



The Planning Inspectorate Yr Arolygiaeth Gynllunio

Millbrook Power Project

Accompanied Site Inspection (ASI) Itinerary – Wednesday 2 May 2018

The Accompanied Site Inspection (ASI) will begin at 10.00am at The Forest Centre, Station Road, Marston Moretaine, Bedfordshire MK43 0PR. So please can attendees meet there.

The ASI will involve the use of a vehicle and will include some walking. The Examining Authority (ExA) request's that all attendees wear appropriate clothing for the weather, and sturdy footwear.

The ExA would like to remind all participants that the site inspection is not an opportunity to make any oral representations on the application, but simply an opportunity to identify physical features that are relevant to the examination.

The Applicant has provided a route for the ASI which the ExA has agreed with. Please note that the itinerary is indicative and therefore it is not possible to predict how long each part of the visit will last or when particular sites will be visited. The itinerary and plan of the route can be found in Annex A of this document.



The Millbrook Power (Gas Fired Power Station) Order

Accompanied Site Inspection Itinerary



Introduction

As part of the Examination of the DCO Application for the Millbrook Power Project, an accompanied site inspection (ASI) will be undertaken by the Examiner, the Applicant and other Interested Parties. The ASI is scheduled for the Wednesday 2 May 2018.

The aim of the ASI is for the Examiner and other Interested Parties to appreciate the setting and surrounding landscape of the Project Site and explore how the Project would be seen from key viewpoints.

In consultation with Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) and the Examining Authority, the Applicant has prepared this itinerary for the ASI. The viewpoints selected will provide a comprehensive understanding of the Project in the context of the surrounding area, and consider a range of receptors including residential areas, community facilities, heritage assets and public rights of way.

The Applicant and CBC have selected locations for the visit that correspond closely with the viewpoint locations selected for the Landscape Visual Impact Assessment (LVIA) of the ES (Chapter 11, Examination Library Reference APP-033). The benefit of such an approach is that existing photomontage material may be utilised as visual aids.

Itinerary and viewpoints

Table 1 below sets out the itinerary for the ASI and viewpoints which will be visited.

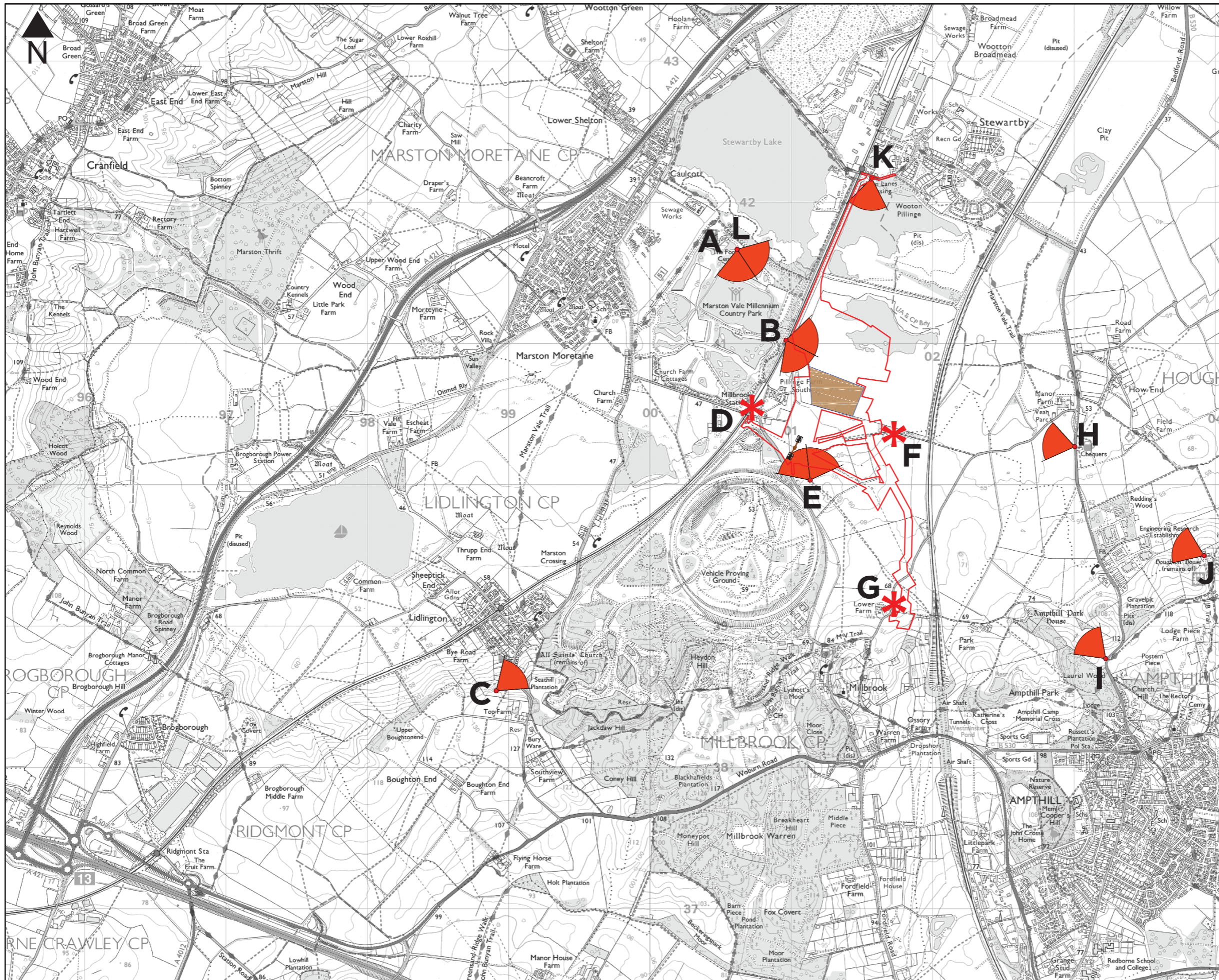
Plan showing the proposed viewpoint locations is provided at Appendix 1.

Table 1 – Itinerary and viewpoints





Location (in order to be visited)	Description	Comments	Corresponding Photomontage viewpoint
A – 10.00 am	The Forest Centre, Marston Vale Millennium Country Park	Meet in Forest Centre carpark followed by short walk to location A. View from the park to the east towards Rookery South Pit, although little of the Project visible from here. Marston Vale Millennium Country Park is an important recreational centre for the Marston Vale.	VP 6b
B	A short walk to the eastern side of the Marston Vale Millennium Country Park	Close-up view over the Marston Vale Branch Line into Rookery South Pit. Power Generation Plant visible from here.	VP 15
C	Picnic area on the Greensand Ridge above Lidlington	View looking north-east across the Marston Vale gives appreciation of the wider setting. Long distance view beyond the Millbrook Proving Ground to Rookery South Pit and the Project Site.	VP 11
D	Millbrook Station	Opportunity to consider the view from the nearest residential receptors and look at parts of the area of land to be used for	None

		construction of the temporary diversion of the 400 kV power line.	
E	Footpath 7 crossing agricultural ground to the south of Rookery South Pit	Close-up view directly into the Power Generation Plant Site within Rookery South Pit. Viewpoint is adjacent to the existing overhead electricity line and the location for the Sealing End Compounds and Substation. Can also look at the LLRS secondary access point with Station Lane.	VP 14
F	Footpath 14 / footpath 65	View into Rookery South Pit from the top of its southern embankment. Completed LLRS works and Covanta platform can be seen.	VP14
G	Agricultural track opposite Lower Farm	Inspection of AGI Site and access point from Houghton Lane	None
H (Approx. arrival 12:30 pm)	Chequers Pub Carpark (REFRESHMENT STOP)	Very limited views of the Project Site from the east on the B530	VP2
I	Point at which the Greensand Way crosses the B530 on the Greensand Ridge	View looking north-west across the Marston Vale, directly above Ampthill Park House. Distant view of Rookery South Pit and the Project Site	VP 6
J	Houghton House (ruined historic mansion)	View looking north-west across the Marston Vale from this publicly accessible grade 1 listed building. Distant view of Rookery South Pit and the Project Site	VP 4
K	Green Lane, Stewartby, near to level crossing with Marston Vale Branch Line	Limited view of the Power Generation Plant Site, Gas Connection Site or Electrical Connection Site, but gives a good appreciation of the main access point into Rookery North and South Pits. Can inspect the work that has now started under the Rookery South (RRF) Order.	VP 12
L (Approx. arrival 3:30 pm)	Return to The Forest Centre		

Plan showing viewpoint locations



Legend:

-  Project Site
-  Generating Equipment Site and Substation Area
-  72 degree horizontal field of view viewpoint comprising existing baseline view, wireline and photomontage.
-  Additional viewpoint locations (no photomontage).

Viewpoints:-

- A. Country Park Visitor Centre
- B. Footpath within Country Park, near railway
- C. Picnic Area Lidlington
- D. Millbrook Station
- E. Footpath 7, near Vehicle Proving Ground
- F. Footpath 14 / Footpath 65
- G. Agricultural track opposite Lower Farm
- H. Footpath by Chequers Pub
- I. Green Sand Way / B530
- J. Houghton House
- K. Access to Rookery North Pit, Green Lane
- L. Return to The Forest Centre

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APPENDIX A

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APPENDIX A
Plan Identifying Locations of Photographs

