which is to be secured for 80 years through the development consent order.</p> <p>The provision in the oLEMP to submit compensation land monitoring reports is welcomed, however no resource is proposed by the Applicant to provide independent oversight of the success of the scheme.</p> <p>(This point is identified at 3.5.21 of the statement of common ground, to be submitted at deadline 7, between the Council and the Applicant).</p>	<p>Include provision within the UU (which secures a monitoring fee for biodiversity net gain (BNG)), for resource for the Council to review monitoring reports in relation to the functionally linked land (FLL).</p>	Unlikely