

Officer Report

Application Number:	HGY/2026/1911
Application Type:	Approval of details reserved by a condition
Address:	Tottenham Substation, Watermead Way, London, N17 0SG
Proposal:	Approval in part (Phase 2) of Schedule 2 Requirement 14 (Archaeology) relating to Stage 3a (as approved under HGY/2026/0364), of The National Grid (North London Reinforcement Project) Order 2014 attached to development consent order HGY/2014/3601.
Case Officer:	Nathan Keyte
Valid Date:	03/07/2026
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RECOMMENDATION

Approve

1. APPROVED DEVELOPMENT

North London Reinforcement Project to replace and maintain an existing section of 275kV overhead power line with a 400kV overhead line and to undertake works to the associated substations at Waltham Cross, Brimsdown and Tottenham. This is designed to help facilitate the increased flow of electricity into London. The National Grid (North London Reinforcement Project) Order 2014 attached to development consent order HGY/2014/3601.

Planning approval for staging under Requirement 3 (Stages of Authorised Development) of The National Grid (North London Reinforcement) Development Consent Order 2014 (the DCO) was subsequently made and approved for Haringey under HGY/2023/0953, with a revised staging plan submitted and approved under HGY/2025/2787, then HGY/2026/0364.

Stage 3a relates to remediation works at the former bus depot site.

2. PROPOSAL

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3. CONSULTATION RESPONSE

GLAAS – No objection, and no written scheme of investigation necessary for Stage 3(a) Phase 2.

4. ANALYSIS/ASSESSMENT

Requirement 14

Requirement 14 (Archaeology) of The National Grid (North London Reinforcement) Development Consent Order 2014 (the DCO) states:

(1) No stage of the authorised development shall commence until for that stage, a written scheme for the investigation of areas of archaeological interest (as identified in the environmental measures document) has, after consultation with the Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England, been approved by the relevant planning authority.

(2) Each scheme submitted under requirement 14(1) shall identify areas where one or more of—

(a) field work; and

(b) a watching brief

are required, and the measures to be taken to protect, record or preserve any significant archaeological remains that may be found.

(3) Any archaeological works or watching brief carried out under the scheme submitted under requirement 14(1) must be by a suitably qualified person or body.

(4) Any archaeological works or watching brief must be carried out in general accordance with the scheme approved under requirement 14(1) unless otherwise agreed with the relevant planning authority.

Assessment

The proposed excavations are intended to remediate contamination in the upper layers of the site with borehole extraction at greater depth. Overall the archaeological impact is likely to be negligible so no mitigation is recommended for the works covered by this application.

5. RECOMMENDATION

GRANT DISCHARGE OF REQUIREMENT 14 AS RELATES TO PHASE 2 OF STAGE 3A