



Meeting note

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Meeting with	Tees CCPP
Venue	Telecon
Attendees	The Planning Inspectorate Tom Carpen (Infrastructure Planning Lead) Karl-Jonas Johansson (Case Officer) Alison Down (EIA and Land Rights Advisor) Emma Cottam (EIA and Land Rights Advisor) Sembcorp Utilities (UK) Limited Gerard Armstrong (Project Sponsor) Scott Taylor (Project Manager and Technology Lead) Carole Nichols (Project Co-ordinator) Dave Sigsworth (Environmental Manager) Terry Waldron (PR Manager)
Meeting objectives	Teesside CCPP Project update meeting
Circulation	All attendees

Summary of key points discussed and advice given:

Introduction

The Applicant and the Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) case team introduced themselves and their respective roles. The Inspectorate continued by outlining its openness policy and ensured those present understood that any issues discussed and advice given would be recorded and placed on the Inspectorate's website under s.51 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA2008). Further to this, it was made clear that any advice given did not constitute legal advice upon which the Applicant (or others) can rely.

Project update

The Applicant informed the Inspectorate that it was close to finalising the redline boundary and design of the project, explaining that the results of preliminary ecological surveys had been used to refine the red line boundary. The Applicant is currently considering two high voltage alternating current (HVAC) F or H Class gas turbines with a capacity of up to 1600MW for the generating station. They confirmed

that it will not include any peaking plant elements (e.g. Open Cycle Gas Turbines). It was confirmed that the proposed power station would use hybrid cooling to minimise noise and visual impacts, and that the existing raw water connections on the site can be utilised.

The Applicant confirmed that the site will be able to house the carbon capture and storage infrastructure necessary to comply with the carbon capture regulations, and that they are currently investigating the potential for the proposed development to deliver combined heat and power (CHP). The Applicant was advised that it needs to be demonstrated in the draft Development Consent Order (DCO) that the proposed development is CHP-ready.

The Applicant explained that it intends to apply for an environmental permit post-consent to enable them to use the latest turbine technology. The Inspectorate informed the Applicant that sufficient information will need to be provided with the application to satisfy the Examining Authority that the Environment Agency (EA) will be able to issue a permit, and advised the Applicant to work closely with the EA on this matter.

Consultation update

The Applicant is planning to hold non-statutory consultation with the local community in January to discuss the potential impacts of the project that may affect residents, which the Applicant considers to be mainly noise and visual impacts. In addition to engaging with the local community the Applicant has approached the relevant local statutory consultees to discuss the Applicant's consultation approach.

The Applicant intends to hold one round of statutory consultation in April / May 2017.

The Applicant was advised to provide the consultees with enough material to enable them to fully understand the project, and to document in the consultation report any changes to the project and how this information was disseminated to the consultees

Environmental Statement (ES) Scoping

The Applicant intends to submit its scoping request at the end of Quarter 1, 2017. The Inspectorate offered to provide advice on matters that the Applicant intended to scope out of the ES prior to submission. The Applicant was advised to consult Advice Note Seven: [Environmental Impact Assessment: Preliminary Environmental Information, Screening and Scoping](#), and to supply the Inspectorate with the shapefile and local authority contacts at least ten working days before submitting the formal scoping request. It was clarified that the project's redline boundary has to be identical in both the shapefile and in the scoping report.

The Applicant informed the Inspectorate that they have a significant amount of baseline data for the traffic and noise surveys needed for the project and they are assessing if any further data is required.

Compulsory Acquisition and s52/ 53

The Applicant confirmed that that they did not intend to submit any s52/ 53 applications to the Inspectorate, and there would be no compulsory acquisition powers included in the draft DCO. Nor would there be an overlap between the red line

boundary of the proposed development and that of the Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind farm Order.

Submission date

It was confirmed that the Applicant is intending to submit its application in Q4 2017. The Inspectorate requested to be updated if there was any change to the intended submission date.

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It was explained that the Inspectorate could chair a 'round table' meeting with the key stakeholders after the statutory consultation to gain a shared understanding of any key issues and facilitate further engagement between the Applicant and the stakeholders, if required.

It was agreed to explore the possibility of a site visit by the Inspectorate before the scoping request is submitted.

Specific decisions / follow up required?

- The Inspectorate to review the matters proposed to be scoped out of the ES;
- Contact plan to be set up (Note: agreed post-meeting that a monthly teleconference will be held on the first Wednesday of each month at 2pm, starting from 1 February 2017);
- The Inspectorate and the Applicant to explore the possibility of a site visit prior to scoping.