

# Theddlethorpe Flexible Generation

**Programme Document** 

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- v1 Initial version discussed with Planning Inspectorate (Jul 2024)
- v2 Updated to reflect s51 advice received (Nov 2024)
- v3 Updated following meeting with Environment Agency (Dec 2024)
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## **Summary:**

The purpose of this document is to show the main steps that the project team anticipates taking during the preparation of a future application for development consent. This document will be kept up-to-date and maintained throughout the pre-application stage. A public version of the Programme Document will be published on the applicant's website (Theddlethorpeflexgen.co.uk).

Updates to the Programme Document will be notified to the Planning Inspectorate and relevant statutory bodies, local authorities and other interested stakeholders.

## **High Level Programme:**

|  | 2025                  |            |  |             | 2026                |   |                                       |    | 202 | 7                   |    |                 |
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|  | Q1                    | Q2         | Q3   | Q4          | Q1                  | Q2  | Q3                                    | Q4 | Q1  |                     | Q2 | Q3              |
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| Project Stage >  | Initial<br>Assessment | ts         | Site Surveys,<br>PEI <sup>3</sup>            | Drafting Do | CO <sup>2</sup> and | Preparation of Application and Completion of EIA <sup>4</sup> |                                       |    | I   | Pre-<br>Examination |    | Examin<br>ation |
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A: Scoping Submission

**B:** Planning Inspectorate Scoping Opinion

C: Consultation with Local Authorities on SoCC

D: Statutory Consultation under Planning Act 2008

E: DCO Application Submission

F: Acceptance of DCO Application by Planning Inspectorate

G: DCO Examination Start

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Statement of Community Consultation (**SoCC**): The SoCC is produced by the Applicant to establish the way it will consult with the local community at the Pre-Application stage.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Development Consent Order (**DCO**): A Development Consent Order is a statutory instrument which provides development consent for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects under the 2008 Planning Act. Applications for such a consent is made to the Planning Inspectorate, who consider such applications and makes a recommendation to the Secretary of State, who will ultimately decide on whether development consent should be granted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Preliminary Environmental Information (**PEI**): Preliminary Environmental Information required for consultation bodies to develop an informed view of the likely significant environmental effects of the development

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Environmental Impact Assessment (**EIA**): Assessment of environmental impact of project.

### Main Issues and Activities:

The project is at an early stage and an initial assessment of main issues will not be complete until our Scoping Request document has been prepared (see previous page). However, the following matters have been raised during discussion with stakeholders, and our approach to addressing the point being raised is provided, within the table below:

| Main Issue   | Resolution Approach⁵   | Programme             |
|--|--|-----------------------|
| Areas at risk of flooding are known to exist within region   | Flood risk will be a topic for consideration at EIA Scoping stage.   | During Q1 and Q2 2025 |
| Sensitive coastal environmental sites exist to the northeast of the Theddlethorpe site.              | Sensitive sites within vicinity will a consideration at EIA Scoping stage.                                       | During Q1 and Q2 2025 |
| Areas of high quality (best and most versatile) agricultural land are known to exist within region.  | Land use and agricultural land quality will be a topic for consideration at EIA Scoping stage.                   | During Q1 and Q2 2025 |
| Number of projects within the area identified, including significant infrastructure projects nearby. | Project team to ensure that nearby significant projects are identified and relevant interactions are considered. | Throughout            |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Subsequent resolutions may be required after initial assessments and / or site survey.

#### Other Matters:

- No financial support agreements are in place between the applicant and stakeholders. Such agreements may be progressed in the future.
- No risks to the achievement of the pre-application stage have yet been identified. A Risk Register will be established for the project to identify and track potential risks to achievement of the pre-application stage. These risks will be reviewed internally by the project team and progressed with external stakeholders where necessary.
- Once the SoCC has been finalised (see previous pages) activities specified within this programme document will be cross-referenced to the contents of the SoCC as appropriate.
- Meetings with the planning inspectorate will take place to discuss project progress and programme. These meetings will take place in advance of important stages for the project, such as but not limited to:
  - In advance of Scoping
  - Before Statutory Consultation
  - o In advance of submission of application
- Ongoing non-statutory engagement activities / consultations will take place with local communities and stakeholders between Scoping and Statutory Consultation.