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8 July 2016

Dear Mrs Blomerus,

Approval of Area Designation for the Appleton-with-Eaton Neighbourhood Plan

I am pleased to inform you that the Appleton-with-Eaton area designation, submitted on 24 February 2016, was approved by the Vale of White Horse District Council Cabinet Member on 10 June 2016. There was a call-in period, but the decision was not called in and therefore came in to effect on this date. The consultation for area designation received seven representations in total. I have attached copies of these.

Yours sincerely

Gayle Wootton
Planning Policy Officer (Neighbourhood)

1. Environment Agency

Thank you for the notification of the proposed area for an Appleton with Eaton Neighbourhood Plan.

We have no comments to make on the proposed area.

2. Historic England



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Our ref: HD/P5354/
Your ref:

Telephone
Fax

5th April 2016

Dear Sir or Madam,

Proposed Appleton with Eaton Neighbourhood Plan Area

Thank you for your notification that Appleton with Eaton Parish Council has applied to Vale of White Horse District Council for the designation of a Neighbourhood Plan Area under Regulation 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Historic England has no objection to the proposal. However, we would like to take the opportunity of your consultation to raise the following issues setting out the support Historic England is able to offer in relation to Neighbourhood Plans.

Research has clearly demonstrated that local people value their heritage¹ and Neighbourhood Plans are a positive way to help them manage it. Historic England wants to support you in helping communities protect what they care about.

Historic England is expecting that as Neighbourhood Planning Fora such as that for Appleton with Eaton come to you to seek advice on preparing Neighbourhood Plans they will value advice on how best to understand what heritage they have and assistance on preparing appropriate policies.

Information held by the Council and used in the preparation of your Core Strategy/ Local Plan is often the starting point for Neighbourhood Plans. Other useful information may be available from the Historic Environment Record Centres or local environmental and amenity groups. Historic England also publishes a wide range of relevant guidance, links to which can be found in the appendix to this letter.

Plan preparation also offers the opportunity to harness a community's interest in the historic environment by getting them to help add to the evidence base, perhaps by creating and or reviewing a local heritage list, inputting to the preparation of conservation area appraisals and undertaking historic characterisation surveys.

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¹ English Heritage, *Heritage Counts*, 2008



3. Highways England

Dear Ms Armstrong,

Appleton with Eaton Neighbourhood Plan proposed area

Thank you for inviting Highways England to comment on the proposed area for Appleton with Eaton Neighbourhood Plan proposed area Consultation.

Highways England has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the strategic road network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such Highways England works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.

We will therefore be concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact the safe and efficient operation of the strategic road network, in this case the A34.

We have reviewed the consultation and have no comments.

I hope the above information has been useful, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Kind regards,

Zoe Johnson

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4. Southern and Scottish Energy

Dear Planning Policy / Susan,

I am not in my normal office again until Friday 8 April 2016, so I am unable to check my filing system, but I believe that I previously responded to you on 10 March 2016 in respect of the above topic / location.

However, for the avoidance of any doubt, I can confirm that, at this present time, I have no comments to make.

Regards,



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5. Oxfordshire County Council

Date: 7 April 2016



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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Appleton with Eaton - Neighbourhood Plan Boundary Consultation

Thank you for inviting comments on Appleton with Eaton Parish Council's proposed boundary designation for a Neighbourhood Plan. The proposed neighbourhood plan boundary replicates the existing parish boundary.

As the Parish Council starts working on their plan, we encourage them to follow the advice in the Neighbourhood Planning Toolkit.

- <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/neighbourhood-planning-toolkit>

Further advice is available in the Communities & Parish Guide to Biodiversity and the Biodiversity & Planning Guide

- <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/my-community>
- <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/planning-and-biodiversity>

Oxfordshire County Council's draft Local Transport Plan 4 also provides useful guidance:

- <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/connecting-oxfordshire-2015-2031-ltp4>

We will look forward to further involvement as drafting progresses.

Yours faithfully,

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6. National Grid



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17 March 2016

Dear Sir / Madam

Appleton with Eaton Area Neighbourhood Plan Consultation SUBMISSION ON BEHALF OF NATIONAL GRID

National Grid has appointed Amec Foster Wheeler to review and respond to development plan consultations on its behalf. We are instructed by our client to submit the following representation with regards to the above Neighbourhood Plan consultation.

About National Grid

National Grid owns and operates the high voltage electricity transmission system in England and Wales and operate the Scottish high voltage transmission system. National Grid also owns and operates the gas transmission system. In the UK, gas leaves the transmission system and enters the distribution networks at high pressure. It is then transported through a number of reducing pressure tiers until it is finally delivered to our customer. National Grid own four of the UK's gas distribution networks and transport gas to 11 million homes, schools and businesses through 81,000 miles of gas pipelines within North West, East of England, West Midlands and North London.

To help ensure the continued safe operation of existing sites and equipment and to facilitate future infrastructure investment, National Grid wishes to be involved in the preparation, alteration and review of plans and strategies which may affect our assets.

Specific Comments

An assessment has been carried out with respect to National Grid's electricity and gas transmission apparatus which includes high voltage electricity assets and high pressure gas pipelines and also National Grid Gas Distribution's Intermediate / High Pressure apparatus.

National Grid has identified the following high voltage overhead powerline as falling within the Neighbourhood area boundary:

- 4TE Route – 400kV from Walham substation in Tewkesbury to Cowley substation in Oxford.

From the consultation information provided, the above overhead powerline does not interact with any of the proposed development sites.

Gas Distribution – Low / Medium Pressure

Whilst there is no implications for National Grid Gas Distribution's Intermediate / High Pressure apparatus, there may however be Low Pressure (LP) / Medium Pressure (MP) Gas Distribution pipes present within

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proposed development sites. If further information is required in relation to the Gas Distribution network please contact plantprotection@nationalgrid.com

Key resources / contacts

National Grid has provided information in relation to electricity and transmission assets via the following internet link:

<http://www2.nationalgrid.com/uk/services/land-and-development/planning-authority/shape-files/>

The first point of contact for all works within the vicinity of gas distribution assets is Plant Protection (plantprotection@nationalgrid.com).

Information regarding the transmission and distribution network can be found at: www.energynetworks.org.uk

Please remember to consult National Grid on any Neighbourhood Plan Documents or site-specific proposals that could affect our infrastructure. We would be grateful if you could add our details shown below to your consultation database:

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Consultant Town Planner

Ann Holdsworth
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I hope the above information is useful. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

[via email]
Robert Deanwood
Consultant Town Planner

cc. Ann Holdsworth, National Grid

7. Marine Management Organisation

The MMO will review your document and respond to you directly should a bespoke response be required. If you do not receive a bespoke response from us within your deadline, please consider the following information as the MMO's formal response.

Response to your consultation

The Marine Management Organisation (MMO) is a non-departmental public body responsible for the management of England's marine area on behalf of the UK government. The MMO's delivery functions are; marine planning, marine licensing, wildlife licensing and enforcement, marine protected area management, marine emergencies, fisheries management and issuing European grants.

Marine Licensing

Activities taking place below the mean high water mark may require a [marine licence](#) in accordance with the [Marine and Coastal Access Act \(MCAA\) 2009](#). Such activities include the construction, alteration or improvement of any works, dredging, or a deposit or removal of a substance or object below the mean high water springs mark or in any tidal river to the extent of the tidal influence. You can also apply to the MMO for consent under the Electricity Act 1989 (as amended) for offshore generating stations between 1 and 100 megawatts in England and parts of Wales. The MMO is also the authority responsible for processing and determining harbour orders in England, and for some ports in Wales, and for granting consent under various local Acts and orders regarding harbours. A wildlife licence is also required for activities that that would affect a UK or European protected marine species.

Marine Planning

As the marine planning authority for England the MMO is responsible for preparing marine plans for English inshore and offshore waters. At its landward extent, a marine plan will apply up to the mean high water springs mark, which includes the tidal extent of any rivers. As marine plan boundaries extend up to the level of the mean high water spring tides mark, there will be an overlap with terrestrial plans which generally extend to the mean low water springs mark. Marine plans will inform and guide decision makers on development in marine and coastal areas. On 2 April 2014 the [East Inshore and Offshore marine plans](#) were published, becoming a material consideration for public authorities with decision making functions. The East Inshore and East Offshore Marine Plans cover the coast and seas from Flamborough Head to Felixstowe. For further information on how to apply the East Inshore and Offshore Plans please visit our [Marine Information System](#). The MMO is currently in the process of developing marine plans for the South Inshore and Offshore Plan Areas and has a requirement to develop plans for the remaining 7 marine plan areas by 2021.

Planning documents for areas with a coastal influence may wish to make reference to the MMO's licensing requirements and any relevant marine plans to ensure that necessary regulations are adhered to. For marine and coastal areas where a marine plan is not currently in place, we advise local authorities to refer to the [Marine Policy Statement](#) for guidance on any planning activity that includes a section of coastline or tidal river. All public authorities taking authorisation or enforcement decisions that affect or might affect the UK marine area must do so in accordance with the [Marine and Coastal Access Act](#) and the UK Marine Policy Statement unless relevant considerations indicate otherwise. Local authorities may also wish to refer to our [online guidance](#) and the [Planning Advisory Service soundness self-assessment checklist](#).

Minerals and waste plans and local aggregate assessments

If you are consulting on a mineral/waste plan or local aggregate assessment, the MMO recommend reference to marine aggregates is included and reference to be made to the documents below:

- The Marine Policy Statement (MPS), section 3.5 which highlights the importance of marine aggregates and its supply to England's (and the UK) construction industry.
- The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) which sets out policies for national (England) construction minerals supply.
- The Managed Aggregate Supply System (MASS) which includes specific references to the role of marine aggregates in the wider portfolio of supply.
- The National and regional guidelines for aggregates provision in England 2005-2020 predict likely aggregate demand over this period including marine supply.

The NPPF informed MASS guidance requires local mineral planning authorities to prepare Local Aggregate Assessments, these assessments have to consider the opportunities and constraints of all mineral supplies into their planning regions – including marine. This means that even land-locked counties, may have to consider the role that marine sourced supplies (delivered by rail or river) play – particularly where land based resources are becoming increasingly constrained.

If you wish to contact the MMO regarding our response please email us at consultations@marinemanagement.org.uk or telephone us on 0300 123 1032.

Kind regards,

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