**SSSI Assessment form: Appendix 4**

| Application for permission - Formal Notice (For Advice/Consultation) |
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***\*\* Instruction for Environment Agency. Read and then delete. Refer to*** [*SSSI Assessment: Permits and permissions - How to fill in the form (Appendix 4)*](https://defra.sharepoint.com/sites/def-contentcloud/_layouts/15/DocIdRedir.aspx?ID=CONTENTCLOUD-190616497-10291) ***and*** [*SSSI Assessment: Assessing permits and permissions*](https://defra.sharepoint.com/sites/def-contentcloud/_layouts/15/DocIdRedir.aspx?ID=CONTENTCLOUD-190616497-10587) ***\*\****

This is a formal notice from the Environment Agency (EA) to Natural England (NE) (or other relevant Statutory Nature Conservation Body (SNCB)) to meet the requirements under Section 28I of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended by the Countryside and Rights of Way Act (CRoW) 2000).

This is the duty in relation to granting any consent, licence or permit for activities likely to damage Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI). We must seek advice (consult NE, or other SNCB) before permitting any activities that may damage a SSSI.

This notice || was / was not || sent to Natural England or other SNCB for consultation.

|| For EPR permits only (excluding Flood Risk Activity Permits): An additional component charge for habitats assessment was levied / was not levied / was not applicable for this application ||

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**1. Name of SSSI**

Teesmouth and Cleveland Coast SSSI

**2. Type of permission**

Installation Bespoke

**3. Proposed timing of permission**

Write here...

**4. Predicted 28 day date for NE (or other SNCB) response (under S28 I (4))**

Write here...

**5. EA reference number**

EPR/ZP3309LW/A001

**6. EA site/project name**

Tees Valley Energy Recovery Facility

**7. National grid reference**

NZ 54445 21368

**8. Description of proposal**

Write here...

**9. Is the proposed activity within (wholly or partially) the SSSI boundary?**

Write here...

**10. Has there been any discussion or correspondence with NE or other SNCB?**

Write here...

**11. Operations Requiring Consent or other activities associated with the work**

The following 'Operations Requiring Consent' (or other activities associated with the work) that may cause damage are relevant to the proposed works:

Write here...

**12. Assessment of effects on features[[1]](#footnote-1)**

| Feature | Exposure, mechanism/pathway and scale of effect |
| --- | --- |
| >20,000 Non-breeding waterbirds |  |
| Aggregations of breeding birds - Avocet, Recurvirostra avosetta |  |
| Aggregations of breeding birds - Common Tern, Sterna hirundo |  |
| Aggregations of breeding birds - Little Tern, Sterna albifrons |  |
| Aggregations of non-breeding birds - Gadwall, Mareca strepera |  |
| Aggregations of non-breeding birds - Knot, Calidris canutus |  |
| Aggregations of non-breeding birds - Purple Sandpiper, Calidris maritima |  |
| Aggregations of non-breeding birds - Redshank, Tringa totanus |  |
| Aggregations of non-breeding birds - Ringed Plover, Charadrius hiaticula |  |
| Aggregations of non-breeding birds - Ruff, Philomachus pugnax |  |
| Aggregations of non-breeding birds - Sanderling, Calidris alba |  |
| Aggregations of non-breeding birds - Sandwich Tern, Sterna sandvicensis |  |
| Aggregations of non-breeding birds - Shelduck, Tadorna tadorna |  |
| Aggregations of non-breeding birds - Shoveler, Anas clypeata |  |
| Assemblages of breeding birds - Mixed: Sand-dunes and saltmarsh, lowland open waters and their margins |  |
| Common seal, Phoca vitulina |  |
| EC - Hettangian Sinemurian and Pliensbachian - A geological feature. |  |
| FB - Quaternary of NE England - A geological feature. |  |
| Invertebrate assemblage |  |
| SD16 - Salix repens - Holcus lanatus dune slack community |  |
| SD19 - Phleum arenarium - Arenaria serpyllifolia dune annual community |  |
| SD2 - Honkenya peploides - Cakile maritima strandline community |  |
| SD4 - Elymus farctus ssp. Boreali-atlanticus foredune community |  |
| SD5 - Leymus arenarius mobile dune community |  |
| SD6 - Ammophila arenaria mobile dune community |  |
| SD7 - Ammophila arenaria - Festuca rubra semi-fixed dune community |  |
| SD8 - Festuca rubra - Galium verum fixed dune grassland |  |
| SD9 - Ammophila arenaria - arrhenatherum elatius dune grassland |  |
| SM10 - Transitional low marsh vegetation with Puccinellia maritima, annual Salicornia species and Suaeda maritima |  |
| SM13a - Puccinellia maritima saltmarsh, Puccinellia maritima dominant sub-community |  |
| SM13c - Puccinellia maritima saltmarsh, Limonium vulgare - Armeria maritima sub-community |  |
| SM24 - Elytrigia atherica saltmarsh |  |
| SM28 - Elytrigia repens saltmarsh |  |
| SM8 - Annual Salicornia saltmarsh |  |
| SM9 - Suaeda maritima saltmarsh |  |

**13. Decision**

|| The proposed permission is / is not likely to damage any of the flora, fauna or geological or physiological features which are of special interest with / without conditions. ||

Write here...

The Environment Agency is minded to || issue the permission / issue the permission with conditions to ensure no damage to SSSI / efuse the permission due to likely damage to SSSI. ||

**Name of Environment Agency officer:**

**Job title:**

**Contact phone or e-mail:**

**Date sent to NE (or other SNCB), if applicable:** || Select date ||

For use when the notice has been sent to NE (or other SNCB)

**14. NE (or other SNCB) comment on notice**

|| NE advise against permitting the operation / the operation can go ahead with / without conditions. ||

Write here...

**Name of Natural England (or other SNCB) officer:**

**Job title:**

**Contact phone or e-mail:**

**Date of response:** || Select date ||

1. List of notified features provided by Natural England on 15 November 2021 [↑](#footnote-ref-1)