

Our Ref: 2658-02/JM

07 July 2023

FAO: Rhian Chitty
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Dear Ms Chitty

SUBMISSION TO DISCHARGE CONDITION 3 OF PLANNING PERMISSION P/2022/1027 FOR A GRID CONNECTION CABLE, ON LAND TO THE NORTH OF NATIONAL GRID'S LEGACY SUBSTATION, OFF BRONWYLFA ROAD, TALWRN, WREXHAM

On behalf of HD639LEG Limited, please find enclosed an application to discharge planning condition 3 of planning permission P/2022/1027 at the above location.

This application has been submitted electronically via the Planning Portal (reference: PP-12297290) and comprises:

- i. This covering letter;
- ii. Planning Application Forms;
- iii. 2658-02-014 Statutory Plan;
- iv. 2658-02-015 General Arrangement and Above Ground Infrastructure;
- v. Great Crested Newt Reasonable Avoidance Measures; and
- vi. Application fee of £115 (paid online via the Planning Portal).

Planning permission P/2022/1027 (for a grid connection route to support the consented Legacy battery storage facility, under reference P/2021/01441) was approved by Wrexham County Borough Council on 23rd March 2023, subject to three conditions. Condition 3 requires the submission of Reasonable Avoidance Measures (RAMS) for Great Crested Newts (GCN) and is reproduced below for clarity.

Condition 3

No development shall commence until a scheme of Reasonable Avoidance Measures for Great Crested Newts (GCN) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Development shall thereafter be carried out in strict accordance with the scheme as approved.

Accordingly, a GCN RAMs document (prepared by Avian Ecology) has been submitted to discharge this condition. The RAMs identifies that the baseline of the site offers negligible suitable habitat/foraging for GCN due to the existing hardstanding, which covers the entire site area. The only potential impacts that could likely arise in the absence of mitigation measures are associated with entrapment of GCN within open trenches.

The Method Statement within the RAMs document sets out measures to be followed during construction to avoid entrapment of GCN.

A plan showing the consented redline boundary (Drawing 2658-02-014 Statutory Plan) and a plan showing the consented site layout (Drawing 2658-02-015 General Arrangement and Above Ground Infrastructure) have also been submitted for validation purposes.

I trust the contents of this letter are clear. If you have any queries regarding this application, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely

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Enc: GCN Reasonable Avoidance Measures