

Due Diligence Panel's Assessment and Scoring 7 March 2019

Proposer	Panel's Assessment, Score and Recommendations for Mitigating Action
Interested party:	NATIONAL GRID PLC Donation towards the Moors for the Future Mancunian Mill to Moor Project Proposal
Assessment of proposal against 1-6 in process criteria	
1. Contribution to achieving corporate plan section	No issues identified SCORE 10
2. Fit with PDNPA brand values section	No issues identified SCORE 10
3. Motive of interested party section	Satisfactory – some issues but not insurmountable – See 6 below SCORE 5
4. Identity and financial check section	No issues identified SCORE 10
5. Environmental credentials section	Satisfactory – some issues but not insurmountable – See 6 below SCORE 5
6. Conflict of interest/impact on Authority's reputation section	Satisfactory – some issues but not insurmountable - The regulator Natural England had imposed a penalty of £10,000 against National Grid as a result of damage caused by them on SSSI land outside the PDNPA boundary when carrying out restoration works on their infrastructure. The Panel accepted that it is for Natural England to decide whether it is acceptable to deal with this matter by way of a donation to a conservation project and for them to determine the size and recipient of the donation. However the Panel wished to confirm whether the matter had been concluded or whether there were any current or pending additional enforcement actions to be taken by Natural England against National Grid, in relation to the incident and asked for confirmation of the current situation. SCORE 5
Conclusions on whether appropriate to develop a relationship with interested party	The Panel agreed to accept the donation from National Grid of £10,000 towards the Moors for the Future Mancunian Mill to Moor Project subject to confirmation from Natural England that there is no continuing enforcement issue between themselves and National Grid in respect of this incident. Confirmation of no on- going or future enforcement action has been received from Natural England on 3 rd May 2019.

Scoring: Score out of 10

10 = no issues

1= prohibitive issues meaning cannot proceed whatever the value of other scores

5= satisfactory – some issues but not insurmountable

0= difficult to make judgement from information provided- more information needed