

Eastern Green Link 5

Section 51 Advice Log Version: 23 October 2025

There is a statutory duty under <u>'section 51 (s51) of the Planning Act 2008'</u> for The Planning Inspectorate to record the advice that it gives in relation to an application or potential application, and to make this publicly available.

This document comprises a record of the advice that has been provided by The Planning Inspectorate to the applicant National Grid Electricity Transmission plc and their consultants during the pre-application stage. It will be updated by The Planning Inspectorate after every interaction with the applicant during which s51 has been provided. The applicant will always be given the opportunity to comment on The Planning Inspectorate's draft record of advice before it is published.

The applicant will use this advice log as the basis for demonstrating regard to s51 advice within the application.

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23 October 2025	Updated Pre-Application Prospectus

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Pre-application prospectus	The Inspectorate has advised that, following a 6-month review of our services, our Pre-Application Prospectus has been updated: 2024 Pre-application Prospectus. The update log at the bottom of the page summaries the changes and clarifications that have been applied.
	Applicants with a live project at the pre-application stage of the process, please familiarise yourself with the update and consider how it might affect your pre-application programme and interaction with our services.
	Please note in particular:
	 The establishment of land and rights negotiations tracking as a primary service feature – this means it is now expected for all applicants to develop and share a land and rights negotiations tracker in 1 of 2 available templates, irrespective of the service tier they have subscribed to
	Clarified expectations of the applicants when preparing to interact with the Inspectorate at meetings – including clarified rights for the Inspectorate to delay or refuse service where pre-meeting expectations are not upheld e.g. an update programme document or issues tracker is not provided, on time, to inform meeting agenda.