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Dear David

Your ref - APP/20/00833 | HRA/Appropriate Assessment - Erection of a flexible power generation facility with associated ancillary infrastructure, access and boundary treatment | Power Generation Facility, Southmoor Lane, Havant, PO9 1JW

Thank you for consulting us on the above application

Natural England notes that your authority, as competent authority under the provisions of the Habitats Regulations, has undertaken an Appropriate Assessment of the proposal, in accordance with Regulation 63 of the Regulations. Natural England is a statutory consultee on the Appropriate Assessment stage of the Habitats Regulations Assessment process.

Solent Wader & Brent Goose Strategy

The application site is in close proximity to a Secondary Support Area H130. The Solent Waders and Brent Goose Strategy (SWBGS) aims to protect the network of non-designated terrestrial wader and brent goose sites that support the Solent Special Protection Areas (SPA) from land take and recreational pressure associated with new development. However given the localised scale and nature of the works and being separated by the lorry park Natural England considers the proposals will not have an adverse effect on integrity on the SPA or its functional land.

Air Quality

Your appropriate assessment concludes that your authority is able to ascertain that the proposal will not result in adverse effects on the integrity of any of the sites in question. Having considered the assessment, we note that whilst at ecological receptor 18 the nitrogen concentration threshold of 10% is exceeded the critical load of 75µg/m³ is not exceeded, with the value given as 70.77. The supporting Air Quality Assessment concludes that there will therefore not be a likely significant effect on the integrity of the European site in question. With this in mind we concur with the assessment's conclusion that the proposals will not result in an adverse effect on integrity of the Chichester & Langstone Harbour SPA.

Protected species

Natural England has not assessed this application and associated document for impacts on protected species. Natural England has produced [standing advice](#) to help planning authorities understand the impact of particular developments on protected species. We advise that the standing advice is interpreted for you by your district ecologist, or an equivalent independent party with the necessary expertise. Natural England will only provide bespoke advice on protected species where they form part of a SSSI or in exceptional circumstances.

Please contact me if you have any queries relating to this advice

Kind regards

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