SPR EA1N & EA2 update to JLAG, July 2021

End of examinations

The examinations formally commenced on 6th October 2020 and were due to close on the 6 April 2021. However, the Examining Authorities (ExAs) requested an extension in time, and this was granted until the 6th July 2021. The examinations are therefore now closed.

In between the last update provided in June 2021 and the close of the examinations there were two deadlines:

Deadline 12 (28 June 2021)

Deadline for receipt by the ExAs of:

- Comments on responses to ExAs third round of written questions.
- Comments on the amendments to the previously issued Report on the Implications for European Sites.
- Applicant's Final Tracking Lists.
- Applicants Final preferred draft Development Consent Orders (DCOs).
- Applicants Final updated version of the Book of Reference.
- Applicants Final Compulsory Acquisition schedule.
- Applicants Final Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) and Commonality .
- Comments on any additional information/submissions received at Deadline 11.
- Responses to any further information requested by the ExAs for this deadline.

Deadline 13 (5 July 2021)

Deadline for receipt by ExAs of:

- Comments on Applicant's Final preferred draft DCOs.
- Comments on any additional information/submissions received by Deadline 12.
- Responses to any further information requested by the ExAs for this deadline.

Suffolk County Council's Deadline 12 and 13 responses are set out below:

Deadline 12

- Covering letter <u>https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010077/EN010077-005501-DL12%20-%20Suffolk%20County%20Council%20-%20Cover%20Letter.pdf</u>
- Suffolk County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority <u>https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-</u> <u>content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010077/EN010077-005500-DL12%20-</u> <u>%20Suffolk%20County%20Council%20-%20Floods.pdf</u>
- Suffolk County Council as Local Highways Authority <u>https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-</u> <u>content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010077/EN010077-005499-DL12%20-</u> <u>%20Suffolk%20County%20Council%20-%20Highways.pdf</u>

Deadline 13

- Covering letter https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wpcontent/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010077/EN010077-005634-DL13%20-%20Suffolk%20County%20Council%20Covering%20letter%205%20July.pdf
- Suffolk County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority <u>https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-</u> <u>content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010077/EN010077-005635-DL13%20-</u> <u>%20Suffolk%20County%20Council%20SCC%20Floods%20Deadline%2013.pdf</u>

East Suffolk Council's Deadline 12 and 13 submissions have been set out below:

Deadline 12

- East Suffolk Council's Responses to the ExAs Rule 17 Questions of 18 June 2021 EN010078-005401-DL12 - East Suffolk Council - Response to R17.pdf (planninginspectorate.gov.uk)
- East Suffolk Council's Responses to the Applicants Deadline 11 Submissions <u>EN010078-005402-DL12 East Suffolk Council Comments on DL11.pdf (planninginspectorate.gov.uk)</u>
- Statement of Common Ground between East Suffolk Council, Suffolk County Council and the Applicants - <u>ExA.SoCG-2.D12.V6 EA1NEA2 SoCG with ESC and SCC</u> (planninginspectorate.gov.uk)

Deadline 13

• East Suffolk Council's Final Review of Actions Identified in the Local Impact Report - <u>EN010078-005458-DL13 - East Suffolk Council.pdf (planninginspectorate.gov.uk)</u>

Next Steps following close of examinations:

- The ExAs now have three months following the close of the examination within which to write a recommendation report for each of the projects and issue these reports to the Secretary of State expected 6 October 2021.
- The Secretary of State then has a further three months to issue decisions on each of the projects expected 6 January 2021.
- Once the decision has been issued by the Secretary of State there is a six-week period in which the decisions may be challenged in the High Court by Judicial Review.

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