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Subject: RE: S62A/22/0000004 - Land east of Parsonage Road, and south of Hall Road, Stansted, Essex, CM22 6PL

Hello Mark

Following the email below I have been talking with the designers and the client for the solar development. As a result, we have amended the two drawings (JPW1799-000 Rev G and Drawing 100D Landscape Strategy Plan) showing the location and appearance of the battery installations, described in the LVIA as envisaged to be brought into effect following the initial 5 – 7 year period of operation of the solar farm. The Planning Statement has similarly been amended at paragraph 2.10 to take account of this change. Given the height of the battery storage units is 2.5m they would sit below the height of the solar panels at 3.2m and therefore no material impact on the assessment or conclusions of LVIA is envisaged.

I trust this is acceptable and that the documents accessed through this link can be used in place of the previously submitted documents of the same name.

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Kind regards

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Andrew

The application is in the process of consultation, with representations expected by 7 July 2022. However, following his review of the application documentation, the Inspector would request that you respond to the following query.

The Scheme layout plan, JPW1799-001 Rev G, shows 5 locations around the site for inverter substations, for which typical dimensions and form are shown. It also appears to show a location in the north-east corner for a typical Primary Substation, although this does not form part of the Legend; again dimensions and form are shown. For battery storage it only shows an indicative area.

However, the description of development includes 'supplementary battery storage'. Although the matter does not appear to be addressed in the planning statement, it would appear, from the Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (LVIA), that the proposal is to phase the inclusion of these units, and that they are not to be included in the initial period of use, indicated as 5-7 years. Instead, surplus energy is reported to be shared with other airports in the Manchester Airports Group.

While this is understood, battery storage is still a component of the permission being sought. Although battery storage units are referred to in the LVIA, there is no description of the units only an indicative area reserved for them. In absence of such details it is not currently understood whether there has been an assessment of their contribution to the cumulative effect of the proposal on the visual quality/character of the area.

It is accepted that they may have been considered in the LVIA, but without an understanding of the nature of the units, particularly their scale and form, and when they are to be installed, it is difficult, at present, to fully assess the submission. If the intention would be to seek a further permission for them when their installation is expected, then there may need to be a review of the description.

Your comments within 10 days of the date of this letter would be appreciated.

Kind Regards

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