



# The Planning Inspectorate

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All Interested and Affected Parties

Your Ref:

Our Ref: EN010093

Date: 19 August 2019

Dear Sir/ Madam

## **The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) – Rule 13**

### **Application by Cory Riverside Energy for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Riverside Energy Park**

#### **Planning Act 2008 - Compulsory Acquisition Hearing (section 92) and Issue Specific Hearing into the draft Development Consent Order (section 91)**

Further to the procedural decision and my amendment to the examination timetable enclosed with my [Rule 8\(3\) letter](#) of 8 August 2019, I am writing to confirm arrangements for hearings in September 2019 and to notify you of the date, time and location for hearings that will proceed.

#### **1. Notification of the dates, times and location of hearings**

Interested parties who wish to speak at one or more of the forthcoming hearings, but did not notify the Planning Inspectorate by Deadline 1 on 30 April 2019, should notify Emré Williams (Case Manager) using the contact details at the head of this letter by **12 noon, Monday 9 September 2019**.

It would greatly assist in the organisation of the hearings if you inform us if you plan to attend all the hearings or a specific hearing, even if you do not wish to speak. It would also assist us if you could notify us of any special needs you may have (e.g. disabled access, hearing loop etc). You must ensure that your interested party reference number is included in your correspondence.

Arrangements for the hearings that will proceed, including dates, times and locations are set out overleaf.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Hearing</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>
Wednesday, 18 September 2019	Compulsory Acquisition Hearing (CAH2)	10.00	<b>Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre,</b>
Thursday, 19 September 2019	Issue Specific Hearing (ISH3) into the draft Development Consent Order (DCO)	10.00	Chrome Road, Erith, DA8 2EL

The hearing venue will be open 30 minutes prior to the start of the hearing to enable a prompt start. The Examining Authority will decide on the topics to be considered at the hearings.

Agendas for the Compulsory Acquisition Hearing (CAH) and Issue Specific Hearing (ISH) will be published on the Planning Inspectorate's national infrastructure planning website (the Examination website) at least 7 days in advance. Once hearing Agendas are available, if an Interested Party (IP) and/or Affected Person (AP) wishes to make an oral representation at either the ISH and/or CAH they should inform the Case Team which topics they wish to address at the hearing. Each IP/AP is entitled to make oral representations at the relevant hearing (subject to the Examining authority's powers of control over the hearings).

Guidance under the Planning Act 2008 provides that at hearings it is the Examining Authority that will probe, test and assess the evidence through direct questioning of persons making oral representations. Questioning at the hearings will be led by me.

The time allocated for each of the hearings will be estimated, based on the matters identified for consideration. Should a hearing take less time than anticipated, the Examining Authority may conclude the hearing as soon as all relevant contributions have been made and all questions asked and responded to. Equally, if there are additional matters to be dealt with, or there are submissions that take a considerable amount of time at any hearing, there may be a need to continue the session for longer on the day, or to make additional hearing arrangements.

### **Examining Authority direction**

The Applicant under Rule 13 of the Examination Procedure Rules (EPR) 2010 (as amended), not later than 21 days before the date fixed for commencement of a hearing issue such notice of the hearing in accordance with Rule 13(6) to (10).

Given the timing of Deadline 5 and 6, which I have taken into consideration to inform my decision to hold the hearings scheduled for September, this has resulted in the Applicant unable to meet their statutory requirements under Rule 13(7) to advertise a notice 'no later than 21 days...' within a local advertisement.

Under Rule 13(6) I have made a direction for the Applicant to advertise their notice in accordance with the EPR 2010, as soon as possible but no later than Wednesday 28 August 2019, which provides for 20 days advertisement, however under Rule 13(7)(b) this notice as published to the Examination website serves as notice of advertisement for hearings scheduled in September (as referenced above), which is more than the required 21 days.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact the case team.

Yours faithfully

*Jonathan Green*

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**Examining Authority**