

Sam Till

From: Julia Casterton
Sent: 27 November 2018 10:49
To: Sam Till
Subject: RE: Consultation by the County Planning AuthorityNY/2018/0237/A27

Hi Sam

I have a number of comments relating to the submission. I have provided the paragraph reference of the document where appropriate.

2.3.1 - I have no concerns relating to the clay being left as an island and agree that this could have nature conservation value. You may need to check whether the island provides a problem in terms of the bird management plan and requirements of the aviation industry. Part of overcoming any conflicts may include having a suitable management plan for the island to ensure it benefits target species rather than acting as a roosting place for undesirable species.

2.3.2 - it is considered that marl provides a good substrate for nature conservation purposes any in these areas topsoil is not necessary for restoration purposes.

2.3.3 - clarification of how the restoration of Lingham Water differs to that expected at the planning stage is requested. Lingham Water has nature conservation value and a more detailed plan for this area would be extremely useful in informing the restoration moving forward.

2.5.2 - I understand the need to take account of changes on site and would request that a revised scheme is submitted as part of the review in 2019.

3.4.6 - fertilizer should only be applied where demonstrably necessary for agricultural purposes, as any application risks leaching to ground and surface water.

3.4.9 - cutting for silage would preclude use by ground nesting birds such as Curlew - it would be beneficial to leave some areas for ground nesting birds.

3.5.4 - all plant material must be of native British provenance - much UK nursery material is imported.

3.6.9 & 3.6.10 - stock must be of northern English native provenance. Selection of willows should be based on local riparian/wet woodland communities and cuttings should be sourced from the same (e.g. High Batts). Care should be taken to avoid clones which may be of planted origin.

3.7.5 - What is the significance of Whisby (near Lincoln)? There is little reason to be buying-in nursery grown stock as suitable species are either available locally or can be introduced as locally-collected seed. *Phalaris* is a species of moist soils but not typical of water margins. *Alisma* is a good pioneer colonist and strewing of local seed would be much preferable to introduction of bought-in plants. *Carex* species should not include *C. acutiformis*, *C. acuta* or *C. riparia* as they are too aggressive and produce a dense litter layer; depending on nutrient levels and pH, *C. vesicaria* and *C. rostrata* are preferable and tussock-forming sedges like *C. elata* and *C. paniculata* are both locally-characteristic and provide invaluable habitat for wetland birds and invertebrates. *Juncus* species should be restricted to *J. subnodulosus* – there is no benefit in introducing *J. effusus*, *inflexus* or *conglomeratus* and *J. articulatus* will appear spontaneously. Inclusion of local-provenance *Cladium mariscus* should be considered (available from LUCT nursery).

3.9.1 - it would be preferable to consider long term management at an earlier stage in the process as management can have a bearing on the fine details of restoration.

I hope that these comments are of use - should you have any specific queries, please let me know.

Best wishes

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Please note that I am part time and do not work on Fridays.

-----Original Message-----

From: Sam Till

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Subject: Consultation by the County Planning AuthorityNY/2018/0237/A27

Dear Sir/Madam, Attached is a letter of consultation. The attached consultation letter provides details on how to view the application and the e-mail address to which responses should be sent. Yours faithfully, Victoria Perkin
Head of Planning Services