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Your reference: EN010093

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Dear Dee,

**BY EMAIL ONLY** 

## Re: Application by Cory Riverside Energy for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Riverside Energy Park – Adequacy of consultation request

Thank you for your letter dated 16 November 2018, providing Kent County Council (KCC) with the opportunity to confirm whether, in progressing the scheme, the applicant has complied with the following duties:

- Duty to consult Planning Act 2008 (as amended) Section 42
- Duty to consult the local community Planning Act 2008 (as amended) Section 47
- Duty to publicise Planning Act 2008 (as amended) Section 48

## Duty to consult - Section 42

Cory Riverside Energy undertook a statutory consultation under Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008. As part of the statutory consultation, a Preliminary Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) was submitted to help consultees understand the likely significant effects of the proposed development on the environment. KCC was invited to respond to the consultation, which was held from Monday 18 June to Monday 30 July 2018, and the County Council subsequently provided a response on Monday 30 July 2018.

The County Council was also provided with the opportunity to comment on some minor changes to the proposal, under a separate Section 42 consultation, which took place from Wednesday 1 August to Friday 7 September 2018. KCC provided a response to the additional information on Friday 7 September 2018.

The County Council has no concerns in relation to the duty to consult, as set out in Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008.

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## Duty to consult the local community - Section 47

KCC was consulted on the draft Statement of Community Involvement (SoCC) in April 2018 and subsequently provided a response on Thursday 3 May 2018.

The County Council has no concerns in relation to the consultation process, as set out in Section 47 of the Planning Act 2008.

## **Duty to publicise - Section 48**

KCC has no comments to make in relation to the applicant's compliance with Section 48 of the Planning Act 2008.

Overall, KCC considers that the applicant has complied with its duties under Sections 42, 47 and 48.

If you require further information or clarification on any matter in this letter, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Katie Stewart Director for Environment, Planning and Enforcement