

Meeting note

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Meeting with Sembcorp Utilities (UK) Limited

Venue Temple Quay House (Teleconference)

Attendees The Planning Inspectorate:

Chris White - Infrastructure Planning Lead

Tracey Williams – Case Manager Karl-Jonas Johansson – Case Officer

Emma Cottam – EIA and Land Rights Advisor

Sembcorp Utilities (UK) Limited:

Scott Taylor (Sembcorp)
Dave Sigsworth (Sembcorp)
Terry Waldron (Sembcorp)
Katy McPhie (Bond Dickinson)

Geoff Bullock (DWD) Rod Ellison (ERM) Russell Cullen (ERM)

Georgia Tew-Street (ERM)

Kevin Murphy (ERM)

Meeting objectives

Draft documents review meeting

Circulation All attendees

Summary of key points discussed and advice given:

Welcome and Introductions

The Applicant and the Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) introduced themselves and their respective roles. The Inspectorate outlined its openness policy and ensured that those present understood that any issues discussed and advice given would be recorded and placed on the Inspectorate's website under section 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.

Inspectorate's comments on the draft Consultation Report

The Inspectorate informed the Applicant that in addition to the issues discussed here, a schedule with additional comments would be sent to the Applicant. The comments will be published together with this meeting note.

The Applicant's consultation list under s44 of the PA2008 was discussed. The Applicant explained that it had consulted with National Grid and Northern Power Grid as s44 consultees, as these bodies both have assets on the application site. The Inspectorate advised the Applicant to explain in the Consultation Report why it had consulted these parties under s44. It should also be clear why a Book of Reference has not been produced.

The Applicant was advised to carefully cross reference the Consultation Report with the appendices prior to submission to ensure that all the necessary information is present.

Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA)

The Applicant confirmed that it had supplemented its approach to incombination/cumulative assessment in light of the Inspectorate's comments on the draft HRA report. The Applicant has had further discussions with Natural England regarding the HRA, and will record evidence of agreement in a Statement of Common Ground.

Submission Date

The Applicant is targeting a submission date of 31 October 2017. The Inspectorate advised the Applicant that if the application was submitted after 5pm, the Acceptance period would start the following day. The Applicant will keep the Inspectorate updated on precisely when the application will be submitted.

Publication of the Application documents

The Applicant requested that they do not want the Application documents published until after a decision has been made on whether to accept the Application or not. The Inspectorate requested that the Applicant confirm this in writing.

AOB

The Applicant was advised to review the Inspectorate's <u>Advice note six: Preparation</u> and <u>submission of application documents</u>, prior to compiling the application index.

The Inspectorate recommended the Applicant submits a 'Guide to the Application' document as part of the application, noting that this would be of benefit to both the Examining Authority and Interested Parties. The Applicant confirmed it was working on such a document.

The Applicant confirmed that it would submit a validated version of the draft Development Consent Order at acceptance.

The Applicant was advised to take into account the holiday season when programming the Relevant Representations period into its Project Plan, to ensure that all stakeholders have the opportunity to engage with the project.