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Good Morning Declan,

Thank you for your email which I am picking up on Aileen's behalf.

We provided the LPA with an update on our ways of working in April 2023, including a series of standing advice documents and a consultation filter to help determine what planning consultations we would expect to be consulted on. The filter includes our statutory role, and some non-statutory elements that we ask to be consulted on. We ask that that when sending a consultation to us, our consultation filter is completed, or similar confirmation provided, to indicate the reason for consultation. (copy attached). Consideration of this will help both us and the LPA work more efficiently.

The above consultation was received back in January but deemed to fall outside of our consultation filter. We would not therefore wish to provide bespoke comments on the development proposal.

However, we have recently prepared a BESS (Battery Energy Storage System) guidance note for Developers and LPA's which may be of assistance to you in determining the above application (see attached).

I hope this is of help.

Emma

Senior Planning Officer
Sustainable Places
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team email:



From: Declan Cleary <>

Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2024 9:26 AM

To: WestMidsPlanning <>

Subject: Fw: Our Ref: SMD/2024/0019 - Newfields Farm Battery Energy Storage System (Staffordshire Moorlands District Council)

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Hi,

Please could I seek a response to the below email which relates to a consultation request from Staffordshire Moorlands District Council.

Thanks

Declan

Declan Cleary

(on behalf of SMDC)

From: Declan Cleary <>

Sent: 25 June 2024 09:24

To: <> **Subject:** Our Ref: SMD/2024/0019 - Newfields Farm Battery Energy Storage System (Staffordshire Moorlands District Council)

Hello Aileen,

Apologies for the direct email.

I am dealing with the above application on behalf of Staffordshire Moorlands Council.

We sent a consultation to the EA in January this year but do not appear to have received a response. Could I ask if this could be reviewed please, or you provide an indication of timescales, as this is one of the few consultation comments outstanding.

Also, apologies if this is misdirected and you are not the Officer dealing with this. If not, would it be possible to forward on to who would deal with this?

Thanks

Declan

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