

Email from Isabel Stones on behalf of the Applicant to the Inspector (28/09/2023)

Dear Alison

The Inspector asked the Applicant to propose wording for a cessation of generation condition, which we suggest should be added as a new condition 4.

The proposed wording for the condition is below, which I have shared with the other parties and I understand is agreed between all three parties. I have cc'ed representatives of the other parties for their information.

Cessation of generation

4. In the event that the development hereby approved ceases to export electricity to the grid for a continuous period of 12 months at any point after the date of first export (other than for operational reasons outside of the operator's control such as outages consequential upon works undertaken by the District Network Operator, unavailability of spare parts or other delays unconnected with the development hereby approved), a scheme of early decommissioning works ("the Early Decommissioning Scheme") and ecological assessment report detailing site requirements in respect of retaining ecological features ("the Early Ecological Assessment Report") shall be submitted no later than 3 months after the end of the 12 month non-electricity generating period to the local planning authority for its approval in writing. The Early Decommissioning Scheme and the Early Ecological Assessment Report shall be implemented in full thereafter in accordance with a timetable that shall be set out in the Early Decommissioning Scheme.

Reason: The use and associated buildings and structures are not in accordance with national and local policy for the protection of the Green Belt. The use and associated buildings and structures should therefore be removed as soon as possible and the land restored to a more appropriate use if the original intended purpose is no longer required.

I would be grateful if you could pass this on to the Inspector.

Kind regards

Isabel Stones

Associate.