Planning Inspectorate

Notice of Rule 13 Status

Ref: CROWN/2026/0000005 Haslar Immigration Removal Centre (IRC)

Date 19 October 2026

No Detention No Haslar

Under *The Town and Country Planning (Crown Development Applications) (Hearings and Inquiries) Rules 2025*

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (Section 293D Applications)

1. You should ensure that you read the entirety of this Notice as it contains important information and dates.
2. On 16 October 2026, No Detention No Haslar sought to be a Rule 13 Party. This notification refers to your request for Rule 13(4) status. **We confirm that this status is granted to you.**
3. Please see our Guide to Rule 6 for interested parties involved in an Inquiry – planning appeals and called-in applications - GOV.UK. Although this guidance relates to planning appeals, the same broad principles apply to Rule 13(4) as part of Crown Development Applications procedure.
4. As you are a Rule 13 Party, you should send us a copy of the **Statement of Case / Proof of evidence** you intend to put forward at the inquiry. You must do this, no later than **5.00pm on Tuesday 27 October 2026**.
5. Your Statement of Case should give full details of the case you will be putting forward at the Inquiry. This should include an indication of whether or not you intend on providing any **Proofs of Evidence** (under Rule 20) to the Inquiry. These are usually documents which have been written by an expert and/or persons who wish to provide issue or matter specific evidence.
6. Should you wish to provide Proofs, the person(s) providing that Proof should ensure that they are available for the dates of the Inquiry. That person should also be aware that it is likely that advocates for other parties may wish to 'test' the Proof by means of cross-examination and/or questioning.
7. You should also ensure that an electronic copy is sent to the Planning Inspectorate (at the same email address), so that we can ensure it is published on our case website.
8. You must also provide any other documents, maps and plans, you intend to refer to or use in evidence. Seeking to submit these at a later date would be at the Inspector's discretion and you should be aware that you may be subject to an application for costs made by other parties if you submit documents late.
9. We recommend that you regularly check the case website for updates relating to this case and to view documents submitted.

10. Please contact us at crownapplications@planninginspectorate.gov.uk **as soon as possible** to confirm if you consent to our sharing your contact information with the Applicant and LPA or provide a contact that can be shared.

11. You are also encouraged to read our guidance on statements of case in Section 12 of the Procedural Guide: Planning appeals – England - GOV.UK. Whilst the guidance is written for statements of case submitted as part of planning appeals, the same broad principles apply to statements of case submitted as part of Crown Development Applications.

The Inspector and Inquiry date

12. The Inspector appointed to decide the application is D Young JP BSc(Hons) MA MRTPI MIHE.

13. The **Inquiry is due to open at 4.30pm on Tuesday 17 November 2026** and will then sit for two days from 18 November 2026 with a third day held in reserve if required.

14. The inquiry will be held at Gosport Town Hall, High Street, Gosport PO12 1EB.

15. All parties are reminded that witnesses to the Inquiry – those who are submitted Proofs and/or advocating - should be available for its duration.

Costs

16. In some circumstances, costs can be applied for and awarded for Crown Development Applications. Further details of this can be found at www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/guidance. Whilst this refers to appeals, similar principles apply to Crown Development Applications. Therefore, you are advised to read this guidance carefully as it contains important information about how one party might have to pay another party's costs.

17. Such situations may arise where one party considers another party has acted **unreasonably** in the lead up to or during the Inquiry, and in acting unreasonably this has **caused unnecessary or wasted expense** on the party making the application for costs. It is not an opportunity to recover general costs on the basis that you support or oppose the scheme, and / or the costs that you have incurred in supporting your case at the Inquiry. The general expectation is that parties will cover their own costs in participating in the process.

18. Additionally, you should be aware that the appointed Inspector may, on their own initiative, make an award of costs, in full or in part, if they judge that a party has behaved unreasonably resulting in unnecessary application expense.

Yours sincerely,
Crown Development Case Team
