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Our ref: AN/2017/126247/02-L01
Your ref: H04-0823-17
Date: 15 December 2017

Dear Richard

**Installation of high voltage direct current cables for the Viking Link Interconnector project between proposed landfall at Boygriff in East Lindsey to a proposed converter station at North Ing Drove; installation of alternative current cables from the converter station to the existing Bicker Fen 400 KV substation; as well as permanent access road to converter station, temporary facilities required during construction such as compounds and works areas - amended plans & additional information received
Ing Drove, Donington**

Thank you for consulting us on the amended plans for the above project on 28 November 2017.

I can advise that we have no comments to make in respect of the amended plans and supplementary environmental information. However, we note on page 4 of the applicant's covering letter (under the heading of Third Party Crossing Agreements) that it states they "*do not consider the agreement to which the EA seek agreement material to the planning determination process, and indeed the EA note in their initial draft of the agreement that the relevant legislation comprises the Water Resources Act 1991 the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2016 and the Land Drainage Act 1991*". The clause from which these words have been taken states:-

'This Agreement is made without prejudice to any consent that may be required under the Water Resources Act 1991, the Land Drainage Act 1991, the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2016 or any other relevant legislation.'

and makes it clear that, whatever may be in the agreement, the developer still has to apply for any relevant consents for their works.

Our objection is made in our role as a statutory consultee under the Development

Management Procedure Order 2015, Schedule 4, parts (t) and (zc). In our opinion, the works proposed to be undertaken within 20 metres of main rivers have the potential to increase the frequency and impact of flooding as outlined in our letter of 19 October, which is material to the planning determination process. The draft agreement addresses our concerns about the effect the proposed works may have on the defences adjacent to the main rivers and on the sea defence and, if concluded satisfactorily, will enable us to remove our objection.

Should you require any additional information, or wish to discuss these matters further, please do not hesitate to contact me on the number below.

Yours sincerely

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Attachments: 171215 EA reply to Viking Link amended plans consultation H04-0823-17.pdf

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Dear Sir/Madam
Please find the attached comments in respect of the above consultation.
Kind regards,

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From: planningadvice@sholland.gov.uk [<mailto:planningadvice@sholland.gov.uk>]
Sent: 28 November 2017 11:20
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Subject: 4. Amendment Consultation

PLANNING CONSULTATION: AMENDMENT RECEIVED

Reference Number: H04-0823-17

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Proposal: Installation of high voltage Direct Current cables for the Viking Link interconnector project between proposed landfall at Boygrift in East Lindsey to a proposed converter station at North Ing Drove; installation of Alternative Current cables from the converter station to the existing Bicker Fen 400 kV Substation; as well as permanent access road to converter station, temporary facilities required during construction such as compounds and works areas

Location: Ing Drove Donington

Applicant: National Grid Viking Link Ltd

Amended Information:

**Extension of the planning red line boundary to incorporate the land drainage works to ensure that the land at both sides of the permanent access road can be drained.
Submission of Supplementary Environmental Information Report; Tree Survey Report and response to consultations received (dwg. nos. VKL-02-34-G100-050.Rev.01 (Sheet 44), VKL-02-34-G100-052.Rev.01(Sheet 46) and VKL-02-34-G100-053.Rev.01(Sheet 47)**

The Council have received an amendment to the above application and would be pleased to receive any further observations you may wish to make. You can make comments by clicking on the link below and using the **Enter Comment** button to leave your observations.

[Click here to view the application](#)

The deadline for submission of comments is **19th December 2017** and please be aware that representations submitted in relation to planning applications will be available for public inspection.

If you need any assistance please contact **Richard Fidler** who is dealing with this application.

Note:

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