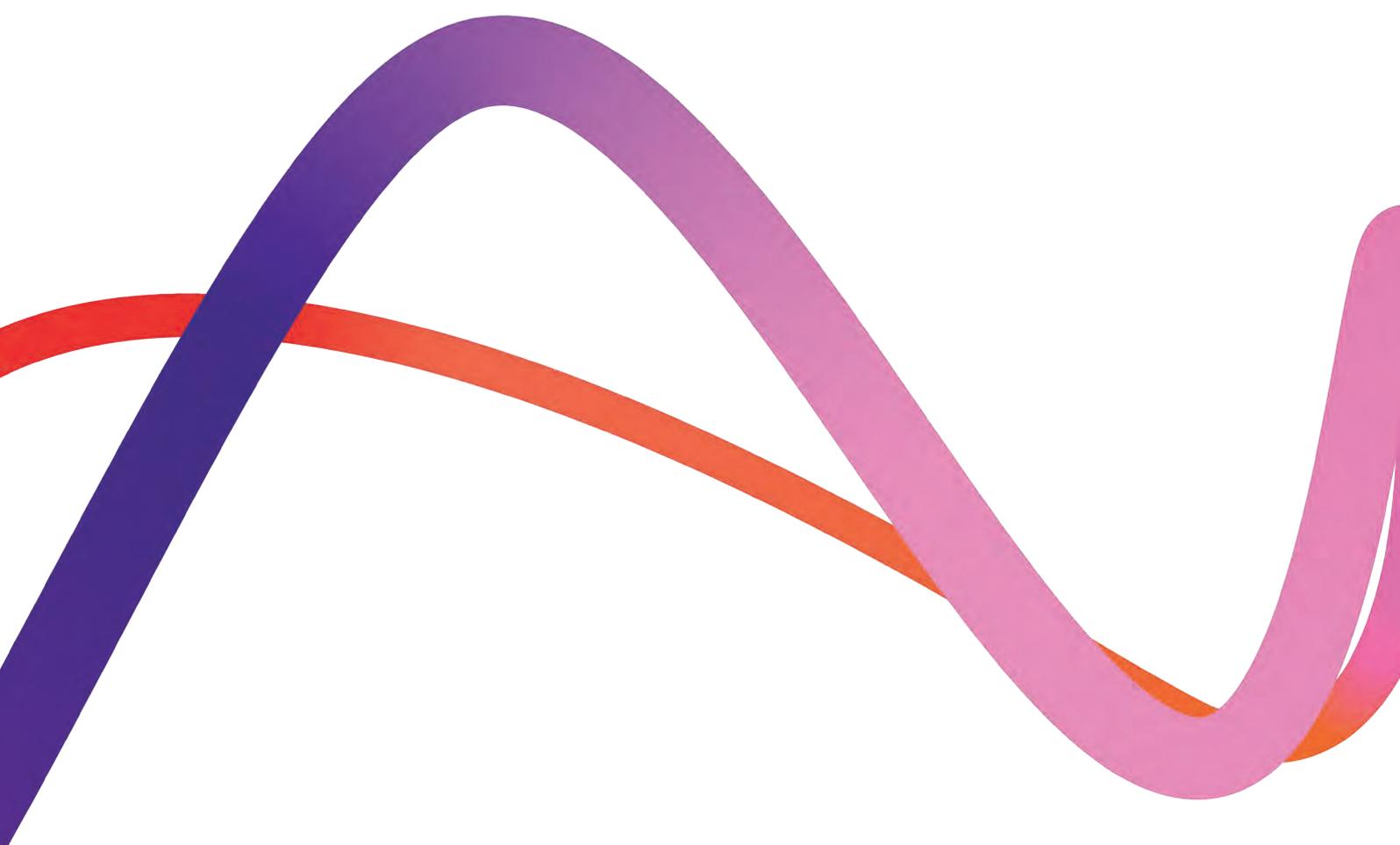




# Appendix C Stage 1b Consultation Feedback Report



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# 1. Introduction

- 1.1.1 This Consultation Feedback Report (CFR) has been prepared by Wood on behalf of MVV Environment Ltd (the Developer). It presents the results of the non-statutory Stage 1b consultation<sup>1</sup> (the Stage 1b consultation) that took place on proposals for the Medworth Energy from Waste (EfW) Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Facility (hereafter referred to as the 'Project') on land at Algores Way, Wisbech, between 18<sup>th</sup> September and 29<sup>th</sup> October 2020.
- 1.1.2 This CFR sets out details of the Stage 1b consultation undertaken and a summary of the feedback received in relation to the Project. It also sets out the Developer's response to the representations made during the consultation and explains where and how they have influenced the Project proposals.
- 1.1.3 Together with the Stage 1 CFR, this CFR will inform the Consultation Report that is required to accompany the Development Consent Order (DCO) application.

## 1.2 Background to the Project

- 1.2.1 The Developer intends to make an application to the Secretary of State for a DCO for the Project. It is a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under Part 3 Section 15 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008) due to the fact that it will be a generating station located in England and will have a generating capacity of over 50 megawatts (MW). The DCO application will be submitted to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy.
- 1.2.2 The proposed development will recover useful energy in the form of electricity and steam from over half a million tonnes of non-recyclable (residual) municipal and commercial and industrial waste each year. Generating over 50 MW, the electricity will be exported to the grid. It will also have the capability to export steam and electricity to users on the surrounding industrial estate following the former railway line adjacent to the western boundary of the EfW CHP Facility site.
- 1.2.3 The proposals will also include a grid connection, access improvements, a temporary construction compound and a substation.

## 1.3 Structure of the report

- 1.3.1 The remainder of this CFR is structured as follows:
- Section 2 - presents a summary of what was consulted on. The section also explains who was consulted and the methods used during the consultation;
  - Section 3 - presents details of the feedback mechanisms used, the number of representations received and describes how the analysis of feedback was managed;

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<sup>1</sup> An early stage of pre-application consultation not undertaken pursuant to the requirements of the Planning Act 2008.



- Section 4 - sets out a summary of the representations received from prescribed consultees, members of the public and wider consultees in relation to the design topic, together with the Developer's current response;
- Section 5 - sets out a summary of the representations received from prescribed consultees, members of the public and wider consultees in relation to the environment topic, together with the Developer's current response;
- Section 6 - sets out a summary of the representations received from prescribed consultees, members of the public and wider consultees in relation to the community topic, together with the Developer's current response;
- Section 7 - sets out a summary of the representations received from prescribed consultees, members of the public and wider consultees in relation to the other comments topic, together with the Developer's current response; and
- Section 8 - sets out the next steps in the process.



## 2. Methods of Consultation

### 2.1 Introduction

2.1.1 The Developer sees pre-application consultation as not just a key requirement of the PA 2008 but as a crucial method of raising awareness and understanding about the Project. It also helps develop a two-way dialogue with local communities and consultees and informs development of the proposals, as well as how any potential impacts of the Project are mitigated, before a DCO application is submitted.

2.1.2 This section provides an overview of the purpose of the consultation, when it took place, with whom and how it was carried out. It also provides a summary of the pre-consultation engagement undertaken and how this influenced the approach.

### 2.2 Consultation Strategy

2.2.1 In December 2019, the Developer presented its strategy for pre-application consultation to the host local authorities (see paragraph 2.2.3). The Strategy set out plans for the following two stages of pre-application consultation with respect to the emerging proposals:

- Stage 1 – non-statutory consultation; and
- Stage 2 – statutory consultation in accordance with the requirements of the PA 2008.

2.2.2 In accordance with that strategy, a non-statutory consultation was undertaken on the emerging proposals between 16<sup>th</sup> March and 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020; it was intended that this would include seven public exhibitions in March and April 2020. However, due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the associated social restrictions, these public exhibitions were postponed. In postponing the exhibitions, the Developer committed to rearranging them as soon as possible and subsequently proposed an additional stage of non-statutory consultation (the Stage 1b consultation) on its proposals, prior to its statutory consultation (Stage 2).

2.2.3 An update to the Consultation Strategy was prepared and provided to the following host local authorities in July 2020<sup>2</sup> on the approach to the Stage 1b consultation:

- Borough Council of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk;
- Cambridgeshire County Council;
- Fenland District Council; and
- Norfolk County Council.

2.2.4 Feedback on the Strategy was received from all four host local authorities and was considered by the Developer as part of finalising the approach to the consultation.

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<sup>2</sup> As defined under s42(1)(b) of the Planning Act 2008



The Consultation Strategy Update, which includes details of the comments received and the Developer's response, is presented at **Appendix A**.

2.2.5 In accordance with that Strategy, the Stage 1b consultation was undertaken on the emerging proposals between 18<sup>th</sup> September and 29<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

## 2.3 Purpose of the consultation

2.3.1 The Stage 1b consultation was a non-statutory consultation, undertaken at an early stage in the project development process, to provide consultees with an opportunity to influence the proposals whilst options were still being considered. As the public exhibitions proposed during the Stage 1 consultation had to be postponed due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the consultation also provided an opportunity for consultees to attend public exhibitions and speak to members of the Developer's project team.

2.3.2 The consultation was focussed on the strategic issues and options for the Project, with views sought on the core scheme, design options still under consideration and any emerging preferences for the Project and its delivery.

## 2.4 When did the consultation take place?

2.4.1 The Stage 1b consultation took place for a period of six weeks between 18<sup>th</sup> September and 29<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

## 2.5 Consultation zone

2.5.1 The consultation was undertaken within an identified consultation zone around the area of the Project, but was not geographically restricted to respondents in this area.

2.5.2 The consultation zone was the same as that used in the Stage 1 consultation and had two distinct areas. These areas are described below and illustrated in **Appendix B**:

- Zone A – covered a two-kilometre radius of the Main Development Site boundary, plus the full extent of residential areas in Wisbech and Elm; and
- Zone B – represented a five-kilometre radius of the Main Development Site boundary. It also included a two-kilometre buffer around the potential grid connection options.

## 2.6 Who was consulted

### Prescribed consultees

2.6.1 Although the Stage 1b consultation was non-statutory, a wide range of consultees drawn from the list in Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (the APFP Regulations) were contacted. In addition to the host local authorities, this included statutory bodies such as Natural England, Historic England and the Environment Agency, as well as parish councils.



2.6.2 A full list of those consulted is presented at **Appendix C**.

### Local authorities

2.6.3 The following local authorities were notified of the consultation:

- Bedford Borough Council;
- Borough Council of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk;
- Breckland Council;
- Cambridgeshire County Council;
- Central Bedfordshire Council;
- East Cambridgeshire District Council;
- Essex County Council;
- Fenland District Council;
- Hertfordshire County Council;
- Huntingdonshire District Council;
- Lincolnshire County Council;
- Norfolk County Council;
- North Norfolk District Council;
- Northamptonshire County Council;
- Peterborough City Council;
- South Holland District Council;
- Suffolk County Council;
- The Broads Authority; and
- West Suffolk Council.

### Local communities

2.6.4 Local community consultees within Consultation Zone A were notified of the consultation via the Consultation Invitation Flyer (see paragraph 2.7.21) and were defined as:

- Individuals, owners/occupiers, businesses and groups based in the vicinity of the Project;
- Individuals who are users of the area or visitors to it (e.g. workers);
- Voluntary organisations (including residents' associations);
- Faith communities;



- Traveller communities<sup>3</sup>;
- Schools and colleges in the vicinity; and
- Local hospitals, care homes and private healthcare organisations in the vicinity.

2.6.5 Local community consultees in Consultation Zone B were made aware of the consultation through local press advertising and locally displayed posters.

### Wider consultees

2.6.6 In addition to prescribed consultees and the local community, the Developer consulted a number of other local bodies and individuals who are not identified in Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations 2009. These included:

- Local bodies and technical consultees such as local Wildlife Trusts, the Bramley Line Heritage Trust and the National Trust; and
- County and Ward Councillors and MPs in relevant areas.

2.6.7 A full list of those consulted is presented at **Appendix C**.

## 2.7 Consultation method

2.7.1 In accordance with the DCLG Guidance on pre-application consultation<sup>4</sup>, a range of methods and techniques were used to ensure that the various consultees identified above and all sections of the community that could be affected by the Project could be involved in the process.

### Channels of communication

2.7.2 To ensure the consultation was inclusive and open to all, a number of communication channels were utilised to allow consultees to access project information and members of the team.

### Website

2.7.3 A dedicated project website (<https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/>) was launched in December 2019 and will run for the duration of the Project.

2.7.4 At the start of the Stage 1b consultation, all consultation materials described below, details of how to respond to the consultation, event locations, timings and document inspection locations were available on a dedicated consultation section of this website. The website also included an interactive exhibition for those unable to attend the consultation events (see **paragraph 2.7.15**).

2.7.5 Following the close of the Stage 1b consultation, a library of documents remained available, but the webpage was updated to make clear that the consultation had

<sup>3</sup> During engagement with the host local authorities it was identified that there are traveller communities in the area. The Developer is working with the local authorities to identify these groups and a potential community representative.

<sup>4</sup> Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) 'Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process' (March 2015).



closed. The electronic feedback form was removed but the general enquiries form remains active.

### *Project email address*

- 2.7.6 A dedicated project email address ([medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk)) was set up in November 2019 and will remain active for the duration of the Project. During the consultation period, 8 enquiries (6 via the email address and 2 via the electronic website contact form) were received through this channel and all such reasonable enquiries were individually responded to by the Developer.

### *Community Contact Point*

- 2.7.7 A project contact point (local rate telephone number) has been set up for questions relating to the Project. This will remain active for the duration of the Project.
- 2.7.8 The project contact point was available for consultees to discuss the Project, leave a message or request hard copies of project documents. Consultees could also request a telephone appointment to discuss the Project.
- 2.7.9 During the consultation the Developer received 7 calls to the phonenumber, which sought clarity on aspects of the Project or the approach to public exhibitions.

### *Freepost address*

- 2.7.10 A Freepost address (Freepost MVV) was created in February 2020 to ensure those without internet access could request, complete and return hard copies of the feedback form. Details of the number of responses received can be found in **Section 3**.

### *Exhibitions*

- 2.7.11 In total seven public exhibitions took place during the consultation at the venues set out in **Table 2.1**, within the consultation zone (see **paragraph 2.5.2**). These were open exhibitions where members of the public could view the proposals, talk to project team representatives and receive guidance on completing feedback forms. Venues were primarily chosen on the basis of their suitability as a community facility, their proximity to potentially affected communities, disabled access and availability.
- 2.7.12 Members of the project team, including their specialist environmental advisors, were on hand to answer questions from members of the public attending the events. Exhibition boards explaining the background to the Project were displayed at all venues.
- 2.7.13 During the exhibitions a small amount of verbal feedback was provided that respondents explicitly asked to be noted. This comprised a comment that a consultation invitation flyer hadn't been received, an in-principle objection to the project due to the 'smoke' that would be produced and a suggestion that the Developer consider widening out the area for leaflet distribution to outlying villages.

**Table 2.1 Exhibition venues**

Date	Timings	Exhibition Venue	Attendees
01/10/20	10.00 – 16.00	Rosmini Centre, 69a Queens Road, Wisbech, PE13 2PH	13
02/10/20	14.00 – 20.00	Wisbech St Mary Sports & Community Centre, Beechings Close, Wisbech St Mary, Wisbech, PE13 4SS	7
03/10/20	10.00 – 16.00	Queen Mary Centre, Queens Road, Wisbech, PE13 2PE	30
13/10/20	14.00 – 20.00	Marshland Hall, 156-158 Smeeth Rd, Marshland St James, Wisbech PE14 8JB	9
14/10/20	14.00 – 20.00	Oasis Community Centre, St Michael's Ave, Wisbech PE13 3NR	11
15/10/20	14.00 – 20.00	Tower Hall, Maltmas Drove, Friday Bridge, Wisbech, PE14 0HW	8
16/10/20	14.00 – 20.00	Walton Highway Village Club, Lynn Road, Walton Highway, Wisbech PE14 7DF	7

2.7.14

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the associated government guidance on social distancing and gatherings, the Developer sought legal advice to ensure it complied with government guidance and put in place a number of measures to ensure the safe running of the events and the health and safety of all staff and consultees. These comprised:

- Covid-19 risk assessment in conjunction with each of the proposed venues to understand the specific measures required and maximum capacity of each building;
- Implementation of clear safety signage and 2m floor spacing stickers throughout each venue;
- Arrangement of room layout and display materials to ensure social distancing could be achieved;
- Implementation of one-way system within venues wherever possible;
- Provision of disposable masks and hand sanitiser for attendees;
- Requirement for all attendees, including the Developer's project team, to wear suitable face coverings;
- Implementation of pre-booking system, QR code at entrance and restricted entry procedure if the venue was getting full; and
- Restrictions on groups of no more than six at a time with 'crowd density' monitored throughout the duration of the event.

2.7.15

Recognising that some consultees may have been reluctant to attend public exhibitions due to Covid-19, the Developer's website included an interactive virtual



exhibition. This interactive exhibition allowed consultees to browse the exhibition boards and consultation materials at their leisure in a virtual exhibition environment before providing their feedback (see **Appendix D**). The virtual exhibition also included details on how to arrange a telephone appointment with a member of the project team to discuss the Project and/or consultation materials.

### *Document inspection locations*

2.7.16

The Consultation Strategy Update proposed that inspection copies of the consultation documents would be made available to view free of charge from the start of the consultation at seven locations within the consultation zone (see paragraph 2.5.2). The list of locations is provided in Table 2.2.

**Table 2.2 Document inspection locations**

Exhibition Venue	Address
<b>Marshland Hall</b>	156 – 158 Smeeth Rd, Wisbech PE14 8JB
<b>Oasis Community Centre</b>	St Michael's Ave, Wisbech, PE13 3NR
<b>Rosmini Centre</b>	69a Queens Rd, Wisbech, PE13 2PH
<b>Wisbech Customer Services Centre*</b>	Harbour Square, Boathouse Business Centre, Wisbech, PE13 3BH
<b>Walton Highway Village Club</b>	Lynn Road, Walton Highway, Wisbech, PE14 7DF
<b>Wisbech Library**</b>	Ely Place, Wisbech, PE13 1EU
<b>Wisbech St Mary Sports and Community Centre</b>	Beechings Close, Wisbech St Mary, Wisbech, PE13 4SS

\* see paragraph 2.7.18

\*\* see paragraph 2.7.19

2.7.17

Details of the opening hours and access arrangements for each of these venues was detailed on the project website.

2.7.18

The Developer received verbal feedback from a resident who was unable to access the Wisbech Customer Services Centre or book an appointment to view the consultation materials there. Following a telephone conversation between the resident and a member of the Developer's team, they attended an exhibition and hard copies were provided by the Developer to be taken away for scrutiny.

2.7.19

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Wisbech Library advised that it was unable to allow access for members of the public to view the consultation documents. In response, the Developer notified the host local authorities and displayed a poster at the venue advising members of the public of alternative venues where the documents could be inspected. The project website was also updated to confirm that this venue was unable to allow access.



## Consultation materials

2.7.20 The following information was provided during the consultation electronically via the consultation webpage and, in hard copy, at the exhibitions set out within **Table 2.1** and the document inspection locations set out within **Table 2.2**. Hard copies were also available on request via the community contact point and freepost address.

### *Consultation invitation flyer*

2.7.21 At the start of the Stage 1b consultation, an information leaflet notifying consultees about the consultation was issued to all addresses in Consultation Zone A, prescribed consultees and wider stakeholders. The leaflet provided an overview of the consultation, details of the public exhibitions and explained where the project information could be viewed and how feedback could be provided.

2.7.22 Over 10,000 copies of the consultation invitation flyer were sent. A copy of the leaflet is presented in **Appendix E**.

### *Consultation booklet*

2.7.23 To ensure accessibility of the project information to a range of audiences, a consultation booklet was produced. This was written in plain English and in a style intended to enable people to access information at a non-technical level.

2.7.24 The consultation booklet summarised the background to the Developer and the Project, as well as providing information on the approach to managing impacts of the proposals. It also explained how to take part in the consultation and where more information could be found.

2.7.25 The document was the same as that published at the Stage 1 Consultation, with the exception of an additional section at the end which set out information on updates to the Project as a result of consultation feedback at Stage 1 and the further development and refinement of the proposals. A copy of the booklet is presented in **Appendix F**.

### *Stage 1 Consultation Feedback Report*

2.7.26 A Consultation Feedback Report was published which detailed the approach to the Stage 1 non-statutory consultation. The report also summarised the feedback received during the consultation and explained how it was being considered by the Developer in the development and refinement of its proposals.

### *Technical information*

2.7.27 The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Scoping Report which was published to accompany the Stage 1 consultation was available on the project website and in hard copy at all exhibition and document inspection locations. This identified the potential likely significant impacts of the Project that will be considered in depth as part of the EIA and the proposed scope of the assessment in relation to such impacts. A copy of the EIA Scoping Opinion provided by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State was also made available.



2.7.28 The Grid Connection Corridor Options Report was published and explained the planning, environmental, technical and cost factors taken into account when selecting the preferred corridor for the grid connection. This was also available electronically on the website and in hard copy at all exhibition and document inspection locations.

### *Feedback form*

2.7.29 A feedback form was provided for anyone wishing to respond to the consultation. The feedback form was the same as that used during the Stage 1 consultation and contained four questions structured under the following headings (a copy of the feedback form is provided at **Appendix G**):

- Design;
- Environment;
- Community; and
- General comments.

2.7.30 The form was capable of being completed online via the website or in writing by hard copy via the project Freepost address.

### *Advertising and publicity*

2.7.31 Advertisements were placed in the following local newspapers circulating across the consultation zone during the week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020:

- Fenland Citizen; and
- Wisbech Standard.

2.7.32 This advertised the consultation dates, exhibition dates and document inspection locations and directed people to where they could find out more about the consultation (see **Appendix H**).

2.7.33 A press release was also issued to the above publications at the outset of consultation (14<sup>th</sup> September 2020).

2.7.34 News updates were also published on the project website at the start of the consultation (14<sup>th</sup> September), at the start of the first week of exhibitions (28<sup>th</sup> September 2020), the second week of exhibitions (9<sup>th</sup> October 2020) and at the close of consultation (21<sup>st</sup> October).

### *Hard to reach groups*

2.7.35 In addition to the methods outlined in preceding sections, to ensure that all stakeholders were able to engage in and respond to the consultation, the Developer offered a range of solutions for people requiring additional assistance. These included making the consultation documents available in large copy print, audio or Braille on request. A translation service to provide documents in alternative languages was also available on request.



- 2.7.36 To support requests for hard copy documents and/or alternative document formats, a community contact point and Freepost address was provided throughout the period of the consultation.
- 2.7.37 A health and safety audit was undertaken of the exhibition venues to strike a suitable balance between accessibility of the buildings and proximity to the residents wishing to attend. All the exhibition locations selected were Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) compliant.



## 3. Feedback

### 3.1 Introduction

3.1.1 This section sets out details of the feedback mechanisms available for consultees to provide representations in respect of the Project. It also explains the number of representations received and the process and procedures employed to analyse consultation feedback.

### 3.2 How consultees could respond

3.2.1 The following arrangements were made to facilitate consultation feedback:

- Online feedback through the website – An electronic feedback form was available on the project website. This could either be completed and submitted online or downloaded from the website and posted via the Freepost address;
- Email feedback – Email feedback could be submitted via the project email address;
- Hard copy feedback forms – Hard copy feedback forms were available at the public exhibitions, available at all document inspection locations and were available on request via the community contact point; and
- Hard copy by post – Hard copy responses could be submitted in writing to the Freepost address at 'Freepost MVV'.

### 3.3 Feedback received

3.3.1 A total of 31 pieces of feedback were received in response to the Stage 1b consultation.

3.3.2 Representations were received from local authorities, national and regional organisations and the local community. The feedback received comprised:

- Hard copy feedback forms and letters – 13
- Email - 10
- Online feedback forms – 8

### 3.4 Data processing and analysis

3.4.1 All representations received were logged with a unique identification number before being reviewed and analysed.

3.4.2 A coding framework was created to provide a list of themes and topics raised by the consultation feedback. The coding framework was applied by analysts to all feedback received, to capture and organise the issues raised in a systematic way to ease interrogation and analysis.



- 3.4.3 Once the coding framework had been applied to the feedback received, similar themes were grouped together and organised into categories. Summaries of the feedback by theme and topic were provided to the project team together with the full consultation representation to enable them to consider feedback and take it into account in the design, assessment and evaluation processes.
- 3.4.4 All personal data received as part of the consultation was processed in accordance with relevant confidentiality standards and legislation, including the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2018.
- 3.4.5 A record of the collated feedback received is provided in sections 4 to 7 of this CFR. The material has been divided into four topics, with a section per topic that summarises the issues raised by consultees, grouped by consultee type. These summaries provide a clear and objective precis of the views expressed by consultees and have been broken down using sub-headings. Where sub-headings are not presented this is because no feedback was received from this stakeholder group on this topic.

## 3.5 Quality Assurance

- 3.5.1 Quality assurance measures were put in place at different stages of the data entry and analysis process to ensure that representations were accurately captured and analysed. This involved a senior member of staff reviewing the data entry and analysis undertaken.

## 3.6 The Developer's responses

- 3.6.1 Following the identification and categorisation of the feedback, the Developer reviewed it as part of its ongoing design, assessment and evaluation processes for the Project.
- 3.6.2 A summary of how the Developer has had regard to the consultation feedback is provided in each of the topic sections (4 to 7) of this CFR. This response follows the summary of the consultation feedback received.



## 4. Design

### 4.1 Introduction

4.1.1 As part of the Stage 1b consultation, the Developer sought feedback in relation to the design of the Project. The feedback form contained the following question:

- Please tell us your thoughts on how we can help to minimise and manage our effect on the landscape and views.

4.1.2 This section provides a summary of the relevant consultation feedback received from prescribed consultees, members of the public and wider consultees. The issues raised by respondents have also been grouped in table form at the end of this section, which includes the Developer's response.

### 4.2 Prescribed Consultees

#### General design

4.2.1 Anglian Water (AW) said that the design of the EfW CHP Facility does not appear to have changed since the previous consultation. AW therefore requested that its previous comments on this topic submitted in response to the Stage 1 consultation be considered.

4.2.2 AW noted that the 132kV Grid Connection had been selected as the preferred option for the connection of the EfW CHP Facility. AW said that its response to the Stage 1 consultation had requested that the location of its existing infrastructure should be considered as part of the design of the electricity connections but the Grid Connection Corridor Options Report published as part of the Stage 1b consultation does not reference this. AW therefore reiterated its request that the location of its existing infrastructure should be considered further as part of the identification of a suitable route within the 132kV Grid Connection Corridor.

4.2.3 Cadent Gas highlighted that there is gas apparatus in the vicinity of the Project that has the potential to be affected. It also noted that the Project is in close proximity to National Grid's gas transmission infrastructure and advised that the Developer contact Plant Protection before any works are carried out.

4.2.4 GTC Pipelines commented that the Project was unlikely to affect any of its assets. It highlighted an automated search service which can be used by the Developer to carry out updated utilities searches once the proposals are updated.

4.2.5 National Grid Electricity Transmission (National Grid) noted that the 132kV Grid Connection had been selected as the preferred option. National Grid indicated that at this stage it had no further comments to make beyond those provided as part of its response to EIA Scoping.



## 4.3 Members of the Public

### General design

- 4.3.1 A number of members of the public expressed general opposition to the Project due to its size and design. Frequently linked to this were concerns that the location selected for the proposed EfW CHP Facility was unsuitable and that an alternative should be sought. Reasons cited for this were that the access to site is unsuitable, that the site is too close to residential properties, food production facilities and schools and that the site is not located within or adjacent to an industrial area. One respondent questioned why the EfW CHP Facility was not being proposed in Peterborough as they considered its road network to be better and that there is a greater amount of waste to be processed.
- 4.3.2 Comments were also received which considered that the proposed EfW CHP Facility is appropriately located and is within an industrial area.

### Visual impact

- 4.3.3 A number of members of the public expressed concern about the visual impact of the EfW CHP Facility on the local landscape and views. These were most frequently linked to concerns about the height of the proposed chimney and the prominence of the main building in the local area.
- 4.3.4 Some respondents said that the only way to minimise visual impacts is to site the EfW CHP Facility in the countryside further away from built up areas.
- 4.3.5 Some respondents suggested that in order to minimise visual impacts the height of the chimney and main building should be reduced. Others suggested that the chimney should be painted in similar colours to the surrounding landscape and/or that the Developer should work with the Council to design the buildings and identify a colour scheme which would provide the best camouflage.
- 4.3.6 Suggestions were also received for wildlife-friendly landscaping around the proposed EfW CHP Facility and the planting of trees around the site to help minimise impacts.
- 4.3.7 One respondent also highlighted that lighting at the site should be kept to a minimum to reduce light pollution.

## 4.4 Wider consultees

- 4.4.1 No comments were received from wider consultees in relation to the design topic.

## 4.5 The Developer's response to issues raised regarding design

- 4.5.1 The issues raised by consultees are summarised in **Table 4.1** below and are accompanied by an indication of which group of consultees raised the issue as well as the Developer's current response.


**Table 4.1 Issues raised regarding design**

Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
<p>The design of the facility does not appear to have changed since the previous consultation and previous comments do not appear to have been considered.</p>	<p>✓</p>		<p>The Stage 1b consultation was supplementary to the Stage 1 non-statutory consultation and was held to provide people with the opportunity to attend public exhibitions which were postponed during Stage 1. The Stage 1b consultation presented a Consultation Feedback Report which set out how feedback from the Stage 1 consultation had been taken into account. In addition, the consultation included a summary of the Project updates that had occurred between the two stages of consultation. This included the Grid Connection Report which set out the reasons why the 132kV grid connection corridor had been selected as the preferred option.</p>
<p>The location of existing water infrastructure should be considered as part of the routeing and design of the electricity connection.</p>	<p>✓</p>		<p>As part of the approach to the development of the proposals and the associated connection options, the Developer recognises the importance of all existing infrastructure being identified and considered. The Grid Connection Options Report focused on the selection of a corridor for the grid connection. The process of defining a route within the 132kV corridor will take account of existing water infrastructure. The appraisal of route options will be presented in an updated Grid Connection Options Report.</p>
<p>Concern that the grid connection report does not refer to the consideration of existing water infrastructure in the routeing process.</p>	<p>✓</p>		
<p>There is gas apparatus in the vicinity of the project which may be affected by the development.</p>	<p>✓</p>		<p>As part of the further development and refinement of the Project, the Developer will undertake a thorough utilities mapping exercise. Any utilities with the potential to be affected by the development will be identified and the utility provider responsible consulted prior to the finalisation of the design and submission of the application.</p>
<p>Wisbech is an unsuitable location and an alternative location with better access should be selected.</p>		<p>✓</p>	<p>The EfW CHP Facility would be sited on an industrial estate in Wisbech and within an area identified for predominantly business growth (adopted Fenland Local Plan (May 2014)). Its location provides opportunities to connect the proposed EfW CHP Facility to surrounding</p>



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
Concern that the proposed EfW CHP Facility is in close proximity to a large school and densely populated area.		✓	industrial, manufacturing and business uses to supply low carbon heat and electricity. The site is located in close proximity to the strategic highway network (A47). Discussions will be held with the relevant highway authorities to identify the most appropriate route to site and an assessment of the traffic impacts will be undertaken and submitted with the application.
Concern that the proposed site for the EfW CHP Facility is not located within or adjacent to an industrial area and is in close proximity to residential properties, food production facilities and schools.		✓	The EfW CHP Facility would be sited on an industrial estate in Wisbech. This land is currently occupied by an operational waste recycling and transfer station and aggregates storage facility and is allocated in the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Site Specific Proposals Development Plan Document (2012) for 'Waste Recycling and Recovery' use Site reference W1C. There are no food production facilities adjacent to the site of the proposed EfW CHP Facility. Those in the local area are potential customers for the heat and power generated by the facility. The potential for the proposed development to significantly affect local schools and residences will be assessed and reported upon within the Environmental Statement which will accompany the application. Preliminary findings will be reported at the next stage of consultation.
Request for further information on the selection of Wisbech as the location for the EfW CHP Facility.		✓	In the emerging Proposed Submission (Publication) Draft Plan (November 2019) the EfW CHP Facility is located on land that is proposed to be safeguarded for waste management use, cited as "Waste Management Areas". It is a site that is close to potential users of the heat and power that would be generated by the EfW CHP facility.
Why is the EfW CHP Facility not being proposed in Peterborough where the road network is better and there is a greater amount of waste?		✓	The site is located close to the strategic highway network (A47).  The site is therefore considered appropriate for the siting of the EfW Facility.
The proposed EfW CHP Facility is appropriately located within an industrial area.		✓	The Developer appreciates the representation and notes the support for the location of the Project.
Request that the overall height of the EfW CHP Facility be		✓	As part of the iterative design process and discussions with stakeholders and the community the Developer will carefully consider the visual impact of the Project and undertake the required



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
minimised so that it is not higher than any surrounding buildings.			assessments to enable the identification of any necessary mitigation measures. These measures may include consideration of the scale and massing of the buildings (subject to operational requirements) as well as the use of different cladding systems and colours and landscaping.
Suggestion that the chimney should be smaller and should be painted in similar colours to the surrounding landscape.		✓	Photomontages of the facility will be provided at statutory consultation.  It is recognised that the height of the chimney may be of concern to some members of the public. The proposed height will be reviewed as part of the environmental assessment, taking account of the ground levels required to avoid flood risk, and the height of the chimney needed to meet the requirements of the Environmental Permit in relation to the release of emissions.
Concern about the height of the proposed chimney and whether this is due to harmful emissions.		✓	
Concern that the proposed EfW CHP Facility will be unattractive and the facility and chimney will be too large.		✓	
Concern about the height of the chimney and building and its visual impact.		✓	
Any opportunities for wildlife-friendly landscaping around the proposed EfW CHP Facility should be taken.		✓	The Developer will consider all opportunities for ecological enhancement and mitigation. For example, landscaping will be designed and species selected for their screening and habitat potential.
General support for project and request for tree planting to provide a screen and improve the environment.		✓	
Suggestion for the planting of trees around the site of		✓	



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
the proposed EfW CHP Facility.			
The design of the buildings should be undertaken in consultation with the council with appropriate colours used to provide the best camouflage.		✓	<p>The Developer has agreed a Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment methodology with the host local authorities. This assessment will identify key views and the extent to which the EfW CHP facility can be seen from them. Should mitigation be considered appropriate recommendations will be made with regard to the colour of the buildings.</p> <p>Through the iterative design process, and discussions with stakeholders and the community, the Developer will also contribute to the development of a suitable palette of cladding materials.</p>
Request for information regarding the number of similar sized facilities that are in operation in the UK within close proximity to schools and housing.		✓	<p>Information on those EfW facilities with a capacity of over 50MW which have obtained consent or are seeking consent via the Planning Act 2008 are available on the Planning Inspectorate's website:  <a href="https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/">https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/</a>.</p>
Lighting should be kept to a minimum to reduce light pollution.		✓	<p>The Developer does not intend to receive waste overnight, so any external lighting will be minimal and restricted to what is necessary for the safe operation of the facility.</p>



## 5. Environment

### 5.1 Introduction

5.1.1 As part of the Stage 1b consultation, the Developer sought feedback in relation to the consideration of environmental impacts. The feedback form contained the following question:

- As we develop the scheme, we will carefully consider our potential effects on a range of environmental topics, including population, human health, biodiversity, land, soil, water, air, climate, material assets, cultural heritage, landscape, major accidents and disasters and cumulative effects. Please tell us which of these topics are of most importance to you and why.

5.1.2 This section provides a summary of the relevant consultation feedback received from prescribed consultees, members of the public and wider consultees. The issues raised by respondents have also been grouped in table form at the end of this section, which includes the Developer's response.

### 5.2 Prescribed Consultees

#### Assessment methodology

5.2.1 AW highlighted that as part of the consultation held by the Planning Inspectorate on EIA Scoping and the Stage 1 consultation it had previously provided comments on environmental issues of relevance. AW asked that consideration is given to its previous comments on the topic.

#### Traffic impacts

5.2.2 Royal Mail said that its Wisbech Delivery Office is in close proximity to the proposed EfW CHP Facility and its objective is to eliminate or minimise potential construction or operational impacts on its operational and business interests. Royal Mail indicated that it does not want to prevent or delay the Project from coming forward and said that it will liaise with the Developer during the pre-construction period to address the above objective.

### 5.3 Members of the Public

#### Air quality and human health

5.3.1 A number of the comments received from members of the public expressed concerns about emissions from the proposed EfW CHP Facility and their effect on human health. In particular, concerns were raised about the emissions from the operation of the EfW CHP Facility, the emissions that would not be captured by 'scrubbers', the release of particulates produced from burning materials and the emissions from the increase in traffic movements.



5.3.2 Linked to these concerns, some respondents queried whether the controls that would be put in place by the Developer on the pollutants from the EfW CHP Facility would be enough to prevent health and environmental issues.

5.3.3 Some respondents expressed concerns about whether the emissions from the proposed EfW CHP Facility are safe for humans to inhale, whether they cause cancer and whether they would have an effect on climate change. Others highlighted that the Developer's assurances about air quality and emissions were not supported by evidence.

### Flood risk

5.3.4 One respondent queried the consideration that had been given to the potential location of the site within a flood plain.

### General Environment

5.3.5 Some respondents provided a general objection to the proposals due to the effects on the environment. Others expressed general concern about the impacts of the proposed EfW CHP Facility on the environment and local area but did not elaborate on these concerns.

5.3.6 Other general concerns raised by respondents about the proposed EfW CHP Facility were around odour, pollution impacting land, soil and water, the cumulative effects of the large chimney, loss of trees and shrubs and loss of green space and the impacts on the landscape. One respondent also raised a concern about the impact of the proposals on two gypsy and traveller sites located near the A47 bypass.

5.3.7 One respondent expressed general support for the proposed EfW CHP Facility subject to the Developer delivering the infrastructure required to address the effects on transport, schools and medical facilities. Another highlighted that all environmental topics are important, but that human health should be a priority.

### Safety

5.3.8 Requests for information were received from respondents regarding the number of reportable accidents that have taken place at similar facilities operated by the Developer and the safety measures that would be in place in the event of system failure.

### Traffic Impacts

5.3.9 Respondents frequently commented on the traffic impacts arising from the Project, with a high number commenting that the existing road network near the Main Development Site is already congested and unsuitable. Many of these respondents expressed concern that additional traffic and HGVs required to operate the facility would make these issues worse. Some respondents also said that the Developer must consider who will maintain the local road infrastructure where there will be an increase in the number and weight of vehicles.



5.3.10 Some respondents commented that the proposed site access is too small, passes in close proximity to housing and would involve the removal of trees and shrubs. One respondent suggested that an alternative vehicular access from New Bridge Lane should be considered.

5.3.11 Other respondents said that there was limited scope for improvements to the A47 and A1101 and that insufficient information had been provided on how the Developer will address the unsuitable nature of existing local roads. Linked to this one respondent expressed concern that in the event of an accident on the A47, HGV traffic would need to be diverted into surrounding villages.

5.3.12 Consultees also requested further information on the number of daily vehicle trips to the site, the size of the vehicles travelling to the site and the access roads that would be used.

### Waste storage and disposal

5.3.13 Requests for information were received from respondents regarding the by-products produced from the incineration of waste and their safety and how the ash waste will be disposed of.

### Wildlife

5.3.14 Comments were received which expressed concern about the release of pollutants into the River Nene and the resulting impact on wildlife. One respondent also said that the Developer should give consideration to the conservation of the site of the EfW CHP Facility and preventing disruption to wildlife.

## 5.4 Wider consultees

5.4.1 No comments were received from wider consultees in relation to the environment topic.

## 5.5 The Developer's response to issues raised regarding environment

5.5.1 The issues raised by consultees are summarised in Table 5.1 below and are accompanied by an indication of which group of consultees raised the issue as well as the Developer's current response.


**Table 5.1 Issues raised regarding environment**

Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
The construction and operation of the development must avoid or minimise impacts on operational business interests.	✓		The Developer will maintain communications with local business to keep them informed of forthcoming activities and ensure that potential impacts on local businesses are minimised as far as practicable. Details of construction phase communication will be set out in the Construction Environmental Management Plan which will be submitted with the DCO application.
Consideration should be given to consultees responses on the EIA Scoping opinion.	✓		
The Developer must engage with local businesses during pre-construction to ensure that impacts are avoided or minimised wherever possible.	✓		
Insufficient information is provided on how the development will address the unsuitable nature of local access roads.		✓	As part of the iterative project development and design process the Developer will continue to consider and take account of all relevant environmental topics, which includes traffic, to ensure that the proposals meet with legislative requirements of a DCO Project.
Concern that the proposed site access is too small, passes in close proximity to housing and would involve the removal of trees and shrubs.		✓	
Vehicular access from the New Bridge Lane should be considered.		✓	The current highways design proposes that vehicular access to the EfW CHP Facility will be via New Bridge Lane.
Concern that the existing road infrastructure is already congested and that there is limited scope for improvements to the A47 and A1101.		✓	An Environmental Statement will be submitted as part of the DCO application which will set out the findings and any required mitigation measures. Traffic impacts will be assessed and improvements to the local road network will be considered in conjunction with the relevant local highways authorities and Highways England as part of the design process. The preliminary findings of the assessment will be presented at the statutory consultation.
Concern that in the event of an accident on the A47 HGV traffic will be diverted into surrounding villages.		✓	
Concern about the volume of traffic required to operate the facility and the ability of the existing road network to accommodate it.		✓	



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
Request for information on the number of daily vehicle trips to the site, the size of the vehicles travelling to the site in tonnes and which roads will be used.		✓	highways authorities to ensure that vehicles only use the most appropriate roads and do not deviate into local villages.  Traffic numbers are still in the process of being finalised. Once completed, they will be used to understand the percentage increase in movements over and above the existing baseline.
Concern that the local road infrastructure is not able to cope with an increase in heavy goods traffic.		✓	The numbers and the results of the preliminary assessment will be provided at statutory consultation.
Concern about increased vehicular pollution and congestion as a result of the EfW CHP Facility.		✓	The impact of vehicle emissions and increased traffic will be assessed as part of the project.
Concern that large volumes of waste will need to be transported to the EfW CHP Facility from outside the local area causing traffic issues.		✓	The results of the assessment will inform whether any improvements to the local road network will required, and these will be considered in conjunction with the relevant local highways authorities and Highways England. The preliminary findings of the assessment will be presented at the statutory consultation.
MVV must consider who will maintain the local infrastructure where there will be an increase in the number and weight of vehicles.		✓	Traffic route plans will be developed for the construction and operational phases of the development in consultation with the relevant highways authorities and Highways England and will be presented in a Traffic Management Plan which will be submitted with the DCO application. This Plan will also outline the responsibilities for the maintenance of public highways.
Concern about the cumulative impacts of increased HGV traffic on road surfaces of lanes and roads already in need of upgrading.		✓	
Traffic movements in and around the town of Wisbech should be limited.		✓	A Traffic Management Plan will be developed to ensure vehicles larger than a dustcart (RCV) are diverted around the town rather than through it.
Request for information on whether the emissions from EfW CHP Facility are safe for humans to inhale.		✓	Public Health England's standing risk assessment is that modern, well-run and regulated facilities such as that proposed are not a significant risk to public health. The EfW CHP Facility would be operated in accordance with
Concern regarding the emissions from the proposed		✓	



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
Efw CHP Facility which cannot be captured by scrubbers.			an Environmental Permit issued by the Environment Agency which sets strict limits on emissions.
Concern that assurances regarding pollution and its effect on the local population are based on projections and not actual measurements.		✓	Across all of the Developer's operational sites emissions are strictly regulated, controlled and continuously monitored to ensure clean and safe operation.
Concern that MVV have not provided any evidence to support claims on air quality.		✓	Emissions data is published weekly on the Developer's website for their operational facilities.
Concern regarding the impact of emissions from the Efw CHP Facility on human health and climate change.		✓	The environmental assessment, the preliminary findings of which will be published at statutory consultation will report upon the level of emissions predicted from the Efw CHP Facility and the potential for effects upon public health. It will also present an assessment of the potential effects upon the topic of climate change. The Efw CHP facility is classified as a renewable energy technology by UK Government.
Will the controls on the pollutants from the Efw CHP Facility will be enough to prevent health and environmental issues.		✓	The Efw CHP Facility should it receive planning consent will also require an environmental permit from the Environment Agency (EA) before it can operate. The subsequent operation will be closely monitored both by MVV and by the EA as regulator.
Request for information regarding the by-products that are produced from the incineration of waste and their safety.		✓	There are two main by-products produced by waste incineration: incinerator bottom ash (IBA) and fly ash/air pollution control residues (APCr).
Request for further information on how ash will be disposed of.		✓	The IBA is non-hazardous and the Developer has a well-established partner for processing this; metals are removed for recycling and the remaining ash is used as aggregate in the construction industry.
Concern about the release of particulates produced from burning materials and the impact on human health, in particular on cancer related illnesses.		✓	<p>The APCr is a hazardous waste and is taken off site in sealed tankers for safe disposal.</p> <p>The process of disposing these by-products will be described and assessed within the Environmental</p>



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
			Statement. The preliminary findings of this assessment will be presented at the statutory consultation.
Request for information regarding the number of reportable accidents that have taken place at similar facilities operated by MVV.		✓	The Developer places the utmost importance on Health and Safety and robust risk assessments and control measures are in place at all of their UK facilities. All accidents, incidents and near-misses are recorded and treated as opportunities for improvement.
Request for further information regarding mitigation and safety response in the event of system failure.		✓	The facility will incorporate failsafe and back-up systems to ensure that in the unlikely event of a failure, standby equipment would be brought into service. These systems will be described in the Environmental Statement in relation to the 'Major Accidents and Disasters' topic.
Concern about odour from the proposed EfW CHP Facility.		✓	<p>The Developer recognises this is a concern for local communities and as such has built odour controls into the design of the proposals. These include storing waste in an enclosed bunker prior to burning and keeping odours within the EfW CHP Facility by drawing air for combustion from the tipping hall and into the furnace.</p> <p>An Odour Management Plan will be developed to accord with the requirements of the Environmental Permit.</p>
Concern about pollution from the EfW CHP Facility impacting land, soil and water during operation and decommissioning.		✓	The Developer is engaging with the Environment Agency, Anglian Water and the relevant Internal Drainage Boards to seek agreement on the proposed drainage design to ensure there is no risk of contamination to land and to water sources. In addition, the Developer is engaging with Natural England and the relevant local authority ecologists to ensure the project fully considers the impact on wildlife in the River Nene.
General concern regarding the impacts of the proposed EfW CHP Facility on the environment and local area.		✓	
Concern about the release of pollutants into the River Nene and the resulting impact on wildlife and human health.		✓	



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
<p>All environmental topics are important with human health a priority; request for support to deter fly tipping.</p>		✓	<p>The Developer recognises that the impact of the EfW CHP Facility on health is a concern to local residents. Taking these concerns into account and, alongside the comments received in the EIA Scoping Opinion, the Developer is proposing an assessment on health impacts which will be presented within the Environmental Statement submitted as part of the DCO application. The Developer will work with specialists in the host local authorities and Public Health England to ensure the assessment captures the factors of concern to local residents. The preliminary results of the assessment will be presented at the statutory consultation.</p> <p>Whilst action and enforcement regarding fly-tipping is the responsibility of the local authority, the Developer recognises the need for wider education around waste management and will employ a dedicated Community Liaison Manager to deliver waste minimisation education to support the local authorities' key messages.</p>
<p>Consideration should be given to the conservation of the development site and preventing disruption to wildlife.</p>		✓	<p>The main site is an existing waste transfer and aggregate storage facility. The Developer is undertaking a number of ecological and ornithological studies in order to identify species on site and in the surrounding area. The results of the studies will be used to inform the design of the EfW CHP Facility, the CHP Pipeline and the Grid Connection. Where species are identified they will be avoided where possible, or potential effects upon them mitigated. Any species protected by European or national law will be subject to licence issued by Natural England.</p>
<p>Concern about the impacts of the proposed EfW CHP Facility on the landscape.</p>		✓	<p>The Developer has agreed a Landscape and Visual Impact</p>



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
<p>Concern regarding the cumulative effects of the large chimney, loss of trees and shrubs and loss of green space.</p>		✓	<p>Assessment methodology with the host local authorities.</p> <p>As part of the iterative design process, and discussions with stakeholders and the community, the Developer will identify appropriate mitigation, including compensatory tree-planting where appropriate.</p> <p>The assessment will consider 'intra-project effects' across the different topics. The preliminary findings of this assessment will be presented at the statutory consultation.</p>
<p>Concern about the impact of the proposals on two gypsy sites located near the A47 bypass.</p>		✓	<p>The impact of the proposals on the two sites near the A47 will be considered as part of the environmental assessments. If there is the potential for either of them to be significantly affected, this will be identified, and mitigation provided if appropriate. The preliminary results of the assessment will be provided at statutory consultation.</p> <p>The Developer recognises that some communities, including the traveller community, are harder to reach via existing consultation methods.</p> <p>Alternative means of distributing information to such groups will be discussed with the host local authorities and actioned for the statutory consultation.</p>
<p>General support for the proposed EfW CHP Facility if MVV can deliver the infrastructure necessary to deal with the effects on transport, schools and medical facilities.</p>		✓	<p>The Developer acknowledges the support for the facility.</p> <p>Traffic impacts will be assessed and improvements to the local road network will be considered in conjunction with the relevant local highways authorities and Highways England. The preliminary findings of the assessment will be presented at the statutory consultation.</p>



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
<p>What consideration has been given to the potential location of the site within a flood plain.</p>		<p>✓</p>	<p>From the Developer's experience of designing, constructing and operating EfW sites and also from industry best practice it is confident that such developments can be safely constructed in Flood Risk 3 areas with adequate civil engineering.</p> <p>A Flood Risk Assessment will be prepared to accompany the DCO application to demonstrate that the Project will not increase the risk of flooding in the local area. This document will be prepared in consultation with the Environment Agency.</p> <p>The Developer is also engaging with the Environment Agency, Anglian Water and the relevant Internal Drainage Boards to seek agreement on the proposed drainage design to ensure there is no increased risk of flooding.</p>



## 6. Community

### 6.1 Introduction

6.1.1 As part of the Stage 1b consultation, the Developer sought feedback in relation to its approach to supporting and engaging with the community. The feedback form contained the following question:

- We are committed to playing an active role in supporting and engaging our local communities and being a good neighbour. Do you have any suggestions on how we can do this in and around Wisbech? Please tell us about any local projects and/or groups that we could work with and support.

6.1.2 This section provides a summary of the relevant consultation feedback received from prescribed consultees, members of the public and wider consultees. The issues raised by respondents have also been grouped in table form at the end of this section, which includes the Developer's response to these issues.

### 6.2 Prescribed Consultees

6.2.1 No comments were received from prescribed consultees in relation to the community topic.

### 6.3 Members of the Public

#### Local economy and jobs

6.3.1 A number of respondents expressed concern that employment opportunities arising from the construction and operation of the proposed EfW CHP Facility would be limited for local residents. Concerns were also raised that the proposals would be of no benefit to local residents.

6.3.2 Some respondents considered that the Project would bring benefits to Wisbech and its residents. Some also commented that the reinstatement and use of the railway would bring local benefits to the town.

#### Local projects

6.3.3 A number of suggestions were received for local projects or organisations that the Developer should consider, these comprised:

- Working with The Oasis Community Centre to provide educational courses for employment and general information on MVV;
- Liaising with local businesses on how the proposed development will affect their access/mode of business;
- Working with and supporting the Ferry Protect charity for the homeless;
- Making available local grants and donations to local groups and causes; and



- Working with local parish and town councils.

6.3.4 One respondent also suggested that the Developer should undertake regular communications with local individuals and groups.

## 6.4 Wider consultees

6.4.1 No comments were received from wider consultees in relation to the community topic.

## 6.5 The Developer's response to issues raised regarding community

6.5.1 The issues raised by consultees are summarised in Table 6.1 below and are accompanied by an indication of which group of consultees raised the issue as well as the Developer's current response.

**Table 6.1 Issues raised regarding community**

Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
The reinstatement and use of the railway will bring local benefits to the town.		✓	The Developer supports the reinstatement of the railway line and will work with Network Rail and the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority to ensure that both developments can take place alongside each other.
Concern that employment opportunities will be limited for local residents.		✓	The Developer has experience at its existing operational facilities of working with local education providers as well as community groups and work clubs to ensure the best possible opportunities for local people to access full-time jobs.
Concern that there will be no benefit to local residents.		✓	
Support for the proposed EFW CHP Facility because of the benefits for Wisbech and its residents.		✓	The Developer notes the specific suggestions provided by consultees and will investigate these further as part of the development and refinement of its proposals.
MVV should work with The Oasis Community Centre in Wisbech to provide educational courses for employment and general information on MVV.		✓	
MVV should liaise with local businesses on how the proposed development will affect their access/mode of business.		✓	The Developer will maintain proactive communications with local businesses to limit any potential impacts on their normal operations.



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
MVV should work with and support the Ferry Protect charity for the homeless.		✓	The Developer operates a local sponsorship policy at all their operational sites, and this would be extended to the Medworth facility, allowing such groups to apply for funding for specific local projects and initiatives.
MVV should make available local grants and donations to local groups and causes.		✓	
MVV should work with local parish and town councils.		✓	<p>The Developer has established liaison groups for its existing operational facilities and have commenced this process for the proposed Medworth facility; residents, local councils and other interested parties are actively encouraged to express interest in joining this liaison group.</p> <p>This will be further promoted at Statutory Consultation to enable interested parties to be kept up to date with progress on the DCO application.</p>
Suggestion for regular communications with local individuals and groups.		✓	



## 7. Other Comments

### 7.1 Introduction

7.1.1 As part of the Stage 1b consultation, the Developer sought feedback in relation to any other general matters associated with the Project. The feedback form included the following question:

- Do you have any further thoughts on the project which we should consider as we develop our proposals?

7.1.2 This section provides a summary of the relevant consultation feedback received from prescribed consultees, members of the public and wider consultees. The issues raised by respondents have also been grouped in table form at the end of this section, which includes the Developer's response.

### 7.2 Prescribed Consultees

7.2.1 The Ely Internal Drainage Board responded to clarify that the Project is outside the area of its control. It suggested that the Middle Level Commissioners be contacted if not already done so.

7.2.2 The Office of the Policy and Crime Commissioner for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough advised that it had forwarded email correspondence about the consultation to Cambridgeshire Constabulary Estates Department for their attention.

### 7.3 Members of the Public

#### Consultation

7.3.1 A small number of comments were received about the approach to, and delivery of, the consultation. These expressed concerns that the proposed EfW CHP Facility will be constructed regardless of the opinions of the local population and said that it is not appropriate for consultation exhibitions to be held during the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

7.3.2 One respondent expressed disappointment that more people had not attended the consultation event in Wisbech St Mary and suggested contacting the parish council to further raise awareness and support local litter picks.

#### Electricity and heat connections

7.3.3 One respondent sought clarity on which local businesses would use the heat and power produced at the EfW CHP Facility.



## Waste transportation

- 7.3.4 A number of respondents said that the Developer should give consideration to reopening the rail connection to Wisbech and making use of it for the transportation of waste to the EfW CHP Facility. One respondent also suggested that the Developer should encourage the dualling of the A47.
- 7.3.5 Some respondents indicated that the proposed EfW CHP Facility should be approved as it is a better alternative to landfill and will save the UK costs associated with exporting waste abroad.
- 7.3.6 A suggestion was received from one respondent that a levy should be applied to each container entering the site with proceeds put towards developing methods of further reducing non-recycled waste. Another suggested that it will be important for the Developer to have a local recycling partner.

## 7.4 Wider consultees

- 7.4.1 No comments were received from wider consultees in relation to the other comments topic.

## 7.5 The Developer's response to issues raised regarding other comments

- 7.5.1 The issues raised by consultees are summarised in Table 7.1 below and are accompanied by an indication of which group of consultees raised the issue as well as the Developer's current response.

**Table 7.1 Issues raised regarding other comments**

Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
Which local businesses will use heat and power produced at the EfW CHP Facility.		✓	At this stage, the Developer is in initial discussions with local businesses regarding supply of electricity and heat. No commercial agreements are in place as yet.
Concern that the proposed EfW CHP Facility will be constructed regardless of the opinions of the local population.		✓	The Developer sees pre-application consultation as a crucial method of raising awareness and understanding about the Project. It also helps develop a two-way dialogue with local communities and consultees and informs development of the proposals, as well as how any potential impacts of the Project are mitigated.  All representations received during the pre-application consultations will



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
			<p>be carefully considered by the Developer. Following the Stage 1 consultation, the Developer published a Consultation Feedback Report which detailed the responses received and its current response. This CFR for the Stage 1b consultation will be published as part of the statutory consultation and explains how the Developer has had regard to the responses received.</p> <p>The Consultation Report that will accompany the DCO application will detail the process of pre-application consultation and explain the regard has to all feedback received by the Developer in the formulation of its application. This will form part of the suite of information presented to the Secretary of State to inform the eventual determination of the application.</p>
It is not appropriate for consultation exhibitions to be held during the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.		✓	<p>Prior to undertaking any consultation exhibitions, the Developer carefully considered the prevailing government guidance, as well as seeking legal advice, consulting the local police and producing a robust risk assessment with associated transmission control measures.</p> <p>The exhibitions were lawfully and safely held.</p>
Consideration should be given to reopening the rail connection to Wisbech and its use for the transportation of waste to the EfW CHP Facility.		✓	The Developer supports the reinstatement of the railway line and will work with Network Rail and the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority to ensure that both developments can take place alongside each other. The ability to accept waste by rail would be dependent upon the waste collection authorities/companies having access to the necessary infrastructure.
MVV should encourage the dualling of the A47 and opening of the railway.		✓	
The reinstatement and use of the railway will bring local benefits to the town.		✓	<p>Traffic impacts will be assessed and improvements to the local road network will be considered in conjunction with local highways authorities and Highways England. The preliminary findings of the</p>



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
			assessment will be presented at the statutory consultation.
General support for the proposed EfW CHP Facility.		✓	The Developer appreciates the stated support for the development.
General support for the proposed EfW CHP Facility as it will lead the way for clean energy and reduce reliance on landfill and waste exporting.		✓	
The proposed EfW CHP Facility should be approved despite local objection because it is a better alternative to landfill and will save the UK costs associated with exporting waste abroad.		✓	
General objection to the proposed EfW facility.		✓	The Developer notes the objection.
There should be a levy on each container entering the site with proceeds put towards developing methods of further reducing non-recycled waste.		✓	The aim of the proposed EfW Facility is to reduce the cost of waste disposal to landfill so an additional tax would not be appreciated by waste customers.
Suggestion that it will be important to have a local recycling partner.		✓	<p>It is hoped that local councils will divert monies saved on waste disposal to landfill into recycling and waste minimisation initiatives; as has been the case at the Developer's other operational sites.</p> <p>In addition, the Developer will engage with local schools and community groups to deliver key waste minimisation messages and initiatives in the local area.</p>
Disappointing attendance at exhibition; suggest contacting parish council and supporting litter picks.		✓	<p>The Developer has included parish councils in their mailing lists to encourage wider participation at statutory consultation.</p> <p>At their operational facilities, community engagement includes waste-related activities such as community litter picking.</p>



Issue Raised	Prescribed Consultee	Member of the public	The Developer's response
<p>Keep trying to engage with people.</p>		<p>✓</p>	<p>The Developer appreciates the representation and fully intends to continue with wider engagement throughout the DCO pre-application process.</p> <p>The Developer has established liaison groups for its existing operational facilities and have commenced this process for the proposed Medworth facility; residents, local councils and other interested parties are actively encouraged to express interest in joining this liaison group.</p> <p>This will be further promoted at Statutory Consultation to enable interested parties to be kept up to date with progress on the DCO application.</p>



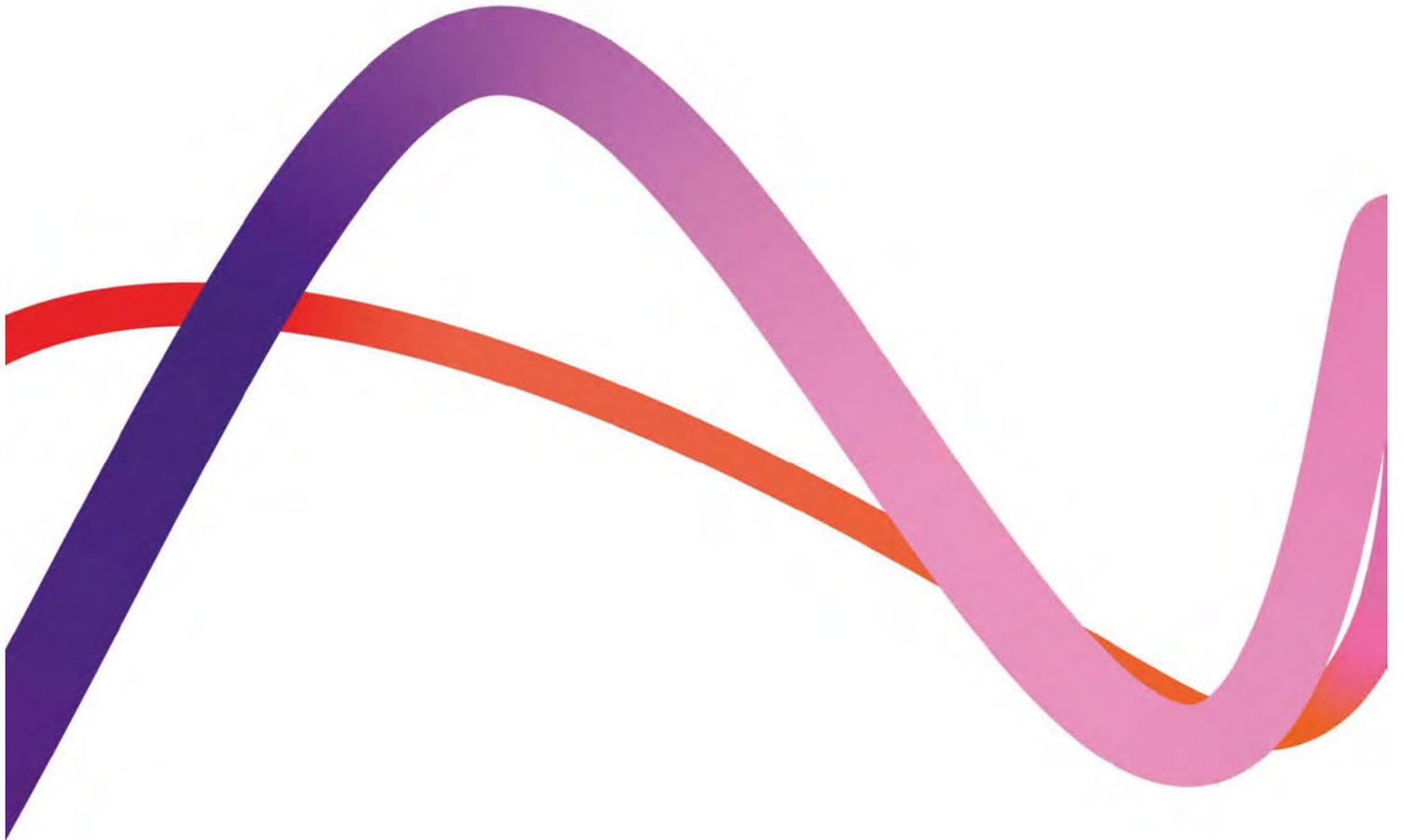
## 8. Next steps

- 8.1.1 All feedback received from the Stage 1b consultation has been considered by the Developer alongside ongoing design and environmental assessment work.
- 8.1.2 In accordance with the requirements of the PA 2008 the Developer will consult on its proposed application to provide prescribed consultees, local communities and other interested parties with an opportunity to share their views on the proposed application prior to submission of the DCO application. This consultation will be undertaken in accordance with the Statement of Community Consultation.



# Appendix A

## Consultation Strategy including Local Authority Comments



# Consultation Strategy Update

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# 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Purpose of this Consultation Strategy Update

- 1.1.1 MVV Environment Ltd (the Developer) intends to submit an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) for the construction and operation of an energy from waste facility – known as ‘the Medworth Energy from Waste (EfW) combined heat and power (CHP) Facility’ (hereafter referred to as the ‘Project’). The Project also includes associated development such as a steam pipeline connection to local industries, access improvements and a grid connection. The application would be for a Development Consent Order (DCO) under Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008).
- 1.1.2 In December 2019, the Developer presented their strategy for pre-application consultation; feedback was received from all four host authorities<sup>1</sup>. Details of the comments received and the Developers response are set out in **Appendix A**. The feedback received has been taken into account in developing this Consultation Strategy Update.
- 1.1.3 In accordance with that strategy, a non-statutory consultation was undertaken on the emerging proposals between 16th March and 4th May 2020; this would have included the holding of seven public exhibitions in March and April 2020. However, due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the associated social restrictions, these public exhibitions were postponed. The Developer is therefore proposing to undertake an additional non-statutory consultation on its proposals prior to its statutory consultation.
- 1.1.4 The purpose of this Consultation Strategy Update is to inform the approach to the additional non-statutory consultation and ensure that:
- a) Host authorities are made aware of the Developers proposals for pre-application consultation;
  - b) Host authorities are consulted on the proposals for the additional non-statutory consultation and are given opportunities and the appropriate time to influence them;
  - c) The consultation is comprehensive whilst also being transparent and accessible; and
  - d) All responses received are analysed and considered in the development of the DCO application for the Project.
- 1.1.5 Details of the comments received from the local authorities on the Consultation Strategy Update and the Developers response are set out in **Appendix D**.
- 1.1.6 Following the additional non-statutory consultation and the consideration of feedback received, the Developer will prepare a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) setting out how it proposes to carry out the statutory

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<sup>1</sup> As defined under s42(1)(b) of the Planning Act 2008



consultation. As required by the PA 2008, the Developer will consult on the SoCC with all host authorities.

- 1.1.7 Outside of the non-statutory and statutory consultations, there is an ongoing programme of pre-application engagement with local communities and stakeholders that provides a forum for briefing on, and discussion about, the Project. This programme of ongoing engagement is not detailed in this document.

## 1.2 Structure of this Consultation Strategy Update

1.2.1 The Consultation Strategy Update is structured as follows:

- Section 2: Describes the background to the Project and the aim and approach to the additional non-statutory consultation and its position within the broader context of pre-application consultation.
- Section 3: Describes the key drivers, aims and objectives which underpin the need to undertake pre-application consultation as part of the development of the proposals for the Project.
- Section 4: Identifies the consultation process and content.
- Section 5: Sets out when, where and who will be consulted.
- Section 6: Sets out the methods of consultation that will be used.
- Section 7: Sets out the consultation recording and reporting process.



## 2. The Project and the approach to consultation

### 2.1 The Project

- 2.1.1 The Developer intends to make an application to the Secretary of State for a DCO for the Medworth EfW CHP Facility on the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire. The proposed development is a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under Part 3 Section 15 of the PA 2008 due to the fact that it will be a generating station located in England and will have a generating capacity of over 50 MW. It, therefore, requires an application to be submitted to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a DCO.
- 2.1.2 The proposed development will recover useful energy in the form of electricity and steam from over half a million tonnes of non-recyclable (residual) municipal and commercial and industrial waste each year. Generating over 50 megawatts (MW), the electricity will be exported to the grid. The facility will also have the capability to export steam and electricity to users on the surrounding industrial estate.
- 2.1.3 The proposals include connections to supply steam and electricity on a private wire basis, following the disused railway line adjacent to the western boundary of the EfW CHP Facility site. The proposals will also include a grid connection, access improvements, a temporary construction compound, and a substation. The elements of the proposal, the area it covers, and associated consultation zones will be refined as part of the connection route selection process and further to ongoing engagement and assessment work.

### 2.2 The aim of the consultation process

- 2.2.1 The overarching aim of pre-application consultation is to ensure that the local community and all those with an interest in the Project are notified, consulted and given an opportunity to influence the proposals. Accordingly, this means that:
- The effects and benefits of the Project will be explained to allow all parties to understand what is being proposed and to be able to comment further on the proposals throughout the preparation of delivering an application for submission.
  - Members of the public living in the vicinity of the site will be consulted in good time during the evolution of the Project, helping them to understand what they can influence, enabling them to comment on its development, potential mitigation and enhancement measures.
  - All stakeholders, from those with statutory interests through to businesses, local communities, individual residents, affected landowners, as well as those who work or transit through the local area, will have access to accurate and



high-quality information on the Project which is accessible to stakeholders with varying levels of knowledge.

## 2.3 The approach to consultation

- 2.3.1 The Developer's published Consultation Strategy (December 2019) set out a two stage pre-application consultation process for the Project. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the associated social restrictions, the public exhibitions that were proposed as part of the non-statutory consultation were postponed. The Developer is therefore proposing to undertake an additional non-statutory consultation on its proposals prior to its statutory consultation.
- 2.3.2 The Developer recognises that it may be appropriate to undertake targeted consultation or additional consultation prior to submission of the DCO application, depending on how the proposals evolve as a result of consultation feedback, design development or environmental assessment work. In considering the need for targeted or additional consultation, the Developer will be guided by the degree of change, the effect on the local community and the level of public interest.
- 2.3.3 It is expected that consultations on the Project will attract a high level of public interest and participation. Some members of the public, groups and elected representatives already have some knowledge of the background to the principle of the Project and an established interest whilst others will not have the same background knowledge.
- 2.3.4 The approach to consultation is guided by the requirements of the PA 2008 and DCLG Guidance.
- 2.3.5 Pre-application consultation is a key requirement of the PA 2008 process. It is crucial in raising awareness and understanding about the Project and in helping develop a two-way dialogue with local communities and stakeholders to understand the issues that are important to them. Importantly, it can inform how proposals develop and potential effects of the development can be mitigated before submitting an application to the Planning Inspectorate for examination.
- 2.3.6 Due to the anticipated level of interest in the Project across a wide geographical area, a range of communication, engagement and consultation approaches will be required. These methods will ensure:
- The consultation is inclusive and provides opportunities for people to get involved and influence the development of the Project;
  - The consultation approach and methods are appropriate to the different stakeholders affected; and
  - Harder to reach groups are identified, and appropriate methods of communication are implemented to enable their involvement, including any need for translated materials on request.



## 3. The need for pre-application consultation

- 3.1.1 Under the PA 2008, pre-application consultation is a statutory requirement. Non-statutory consultation, whilst not a legal requirement, provides an opportunity for the Developer to engage with stakeholders at the earliest possible stage of the development; the Developer considers this to be invaluable.
- 3.1.2 Before accepting a DCO application for examination, the Planning Inspectorate will need to be satisfied that the Developer has carried out pre-application consultation and publicity in accordance with the requirements of the PA 2008. Evidence of this will be presented in the Consultation Report that will be submitted with the application for development consent.
- 3.1.3 As part of the process for accepting the application, the Planning Inspectorate will invite responses from each of the host authorities consulted and must have regard to any representations received regarding the adequacy of the pre-application consultation. If the Planning Inspectorate considers that the consultation has been inadequate, they can decide not to accept the application for examination.

### 3.2 DCLG guidance

- 3.2.1 Guidance on the pre-application process<sup>2</sup> is provided by DCLG, the latest version of which was published in March 2015. As explained above, the Developer is obliged to have regard to this Guidance in completing the pre-application consultation on the Project and this Guidance has informed the approach to consultation.
- 3.2.2 The most directly relevant advice in the Guidance is summarised below:
- Consultation (and publicity) is a key requirement of the PA 2008 process and is crucial to the effectiveness of the PA 2008 regime. If conducted effectively consultation and publicity leads to better applications.
  - Consultation should be based on accurate information that gives consultees a clear view of what is proposed, including any options. It should also be shared at an early enough stage so that a proposal can be influenced, and it should be engaging and accessible in style, encouraging consultees to react and offer their views.
  - Consultation should be appropriate to the scale and nature of the project in question and where any potential impacts may be experienced. Consultation should be thorough, effective and proportionate. However, larger more complex applications are likely to need to go beyond the statutory minimum timescales laid down in the PA 2008 to ensure enough time for consultees to understand project proposals and formulate responses.
  - Applicants must set out clearly what is being consulted on. They must be careful to make it clear what is settled and why, and what can be influenced. Applicants could prepare a short document specifically for local communities

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<sup>2</sup> DCLG 'Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process' (March 2015).



summarising the project proposals and outlining the matters on which the view of the local community is sought.

- To manage the tension between consulting early and having project proposals that are firm enough to enable consultees to comment, applicants are encouraged to consider an iterative, phased approach to consultation consisting of two (or more) stages.
- Where a phased consultation is proposed, applicants might wish to consider undertaking non-statutory early consultation at a stage where options are still being considered. This will be helpful in informing proposals and assisting the applicant in establishing a preferred option on which to undertake statutory consultation. Applicants may also find it advisable to carry out consultation with affected landowners in the final stage of consultation once project proposals have been developed in enough detail to allow the identification of all affected land interests
- Where the project proposals change to such a degree that what is being taken forward is fundamentally different to what was consulted on, applicants should undertake further re-consultation on the new proposals

### 3.3 Best practice consultation principles

3.3.1 The Developer recognises the importance of adhering to the best practice consultation principles set out in guidance produced by local authorities who are affected by, or have an interest in, the Project. For example, in line with Cambridgeshire County Council's Statement of Community Involvement (2019), the Developer will undertake consultation which includes:

- Well publicised, manned public exhibitions which are advertised in a local newspaper in advance. These will be held in local venues and include material written in 'plain English';
- Opportunities for the community to provide feedback; and
- Leaflets, posters and media coverage in the local area.

3.3.2 In line with Fenland District Council's Consultation Strategy (2017-2020), the Developer will strive to ensure its own approach to consultation will be:

- As required;
- Able to enable informed opinion;
- Well-planned and timely;
- Inclusive; and
- Well managed and undertaken using appropriate methods.

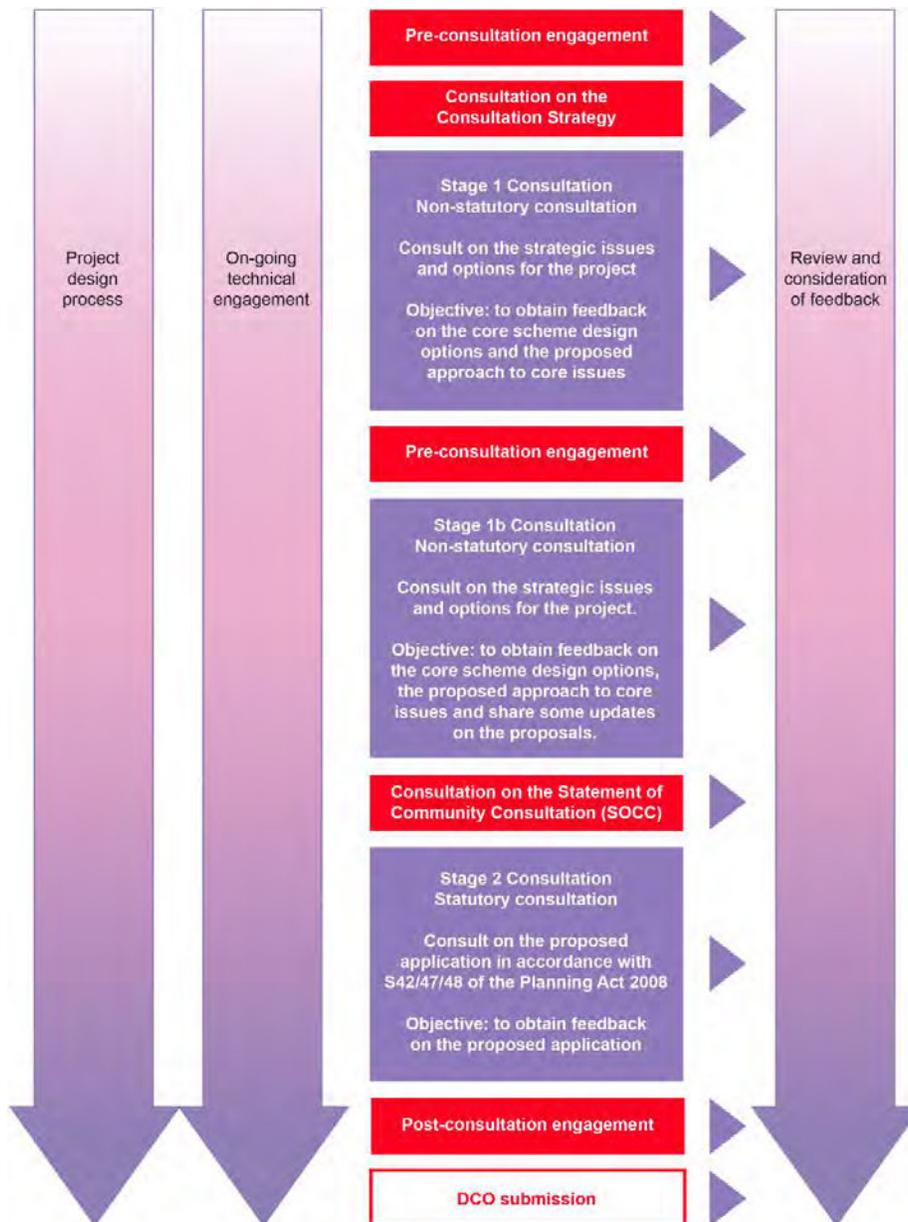


# 4. The consultation process

4.1.1 The Developer proposes to undertake a three-stage pre-application consultation process (see Fig 4.1):

- Stage 1 – non-statutory consultation;
- Stage 1b – additional non-statutory consultation; and
- Stage 2 – statutory consultation in accordance with the requirements of the PA 2008.

Figure 4.1 – pre-application consultation process





- 4.1.2 Stage 1 took place between 16th March and 4th May 2020 and was a non-statutory consultation.
- 4.1.3 As outlined in Section 2, the Developer is proposing to undertake an additional non-statutory consultation (the Stage 1b consultation) on its emerging proposals. This consultation will provide a further opportunity for stakeholders and local communities to share their views on the strategic issues and options for the Project and attend consultation exhibitions. The consultation will also include some updates on the proposals resulting from consultation feedback at Stage 1 and the further development and refinement of the proposals. This includes the refinement of the options for the electricity connection to the grid.
- 4.1.4 Stage 2 will be a statutory consultation carried out in line with the legal requirements of the PA 2008. Further detail on these principles and the approach to the Stage 2 consultation will be included in the SoCC.



## 5. When, where and who will be consulted

### 5.1 When will the consultation take place

- 5.1.1 In planning the timing of the consultation, the Developer will carefully consider government advice and guidelines in relation to Covid-19 and social distancing. The Developer will also be mindful of other external consultations taking place in order to manage any issues of consultation fatigue.
- 5.1.2 It is anticipated that the Stage 1b consultation will be held in Autumn 2020 for a period of six weeks.
- 5.1.3 The approach to and duration of, the Stage 2 consultation will be determined as part of the consultation on the SoCC with host authorities.

### 5.2 Where will the consultation take place

- 5.2.1 The zones described below and illustrated at **Appendix B** comprise the proposed Consultation Zone for the Stage 1b consultation and are the same as those used for Stage 1. This is to ensure that all stakeholders originally consulted are made aware of the additional non-statutory consultation and updates to the Project and have an opportunity to provide feedback. For the Stage 2 consultation, the size of the Consultation Zone will be reviewed and may change as more information becomes available on the potential effects of the Project.

#### Zone A

- 5.2.2 Zone A includes the community within a two-kilometre radius of the main site boundary, plus the full extent of residential areas in Wisbech and Elm. The coverage of Zone A is represented by the purple line in Appendix B.

#### Zone B

- 5.2.3 Zone B represents a five-kilometre radius of the main site boundary. It also includes a two-kilometre buffer around the potential grid connection options that were identified at Stage 1. The extent of Zone B is represented by the pink line in Appendix B. This approach has been taken from good practice applied in consultations for other similar proposals.

### 5.3 Who will be consulted

- 5.3.1 Although a non-statutory consultation, in accordance with the PA 2008 and best practice guidelines the consultation activity will be focussed on the following groups:



## Prescribed consultees

- 5.3.2 Prescribed consultees under Section 42(1)(a) (often referred to as statutory consultees) are defined in Schedule 1 to the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended).

## Local authorities

- 5.3.3 Under Section 43 of the PA 2008 applicants are required to consult with the local authorities in which the Project falls and those authorities that share a boundary with the host authorities.

- 5.3.4 Host and adjoining authorities cover:

- Cambridgeshire County Council (host);
- Fenland District Council (host);
- Norfolk County Council (host);
- Borough Council of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk (host);
- East Cambridgeshire District Council;
- Huntingdonshire District Council;
- South Holland District Council;
- Breckland Council;
- North Norfolk District Council;
- West Suffolk Council;
- Peterborough City Council;
- The Broads Authority;
- Bedford Borough Council;
- Central Bedfordshire Council;
- Lincolnshire County Council;
- Northamptonshire County Council;
- Essex County Council;
- Hertfordshire County Council; and
- Suffolk County Council.

## Persons with an interest in the land (PILs)

- 5.3.5 This is a broad category as detailed by Section 44 of the PA 2008 and includes:
- Any owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of the land;
  - Anyone who is interested in the land;



- Anyone who has the power to sell and convey or release the land (e.g. a mortgage); and
- Anyone who might be entitled to make a relevant claim under section 10 of the Compulsory Purchase Act 1965, Part 1 of the Land Compensation Act 1973 or Section 152(3) of the PA 2008.

5.3.6 As the proposals are still evolving at the time of the Stage 1b consultation, specific consultation with PILs will not take place. Prior to the Stage 2 consultation diligent enquiries will be made into this broad category to ensure that all those with an interest in the land or who would or might be entitled to make a relevant claim are identified and consulted at Stage 2.

### Local communities

5.3.7 Section 47 of the PA 2008 imposes a specific requirement on applicants to consult people living in the vicinity of the land to which the proposed application relates. We have defined local community consultees as:

- Individuals, owners/occupiers, businesses and groups based or living in the vicinity of the Project;
- Individuals who are users of the area or visitors to it (e.g. workers);
- Voluntary organisations (including residents' associations);
- Faith communities;
- Traveller communities;
- Schools and colleges in the vicinity; and
- Local hospitals, care homes and private healthcare organisations in the vicinity.

### Wider stakeholders

5.3.8 In addition to those consultees prescribed under sections 42, 44 and 47 of the PA 2008 we have identified a number of individuals and organisations with which we will voluntarily consult. These include:

- Bodies and individuals who are not defined as prescribed consultees in Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended). This includes local bodies and technical consultees such as local Wildlife Trusts, the National Trust and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB);
- Additional local authorities that are not included under Section 43 e.g. those that express an interest in the Project; and
- County and Ward Councillors and MPs in relevant areas.

5.3.9 A list of the wider stakeholders proposed to be consulted will be continually reviewed in light of discussions with the local authorities and consultation feedback to ensure that anyone who requests to be included as a consultee has the same opportunity to provide feedback as those prescribed under the relevant legislation.



## 6. Approach to consultation

- 6.1.1 This section sets out the channels of communication and types of information which will be adopted to engage consultees throughout the Stage 1b consultation.
- 6.1.2 In accordance with the relevant statutory provisions and guidance, the SoCC will set out the communications programme for the Stage 2 consultation.

### 6.2 Channels of communication

- 6.2.1 To ensure the consultation is inclusive and open to all, a number of communications channels will be utilised to allow consultees to access project information and members of the team. These comprise:

#### Website

- 6.2.2 A dedicated website ( [REDACTED] ) was launched in December 2019 and will run for the duration of the Project. All consultation documentation and details of event locations, timings and document inspection locations will be available on a dedicated consultation section of this website. The website meets all standards in terms of accessibility and usability and will enable people to submit their comments online via a feedback form.
- 6.2.3 Following the close of the Stage 1b consultation the website will continue to provide a library of documents that were available during consultation but will clearly indicate that the consultation has closed. The website will be updated for subsequent stages of consultation.

#### Community contact point

- 6.2.4 A project contact point (local rate telephone number) has been set up for questions relating to the Project. Consultees are able to call this contact point to discuss the Project, leave a message or request hard copies of project documents. Consultees can also request a telephone appointment to discuss the Project.
- 6.2.5 All reasonable queries related to the consultation and the Project received will be responded to within 10 working days. There is also a dedicated email address, which is monitored by the Developer and from which all reasonable queries relating to the consultation and the Project will receive a response.

#### Exhibitions

- 6.2.6 Subject to limitations on public gatherings or social distancing imposed as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, public exhibitions will be held throughout the Consultation Zone in Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (DDA) compliant and accessible venues which are known to the local community. Members of the Project team will be available to answer questions about the Project, assist with the interpretation of materials and provide guidance on the completion of feedback forms. If government advice and/or local circumstances change and it is necessary



to adjust the approach to public exhibitions the Developer will engage with the host authorities to agree suitable alternative arrangements; these may include alternative public exhibition venues or digital consultation events/activities. If these activities are required, access will also be provided via telephone.

6.2.7 The exhibition venues proposed for the Stage 1b consultation are those booked at Stage 1; these are detailed in Table 6.1 below and illustrated at Error! Reference source not found.. The Developer will liaise with each venue and, should they become unavailable due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a suitable alternative will be secured; as a last resort, that public exhibition would be cancelled.

6.2.8 The public exhibitions will be promoted through project materials sent directly to stakeholders, the Project website, locally displayed posters, local press and local leafleting.

**Table 6.1 – Stage 1b Consultation Exhibitions**

<b>Exhibition Venue</b>	<b>Address</b>
<b>Rosmini Centre</b>	69a Queens Road, Wisbech PE13 2PH
<b>Queen Mary Centre</b>	Queens Road, Wisbech, PE13 2PE
<b>Oasis Community Centre</b>	St Michael's Ave, Wisbech PE13 3NR
<b>Tower Hall</b>	Maltmas Drove, Friday Bridge, Wisbech, PE14 0HW
<b>Marshland Hall</b>	Marshland Hall, 156 – 158 Smeeth Rd, Wisbech PE14 8JB
<b>Walton Highway Village Club</b>	Lynn Road, Walton Highway, Wisbech PE14 7DF
<b>Wisbech St Mary Sports &amp; Community Centre</b>	Beechings Close, Wisbech St Mary, Wisbech, PE13 4SS

### Document inspection locations

6.2.9 Subject to access limitations or social distancing imposed as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, full sets of the consultation documents will be made available for inspection at the locations detailed in Table 6.2 throughout the consultation period. If local circumstances change and it is necessary to adjust the approach to document inspection locations, the Developer will engage with the host authorities to agree suitable alternative arrangements.



6.2.10

Awdry House was originally identified as a document inspection location, however Cambridgeshire County Council have confirmed that this venue is no longer open to the public due to Covid-19 restrictions and therefore this has been removed from the strategy.

**Table 6.2 – Stage 1b Document Inspection Locations**

Document Inspection Location	Address
<b>Wisbech Library</b>	Ely Place, Wisbech, PE13 1EU
<b>Oasis Community Centre</b>	St Michael's Ave, Wisbech, PE13 3NR
<b>Wisbech St Mary Sports and Community Centre</b>	Beechings Close, Wisbech St Mary, Wisbech, PE13 4SS
<b>Marshland Hall</b>	Marshland Hall, 156 – 158 Smeeth Rd, Wisbech PE14 8JB
<b>Rosmini Centre</b>	69a Queens Rd, Wisbech, PE13 2PH
<b>Wisbech Customer Services Centre</b>	Harbour Square, Boathouse Business Centre, Wisbech, PE13 3BH
<b>Walton Highway Village Club</b>	Lynn Road, Walton, Highway, Wisbech, PE14 7DE

## 6.3 Types of information

6.3.1

Written information on the Project and details of the consultation will be provided to inform consultees about the proposals and will be made available on the website, at public exhibitions and at document inspection locations (unless stated otherwise). These include:

### Consultation invitation flyer

6.3.2

An invitation flyer notifying consultees about the consultation will be issued to everyone in the Zone A Consultation area, prescribed consultees and wider stakeholders prior to, or at the launch of, the consultation. This will provide a summary of information about the Project, detail on the consultation, including how to get involved and where more information can be found.



### Consultation booklet

- 6.3.3 A non-technical document summarising the background to the Developer and the Project as well as information on the approach to managing any impacts of the proposals.

### Information paper

- 6.3.4 A non-technical document setting out updates to the Project as a result of consultation feedback at Stage 1 and the further development and refinement of the proposals.

### Consultation Feedback Report

- 6.3.5 A non-technical document detailing the approach to consultation at the Stage 1 non-statutory consultation and summarising the feedback received together with the Developer's current response.

### Technical information

- 6.3.6 More detailed technical information on the main aspects of the proposals.

### Feedback form

- 6.3.7 A feedback form will be provided for anyone wishing to respond. The feedback form will be capable of being completed by hand (and will be returnable using a 'Freepost' address) or online via the Project website.

## 6.4 Notification of Consultees

- 6.4.1 A number of methods will be used prior to and during the consultation to ensure that all consultees are given the opportunity to find out more and take part. These include:
- **Flyer** - As set out above, a consultation invitation flyer will be issued to residents and businesses within the Zone A Consultation area prior to, or at the launch of, consultation inviting them to get involved.
  - **Press notices and advertising** - Adverts detailing event locations and timings will be placed in appropriate publications e.g. local newspapers and posters across Zone A and B consultation areas.
  - **Stakeholders, groups and organisations** - A range of stakeholders, bodies and organisations will be engaged to make them aware of the consultation and, where appropriate, provide details of how their membership can get involved.

## 6.5 Hard to reach groups

- 6.5.1 The Developer recognises that some consultees will not be able to participate in the consultation without assistance and will ensure that all groups and members of



the community have the opportunity to participate and are not disadvantaged in the consultation process. As a result, the Developer will:

- Ensure all exhibition venues are DDA compliant;
- Utilise project staff with relevant language skills or provide translation services where appropriate / on request; and
- Publish the consultation booklet in large copy print, audio or Braille on request.



## 7. Recording and reporting

### 7.1 Recording feedback

7.1.1 In accordance with Section 49 of the PA 2008, the Developer is committed to recording, analysing and demonstrating how it has had regard to comments received during the pre-application consultation. The preferred method of collecting comments is through the dedicated project website as it is the most efficient way of securely collecting information. However, consultation feedback can also be given through:

- Feedback forms submitted at exhibitions and via the Project Freepost address, and
- Feedback received via the Project email address or other forms of correspondence received via the Project Freepost address

7.1.2 Verbal feedback will not be accepted via the community contact point or at exhibitions except where necessary to recognise an individual's particular exceptional circumstances which would otherwise stop their view from being taken into account. Assistance with completing feedback forms will be provided at exhibitions for those who request it.

7.1.3 All responses received will be analysed and considered in the development of the DCO application for the Project.

7.1.4 Any personal data received as part of the consultation or as part of the consultation process will be stored and protected as per relevant data protection requirements as set out in the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). No personal details will be used or published in any materials produced in support of the Project.

### 7.2 Reporting

7.2.1 A Consultation Feedback Report (CFR) will be produced which summarises all feedback received at the Stage 1 non-statutory consultation. This Report will be made publicly available at the Stage 1b consultation. Following the Stage 1b consultation, a CFR will be produced which summarises the feedback received and this will be made publicly available as part of the Stage 2 consultation.

In accordance with Section 37(3)(c) of the PA 2008, a Consultation Report will be submitted with the application for development consent. This will report on both the non-statutory and statutory pre-application consultations to demonstrate how all statutory requirements relating to consultation and publicity including compliance with the PA 2008 have been met, how DCLG Guidance has been taken in to account and how the feedback received has influenced the application.



## Appendix A Local Authority Comments on Consultation Strategy

<b>BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN AND WEST NORFOLK</b>	
<b>Authority Comment</b>	<b>MVV response</b>
MVV clearly reference the relevant guidance and legislation.	No response required
The Stages are clearly set out, and the focus on the earliest identification of issues is welcomed.	No response required
It is helpful that there is a review point for the extent of the Zones following the Stage 1 non-statutory consultation.	No response required
Zone B seems appropriate at this stage, pending further detail about the transmission lines and grid connection.	No response required
In earlier discussions it was noted that Medworth may concentrate on only one of the routes, rather than the two shown on the Zones map. Has this decision been made, or will two routes be shown? It clearly has an impact on the degree of interaction that might be necessary with local communities.	<p>Two grid connection routes are currently under investigation along corridors to the north and east of Wisbech and both will be shown as part of this non-statutory consultation.</p> <p>These options will be refined as part of the connection route selection process and further to ongoing engagement and assessment work.</p> <p>Once a final decision on the grid connection route option is taken, the extent of the red line boundary and consequently the associated consultation zones will be further refined.</p>
Schedule 1 to the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended) is clearly the starting point. The prescribed consultees includes the Parish / Town Councils, and section 47 covers 'local communities' beyond that. This is all appropriate.	No response required
The specific mention of Ward Councillors is welcomed.	No response required
The channels identified are appropriate.	No response required
Bearing in mind the relative population size involved and the distances around the zones the proposed venues seem appropriately distributed to reach local people.	No response required
All of these (4 in total) are in Wisbech. Can you confirm that all the same documents will be available online? Assuming that they	All documents provided at document inspection locations will also appear online. MVV's dedicated website ( <a href="http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk">www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk</a> ) was



<b>BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN AND WEST NORFOLK</b>	
<b>Authority Comment</b>	<b>MVV response</b>
are online, which would be helpful, are there other particular reasons for not having a rural location available also?	<p>launched in December 2019 and will run for the duration of the Project. All consultation documentation and details of event locations, timings and document inspection locations will be available on a dedicated consultation section of this website.</p> <p>In order to give consultees in rural locations to the north of the site ample opportunity to attend events, engage with the proposals and have their say, MVV propose a consultation event in Walton Highway Village Club.</p>
In preliminary discussions MVV mentioned a specific briefing could be arranged for West Norfolk Borough Councillors. This would be welcomed at an early stage before the non-statutory consultations begin.	Meeting was arranged and took place at 2pm to 4pm on 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2020 Town Hall, King's Lynn. The meeting was attended by Members and Officer's from Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk.

<b>FENLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL</b>	
<b>Authority Comment</b>	<b>MVV response</b>
<p>In the Town Centre, we consider that there should be a 'pop up' venue provided in the Market Place Whilst Elm, Marshland and Walton Highway areas are identified together with Wisbech Town there is a lack of venue to the west of Wisbech and we consider the Wisbech St Mary Community centre should be included.</p> <p>Given the large concentration of Eastern Europeans and travellers in the town, the Rosmini Centre is a popular hub that these groups use and therefore I think the Rosmini Centre should also be included.</p>	<p>In order to engage communities visiting and living within the centre of Wisbech, MVV is proposing a number of consultation events within close proximity of Market Place, including Queen Mary Centre, which is adjacent to a large car park in central Wisbech.</p> <p>MVV is proposing an event at Wisbech St Mary Sports and Community Centre to ensure that consultation events are easily accessible to communities located to the west of the site.</p> <p>In order to ensure that that all groups and members of the community have the opportunity to participate and are not disadvantaged in the consultation process, MVV is proposing to host a document inspection location at the Rosmini Centre, Wisbech. Additionally, MVV staff who speak Romanian, Polish and German can be made available for the public exhibitions.</p>
We would suggest that The Boathouse, Rosmini Centre, Wisbech Information Centre and FDC's Fenland Hall March be added to the list.	Within the list of document inspection locations, MVV proposes to include The Boathouse (Wisbech Customer Services Centre) and the Rosmini Centre.



<b>FENLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL</b>	
<b>Authority Comment</b>	<b>MVV response</b>
	MVV's proposals for document inspection locations do not include March Hall, as this sits outside of the consultation zone, or Wisbech Information Centre as MVV is instead proposing Wisbech Library document inspection location which is within very close proximity of this venue.
<p>We would welcome the inclusion of the following: Parish / Town Councils, Wisbech Society, Getting it Sorted Group, Cambridgeshire friends of the earth, Chamber of commerce, National Trust, Rail Future and the Bramley Line (<a href="http://www.brmaleyline.org.uk">www.brmaleyline.org.uk</a>, and the Rosmini Centre. There are a number of traveller families living the the [sic] area close to the proposed development site and so we are trying to establish if there is a community representative that we can put you in touch with. Alternatively we will be able to identify the location of the pitches so that they can be included in any mail shots.</p>	<p>Concerning community groups identified by the authority, to ensure all members of the community have the opportunity to participate and are not disadvantaged in the consultation process, MVV will send the consultation information leaflet directly to the following groups</p> <p><b>Parish Town Councils</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elm Parish Council</li> <li>• Emneth Parish Council</li> <li>• Gorfield Parish Council</li> <li>• Leverington Parish Council</li> <li>• Newton-In-The-Isle Parish Council</li> <li>• Outwell Parish Council</li> <li>• Parsons Drove Parish Council</li> <li>• Sutton Bridge Parish Council</li> <li>• Tydd St. Giles Parish Council</li> <li>• Walpole Parish Council</li> <li>• Walsoken Parish Council</li> <li>• West Walton Parish Council</li> <li>• Wisbech St Mary Parish Council</li> <li>• Wisbech Town Council</li> </ul> <p><b>Additional Interested Parties suggested by Fenland District Council</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cambridge Friends of the Earth</li> <li>• Cambridgeshire Chamber of commerce</li> <li>• Getting it Sorted Group</li> <li>• National Trust</li> <li>• Rail Future</li> <li>• The Bramley Line</li> <li>• Wisbech Society</li> </ul> <p>MVV are liaising with Fenland District Council to contact traveller families.</p>

<b>NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL</b>	
<b>Authority Comment</b>	<b>MVV response</b>
As per 2.3.6 we would underline the need to identify and consult the harder to reach groups (including gypsy and traveller groups within the	MVV are liaising with Fenland District Council to contact traveller groups.



<b>NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL</b>	
<b>Authority Comment</b>	<b>MVV response</b>
consultation area) – it would be useful to have further information on this as and when these groups are identified;	
In terms of 3.3 we would emphasize that there are ample weekend and evening events are held to allow interested parties sufficient opportunity to visit the exhibitions;	In order to engage consultees and provide them with ample opportunity to learn about the consultation and have their say, consultation events will be spread throughout the consultation period and take place on both weekends and weekdays. MVV proposes that weekday events will run from 2pm – 8pm and weekend events will run from 10am – 5pm.
At 5.3.6, for the avoidance of doubt this should include County Councillors (the Norfolk Electoral Divisions and Members can be provided) as well as Ward Councillors;	County councillors are now included in section 'wider stakeholders'.
In 6.5, we consider the Zone B consultation area to be reasonable but please could it be clarified what additional engagement residents/business in Zone B can actually expect compared to the wider population such as through the measures identified (press notices and adverts)?	<p>In order to raise awareness about the consultation, MVV proposes a number of approaches to publicity to help engage consultees within zone B including; 7 consultation events held at accessible times throughout the local area, 8 document inspection locations including copies of all consultation documentation, a press release, posters in local venues and adverts in the Fenland Citizen newspaper and the Wisbech Standard newspaper.</p> <p>The consultation website will encourage and enable anyone to participate in the consultation – including those who are situated within and beyond zone B.</p> <p>MVV will continue to review the consultation zones as part of the connection route selection process, further to ongoing engagement and assessment work and following the non-statutory consultation.</p>
We would emphasize that one of the key points in the Reporting (7.2) is to state in detail how the consultation exercise has informed and influenced the proposals, and outline where amendments have been made to the scheme.	<p>Following the Stage 1 non-statutory consultation, MVV will take all consultation responses into account and demonstrate at the Stage 2 statutory consultation how the proposals have developed as a result of feedback.</p> <p>MVV will summarise all responses to the Stage 1 and Stage 2 consultations in a Consultation Report which will be submitted with the application. The Consultation Report</p>



<b>NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL</b>	
<b>Authority Comment</b>	<b>MVV response</b>
	will explain how MVV has had regard to consultation responses.

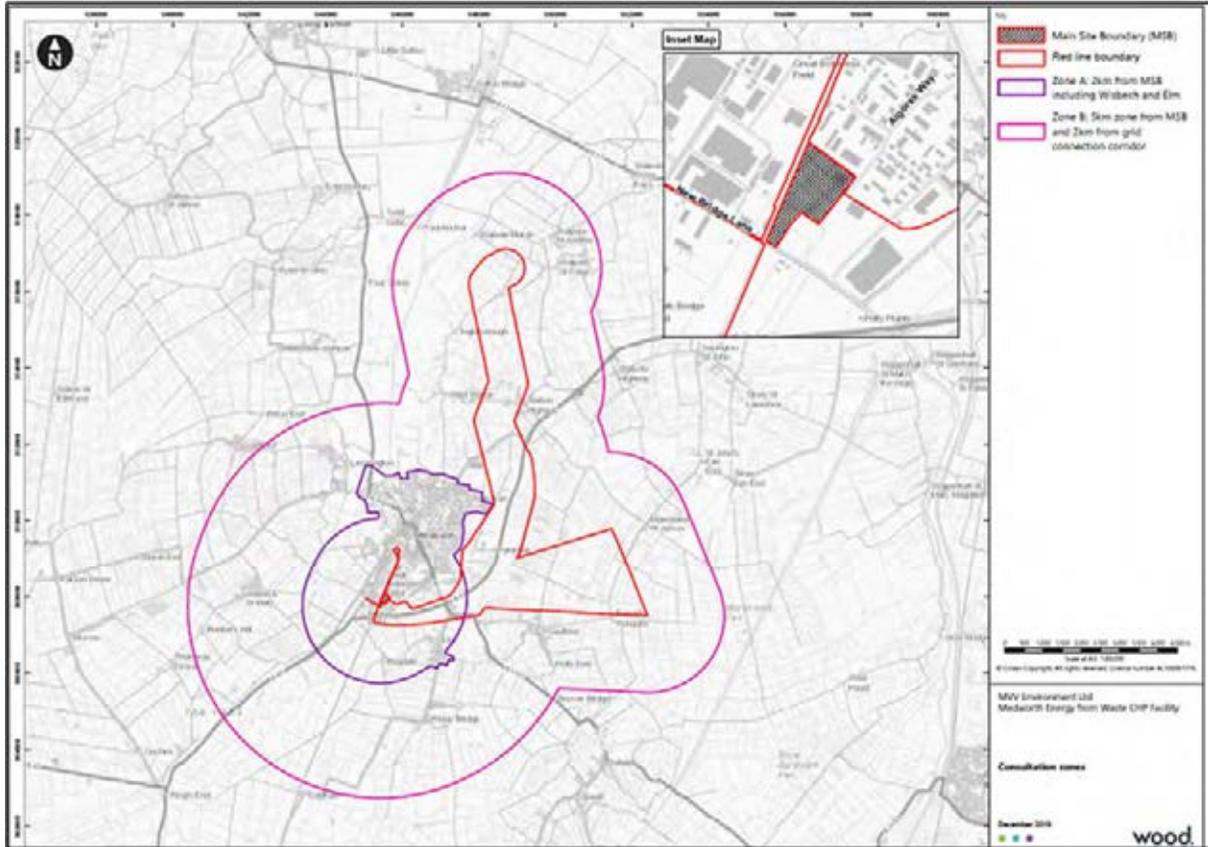
<b>CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL</b>	
<b>Authority Comment</b>	<b>MVV response</b>
A number of public exhibitions are proposed, and these will be well publicised, including in a local newspapers. If not proposed already the use of Town and Parish newsletters to publicise the events should also be considered.	<p>In order to raise awareness about the consultation, MVV proposes a number of approaches to publicity including; 7 consultation events held at accessible times throughout the local area, 8 document inspection locations including copies of all consultation documentation, a press release, posters in local venues and adverts in the Fenland Citizen newspaper and the Wisbech Standard newspaper.</p> <p>MVV will notify local town and parish councils of the consultation, ahead of it taking place, to inform them of the proposals and allow them to share the information with local communities via their own engagement platforms.</p> <p>MVV will continuously review its approach to advertising and publicity to ensure it encourages participation in the consultation process.</p>
The intent to hold local community events at local venues is welcomed, all such events should be 'open' in the afternoon and the evening to enable full attendance. The County Council's SCI requires the opportunity to allow feedback to be made in oral, written or electronic form; and it is noted in this context that assistance will be provided for those who do not wish to reply in a written or electronic form. This is welcomed.	<p>In order to capture consultees and provide them with sufficient opportunity to learn about the consultation and have their say, MVV will ensure that consultation events are spread throughout the consultation period and take place on both weekends and weekdays. MVV is proposing that weekday events will run from 2pm – 8pm and weekend events will run from 10am – 5pm.</p> <p>The consultation will provide a feedback form for anyone wishing to respond. The feedback form will be capable of being completed by hand (and will be returnable using a 'Freepost' address) or online via the Project website.</p> <p>Verbal feedback will not be accepted via the Project helpline or at exhibitions except where necessary to recognise an individual's particular exceptional circumstances which would otherwise stop their view from being taken into account. Assistance with completing</p>



	<p>feedback forms will be provided at exhibitions for those who request it.</p>
<p>The technical documents available e.g. the Preliminary Environmental Information Report, should include a non-technical summary which is also in 'plain English'</p>	<p>The Preliminary Environmental Information Report will not form part of the Stage 1 non-statutory consultation.</p> <p>As part of the Stage 2 statutory consultation, MVV will produce non-technical summaries of environmental information including the Preliminary Environmental Information Report.</p> <p>The EIA Scoping Report and Scoping Opinion will be available at Document Inspection Points and public exhibitions.</p>
<p>It is noted that information will be made available at a number of public information points – materials should be available in hard copy for people who wish to inspect it in this form (rather than via a computer). These information points should be spread across the proposal area, and as stated readily accessible to the community. It is noted that the majority of the proposed venues are libraries and public offices, regard will need to be had to their opening times to ensure that the public can also view materials in evenings and weekends if necessary.</p>	<p>A full set of the consultation documents will be made available, in hard copy, at each document inspection location throughout the consultation period. In choosing these document inspection locations, MVV has ensured that they are accessible to the community and their opening times collectively cover the morning, daytime and evening periods.</p>
<p>In terms of the Consultation Zones, it has been noted by the County Council in considering the Scoping Report for this proposal, that the impact of the proposed development e.g. in visual terms, may extend beyond 5 km. It is therefore suggested that some consideration should be given to including those communities which may be most affected by views of the facility from beyond the 5 km zone.</p>	<p>Based on best practice approaches used on similar projects and anticipated levels of visual effects, MVV considers that the 5km consultation zone (zone B) proposed for the non-statutory consultation is sufficient in engaging consultees who could be affected by the Project.</p> <p>The consultation website and advertising and publicity channels will encourage and enable anyone to participate in the consultation – including those who are situated beyond zone B.</p> <p>MVV will continue to review the consultation zones as part of the connection route selection process, further to ongoing engagement and assessment work and following the non-statutory consultation.</p>

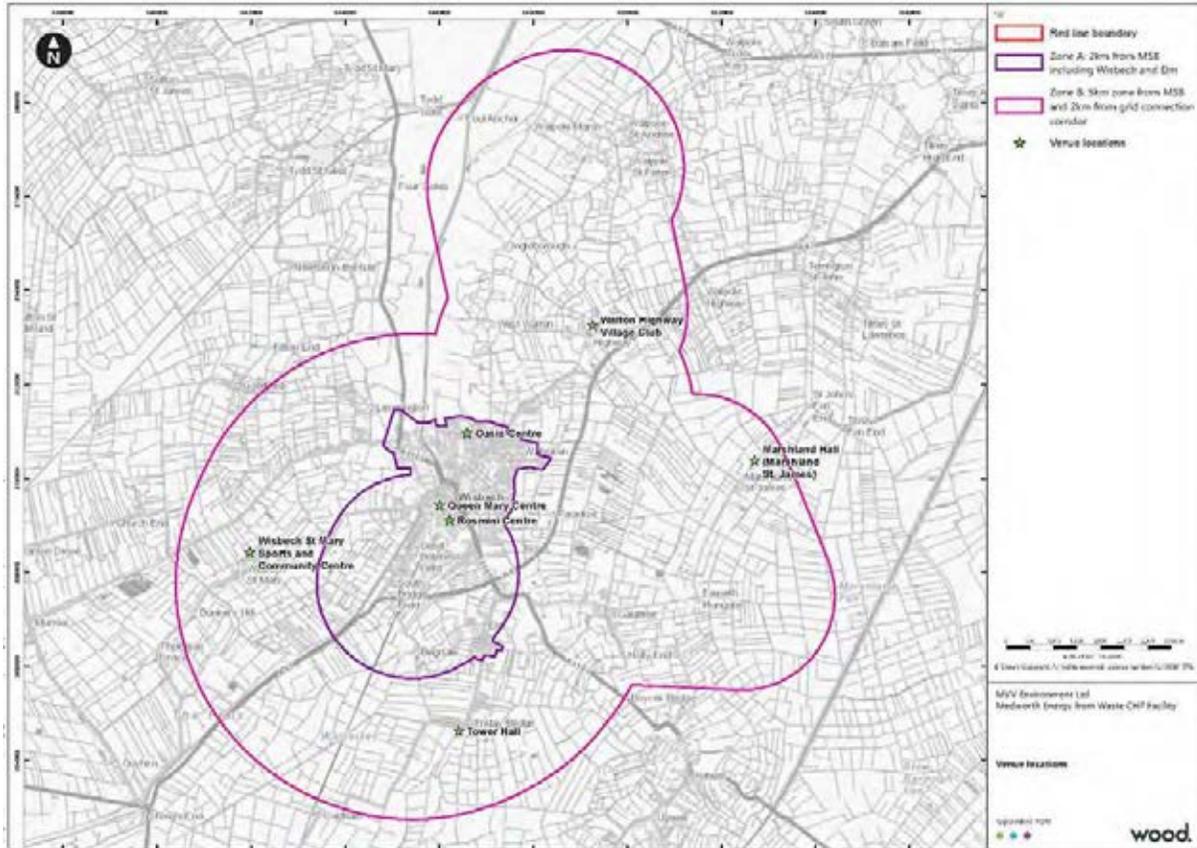


# Appendix B Graphical representation of consultation zones





# Appendix C Exhibition venues





## Appendix D Local Authority Comments on the Consultation Strategy Update

<b>FENLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL</b>	
<b>Authority Comment</b>	<b>MVV response</b>
With regard to the timing and length of consultations, regard should be had to the dates of town and parish council meetings so as to ensure they have the ability to fully participate.	The non-statutory consultation stage 1b will take place over a 6 week period to ensure all stakeholders and consultees (including town and parish councils) have sufficient time to participate in the consultation. A range of opportunities, including public exhibitions, will be provided during this period for consultees to participate.
In 5.3, the 'relevant' councils to be consulted should be identified in the document.	The relevant councils are identified in paragraph 5.3.4 of the document.
Should face to face consultation events not be feasible due to covid restrictions, the alternatives should be discussed with and preferably agreed with the local authority.	MVV will liaise with Fenland District Council should the exhibition events be cancelled in light of Covid-19 government guidance. .
A consultation event should take place at the Rosmini Centre.	The Consultation Strategy has been updated to include an exhibition event at the Rosmini Centre.
In the event that the manned consultation events do not take place you should liaise with this council in order to discuss and agree suitable alternatives.	MVV will liaise with Fenland District Council should the exhibition events be cancelled in light of covid-19 government guidance.
At the consultation events people should be supported in submitting their written comments.	MVV will offer assistance to attendees at the exhibition events with completing written feedback forms.

<b>CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL</b>	
<b>Authority Comment</b>	<b>MVV response</b>
I would like to start by highlighting our strong support for the inclusion of a 'phase 1b' to the non-statutory consultation in line with the details set out in Tables 6.1 and 6.2, and Figure 4.1 of the draft Consultation Strategy Update, that should allow well publicised and manned public exhibitions to still take place (once the Coronavirus guidance allows), rather than relying on online or virtual methods of consultation.	MVV welcomes the Council's support for holding a stage 1b consultation.
Furthermore, we welcome the fact that these manned public exhibitions will be advertised in advance of the events in the Fenland Citizen newspaper and the Wisbech Standard newspaper, in addition to being promoted	MVV acknowledges the Council's support for the methods proposed for advertising the non-statutory consultation.



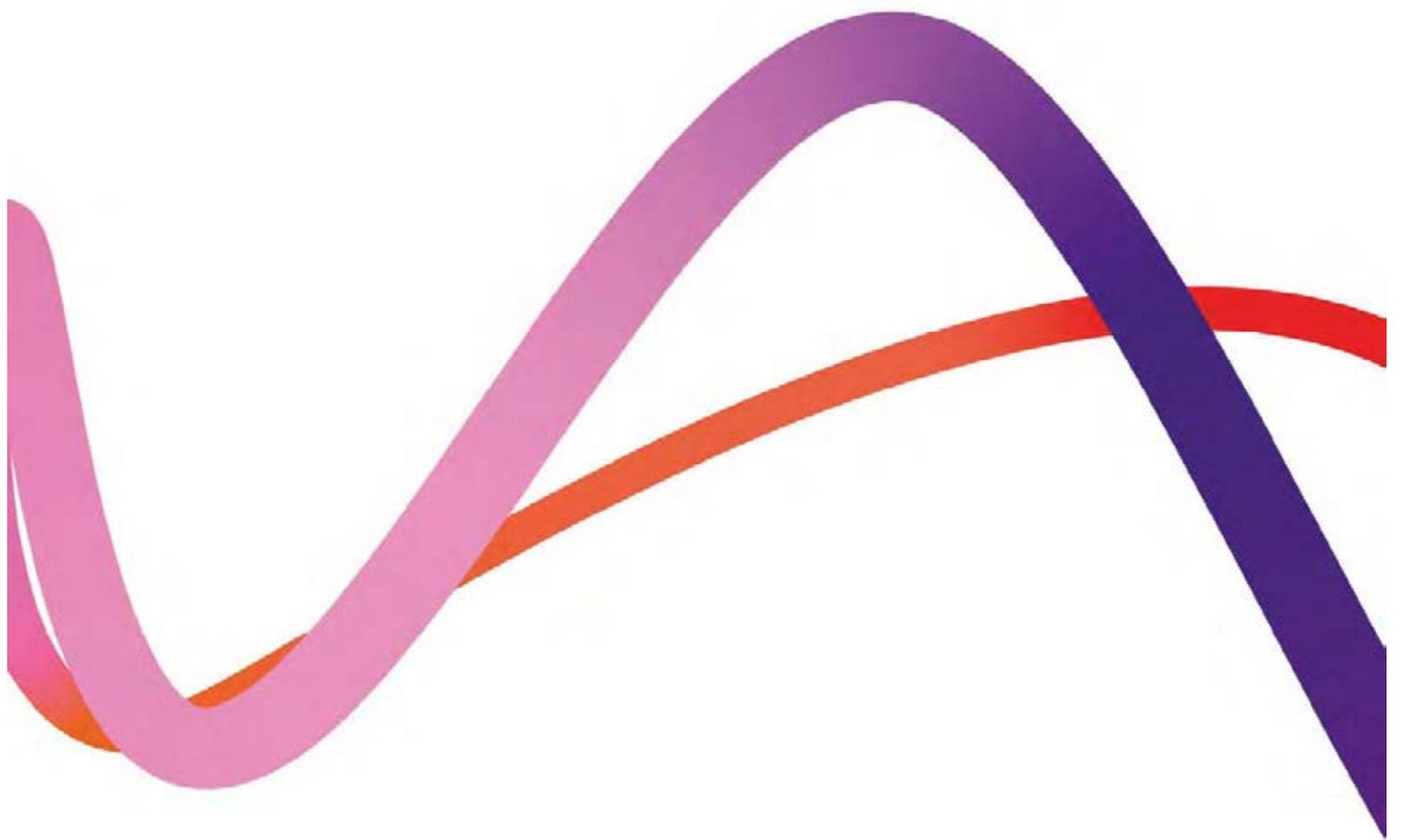
<p>through the use of flyers issued to residents and businesses in Consultation Zone A shown in Appendix B, and through posters advertising the local events across Consultation Zones A and B.</p>	
<p>These proposals are all considered to be in line with this Council's adopted SCI.</p>	<p>MVV welcome the Council's confirmation that the Consultation Strategy Update accords with the adopted SCI.</p>
<p>In addition to the proposed manned public consultation events, we also welcome the fact that reference has been made to make contact with the town and parish councils, which should allow other avenues of engagement to be explored with local communities, such as placing information in the parish newsletters etc. to help promote the events moving forward. However, we would recommend that attention is paid to the deadlines for the parish council meetings as it is usual for these meetings to only take place monthly, so the timing of information will be key.</p>	<p>The non-statutory consultation stage 1b will take place over a 6 week period to ensure all stakeholders and consultees (including town and parish councils) have sufficient time to participate in the consultation. A range of opportunities, including public exhibitions, will be provided during this period for consultees to participate.</p>
<p>Section 5.3 'Who will be consulted' would benefit from showing a full list of the town and parish councils being consulted on the proposals. Whilst it is acknowledged that 'the relevant parish council' is one of the Prescribed Consultees listed in column 1 of Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended), and therefore captured by paragraph 5.3.2; nevertheless, it would be both courteous and beneficial to the reader to list them in the main body of the document, or make reference to them in paragraph 5.3.2 given they may well have closer interest in the proposal than many of the host and adjoining authorities listed at paragraph 5.3.4 of the strategy. However, in the event the list is considered too onerous for that part of the document itself, or considered to cause confusion over those that would be outside the definition of 'relevant' and have been added for request purposes only, then we would ask you to refer to the town and parish council's coming under that part of the legislation and signpost readers to an appendix, such as the list currently included in Appendix A B3, to address this point and make it user-friendly for all to see which town and parish councils are on the list for consultation purposes.</p>	<p>Details of the town and parish councils consulted during the Stage 1 non-statutory consultation are reported in the Consultation Feedback Report. These organisations will also be consulted as part of the Stage 1b consultation.</p>
<p>Emphasis has been placed on our support for public manned consultation events to ensure that members of the local community have an</p>	<p>MVV will liaise with Cambridgeshire County Council should the exhibition events be</p>



<p>opportunity to view the proposals and provide their feedback on the current scheme. However, in the event anything changes in this regard, it will be essential for any 'suitable alternative arrangements' or amendments to what is being proposed in the draft strategy to be put to the host authorities as soon as any changes are required for our approval, as referenced in paragraph 6.2.6 of the document.</p>	<p>cancelled in light of Covid-19 government guidance.</p>
<p>This Council places great importance on the need to fully engage with local communities, including with the hard to reach groups in the area. As such whilst we welcome reference to discussions already taking place with Fenland District Council colleagues to ensure you are taking appropriate guidance from them, we would recommend that early engagement is sought with the hard to reach groups, including the local traveller communities across both Cambridgeshire and Norfolk in line with the comments raised in Appendix A (B2 and B3) on specific requirements for their area. A public event at the Rosmini Centre in Wisbech is fully supported for this reason.</p>	<p>MVV contacted Fenland District Council and Cambridgeshire County Council to obtain details of officers who may be able to assist with contacting hard to reach groups.</p> <p>MVV have engaged with the officer contacts provided and are awaiting information on means of contacting hard to reach groups.</p>
<p>We wish to raise our concern with the word 'reasonable' in connection with consultation responses set out in paragraph 6.2.5 of the draft Consultation Strategy Update. Whilst we recognise this has probably been put in to safeguard against what you consider would be 'unreasonable' requests, we believe that all consultation responses should be considered and where they are unreasonable they are told why this is the case.</p>	<p>MVV will consider all consultation responses with the exception of those which are abusive or threatening.</p>
<p>In paragraph 7.1.2 of the draft Consultation Strategy Update, on the basis that you are not accepting 'verbal feedback', we would expect those staffing the exhibitions to proactively offer help completing forms to those who appear to need it, rather than waiting to be asked specifically for this facility.</p>	<p>MVV will offer assistance to attendees at the exhibition events with completing written feedback forms.</p>
<p>Whilst we acknowledge the strategy is focused on the non-statutory consultation phase at this stage, it would still be beneficial to highlight that the technical documents that will be available in later stages e.g. the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR), will include a non-technical summary which will also be in 'plain English' for the local residents to comment on.</p>	<p>A non-technical summary of the PEIR will be published as part of the Statutory Consultation. There is no requirement in the non-statutory consultation to explain what documents will be published in future rounds of consultation.</p>
<p>Finally, with regard to our previous comments in relation to the consultation zones, it has been noted that the non-statutory consultation events and the draft Consultation Strategy</p>	<p>MVV welcome the Council's agreement with the proposed consultation zones.</p>



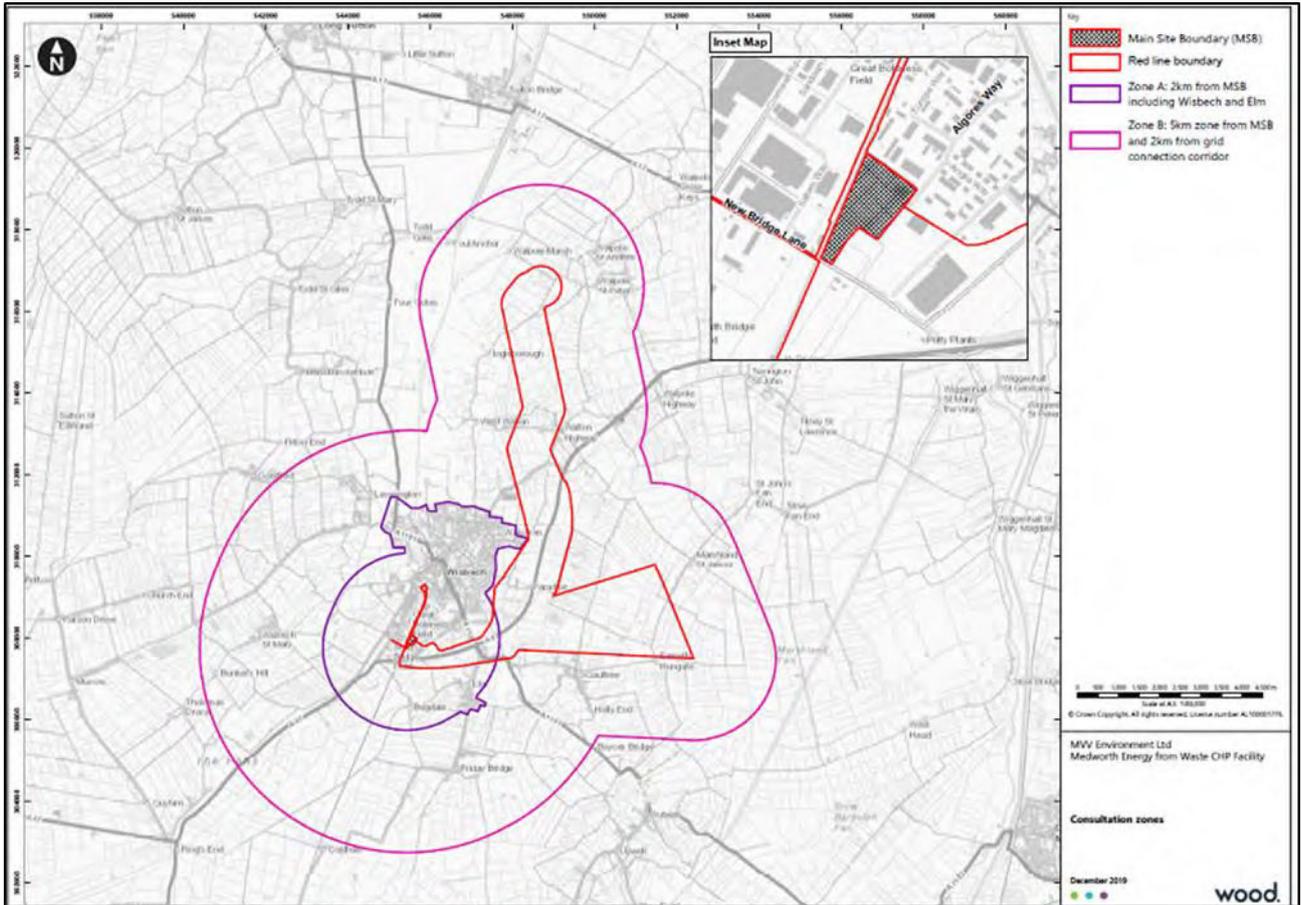
Update will all be based on the 5 km Zone B area shown in Appendix B. Nonetheless, we welcome reference to the fact that 'MVA will continue to review the consultation zones as part of the connection route selection process' on page 27 (B7), and that the 'consultation website and advertising and publicity channels will encourage and enable anyone to participate in the consultation – including those who are situated beyond Zone B'.





# Appendix B

## Consultation Zone





# Appendix C

## List of stakeholders consulted



<b>Stage 1b stakeholders contacted</b>
Anglian Water
Bedford Borough Council
Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk
Bramley Line Heritage Railway Trust
Breckland Council
Brooke Weston Trust
Cadent Gas Ltd
Cambridge Airport
Cambridge Friends of the Earth
Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority
Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Constabulary
Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust
Cambridgeshire Chamber of Commerce
Cambridgeshire County Council
Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service
Cambridgeshire Microlights
Central Bedfordshire Council
Civil Aviation Authority
Downham Market Internal Drainage Boards
East Cambridgeshire District Council
East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Eclipse Power Network Limited
Elm Parish Council
Ely Group of Internal Drainage Boards
Emneth Parish Council
Energetics Electricity Limited
Energetics Gas Limited
Energy Assets Networks Limited
Energy Assets Pipelines Limited
Environment Agency
ES Pipelines Ltd
ESP Connections Ltd
ESP Electricity Limited
ESP Networks Ltd
ESP Pipelines Ltd
Essex County Council
Fenland Airfield
Fenland District Council
Forestry Commission
Forestry Commission East and East Midlands Area
Fulcrum Electricity Assets Limited
Fulcrum Pipelines Ltd
Getting it Sorted
Gorfield Parish Council
GTC Pipelines Limited



<b>Stage 1b stakeholders contacted</b>
Harlaxton Energy Networks Ltd
Health and Safety Executive
Hertfordshire County Council
Highways England
Highways England Historical Railways Estate
Historic England
Homes England
Hundred of Wisbech Internal Drainage Board
Huntingdonshire District Council
Independent Pipelines Limited
Independent Power Networks Limited
Indigo Pipelines Limited
King's Lynn Internal Drainage Board
Leep Electricity Networks Limited
Leverington Parish Council
Lincolnshire County Council
Marine & Coastguard Agency
Marine Management Organisation
Marshland St James Parish Council
Middle Level Commissioners
Ministry of Defence, Defence Infrastructure Organisation
Murphy Gas Networks limited
Murphy Power Distribution Limited
National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc
National Grid Gas Plc
National Trust
NATS En-Route Safeguarding
Natural England
Network Rail
Newton-In-The-Isle Parish Council
NHS Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group
NHS England
NHS West Norfolk Clinical Commissioning Group
Norfolk Constabulary
Norfolk County Council
Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service
Norfolk Wildlife Trust
North London Skydiving
North Norfolk District Council
Northamptonshire County Council
Norwich Airport
Outwell Parish Council
Parliamentary
Parsons Drove Parish Council
Peterborough City Council



<b>Stage 1b stakeholders contacted</b>
Public Health England
Quadrant Pipelines Limited
Rail Future
Royal Mail c/o BNP Paribas Real Estate
RSPB Eastern England Regional Office
Scotland Gas Networks Plc
South Holland District Council
Southern Gas Networks Plc
Suffolk County Council
Sutton Bridge Parish Council
Sutton Bridge Power Generation
The Broads Authority
The Crown Estate
The Electricity Network Company Limited
The Environment Agency
Thomas Clarkson Academy
Tydd St. Giles Parish Council
UK Power Distribution Limited
UK Power Networks Limited
Utility Assets Limited
Vattenfall Networks Limited
Walpole Parish Council
Walsoken Parish Council
West Suffolk Council
West Walton Parish Council
Whittlesey and District Internal Drainage Board
Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust
Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire & Northamptonshire
Wisbech Harbour Authority
Wisbech Society
Wisbech St Mary Parish Council
Wisbech Town Council
WisWIN



# Appendix D

## Virtual Exhibition





# Appendix E

## Consultation Invitation Flyer



### the project overview

The UK requires more renewable energy power stations as old, fossil fuel facilities are being decommissioned.

Too much waste is still being sent to landfill or exported overseas, when it could better be used as a fuel to generate electricity and heat here in the UK.



UK-based company MVV Environment Ltd, intends to make an application to the Secretary of State for a Development Consent Order to obtain permission for an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power facility on the industrial estate at Algonia Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire.

The proposed Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power facility will divert over half a million tonnes of non-recyclable waste from landfill every year, generating over 50 megawatts of electricity and offering the opportunity to supply steam to local factories.

The Development includes not just the Energy from Waste facility but also the connections to the electricity grid and industrial heat users, and some modifications to the road network.

PLEASE HELP US TO **STOP THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS**

### public consultation events booking process

Please be assured we will be doing everything possible to keep you, others and our staff safe.

Adhering to social distancing guidelines means controlling the number of people attending our events at any one time. To meet government guidelines, we are providing an online booking system for attending our events. We will also be providing contact details of all attendees for 'Test and Trace'.

For full details of how to book attendance at our events, please visit: [www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/events](http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/events)

Or call: 01945 232 231  
Our team can offer support, or make the booking for you.



### dealing with waste today for a better tomorrow

NON-STATUTORY public consultation

We would like to invite you to attend our public consultation events on the Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power facility project.

Discover how to get involved and where you can find out more.



**we welcome your feedback**

Our preferred method for collecting your comments is through our dedicated project website, however, consultation feedback can also be given through:

Feedback forms\* submitted at exhibitions and via the project's request address. Feedback should be addressed to 'Freeport MVV'. Assistance with completing feedback forms will be provided at exhibitions for those who request it.

\*Any personal data included in our online consultation or as part of the consultation process will be stored electronically in our use of the consultation process. Its general details will be made public on any website associated to support the project.

**contact us**

[medworth@mvv.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvv.co.uk)  
 01945 232 231  
 Freeport MVV  
[www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/get-in-touch](http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/get-in-touch)

Further details on the development, and how its environmental impacts will be assessed, can be found on our website: [www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk](http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk)

**see inside for details on this non-statutory consultation**

700 TONNES OF WASTE  
40 FULL TIME JOBS

### NON-STATUTORY public consultation

#### MVV's Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power facility

MVV recognises the importance of local people and knowledge to any new project and aims to develop a two-way dialogue with as wide a range of stakeholders as possible. We want to understand the issues that are important to you.

As we could not safely accommodate public exhibitions in March, we have added a second phase of non-statutory consultation, which will start on 18th September 2020 and run until 29th October 2020.

The purpose of the non-statutory public consultation is to introduce our proposals and gather feedback. MVV staff will be available to answer your questions and explain what the project will entail, as well as how new employment opportunities will be created.

Rest assured our non-statutory consultation, which started in March, is extended to Autumn 2020. Our postponed public events are taking place - you have not missed the opportunity to raise the issues that are important to you.

#### where we are in the consultation process?

2020 CONSULTATION - Non-statutory consultation

From 18th Sept 2020 to 29th October 2020. Consult on design options and options for the project.

Objective: To obtain feedback on the site design options and the proposed approach to issues

Review and consideration of feedback

Review proposal

2021 CONSULTATION - Statutory consultation

Consult on the proposed application in accordance with the Planning Act 2008.

Objective: Obtain feedback on the proposed application

Review and consideration of feedback

Development Consent Order Submission



#### our consultation events will cover:

- Who are MVV?
- What is Energy from Waste?
- Why here?
- What will it look like?
- What are the potential environmental impacts?
- How will these impacts be assessed?
- What are the benefits in terms of education and employment?
- How can I have my say?

### document inspection venues

In addition, full sets of consultation documents will be available for inspection at the following venues (subject to venue-specific COVID-19 restrictions):

- Marshland Hall, 65-68 Smeeth Rd, Wisbech, PE9 8JB
- Oak Community Centre, St Michael's Ave, Wisbech, PE9 2NR
- Rosmini Centre, 61a Queens Rd, Wisbech, PE9 2PH
- Wisbech Customer Service Centre, Harbour Square, Southsea Business Centre, Wisbech, PE9 2BN
- Walton Highway Village Club, Lynn Road, Walton Highway, Wisbech, PE9 7DF
- Wisbech Library, Ely Place, Wisbech, PE9 4EU
- Wisbech St Mary Sports and Community Centre, Seachings Close, Wisbech St Mary, Wisbech, PE9 4SS

Opening hours and access arrangements for these venues can be found at: [www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk](http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk)

If you do not have access to the internet, please contact MVV on 01945 232 231 (local rate number) and a member of the team will be happy to make arrangements on your behalf.

### event dates and venues

1 OCT	Rosmini Centre 69a Queens Rd, Wisbech, PE9 2PH 10am-12.45pm	13 OCT	Marshland Hall 65-68 Smeeth Road, Marshland St James, Wisbech, PE9 8JB 10pm-11.30pm
2 OCT	Wisbech St Mary Sports & Community Centre Seachings Close, Wisbech St Mary, Wisbech, PE9 4SS 10pm-11.30pm	14 OCT	Oasis Community Centre St Michael's Ave, Wisbech, PE9 2NR 10pm-11.30pm
3 OCT	Queen Mary Centre Queens Rd, Wisbech, PE9 2PS 10am-11.30pm	15 OCT	Tower Hall Melfray Drive, Friday Bridge, Wisbech, PE9 6QR 10pm-11.30pm
		16 OCT	Walton Highway Village Club Lynn Rd, Walton Highway, Wisbech PE9 7DF 10pm-11.30pm



# Appendix F

## Consultation booklet



dealing with  
**waste today**  
for a **better**  
**tomorrow**

Edition 3 issued September 2020



## who are MVV Environment?

## dealing with waste today for a better tomorrow

**MVV Environment** is part of the **MVV Energie group** of companies. We provide a **sustainable alternative to landfill** through **energy recovery** for publicly and privately-owned waste disposal companies.

The UK requires more renewable energy power stations as old, fossil fuel facilities are being decommissioned. Too much waste is still being sent to landfill or exported overseas, when it could better be used as a fuel to generate electricity and heat here in the UK.

The UK business retains the overall group ethos of 'belonging' to the communities we serve, whilst benefiting from over **50 years' experience** gained by our German sister companies. We provide solutions for **waste reduction, energy generation and recycling.**

**Currently, some of the residual waste from the east of England region is exported to continental Europe where it is used as fuel in Energy from Waste (EfW) facilities.**

MVV look to bring their expertise to the area and create a new business for Wisbech to avoid transporting the waste overseas and to generate renewable energy for local businesses.



In the UK,  
**MVV** currently  
consists of  
**5** separate  
companies:



**1 MVV Environment Baldovie**  
Diverting **110,000** tonnes per annum of residual waste from landfill for Dundee City and Angus councils

**2 MVV Environment Services**  
The UK electricity trading subsidiary of MVV



**3 MVV Environment**  
The UK development company and core business support functions



**4 MVV Environment Ridham**  
Generating energy from **175,000** tonnes per annum of waste wood that would otherwise be landfilled or exported for energy generation abroad



**5 MVV Environment Devonport**  
Diverting **200,000** tonnes per annum of residual waste from landfill for the South West Devon Waste Partnership as well as **50,000** tonnes per annum of residual waste for private waste disposal companies



Find out more about MVV by visiting our website

# what is energy from waste?

**Energy from Waste (or EfW)** is the generation of partly renewable electricity and/or usable heat from residual waste that would otherwise go to landfill in the UK, or be exported to other countries as 'Refuse Derived Fuel.'

Like any power plant, the heat from the burning waste is used to boil water and generate steam which turns a turbine to drive a generator. Efficiencies can be increased if some of the steam can be used for heating, for example for industrial processes such as cooking food.

## how does it work?



EfW facilities safely and effectively convert residual waste into clean, renewable baseload energy and useful by-products, while sustainably powering communities and protecting the environment.

### Combustion

Waste burns safely at very high temperatures.

### High pressure steam

Heat from the waste fire heats water in the boiler and creates high pressure steam.

### Electricity and heat production

Superheated steam turns a turbine to generate electricity and some steam can be extracted for heating.

### Metals and ash recover

Ash and metal are recovered from the process to be recycled.

### Air quality control

Hot gases from the boiler are treated and filtered to meet strict air quality standards.

## why EfW over landfill?

In the UK now, there is over 15 million\* tonnes of residual waste per year that is still going to landfill or being shipped abroad for disposal. This is not sustainable and we should be treating this waste as a resource.

As an alternative to landfill, thermal treatment and efficient recovery of energy offers a number of advantages including environmental and financial benefits.

Landfill sites produce methane, which is 25 times worse than CO<sub>2</sub> as a greenhouse gas and exporting waste requires it to be shredded, baled and transported far greater distances than treating it locally. Shredding, baling and transport all carry an additional carbon footprint, which can be avoided with a local solution.

\*Tolvik Consulting, February 2019

## EfW does not compete with recycling

It is worth noting that MVV do not target municipal recyclable waste and as such our facilities have no direct impact on municipal recycling rates in the country. EfW competes with landfill, not recycling.

MVV supports the transition towards a circular economy. We acknowledge that within a circular economy there will still be materials that have reached the 'end of life' point and are only suitable for energy recovery.

OVER 15 MILLION\* TONNES OF **RESIDUAL WASTE** PER YEAR IS STILL GOING TO LANDFILL OR BEING **TRANSPORTED OVERSEAS**



**EfW REDUCES WASTE** GOING INTO LANDFILL

COMPARED TO LANDFILL EfW REDUCES THE

**CARBON FOOTPRINT**

WHILST CREATING RENEWABLE ENERGY



\*Tolvik Consulting, February 2019

EfW reduces landfill and contributes to renewable energy generation, reducing the UK's reliance on fossil fuels and cutting methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) emissions

DECOMPOSITION of organic materials in

**LANDFILLS**

for around

**30%**

of the UK's emissions of

**METHANE**

\*University of Southampton, Dr Tristan Rees-White

**NON-RENEWABLE SOURCES**

ACCOUNT FOR

**MORE THAN**

**60%**

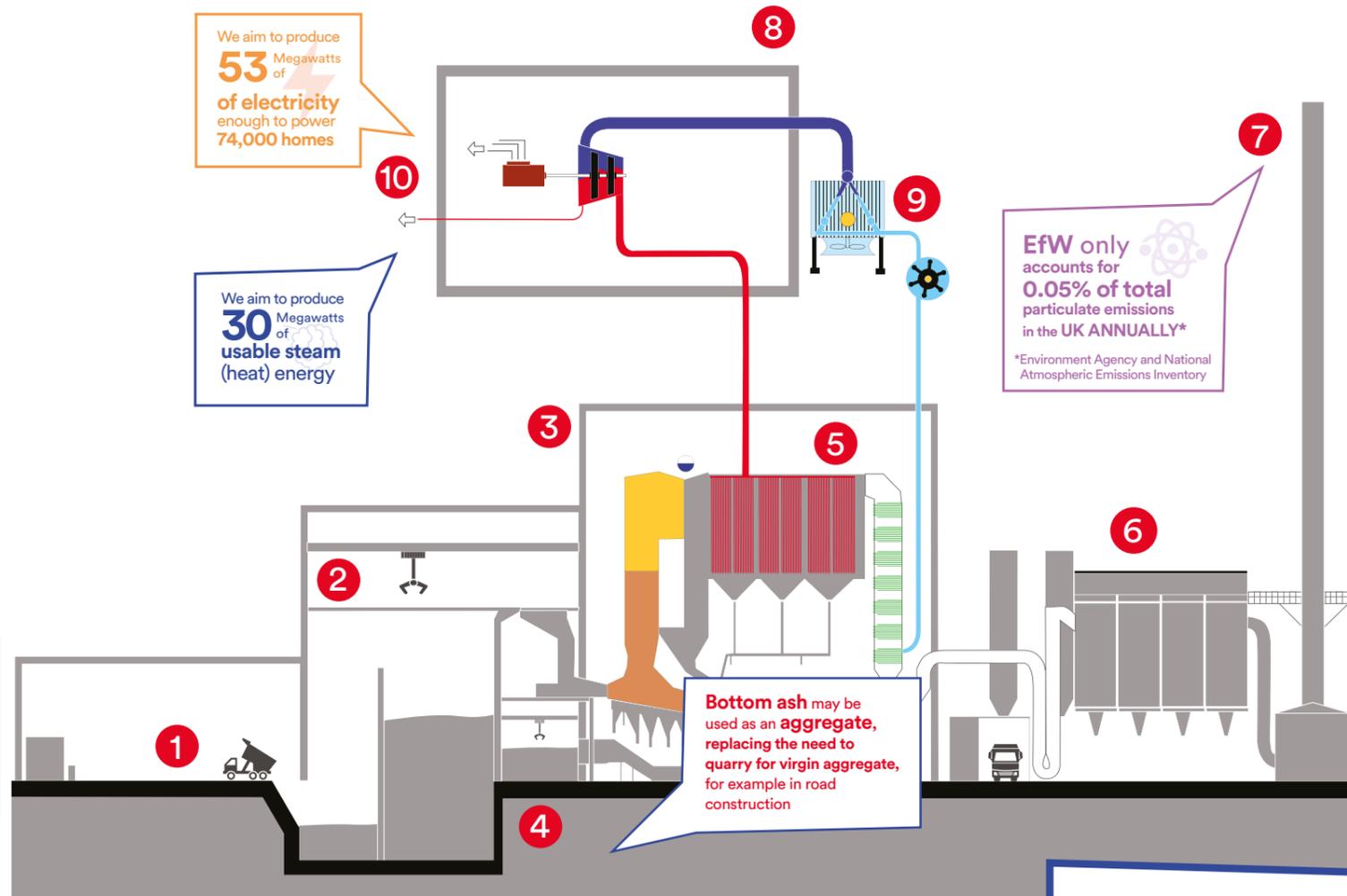
of the UK's electricity

\*UK Government - UK electricity generation trade and consumption, July to September 2019

**EfW** reduces landfill and the UK's reliance on **fossil fuels**

# energy from waste process

EfW is a way to recover valuable resources and a vital part of a sustainable waste management chain. This diagram takes you step-by-step through the EfW process.



We aim to produce **53** Megawatts of **electricity** enough to power **74,000** homes

We aim to produce **30** Megawatts of **usable steam** (heat) energy

EfW only accounts for **0.05%** of total particulate emissions in the UK ANNUALLY\*  
\*Environment Agency and National Atmospheric Emissions Inventory

**10 Energy distribution**  
The energy in the waste has finally been turned into useful electricity and steam for use by local industry. Any excess electricity is sent to the grid locally, displacing fossil fuels. Steam will be sent to local industry through an over ground pipeline.

**9 Air cooled condenser**  
The condenser takes the exhaust steam from the turbine. Very quiet fans send cool air up through the condenser tubes. Warm water goes back to the boiler, where it is used to make steam again.

**8 Turbine hall**  
Superheated steam from the boiler is sent to the turbine where it is used to drive an alternator, generating useful electrical energy. Steam can also be taken from the turbine at pressures and temperatures suitable for use by local industry. This reduces their dependency on fossil fuels and improves the overall efficiency of the facility.

**6 Air pollution control system**  
Having given up most of their energy to create useful heat in the form of steam, the flue gases have to be cleaned before they enter the chimney. The flue gases are injected with activated carbon and lime which react with pollutants such as acidic gases. The filters at the end of the system ensure that the residues, together with dust from the furnace, are captured so that the flue gas entering the chimney is well within the limits set by law. The system is controlled "real time".

**7 Chimney**  
The chimney height will be calculated to ensure that the limited emissions allowed under law are dispersed safely.

**1 Tipping hall**  
Waste is delivered to the facility in lorries. They enter the enclosed tipping hall and reverse up to the bunker edge. Air is sucked through the tipping hall and bunker and into the furnace so that odours do not escape.

**2 Waste bunker**  
The waste is stored in the bunker waiting to be loaded into the furnace by crane. Around 10 days worth of waste can be stored here. Air is sucked through the tipping hall and bunker and used in the furnace so that odours do not escape.

**3 Furnace**  
The waste is burnt under very carefully controlled conditions to ensure safe and complete combustion, and maximise the amount of heat recovered as useful energy. The walls of the furnace are made up of pipes within which water is heated and turned into steam in the boiler drum.

**4 Bottom ash**  
Those bits of the waste that don't burn, e.g. metals and bricks, are part of the ash that falls off the furnace grate. This falls into water to cool it and is then put into a separate bunker before being taken away for recycling.

**5 Boiler**  
The very hot gases from the furnace are passed through the boiler. The steam from the boiler drum goes through tubes in the boiler to superheat it, ready to be sent to the turbine.

# features of the Medworth EfW CHP facility proposal

UK-based company MVV Environment plans to develop a new Energy from Waste (EfW) Combined Heat and Power (CHP) facility generating electricity and steam on land at **Algores Way, Wisbech.**

If successful, a new company, to be called 'MVV Environment Medworth', will be looking to employ local people to help build, operate and maintain the facility.

The proposed EfW CHP facility will divert over half a million tonnes of residual waste from landfill every year, generating over 50 megawatts of electricity and offering the opportunity to supply steam to local factories.

The development includes not just the EfW facility but also the connections to the electricity grid and industrial heat users, and some modifications to the road network.

The total investment will be over £300 million and it is anticipated that construction will take around three years, during this time employing up to 700 people.

We are committed to playing an active role in supporting and engaging our local communities and being a good neighbour. Please let us know any suggestions on how we can do this in and around Wisbech and about any local projects and/or groups that we could work with to support.



Find out more about the project by visiting our website

## key elements of our proposal

A high efficiency EfW facility with the capability of handling residual waste, that is **waste left over after recycling** – turning it in to useful energy



INVESTMENT OF OVER  
**£300 million**

is likely to attract further quality development in the area around the site via supply of sustainable electricity and heat



Supply electricity and heat to local industrial customers

The CHP Connection will generate up to...

**53<sup>MW</sup>** ⚡  
of electricity  
enough to power  
74,000 homes

**30<sup>MW</sup>** ⚙️  
of usable steam  
(heat) energy

Employment opportunities



**700**  
JOBS DURING  
CONSTRUCTION



**40 FULL TIME**  
JOBS IN A RANGE  
OF SKILLED ROLES

The project will divert around

**0.5 million**

tonnes of residual waste per annum from landfill, depending on waste composition



Access Improvements

including some modifications to the road network



# where will it be and what will it look like?

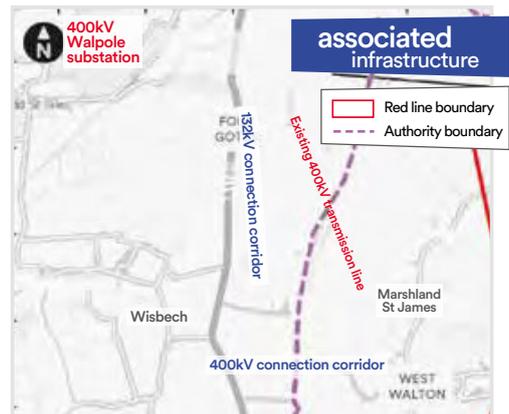


View from Halfpenny Lane, Wisbech

Indicative photomontage of the proposed Medworth EFW CHP facility



proposed area for the site



**ALLOCATION OF AN AREA FOR TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION COMPOUND**  
 potentially including additional land for substation

**Export surplus electricity to the National Grid**  
 MVV will be seeking consent for a grid connection

The proposed site is in the Medworth ward of Fenland District Council. The facility fits into the industrial setting, on a site that is currently used as a waste transfer station. This industrial area in Wisbech offers opportunities to achieve high efficiencies with Combined Heat and Power (CHP).

This means that some of the steam produced by burning residual waste could be used for heating or industrial processes, avoiding the use of fossil fuels.

Such steam supplies would also increase the efficiency of the proposed facility by increasing the amount of energy put to good use. We have already started talking to local companies about the opportunities to do this.

In these early stages of the proposal, some elements of the scheme's design may be influenced by the feedback provided via the consultation process. We do have some simple rendered drawings to share. These provide a basic indication of form and scale.



## where will the waste come from?

Waste companies will want to deal with waste as **close to its source** as possible, to control transport costs. If approved, waste for the Medworth EfW CHP facility will come from the east of England region. This will enable MVV to ensure that the facility provides a **regional solution to a regional problem**.

Only waste that complies with the environmental permit will be accepted. In the event that non-compliant waste is identified, it will be removed from site for safe disposal/treatment.

The project will divert around  
**0.5 million**  
tonnes of **residual** waste per annum from **landfill**, depending on waste composition

### what kinds of waste will you accept?

We would source non-hazardous household and business waste from the region which currently goes to landfill or for export. The exact wastes that can be accepted will be specified in an Environmental Permit issued by the Environment Agency based on European Waste Catalogue (EWC) codes.

### will there be plastic in the waste?

There will be an element of plastic in the waste stream. This represents those types of plastic that cannot yet be easily recycled, as well as plastic that remains after businesses or householders have separated out their recyclable waste.

Plastics that have been collected for, and are suitable for recycling cannot be accepted by MVV under the standard conditions of an environmental permit.



## Medworth EfW CHP facility aims to:

Recover useful, sustainable, energy from residual municipal waste



Divert around half a million tonnes of residual waste per annum from landfill, depending on waste composition



Generate over 50 MW of electricity



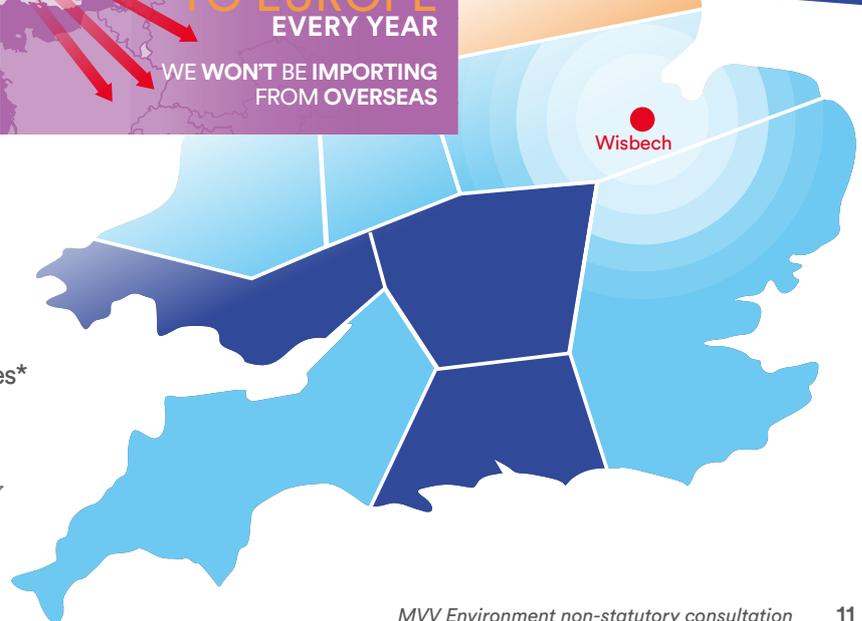
Generate up to 30 MW of usable steam heat



Supply electricity and heat to local industrial customers



Export surplus electricity to the National Grid



### Waste capacity zones\*

- Capacity gap
- Capacity balanced

\*Suez, Mind the Gap 2017-2035, 2017

# impact on the environment

Like all significant development proposals, an **Environmental Impact Assessment**, for both construction and operation of the facility **will be undertaken and reported by MVV** in a document called an **Environmental Statement**.

The Environmental Statement reports on a range of potential environmental impacts and if necessary outlines measures to mitigate these.

In preparing its 'Scoping Opinion' the Planning Inspectorate consulted prescribed organisations, including the Environment Agency, Highways Authorities and Public Health England to determine how and what environmental impacts MVV need to assess.

The scope of the Environmental Impact Assessment has been formally confirmed by the **Planning Inspectorate**.



**Further information about the Scoping process is available online at:**

[infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/](https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/)



**and also on our dedicated web page:**

[infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/medworth-energy-from-waste-combined-heat-and-power-facility/](https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/medworth-energy-from-waste-combined-heat-and-power-facility/)



We are discussing the content of the **Scoping Opinion** with various stakeholders to further inform the Environmental Impact Assessment.

**Topics agreed by the Secretary of State will include:**

- |   |  |
|---|--|
|  air quality & health          |  surface water & flood risk |
|  traffic & transportation      |  ground conditions          |
|  landscape & visual            |  heritage                   |
|  noise & vibration             |  socio-economics & land use |
|  ecology & nature conservation |  |

# EfW and health

## what is the impact on local air quality?

**Thanks to state-of-the-art flue gas cleaning, our power facilities comply with the very strict UK regulations for clean air.**

According to Public Health England, by comparison, industry and traffic account for about 40% of particulate emissions.

**UK EfW facilities generate LESS THAN 0.05%\* UK PARTICULATE EMISSIONS**

\*Environment Agency and National Atmospheric Emissions Inventory

The most recent independent review of evidence shows no link between EfW emissions and adverse health impacts. This is upheld by Public Health England's position, that well run and regulated municipal waste incinerators do not pose a significant risk to public health, and this should reassure anyone living near an EfW facility.

## is EfW a major source of dioxins?

**INDUSTRY AND TRAFFIC ACCOUNT FOR 40%\***

**OF EMISSIONS IN THE UK ANNUALLY**



\*Health Protection Agency (now Public Health England)

**No, this is not the case due to highly sophisticated flue gas cleaning systems.**

In the past, EfW facilities were a significant source of dioxins, but following reductions in emission limits in 1995 and 2000 (that came in to effect more than 20 years ago), EfW now accounts for less than 1% of the overall dioxin emissions to the air in the UK. In fact, dioxin emissions from EfW in the UK have changed dramatically, with a 99.8% reduction in dioxin emissions per tonne of waste since 1990.



**Safety is of the utmost importance and the system is designed to ensure that emissions to air are controlled even in the event of equipment failure.**

Sophisticated monitoring techniques throughout the process, from combustion through to filtration of the flue gases, ensure that the facility operates within the strict limits of the Environmental Permit.

**what safety measures are in place to ensure air quality protection, even when there's an equipment failure?**

## who monitors waste-to-energy facilities in the UK?

**The Environment Agency (EA) regulate all waste sites and act as an independent body which monitors a facility's outputs.**

If limits are breached, the EA has the power to shut down the plant and impose fines accordingly.

MVV monitors the majority of emissions from the facility continuously. Other trace emissions must be monitored by extractive sampling as they are present in such tiny amounts; this is carried out at regular intervals as required by the Environmental Permit. The emissions data is logged and stored and reported to the Environment Agency weekly.

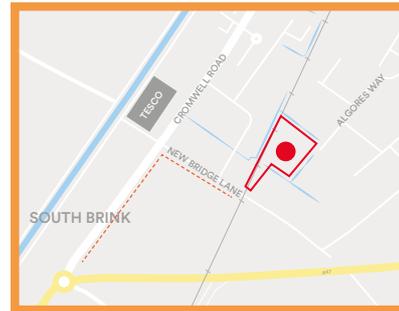


## managing the impact of transport and traffic

**MVV will carefully look at local road networks and available waste in the area in order to develop a transport plan that will minimise impact on the existing infrastructure.**

A transport assessment will establish the existing levels of traffic, and the level of traffic when the facility is at peak construction and peak operation, to develop an operational traffic and transport plan to mitigate traffic impact.

The site is currently accessed from Algores Way, however we are investigating the creation of an access route off New Bridge Lane to reduce the need for vehicles to travel through Wisbech town centre.



We are also investigating the impact of the facility on other transport projects in the local area, including those within the Wisbech Access Strategy. We want to ensure the construction and operation of the facility does not impact the delivery of these.

We shall be discussing the highways impacts of the project with the local highway authorities, Highways England, and Peterborough and Cambridgeshire Combined Authority to agree the approach to the transport assessment and obtain local knowledge of the highways network such as existing traffic flows.

The transport and traffic assessment will consider a range of impacts including delays, amenity and safety on a number of groups, including:



People at home  
People at work



Pedestrians  
Cyclists



Sensitive groups including children, elderly and disabled



Open spaces, recreational areas and shopping areas



Sensitive locations such as hospitals, churches, schools and historic buildings



Sites of ecological and nature conservation value



Sites of tourist/visitor attractions

## where we are in the **consultation** process

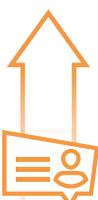
MVV invite you to take part in this non-statutory consultation opportunity. Whilst this is not required by law, we **encourage comments and questions** from the community and local businesses. We want to understand the issues that are important to you and we hope that as many people as possible will come along to find out more about the project, as well as discuss any concerns they may have.

### what happens next?

Exhibition events are scheduled to start on 1st October through to 16th October. MVV staff will be available to answer your questions and explain what the project will entail, as well as how new employment opportunities will be created.

**Further information on events can be found on the MVV Medworth website:**  
[www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk](http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk)

### where we are in the **consultation** process?



PROJECT  
DESIGN  
PROCESS

**2020 CONSULTATION -**  
Non statutory consultation:  
Part A (Spring 2020) and Part B (Autumn 2020): Consult on strategic issues and options for the project.  
**Objective:** to obtain feedback on the core scheme design options and the proposed approach to issues

Review and consideration of feedback

Review proposal

**2021 CONSULTATION -**  
Statutory consultation:  
Consult on the proposed application in accordance with the Planning Act 2008.  
**Objective:** Obtain feedback on the proposed application

Review and consideration of feedback

Development Consent Order Submission



ONGOING  
TECHNICAL  
ENGAGEMENT



MVV Environment non-statutory consultation

# summary of project updates

September 2020

Since our non-statutory Stage 1 consultation we have been carefully reviewing and considering all of the feedback received as well as continuing to develop the design of our proposals and look in detail at the potential impacts of them on local people and the environment. We are keen to share with you some updates on our proposals and how they have developed as a result of our further work and the comments you provided during Stage 1.

## Consultation process

### Postponement of public exhibitions

We were incredibly disappointed that the public exhibitions planned as part of the Stage 1 non-statutory consultation were postponed due to the Covid-19 pandemic. These events would have provided an important opportunity for you to meet with us, discuss our proposals and any concerns you may have had face-to-face.

It was clear from your feedback that public exhibitions remain an important means of consultation. We have therefore revised our approach to consultation for the project and included an additional stage of non-statutory consultation. This will provide an opportunity to attend public exhibition events and provide further feedback on our proposals.

Our Consultation Strategy, which sets out how we plan to consult on our proposals, has been updated to reflect this change and was sent to the host local authorities for feedback. The comments received from the local authorities were taken into account in finalising our approach. We also had a meeting with the Planning Inspectorate to discuss our revised approach and ensure it meets the requirements of the Planning Act process.

A copy of our Consultation Strategy has been published on our website, is available at the Document Inspection Locations and will be available at our public exhibitions.

Consultation process continued

### Delay of submission date

We noted your concerns that the delay to holding public exhibitions may not give people sufficient time to properly consider our proposals. We have therefore delayed our proposed application submission date by one year to Q4 2021.

### Listening to your concerns

We recognise that you wanted a better understanding of how your consultation feedback would be taken into account. We have therefore prepared a Consultation Feedback Report which summarises what was said at the Stage 1 consultation and explains how we have considered this feedback. A copy of this Report has been published on our website, is available at the Document Inspection Locations and will be available at our exhibitions.

## Traffic movements

Consultation feedback highlighted concerns regarding the increase in road traffic and the number of heavy goods vehicles (HGVs) travelling to the site.

We have carried our further analysis on the type and size of vehicles that would access the site, the maximum capacity of the Facility and the typical hours of delivery. The table below sets out our current estimates.

	HGV*	LGV**	Other (car)	TOTAL
Monday to Friday Vehicles per day	142	8	20	170
Saturday to Sunday Vehicles per day	32	0	8	40

*This table sets out current estimates.*

\*HGV = Heavy Goods Vehicle with an operating weight exceeding 3.5 tonnes  
\*\*LGV = Light Goods Vehicle with an operating weight not exceeding 3.5 tonnes

We acknowledge from the consultation feedback that you would like more information on the proposed access arrangements and routing of vehicles. These aspects are currently under review as part of our comprehensive transport assessment and we will provide more information on this as part of our statutory consultation next year.

## Selection of a grid connection route

In the early stages of our design process we identified two potential routes to connect our Facility to the electricity network (see Figure 2.1 below)

The options included a 400,000 volts (400kV) connection into the National Grid electricity line located to the west of Wisbech, and a 132kV connection north to Walpole Substation. An initial review of the environmental constraints for both options was presented in the EIA Scoping Report.

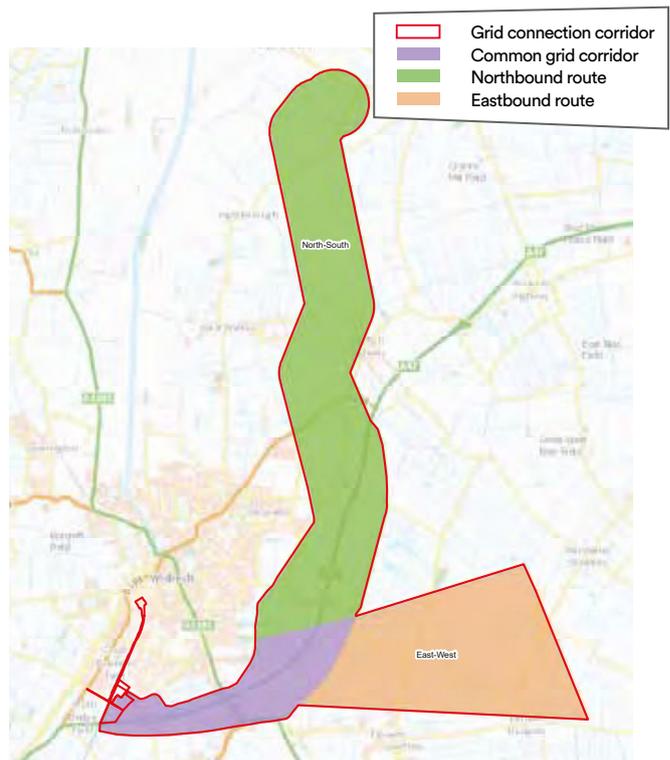
Since the Stage 1 consultation, we have engaged with National Grid and UK Power Networks to determine the most appropriate connection point for our Facility. Initial feedback from National Grid indicated that the 400kV option would require a large substation extension and transformer to be built in the countryside adjacent to the Walpole Substation and would require the use of steel lattice pylons up to 49m high. UK Power Networks advised a route can be designed for the 132kV connection with a smaller substation extension. Either an underground cable or a wood pole overhead line typically not exceeding 18m high could be considered for the 132kV connection. Due to the technical complexity, increased environmental impacts and additional costs, the 400kV option has been removed from our proposal and the 132kV connection has been selected as the preferred option.

**132kV**  
connection  
PREFERRED OPTION

**minimised impact**  
TO LANDOWNERS,  
THE ENVIRONMENT  
AND PROPOSED  
GARDEN TOWN

We are now in the process of identifying a suitable route within the 132kV corridor which minimises the impact on landowners and the environment. We recognise from the consultation feedback that the Garden Town status of Wisbech is important to residents and we are seeking to identify a route for the connection that does not impede the development of the proposed Garden Town.

**Whilst we are no longer pursuing the 400kV grid connection we have maintained the same consultation zone for this second non-statutory consultation to ensure that all stakeholders consulted at Stage 1 are made aware of this decision.**



# Wisbech railway line

## Bringing back the railway to Wisbech

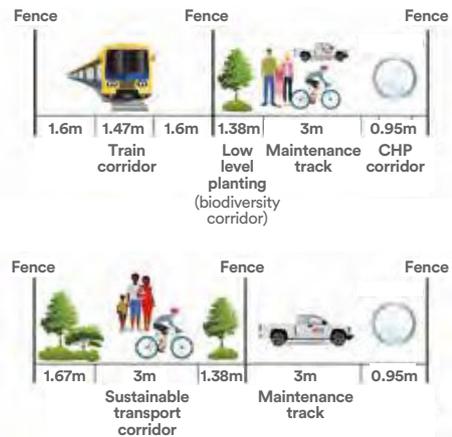
Many people have assumed that our proposal would prevent the railway being brought back to Wisbech – this is simply not true. Our proposal to lay a steam pipeline along the line of the old railway would still allow the suggested single track line to be built when the time comes. Our view is that there is even room for a cycle way.

The plans for the railway are being dealt with by others; MVV will work with the relevant authorities to ensure the railway can still be reinstated.

There are currently a number of options being explored that will enable a biodiversity corridor for landscaping and wildlife. In addition, a cycle and footpath could run alongside the CHP corridor. The CHP steam pipe will supply energy to local businesses. This still leaves space for a maintenance track.

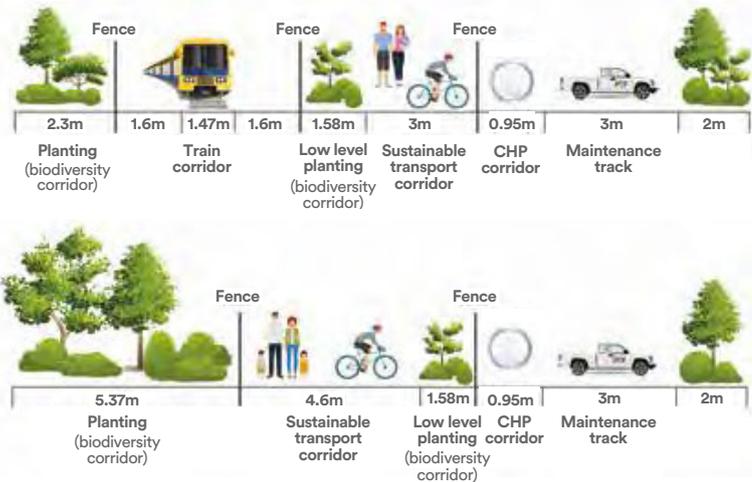
### 10m corridor with and without rail...

Please note: all measurements are approximate.



### 17.5m corridor with and without rail...

Please note: all measurements are approximate.





## Liaison group

At our facilities in **Baldovie, Dundee** and **Devonport, Plymouth**, we have successfully established liaison groups to encourage discussion between interested parties on issues relating to the operation and maintenance of these facilities.

Both groups were established during the planning stages of their developments and we would like to offer the same opportunity for our Medworth project.

### Keeping in touch with the community

MVV is committed to continuous community involvement to ensure that the public is kept informed and able to communicate its views on MVV's activities. One of the ways we do this is via our Liaison Committees, which enable members of the community to get involved and discuss with MVV, the Environment Agency and the local Council those questions relevant to them.

### How to join?

Once formed, the Committee will meet on a regular basis to discuss issues arising, forthcoming events on site and any community benefits.

If you are interested in joining, please feel free to speak to our staff at an exhibition. Alternatively, you can contact us by phone, email or via our website.

@ Contact us via email  
[medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk)

☎ Telephone the team  
**01945 232 231**

🌐 Visit our website  
[www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk](http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk)

# get in touch

MVV recognises the importance of local people and knowledge to any new project and aims to develop a two-way dialogue with as wide a range of stakeholders as possible; we want to understand the issues that are important to you.

## consultation feedback



If you have any further thoughts on the project which we should consider as we develop our proposal, please let us know. Our preferred method for collecting your comments is via our dedicated project website.

[www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk](http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk)



### Other ways you can tell us what you think:



Feedback can also be provided by completing the consultation feedback form by hand and using the freepost address, "Freepost MVV".

Alternatively you can submit your consultation feedback form at one of our events. Assistance with completing feedback forms will be provided at events for those who request it.

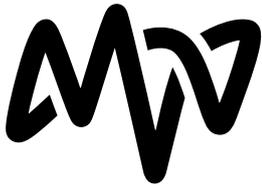


Other forms of correspondence can also be sent using the freepost address.



# Appendix G

## Feedback form



# Medworth EfW CHP facility

## NON STATUTORY PUBLIC CONSULTATION

### feedback form

# get in touch



MVV invite you to take part in a **non-statutory** public consultation. Whilst this is not required by law, we recognise the importance of **local people** and their knowledge to any new project and aim to develop a **two-way dialogue** with as wide a range of stakeholders as possible; we want to understand **the issues that are important to you**.

If you have any further thoughts on the project which we should consider as we develop our proposal, please complete the consultation form below.

*\*Any personal data received as part of the consultation or as part of the consultation process will be stored and protected as set out in the General Data Protection Regulation. No personal details will be used or published in any materials produced in support of the project.*

Title	First name	Surname
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Email address	Age	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
House name or number	Street name	Town or city
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
County	Postcode	
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Are you responding on behalf of an organisation?

Yes  No

If so, which organisation?





### 3. Community

We are committed to **playing an active role** in supporting and engaging our local communities and being a good neighbour. Do you have any suggestions on how we can do this in and around Wisbech?

**Please tell us about any local projects and/or groups that we could work with and support.**

Your message

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### 4. General comments

Do you have any further thoughts on the project which we should consider as we develop our proposals?

Your message

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### Next steps

All responses received during this consultation will be carefully considered and where appropriate taken into account as we develop our proposals.

We will return for a second stage of consultation with more detail on our proposals, having had regard to your feedback and following ongoing assessments and technical work.

We will continue to engage with local residents, community groups and planning authorities throughout the process.

I agree to my data being processed for the purpose of informing the Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power facility project consultation.

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# Appendix H

## Press advertisements



# MVV Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power facility public consultation



UK-based company MVV Environment Ltd, intends to make an application for an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power facility on the industrial estate, Algore's Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire.

## consultation event details

We would like to invite you to attend one of our public consultation events, which will be held at a variety of venues in and around Wisbech; these will also be advertised on our website, via local media and at community venues.

The purpose of the non-statutory public consultation opportunity is to introduce our proposals and gather feedback. Any feedback received, along with ongoing technical work, will be fed into the development of the scheme; there will be another public consultation opportunity in the Spring of 2021.

We have added a second phase of non-statutory consultation due to the ongoing pandemic, which will start on 18th September 2020 until 29th October 2020. To find out more please visit our website.



MVV staff will be available to answer your questions and explain what the project will entail, including:

- Who are MVV?
- What is Energy from Waste?
- Why here?
- What will it look like?
- What are the potential environmental impacts?
- How will these impacts be assessed?
- What are the benefits in terms of education and employment?
- How can I have my say?

## event dates and venues

<b>1</b> OCT	<b>Rosmini Centre</b> 69a Queens Rd, Wisbech, PE13 2PH 10am till 4pm	<b>13</b> OCT	<b>Marshland Hall</b> 155-158 Smooth Road, Marshland St James, Wisbech, PE14 8JB 2pm till 5pm
<b>2</b> OCT	<b>Wisbech St Mary Sports &amp; Community Centre</b> Beechings Close, Wisbech St Mary, Wisbech, PE13 4SS 2pm till 5pm	<b>14</b> OCT	<b>Oasis Community Centre</b> St Michael's Ave, Wisbech, PE13 3NR 2pm till 5pm
<b>3</b> OCT	<b>Queen Mary Centre</b> Queens Rd, Wisbech, PE13 2PE 10am till 4pm	<b>15</b> OCT	<b>Tower Hall</b> Maltmas Drive, Fritley Bridge, Wisbech, PE14 0HW 2pm till 5pm
		<b>16</b> OCT	<b>Walton Highway Village Club</b> Lynn Rd, Walton Highway, Wisbech, PE14 7DF 2pm till 5pm

we welcome your feedback



Find out more about how to feedback, event details and further information on the project by visiting our website.

[www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk](http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk)



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**Citizen** The Edge of the South Coast

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**MVV Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power facility**  
**public consultation**  
 EVENTS RUN FROM 18 SEPT - 28 OCT  
 Click here to find out more

All news



**March pupils enjoy learning about 'people who help us'**  
 Citizen A, a South coast news firm, learning the different types of emergency services participated in part of their 'Orange Aid' trip at school.



**MVV Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power facility**  
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**Fundraising party plan to welcome home teenage Wiltshire charity cyclists prepping for three brothers**  
 Nine friends and family members are busy preparing for a gruelling three-day cycling challenge from Amsterdam to Wiltshire later this spring.



**Peterborough breastfeeding support to extend reach across Fenland**  
 A scheme which offers support to local mums who want to breastfeed has been funded for another two years and extended across the Fen.



**Woman in her seventies slightly injured following robbery in Wisbech**  
 A 70-year-old woman was taken to hospital in Wisbech following the robbery of a woman in her seventies.



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**Extra government cash to help Cambridge's victims of domestic abuse**  
 More support for victims of domestic abuse will be made available across the region following the successful bid for funding.

**Fifts of drivers along a main road in a Fenland village were spending over half their time stopped**  
 More than 25 drivers were stopped at least twice the space along a village road and almost 20 per cent of all vehicles were stopped.

**SPORT**

**Rugby: Four-teams U's starting to gel**  
 Wisbech RUFC U's faced a tough test of 11 players at the opening fixture against local rivals Wymondley.



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**WHAT'S ON**

**FILM REVIEW**  
 Editor General's Humour, Mystery and Thriller (15)



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**LIFESTYLE**

**Women of the year awards**  
 A pair of local athletes have shared a combined total of 11 awards.



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**MVA** MVA Community Change from Wood Group's Wood and Flower Facility. **public consultation** Do you have any views?

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**IN FULL**

**March pupils enjoy learning all about 'people who help us'**  
 Children at Woodbury CE Primary School enjoyed their first experience of a 'people who help us' day. The pupils were taken to the local fire station and met the fire engine crew. They also visited the local police station and met the police officers. The pupils were very interested in what the fire engine crew and police officers do for their jobs. They also enjoyed seeing the fire engine and the police car. The pupils were very happy to see the fire engine and the police car. They also enjoyed seeing the fire engine and the police car.

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**Frustrating party plan to welcome home stopped**  
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**Peterborough breathing support to extend reach across Fenland**  
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**MOST READ**

**Widmark will be worth over £25.5m to build new road**  
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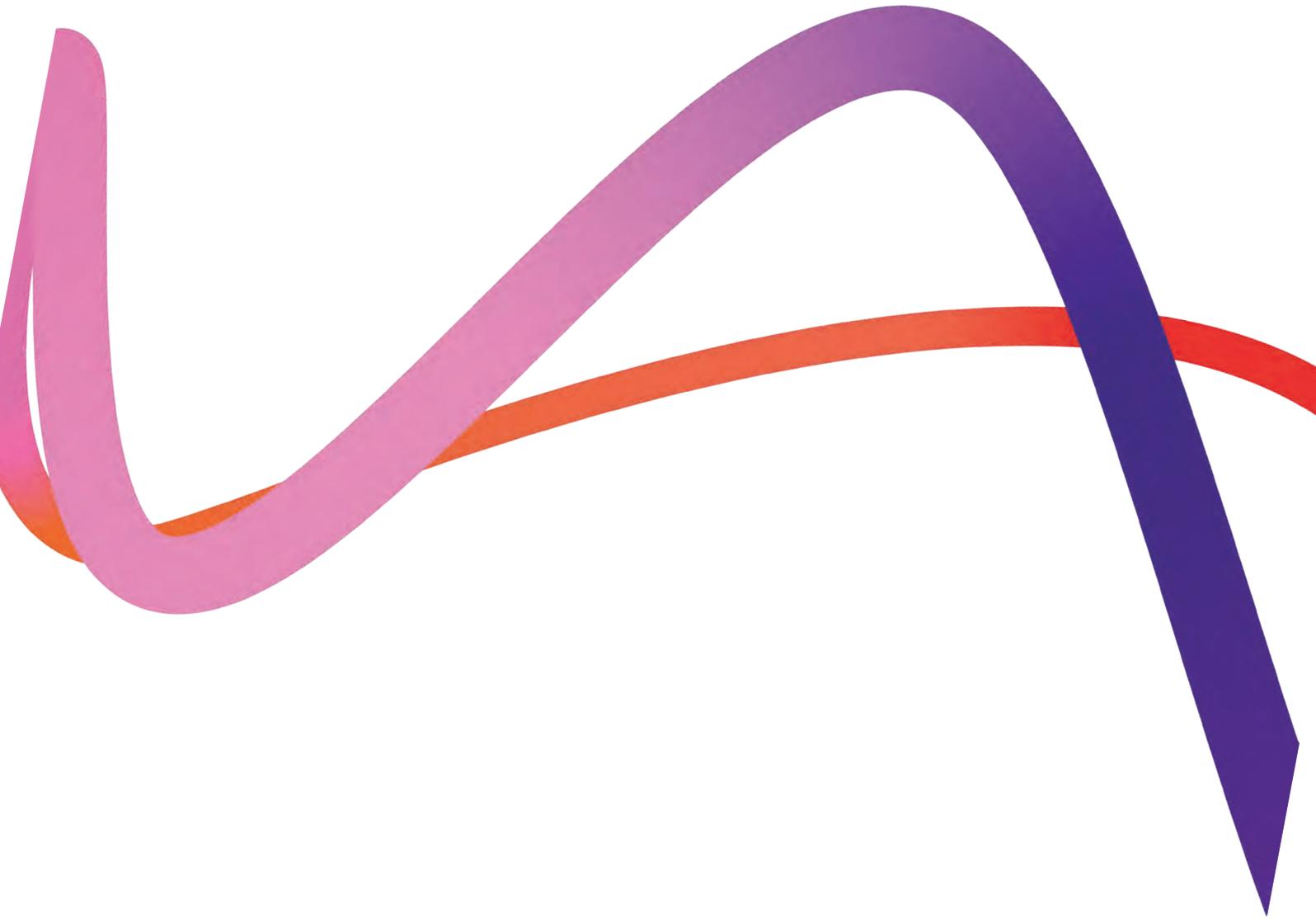
**Increase in number of applications for secondary school places in Cambridgeshire**  
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# Appendix D Draft SoCC Cover Letter



Please reply to:  
c/o Devonport EfW CHP Facility, Creek Road, Plymouth, PL5 1FL

Host authorities

By email to:

[Redacted email addresses]

**MVV Environment Limited**  
Registered Office:  
Devonport EfW CHP Facility  
Creek Road  
Plymouth  
PL5 1FL

www.mvvuk.co.uk

26<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Sir / Madam,

**Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Project  
S47(1) Statement of Community Consultation**

Tim Marks  
T +44 7813 546 084

Managing Directors:  
Paul Carey  
Peter Knapp  
Mike Turner

Registration Number:  
6709860

In June this year, MVV Environment Ltd will be carrying out its statutory public consultation on its plans for the construction and operation of an energy from waste facility – known as ‘the Medworth Energy from Waste (EfW) Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Facility’ (the Project). We are writing to you to seek your views on how we intend to carry out this consultation in accordance with the Planning Act 2008.

Section 47(1) of the Planning Act 2008 requires us to prepare a statement which sets out how we will undertake our statutory consultation about the Project with local communities. This document is referred to as a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC). As part of its preparation, we must formally consult with the local planning authorities where the proposed development is situated (‘the host authorities’). You may wish to refer to Planning Inspectorate Advice Note Two, which sets out the role of local authorities in the Planning Act 2008 process, at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/>

We would like your feedback on the draft SoCC which is attached to this email. Your feedback will be considered in preparing the final SoCC that we publish in advance of the commencement of the statutory consultation in June 2021.

We may be required to make copies of your comments available to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and they

will be included in our Consultation Report which will be published as part of our DCO application. We will, however, request that personal details are not placed on the public record. Personal details will be held securely in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulations 2018 and will be used solely in connection with the development of this Project and, except as noted above, will not be disclosed to any third parties.

Please send your comments by 27<sup>th</sup> March 2021 to [REDACTED] or in writing, addressed for the attention of Jane Ford and marked 'Draft Statement of Community Consultation', at:

MVV Environment Ltd  
Devonport EfW CHP Facility  
Creek Road  
Plymouth, PL5 1FL

Your feedback on our approach to consultation will be hugely valuable in ensuring we engage meaningfully with local communities and capture feedback on our proposals from residents in your area. We appreciate you taking the time to review this draft document and are grateful for any feedback received.

If you have any questions about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact us on 01945 232 231.

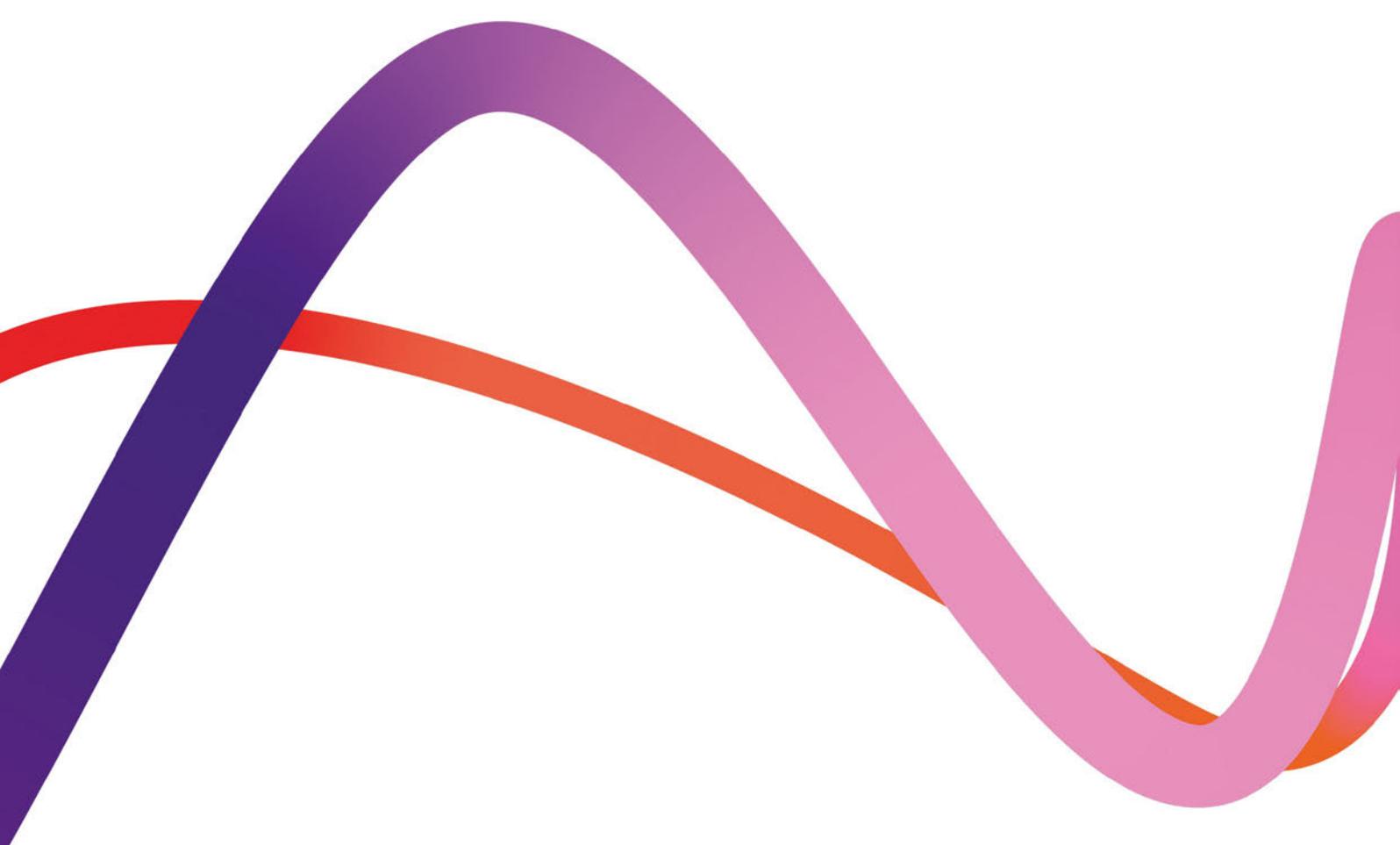
Yours faithfully,

Paul Carey  
Managing Director

Tim Marks  
Planning Manager



# Appendix E Responses received to Draft SoCC



# Draft Statement of Community Consultation – Host Authority Feedback

June 2021

**We inspire  
with energy.**



Host Authority	Date received	Comment	Change (Y/N)	MVV Response
Fenland District Council	28/03/2021	It is considered that it would be helpful to list in an appendix all the organisations that are due to be consulted. Whilst implied that you will be consulting town and parish councils as before, this should be confirmed.	Yes	<p>Town and Parish Councils are a prescribed consultee under Section 42 (1)(a) of the Planning Act and will be consulted in accordance with the requirements of this section of the Act.</p> <p>Bullet 2 of paragraph 4.4.2 of the SoCC has, however, been updated to make it clear that Town and Parish Councils are included as Prescribed Consultees and will be consulted in line with the requirements of s42 of the Planning Act. Therefore, MVV does not consider that it is required to include the list of prescribed consultees within the SoCC as these consultees are consulted pursuant to the requirements of s42 of the Planning Act rather than s47.</p>
		The waste authorities in the region should be identified and be consulted.	No	As outlined in paragraph 4.4.2 of the draft SoCC, neighbouring planning authorities are a prescribed consultee under Section 42 (1)(b) of the Planning Act 2008 and will be consulted in accordance with the requirements of this section of the Act.
		It should be made clear that in the event that the face to face events can't be held at any of the future statutory consultation stages, the alternative arrangements should be agreed with the stakeholder local planning authorities.	No	As detailed in section 4.6.10 of the draft SoCC if the government advice and/or local circumstances change, and it is necessary to adjust the approach to public exhibitions, MVV will engage with the host local authorities to agree on suitable alternative arrangements. These may include alternative public exhibition venues or digital consultation events/activities.



		The changes that may arise following the publication of the early EIA results should be shared with the stakeholder local planning authorities	No	As part of its ongoing programme of pre-application engagement, MVV engages in monthly update meetings with the host local planning authorities. As part of these meetings, MVV will provide updates on the EIA process, the DCO application and any updates that may arise to the Project as a result of stakeholder feedback and/or the environmental assessments.
		Provisions should be made for the discussion of the scope of the DCO with the stakeholder local planning authorities ahead of submission.	No	As part of its ongoing programme of pre-application engagement, MVV engages in monthly update meetings with the host local planning authorities. As part of these meetings, MVV will provide updates on the EIA process, the DCO application and any updates that may arise to the Project as a result of stakeholder feedback and/or the environmental assessments.
		With regard to the timing and length of consultations, regard should be had to the dates of town and parish council meetings so as to ensure they have the ability of fully participate.	No	As the consultation will run for 6.5 weeks, well in excess of the statutory minimum, and significant advance notice of the consultation is being provided, MVV considers that there are sufficient opportunities for all consultees to participate and provide feedback.
		A consultation event should take place at the Rosmini Centre.	No	As outlined in Table 4.1 of the draft SoCC MVV can confirm that a consultation event is proposed to take place at the Rosmini Centre.
		At the consultation events people should be supported in submitting their written comments.	No	As outlined at paragraph 4.6.10 of the draft, SoCC members of the Project team will be available at the public exhibitions to answer questions about the Project, assist with the interpretation of materials, and provide guidance on completing feedback forms. This approach will include support completing the feedback forms where the individual requests this.
<b>Cambridgeshire County Council</b>	26/03/2021	I would like to start by highlighting our continued support for the inclusion of well publicised and manned public exhibitions to take place where possible (subject to limitations on public gatherings or social distancing	No	As part of its ongoing programme of pre-application engagement MVV engages in monthly update meetings with the host local planning authorities. As part of these meetings MVV will provide updates on



<p>imposed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, in accordance with the Government's Coronavirus guidance at that time), rather than relying simply on online or virtual methods of consultation.</p>		<p>the EIA process, the DCO application and any updates that may arise to the Project as a result of stakeholder feedback and/or the environmental assessments.</p>
<p>In providing manned public exhibitions the venues set out in Table 4.1 are supported.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>MVV welcomes the support for the proposed exhibition venues detailed in Table 4.1 of the draft SoCC.</p>
<p>We welcome the fact that these manned public exhibitions will continue to be advertised in advance of the events in the Fenland Citizen newspaper and the Wisbech Standard newspaper (as set out in Table 4.3), in addition to being promoted through the use of flyers issued to residents and businesses in Consultation Zone A (covering a 2 kilometre radius of the main site boundary and grid connection, plus the full extent of residential areas in Wisbech and Elm as identified in paragraph 4.5.2) illustrated in Appendix A, and through posters advertising the local events across Consultation Zones A and B.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>MVV welcomes the support for the methods proposed to promote and raise awareness of the consultation and the public exhibitions.</p>
<p>We welcome the reference in paragraph 5.1.2 of the draft Statement of Community Consultation, that acknowledges that whilst 'Verbal feedback will not be accepted' you have now included an exception 'where necessary to recognise an individual's particular exceptional circumstances which would otherwise stop their view from being taking into account' to take account of our earlier concerns.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>MVV welcomes the support from the Council for the wording included at paragraph 5.1.2 of the draft SoCC regarding the acceptance of verbal feedback where necessary to recognise an individual's particular exceptional circumstances.</p>
<p>We welcome paragraph 4.6.22 and the recognition that hard to reach groups will have the opportunity to participate and will not be disadvantaged in this Stage 2 statutory consultation phase. A continued presence and public event at the Rosmini Centre in Wisbech is therefore fully supported for this reason</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>MVV welcomes the support from the Council for the measures detailed at paragraph 4.6.22 to ensure that all groups and members of the community have the opportunity to participate and are not disadvantaged in the consultation process.</p>
<p>These proposals are all considered to be in line with this Council's adopted SCI, whilst noting that these arrangements go further than the minimum publicity</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>MVV welcomes confirmation that the proposals are considered to be in line with the Cambridgeshire County Council SCI and that the proposals go further</p>



requirements introduced by the Infrastructure Planning (Publication and Notification of Applications etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2020, to take account of the COVID-19 pandemic

than the minimum publicity requirements introduced by the Infrastructure Planning (Publication and Notification of Applications etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2020.

Section 4.4 'Who we will consult' would benefit from referencing that town and parish councils will be consulted on the proposals. Whilst it is acknowledged that 'the relevant parish council' is one of the Prescribed Consultees listed in column 1 of Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended), and therefore captured by paragraph 4.4.2; nevertheless, it would be both courteous and beneficial to the reader to reference their inclusion in the main body of the document, and ideally make specific reference to them individually in a separate appendix, which would then allow those parish councils that may have requested notification outside the definition of 'relevant', to be identified.

No

Town and Parish Councils are a prescribed consultee under Section 42 of the Planning Act and will be consulted in accordance with the requirements of this section of the Act.

Bullet 2 of paragraph 4.4.2 of the SoCC has however been updated to make clear that Town and Parish Councils are included as Prescribed Consultees and will be consulted in line with the requirements of s42 of the Planning Act. MVV does not consider that it is required to include the list of prescribed consultees within the SoCC as these consultees are being consulted pursuant to the requirements of s42 of the Planning Act rather than s47.

Emphasis has been placed on our support for public manned consultation events to ensure that members of the local community have an opportunity to view the proposals and provide their feedback on the current scheme, particularly those that may not have access to online material. However, in the event anything changes in this regard, it will be essential for any 'suitable alternative arrangements' or amendments to what is being proposed in the draft Statement of Community Consultation to be put to the host authorities as soon as any changes are required for our approval, as referenced in paragraph 4.6.10 of the document.

No

As detailed in section 4.6.10 of the draft SoCC in the event that government advice and/or local circumstances change, and it is necessary to adjust the approach to public exhibitions, MVV will engage with the host local authorities to agree on suitable alternative arrangements. These may include alternative public exhibition venues or digital consultation events/activities.

We continue to object to the word 'reasonable' in connection with consultation responses and queries set out in paragraph 4.6.20, which we also raised with the draft Consultation Strategy Update produced, as where they are unreasonable requests they should be

Yes

MVV notes the Council's comments in relation to the inclusion of the word 'reasonable' in paragraph 4.6.20 of the draft SoCC. Paragraph 4.6.20 has therefore been updated to remove this reference read as follows:



told why this is the case.

We aim to respond within ten working days to all queries related to the consultation and the Project. There is also a dedicated email address, [medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk), from which all queries relating to the consultation and the Project will receive a response.

Council welcomes confirmation within the draft Statement of Community Consultation of the sharing of preliminary results of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) through a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) in paragraph 3.2.2, in line with the requirements of Regulation 12 of the 2017 EIA Regulations, the Council would not only expect this to include a non-technical summary provided in 'plain English' for the local residents to comment on during the statutory consultation phase; but also as the work progresses by MVV that further results are shared with the 'host' authorities well in advance of the formal submission so that any changes to early EIA results in the PEIR can be fully understood.

No

MVV can confirm that the PEIR published as part of the statutory consultation will include a non-technical summary. A high level 'plain English' summary of the preliminary assessment findings will also be provided with the consultation booklet published as part of the consultation.

As part of its ongoing programme of pre-application engagement, MVV engages in monthly update meetings with the host local planning authorities. As part of these meetings, MVV will provide updates on the EIA process, the DCO application and any updates that may arise to the Project as a result of stakeholder feedback and/or the environmental assessments.

In addition to a commitment to sharing the findings of the EIA chapters in draft with the 'host' authorities well in advance of submission (requested in the bullet point above), the Council also seeks confirmation within the draft Statement of Community Consultation that to ensure meaningful consultation is achieved with the 'host' authorities, MVV allow time within the proposed timetable to discuss the topics to be contained within the draft Development Consent Order (DCO) ahead of submission,

No

The purpose of the SoCC is to set out how MVV will consult on its proposed application with the local community. As such, it does not consider it necessary to include a reference in the SoCC to the ongoing engagement that will take place with the host local authorities prior to submission of the application.

The draft Statement of Community Consultation document does not currently make reference to wider consultation with waste authorities within the East of England region and neighbouring waste planning authorities to help inform the waste needs assessment and consideration of the environmental impacts of the

No

The purpose of the SoCC is to set out how MVV will consult on its proposed application with the local community. As outlined in paragraph 4.4.2 of the draft SoCC, neighbouring planning authorities are a prescribed consultee under Section 42 (1)(b) of the Planning Act and will be consulted in accordance with



		<p>proposed scheme, including the carbon implications for the climate change section. The Council would strongly recommend that this engagement is undertaken to ensure that the relevant waste planning authorities outside of the 'host' authority areas have the opportunity to comment on the proposal and inform the waste needs assessment being undertaken.</p>		<p>the requirements of this section of the Act.</p>
		<p>It has been noted that the statutory consultation events and the draft Statement of Community Consultation will be based on the 5 km Zone B area illustrated in Appendix A. Nonetheless, we welcome reference to the fact that 'A proposed list of the wider stakeholders to be consulted will be continually reviewed in light of discussions with the local authorities and consultation feedback, to ensure that anyone who requests to be included as a consultee has the same opportunity to provide feedback as those prescribed under the relevant legislation' which will allow access to those who are situated beyond Zone B.</p>	No	<p>MVV notes this response and will continue working with the host local authorities to ensure that anyone who requests to be included as a consultee has the same opportunity to provide feedback as those prescribed under the relevant legislation.</p>
<b>Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk</b>	06/05/2021	<p>I write to confirm that the Council is content with the document and with the additional exhibition/inspection location venues.</p>	No	<p>MVV welcomes the support from the Council for the draft SoCC and the approaches proposed within it.</p>
		<p>At 4.6.17 &amp; 4.6.18, I would advise that press notices and advertising are also published in Your Local Paper which is the free local paper used for KLWN statutory press notices.</p>	Yes	<p>MVV has updated Table 4.3 of the SoCC to include Your Local Paper.</p>
		<p>Please can you confirm whether Host Authorities will be provided with a hard copy of the documentation rather than electronic</p>	No	<p>At the outset of the consultation, all host authorities will be sent a digital copy of the consultation materials. Hard copies of the materials are however available on request.</p>
<b>Norfolk County</b>	07/04/2021	<p>At 4.4 we would recommend all parishes and elected</p>	No	<p>Town and Parish Councils are a prescribed consultee</p>



## Council

Members are explicitly listed so it is clear to third parties and other interested parties which elected representatives have been consulted. This list should include all parishes etc along the route of the proposed grid connection;

under Section 42 of the Planning Act and will be consulted in accordance with the requirements of this section of the Act.

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We welcome and support the proposed consultation exhibitions in Norfolk as identified at 4.6.12 in Table 4.1

No

MVV welcomes the support for the proposed exhibition venues detailed in Table 4.1 of the draft SoCC.

At 4.6.17 - 4.6.18 (including Table 4.3), given the proposed site extends into Norfolk we would recommend that the adverts and statutory notices are also published in both the Lynn News and the Eastern Daily Press (the EDP) which circulate in the area, and that the document states this;

Yes

MVV has updated Table 4.3 of the SoCC to include the Lynn News and Eastern Daily Press.

We would also endorse the posting of site notices to publicise the consultation etc including along the route/easement of the proposed grid connection.

No

As detailed in paragraph 4.6.21 of the draft SoCC, MVV will use a range of methods prior to and during the consultation to raise awareness of it and ensure that all consultees are provided with an opportunity to find out more and take part. This approach includes a flyer to be sent out to all properties within Consultation Zone A, press notices and posters displayed locally across Consultation Zones A and B.

MVV is not proposing to erect site notices to publicise the consultation as these types of notices are not secure and can often be removed. MVV considers that displaying posters on local notice boards and at local venues to be a more effective way of raising awareness of the consultation.



At 4.6.20 we would echo Cambridgeshire County Council's comments in their letter of 26 March 2021 in the use of the word 'reasonable' in connection with consultation responses and queries raised, and a commitment should be made to respond to 'unreasonable requests' to explain why this is the case.

Yes

MVV notes the Council's comments in relation to the inclusion of the word 'reasonable' in paragraph 4.6.20 of the draft SoCC. Paragraph 4.6.20 has therefore been updated to remove this reference read as follows:

We aim to respond within ten working days to all queries related to the consultation and the Project. There is also a dedicated email address, [medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk), from which all queries relating to the consultation and the Project will receive a response.

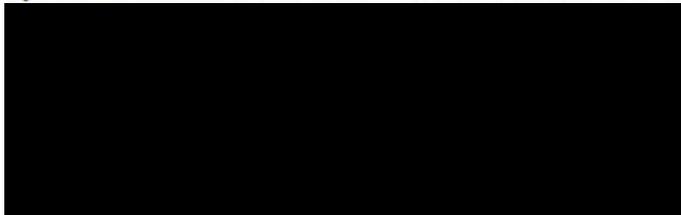
# Letter to host authorities requesting feedback on the draft Statement of Community Consultation



Please reply to:  
c/o Devonport EfW CHP Facility, Creek Road, Plymouth, PL5 1FL

Host authorities

By email to:



[plymouth.gov.uk](mailto:planning@plymouth.gov.uk)  
[plymouth.gov.uk](mailto:planning@plymouth.gov.uk)

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26<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Sir / Madam,

## Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Project S47(1) Statement of Community Consultation

In June this year, MVV Environment Ltd will be carrying out its statutory public consultation on its plans for the construction and operation of an energy from waste facility – known as ‘the Medworth Energy from Waste (EfW) Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Facility’ (the Project). We are writing to you to seek your views on how we intend to carry out this consultation in accordance with the Planning Act 2008.

Section 47(1) of the Planning Act 2008 requires us to prepare a statement which sets out how we will undertake our statutory consultation about the Project with local communities. This document is referred to as a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC). As part of its preparation, we must formally consult with the local planning authorities where the proposed development is situated (‘the host authorities’). You may wish to refer to Planning Inspectorate Advice Note Two, which sets out the role of local authorities in the Planning Act 2008 process, at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/>

We would like your feedback on the draft SoCC which is attached to this email. Your feedback will be considered in preparing the final SoCC that we publish in advance of the commencement of the statutory consultation in June 2021.

We may be required to make copies of your comments available to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and they

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Peter Knapp  
Mike Turner

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will be included in our Consultation Report which will be published as part of our DCO application. We will, however, request that personal details are not placed on the public record. Personal details will be held securely in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulations 2018 and will be used solely in connection with the development of this Project and, except as noted above, will not be disclosed to any third parties.

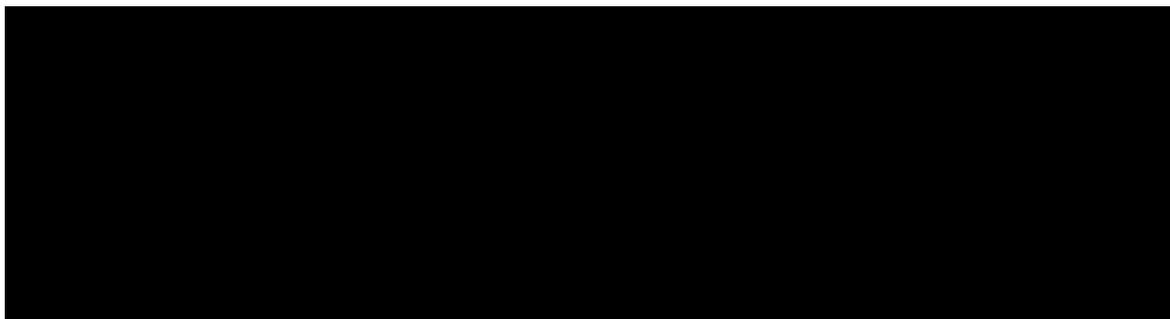
Please send your comments by 27<sup>th</sup> March 2021 to [REDACTED] or in writing, addressed for the attention of Jane Ford and marked 'Draft Statement of Community Consultation', at:

MVV Environment Ltd  
Devonport EfW CHP Facility  
Creek Road  
Plymouth, PL5 1FL

Your feedback on our approach to consultation will be hugely valuable in ensuring we engage meaningfully with local communities and capture feedback on our proposals from residents in your area. We appreciate you taking the time to review this draft document and are grateful for any feedback received.

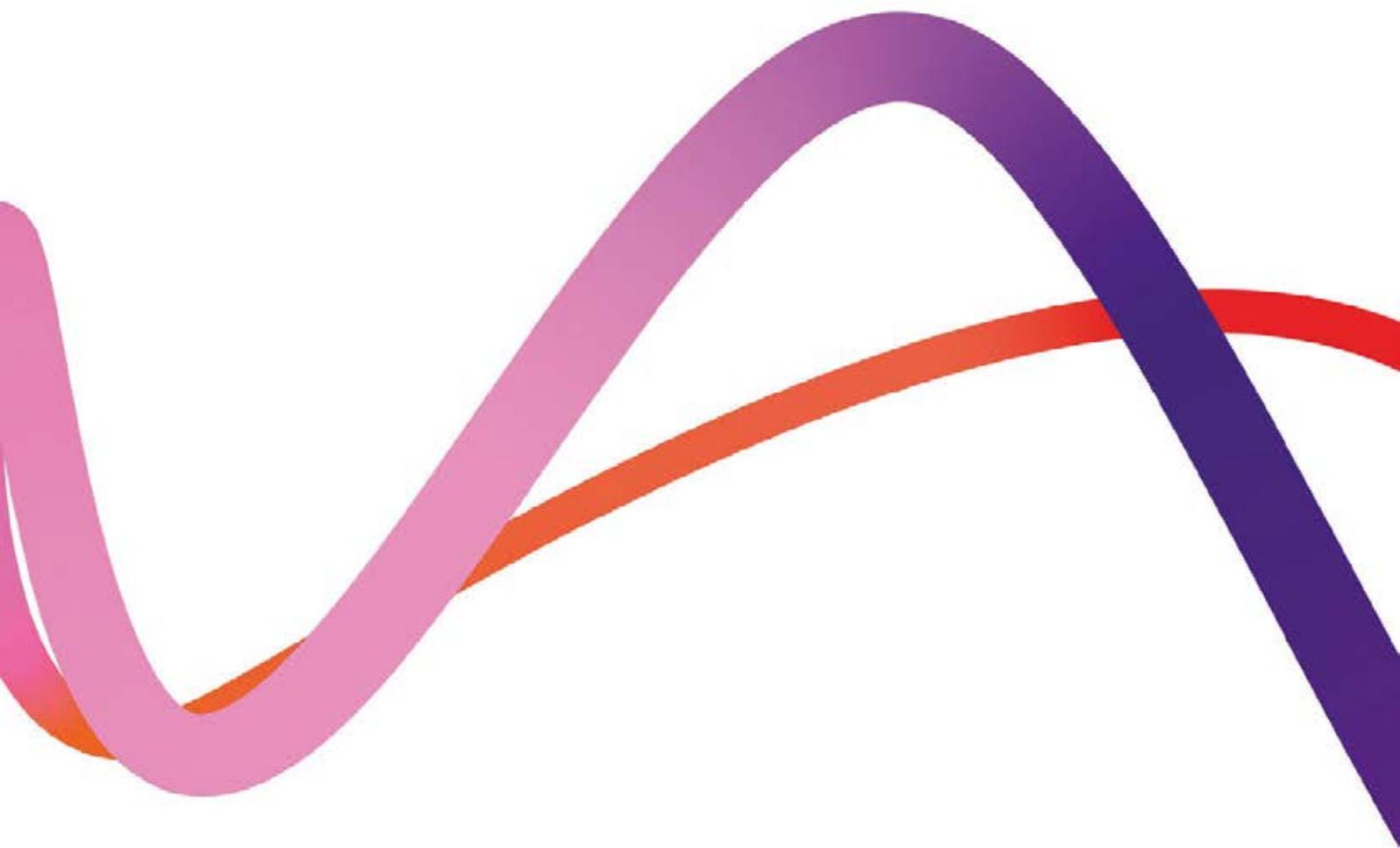
If you have any questions about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact us on 01945 232 231.

Yours faithfully,



Paul Carey  
Managing Director

Tim Marks  
Planning Manager





# Appendix F Notice of the SoCC in newspapers

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**Air ambulance boss Daryl is honoured by the Queen**



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**SAVE £3.90 on Kate Mosse's An Extra Pair of Hands**

Kate Mosse an extra pair of hands

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## Defibrillators in towns vital for saving lives



Rob Skoulding and wife Laura  
Picture: ARCHANT

Collapse of footballer Eriksen in Euros highlights need for cardio equipment

**Never more was there a stark reminder of why campaigners have fought to equip Fenland towns with defibrillators.**

Millions watched as Christian Eriksen had a cardiac arrest during the Euro 2020 Denmark v Sweden match.

Danish player Eriksen was resuscitated on the pitch using the same CPR techniques and specialist medical equipment for which Whittlesey and March have led the field.

Whittlesey and local areas have 48, according to the charity Defibrillators for All.

Its founder, Deborah Slator, said they're about to give another 15 to households in rural areas.

There are 37 defibrillators in

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March, and former March mayor Rob Skoulding has helped provide 27 of them.

His goal is for everyone in March to live within three minutes of a defibrillator.

Rob himself had a heart attack earlier this year and says he is "living proof CPR and defibrillators work, and so is this footballer now".

Community Defibrillators for Chatteris have provided four, but that number will soon rise to six, and around town there are several others.

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### BARBARA CATHERINE BUTCHER (Deceased)

Pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925 any persons having a claim against or an interest in the Estate of the above named, late of 21 Bridge Lane Warrington Marsh PE15 8NF, who died on 17/11/2020, are required to send written particulars thereof to the undersigned on or before 26/06/2021, after which date the Estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice.

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Atrio 650 Atrio West Almondsbury Bristol  
BS32 4SD. (NEP: DM / 5749736P / Business)



### Licensing Act 2003 New Application for a Premises Licence

I Andrew Maul Do hereby give notice that I have applied to the Licensing Authority at Fenland District Council for a New Premises Licence at 54 Hill Street, Wisbech, Cambs PE13 1BD and known as Bygones

The application is to permit: Sale by Retail of Alcohol (On & Off Sales) Monday - Sunday 12:00 - 23:00

Any person wishing to make representations to this application may do so by writing to Licensing Department, Fenland District Council, Fenland Hall, County Road, March Cambs, PE15 8NQ or by email to [licensing@fenland.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@fenland.gov.uk) not later than 1st July 2021

Representations received after this date cannot be considered.

A copy of the application can be viewed at <https://fenland.gov.uk/article/15345/Licensing-Public-Consultation> It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with this application, the maximum fine on summary conviction being £5,000. Dated: 27th May 2021

### LICENSING ACT 2003 NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF A PREMISES LICENCE

Notice is given that we, Platinum Retail Limited (Company No. 07800291) have on 4th June 2021 applied to Fenland District Council as the Licensing Authority for the variation of a premises licence (filed with premises licence ref: 18/0853/LAPRE1) in respect of the premises known as Londis Express (Auto Pitstop), Fen Road, Guyhirn, Wisbech Cambridgeshire PE13 4AA.

The application referred to above is to extend the hours during which the supply of alcohol from the property (for consumption off the premises) is permitted such that the said supply can be carried out from 00:00 - 23:59 (inclusive) 7 days per week.

Anyone wishing to make representations concerning this application should do so in writing to: Licensing Department, Fenland District Council, Fenland Hall, County Road, March, Cambs PE15 8NQ.

Representations in respect of this application must reach the Licensing Authority by no later than 2nd July 2021.

Persons wishing to inspect the register or the record of this application may do so by attending the office of the Licensing Section, during office hours, Monday to Friday inclusive.

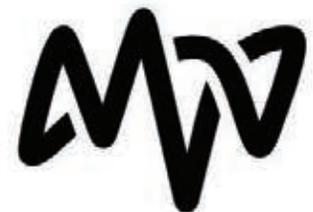
It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application, the maximum fine for which on summary conviction is £5000.



## Medworth CHP Limited

### MEDWORTH ENERGY FROM WASTE COMBINED HEAT AND POWER FACILITY DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER 202[X]

#### Section 47 Planning Act 2008 – Notice of Publication of a Statement of Community Consultation



Notice is hereby given that Medworth CHP Limited ('MCL'), whose registered office is at Devonport Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility, 40 Creek Road, Plymouth, PL5 1FL, has produced a Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') for the construction and operation of an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility on land at the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire ('the Project'), in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 ('the Act').

Under section 47, MCL has a duty to consult the local community about its proposals in accordance with the SoCC. MCL intends to make an application to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order under the Act to authorise the Project ('the proposed application').

#### THE PROJECT

The Project is a new development on land currently used as a waste transfer station and for aggregate processing, and associated infrastructure. The Project will comprise an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility, a 132kV electricity connection via underground cables and overhead lines mounted on wooden poles, steam connections, access improvements, drainage and temporary works, environmental mitigation, the compulsory acquisition of land and interests in and rights over land and the taking of temporary possession of land. The Project will be capable of diverting up to 625,600 tonnes of non-recyclable waste per annum from landfill and export and aims to generate 53MWe of electricity (net) and 50MWth of usable steam (heat) energy. As the Project will be a generating station with a capacity of more than 50MW it is

therefore a nationally significant infrastructure project under part 3 section 15 of the Act.

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment development. An Environmental Statement, which will assess the likely significant environmental effects of the Project, will be produced and submitted with the proposed application in due course. A Preliminary Environmental Information Report has been produced and will be consulted on as part of the upcoming statutory consultation which is intended to start on 28th June 2021.

#### PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The SoCC explains how MCL will consult the local community about the proposed application. Details about the consultation and how people can get involved are set out in the SoCC. The upcoming statutory consultation is intended to run from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021.

The SoCC will be available for inspection as follows:

1. The SoCC can be downloaded now, free of charge, from the Project website at <https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/documents>;
2. The SoCC will be available to view in hard copy format from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021 at the Document Inspection Locations listed below; and
3. The SoCC will be available to view in hard copy format at the Consultation Events taking place as part of the consultation, details of which are available on the Project website.

A hard copy of the SoCC is also available on request from MCL, using the contact details below.

#### HOW TO RESPOND TO THE CONSULTATION

Consultation responses to the statutory consultation can be submitted in the following ways:  
By post at 'Freepost MVV'  
By email at [medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk)  
Online via the Project website <https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/get-in-touch>  
Responses to the statutory consultation may be submitted at any time during the consultation period (which is intended to be from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021).

#### DOCUMENT INSPECTION LOCATIONS:

**Oasis Community Centre**  
St Michael's Ave, Wisbech, PE13 3NR

**Wisbech St Mary Sports and Community Centre**  
Beechings Close, Wisbech St Mary, Wisbech, PE13 4SS

**Marshland Hall**  
Marshland Hall, 156 - 158 Smeeth Rd, Wisbech PE14 8JB

**Rosmini Centre**  
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# Murder probe as woman strangled

### 68-year-old found after fire



Emergency services in Cherwell Way, Gorleston

Picture: JAMES WEEDS

A community was in shock today after a murder probe was launched into the death of a 68-year-old woman.

The woman, provisionally identified as Linda Hood, was found dead following reports of a fire at an address in Cherwell Way, Gorleston, on Friday.

However, over the weekend it emerged she died of compression to the neck and police launched a murder

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inquiry. A 69-year-old neighbour, who wanted to remain anonymous, described the victim as "a lovely little lady".

Detective Inspector Lewis Craske said: "This is a tragic incident and my thoughts are with her friends and family."

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## Call for more defibs after Euro drama

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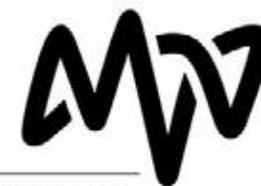


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# Medworth CHP Limited

## MEDWORTH ENERGY FROM WASTE COMBINED HEAT AND POWER FACILITY DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER 202[X]

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The town came out in force to support the Dodkin family, who had asked if Wisbech Castle could be lit up in orange to mark International Batten Disease Awareness Day on Wednesday (9).

Wisbech Town Council said yes to Sarah and Ben Dodkin's request and, from there, support grew for the couple

### Town was aglow for brave family

and their three boys Finley, 10, Arthur, seven and five-year-old Harrison.

Both Finley and Harrison have been diagnosed with the rare degenerative neurological, life limiting condition.

From cart wheeling councillors to businesses decorating their premises and local residents lighting up their homes in orange, the Wisbech community and beyond joined in to mark the day and make it extra special for the Dodkin

children, who enjoyed a tour to see all the orange lighted buildings.

Commenting on the week's events on behalf of Team Dodkin, Sarah, a teaching assistant at Meadowgate School, said: "This week has just been so overwhelming and so incredible!

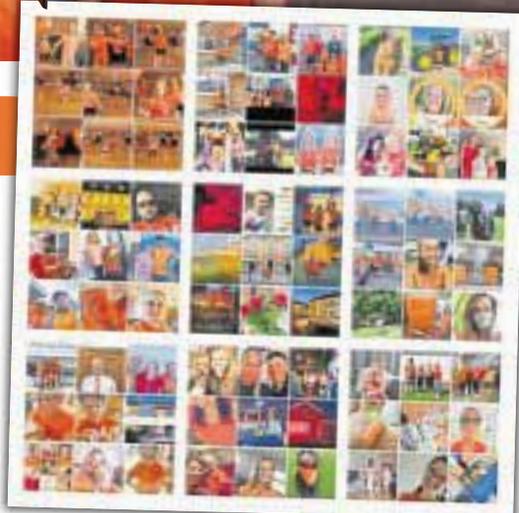
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# QEH makes a vow to learn lessons of Covid

By MARK LESLIE  
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**Lynn's Queen Elizabeth Hospital has become the first in the country to reach out to those who caught Covid on its wards to promise it will learn the lessons.**

Today the Lynn News publishes the joint statement of Queen Elizabeth Hospital King's Lynn NHS Foundation Trust chairman Steve Barnett and chief executive Caroline Shaw addressing the 341 patients, or their relatives, who caught Covid in its care.

Deputy chief executive Laura Skaith-Knight said this was a ground-breaking move.

She said: "All hospitals have a responsibility to follow Duty of Candour (regardless of Covid) - however, we know that during the height of Covid having these conversations was hugely challenging as we responded to the pandemic.

"We did speak to patients and relatives at the time, however, QEH has gone one step further and to make

absolutely sure we followed Duty of Candour, we took the decision as a board to contact 341 patients and next-of-kin to ensure we had the right conversations and give people the chance to ask questions.

"We believe we were the first trust to take such an approach and many hospitals have contacted us since to learn from this."

The statement says: "As part of our commitment to the Duty of Candour, QEH has contacted every patient who contracted Covid-19 in our care, or the next-of-kin for those patients who sadly died, to ensure that they are aware that their loved one is believed to have caught Covid-19 in hospital and to ensure that they know we are very sorry for this."

This week just three Covid patients were at the QEH, but 381 people have died there, since the pandemic began, including a staff member, healthcare assistant Chrissie Emerson.



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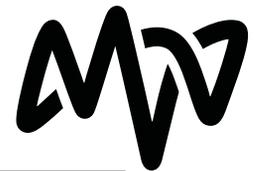
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## Medworth CHP Limited

### MEDWORTH ENERGY FROM WASTE COMBINED HEAT AND POWER FACILITY DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER 202[X]

#### Section 47 Planning Act 2008 – Notice of Publication of a Statement of Community Consultation

Notice is hereby given that Medworth CHP Limited ('MCL'), whose registered office is at Devonport Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility, 40 Creek Road, Plymouth, PL5 1FL, has produced a Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') for the construction and operation of an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility on land at the industrial estate, Algore Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire ('the Project'), in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 ('the Act').

Under section 47, MCL has a duty to consult the local community about its proposals in accordance with the SoCC.

MCL intends to make an application to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order under the Act to authorise the Project ('the proposed application').

#### THE PROJECT

The Project is a new development on land currently used as a waste transfer station and for aggregate processing, and associated infrastructure. The Project will comprise an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility, a 132kV electricity connection via underground cables and overhead lines mounted on wooden poles, steam connections, access improvements, drainage and temporary works, environmental mitigation, the compulsory acquisition of land and interests in and rights over land and the taking of temporary possession of land. The Project will be capable of diverting up to 625,600 tonnes of non-recyclable waste per annum from landfill and export and aims to generate 53MWe of electricity (net) and 50MWth of usable steam (heat) energy. As the

Project will be a generating station with a capacity of more than 50MW it is therefore a nationally significant infrastructure project under part 3 section 15 of the Act.

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment development. An Environmental Statement, which will assess the likely significant environmental effects of the Project, will be produced and submitted with the proposed application in due course. A Preliminary Environmental Information Report has been produced and will be consulted on as part of the upcoming statutory consultation which is intended to start on 28th June 2021.

#### PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The SoCC explains how MCL will consult the local community about the proposed application. Details about the consultation and how people can get involved are set out in the SoCC. The upcoming statutory consultation is intended to run from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021.

The SoCC will be available for inspection as follows:

1. The SoCC can be downloaded now, free of charge, from the Project website at <https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/documents>;
2. The SoCC will be available to view in hard copy format from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021 at the Document Inspection Locations listed below; and
3. The SoCC will be available to view in hard copy format at the Consultation Events taking place as part of the consultation, details of which are available on the Project website.

A hard copy of the SoCC is also available on request from MCL, using the contact details below.

#### HOW TO RESPOND TO THE CONSULTATION

Consultation responses to the statutory consultation can be submitted in the following ways:

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Responses to the statutory consultation may be submitted at any time during the consultation period (which is intended to be from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021).

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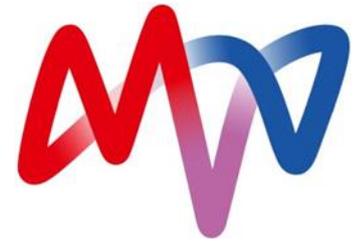
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# Appendix G S46 Notification by the Applicant to SoS



**Please reply to:**

c/o Devonport EfW CHP Facility, Creek Road, Plymouth, PL5 1FL

*By email to:*

*Medworth@planninginspectorate.gov.uk*

The Planning Inspectorate  
National Infrastructure Directorate  
Temple Quay House  
Temple Quay  
Bristol  
BS16PN

14<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Sir or Madam

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Managing Directors:  
Paul Carey  
Peter Knapp  
Mike Turner

Registration Number:  
13130012

## **Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility**

### **Section 46 of the Planning Act 2008**

The Secretary of State is hereby notified in accordance with section 46 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended) (the “**Act**”), of Medworth CHP Limited’s (“**MCL**”) intention to submit a Development Consent Order (“**DCO**”) application to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy under section 37 of the Act.

The proposed DCO would authorise the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of an Energy from Waste (EfW) Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Facility at the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire (the “**Proposed Development**”). The Proposed Development also includes a CHP pipeline, a 132kV electrical grid connection and access improvement works. The Proposed Development would be capable of handling up to 625,600 tonnes of waste per annum and aims to generate up to 53MW<sub>e</sub> of electricity (net) and up to 50MW<sub>th</sub> of usable steam (heat) energy. The proposed DCO application would also seek the compulsory acquisition of land and rights over land, including the power to take temporary possession of land for the Proposed Development. As the generation capacity of the Proposed Development exceeds 50MW, an application for a DCO is required under the Act.

We have previously provided notification pursuant to Regulation 8(1)(b) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 that the Scheme is an Environmental Impact Assessment development (“**EIA development**”), as defined by those regulations and an Environmental Statement will be submitted as part of the DCO application.

Prior to the submission of the DCO application, a statutory pre-application consultation will be carried out pursuant to section 42, section 47 and section 48 of the Act, the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedures) Regulations 2009 (the “**APFP Regulations**”) and the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the “**EIA Regulations**”). The consultation will commence on **28<sup>th</sup> June 2021** and closes on **13<sup>th</sup> August 2021**.

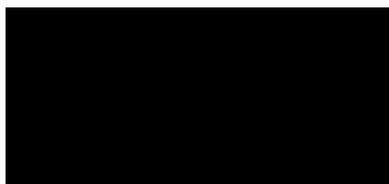
Section 46 of the Act requires the Applicant to supply to the Secretary of State the information that it intends to supply to consultees under section 42 of the Act, on or before commencing section 42 consultation. Please therefore find enclosed the following documents that are being sent to consultees under section 42 of the Act:

- i. **A covering letter** sent to those consultees pursuant to section 42(1)(a) and section 42(1)(b);
- ii. **A covering letter** sent to those consultees pursuant to section 42(1)(d);
- iii. **Hard copy of the statutory consultation plan;**
- iv. **Hard copy of the notice** published in accordance with section 48 of the Act and the requirements set out in regulation 4 of the APFP Regulations and enclosed with the covering letter in accordance with Regulation 13 of the EIA Regulations;
- v. **A link to the MCL website** [REDACTED] where the consultation materials can be downloaded free of charge:
  - a. Plans;
  - b. Full PEIR including a Non-Technical Summary, chapters, figures and annexes;
  - c. Background information about the Project;
  - d. Draft Habitat Regulations Screening Assessment;
  - e. Draft Waste Fuel Availability Assessment;
  - f. Outline construction environmental management plan;
  - g. Poster advertising the exhibition events;
  - h. Invitation flyer sent to people living in the vicinity of the Proposed Development; and
  - i. Consultation booklet summarising the content of the exhibition banners.
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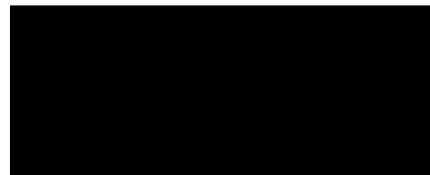
The above consultation materials are available on USB on request and can be inspected at the locations set out in the enclosed section 48 notice. Hard copies of the consultation materials are also available on request and further details are set out in the enclosed section 48 notice.

We are providing this information in an electronic form due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the current Government advice for people to work from home if they can. If, however, the Secretary of State requires the material in an alternative form, please do not hesitate to contact us on [REDACTED] (please leave a message if we are unable to answer your call) or send us an email to: [REDACTED]

Yours faithfully



Paul Carey  
Managing Director



Gerran McCrea  
Head of Development



## Appendix H S42(1(d)) List of Consultees

The following table lists out those parties consulted pursuant to section 42(1)(d) of the 2008 Act. Subsequent to the statutory consultation, and as part of the finalisation of the Book of Reference, the Applicant has identified that Taylors Property Developments Limited have been replaced by Knowles (Transport) Limited as the reputed owners of a subsoil interest in parts of the public Salters Way and New Bridge Lane. In addition, there are a number of parties who have been subsequently identified as having rights of way over the unadopted part of Algores Way which the Applicant is proposing to have adopted as part of the Proposed Development. It is noted that these parties with an interest in Algores Way would have been consulted via the notices placed in local newspapers and via the local leaflet drop pursuant to sections 47 and 48 of the 2008 Act. In accordance with paragraph 51 of the DCLG Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process, the Applicant will ensure that these parties understand how they can, if they so wish, engage with the process if the DCO Application is accepted for examination.

**Table H1**

Reference Number	Party	Address
MVV_s42_001	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
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## Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility

We are writing to you as part of a statutory consultation exercise carried out pursuant to section 42 of the Planning Act 2008 ("**the Act**"). You have been identified as a consultee for the purposes of section 42 of the Act and/or Regulation 13 of the EIA Regulations.

On the 23 June 2021 we sent your organisation (and others) a formal notification (by special delivery) that our statutory consultation for the proposed development commenced and provided you with an opportunity to review and comment on our Preliminary Environmental Impact Report. Unfortunately, and after these letters were sent, we spotted an error on the addressed envelopes that might of, in some instances, led to either the letter being returned or not reaching the recipient. Therefore, and for the avoidance of doubt, today, these letters and accompanying information are being reissued to your organisation by special delivery and are also attached to this email.

Kind regards

The Medworth Team

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c/o Devonport EfW CHP Facility, Creek Road, Plymouth, PL5 1FL

**Medworth CHP Limited**  
Registered Office:  
Devonport EfW CHP Facility  
Creek Road  
Plymouth  
PL5 1FL



Managing Directors:  
Paul Carey  
Peter Knapp  
Mike Turner

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Date: XX

Dear XX

## **Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility**

### **Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008**

We are writing to you as part of a statutory consultation exercise carried out pursuant to section 42 of the Planning Act 2008 ("**the Act**"). You have been identified as someone with an interest in land that may be affected by our proposals. The statutory consultation commences on **28<sup>th</sup> June 2021** and closes on **13<sup>th</sup> August 2021**. Please see below for more information on how to participate in the consultation.

Medworth CHP Limited ("**MCL**") intends to submit an application to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order (a "**DCO**") under section 37 of the Act. The proposed DCO would authorise the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of an Energy from Waste (EfW) Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Facility at the industrial estate, Alorges Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire (the "**Proposed Development**"). The Proposed Development also includes a CHP pipeline, a 132kV electrical grid connection and access improvement works. The Proposed Development would be capable of handling up to 625,600 tonnes of waste per annum and aims to generate up to 53MWe of electricity (net) and up to 50MWth of usable steam (heat) energy. The proposed DCO application would also seek the compulsory acquisition of land and rights over land, including the power to take temporary possession of land for the Proposed Development. As the generation capacity of the Proposed Development exceeds 50 MWe, an application for a DCO is required under the Act.

Under Section 42(d) of the Act, MCL is required to consult with any persons with an interest in land affected by the Proposed Development prior to submitting an application for a DCO. A Consultation Report explaining how MCL has had regard to the responses received to the consultation will be submitted as part of the DCO Application.

If the DCO application is accepted, the Planning Inspectorate will process and examine the application and then make a recommendation to the Secretary of State. The final decision on the DCO application will be made by the Secretary of State.

The Proposed Development is an "EIA development" for the purposes of the EIA Regulations and MCL is required to carry out an environmental impact assessment. MCL has produced a Preliminary Environmental Information Report ("**PEIR**") for consultation which contains preliminary information about the likely significant environmental effects of the Proposed Development, together with a non-technical summary of this information. Further environmental studies and assessments are being undertaken, and a full environmental statement will be produced and submitted with the proposed DCO application. The purpose of the PEIR is to enable consultees to understand the likely environmental effects of the Proposed Development and help inform consultation responses. It should be noted that the EIA is an on-going process and the project design for the Proposed Development continues to evolve.

Consultees are invited to consider the Proposed Development and the information provided in the PEIR. MCL is keen to receive your comments on the Proposed Development and the PEIR.

Please find enclosed:

- i. **Hard copy of the statutory consultation plan**
- ii. **Hard copy of the notice** published in accordance with section 48 of the Act and the requirements set out in regulation 4 of the APFP Regulations
- iii. **A link to the MCL website** [REDACTED] where the consultation materials can be downloaded free of charge:
  - a. Plans;
  - b. Full PEIR including a Non-Technical Summary, chapters, figures and annexes;
  - c. Background information about the Project;
  - d. Draft Habitat Regulations Screening Assessment;
  - e. Draft Waste Fuel Availability Assessment;
  - f. Outline construction environmental management plan;
  - g. Poster advertising the exhibition events;
  - h. Invitation flyer sent to people living in the vicinity of the Proposed Development; and
  - i. Consultation booklet summarising the content of the exhibition banners.
- iv. **A link to the MCL website** where the feedback form can be:
  - a. Completed electronically (<https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/get-in-touch>); or
  - b. Downloaded for printing and completing (<https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/documents>) – these can be returned using the Freepost address, "Freepost MVV".

The above consultation materials are available on USB on request and can be inspected at the locations set out in the enclosed section 48 notice. Hard copies of the consultation materials are also available on request and further details are set out in the enclosed section 48 notice.

Any response or representation **MUST** (i) be received by **11:59pm on 13 August 2021**, (ii) be made in writing and (iii) state the grounds of the response or representation.

Any comments on the proposed application should be sent to:

**POST:**

'Freepost MVV'

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Individual responses may be made publicly available, or made available to the Secretary of State, the Planning Inspectorate and other relevant statutory authorities, in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008 and data protection legislation, but personal details will be kept confidential where possible. You do not have to provide any personal information, but this information will help MCL to understand the range of responses and enable MCL to send you further information relating to the Project. Your views are also likely to be recorded or paraphrased in a consultation report that will be submitted with the proposed DCO application.

Please contact us on 01945 232 231 (please leave a message if we are unable to answer your call) or send us an email to: [medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk) if any of the documentation is not included with this letter, if you otherwise have any difficulties accessing it, or if you have any queries.

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Yours sincerely

Paul Carey  
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# Defibrillators in towns vital for saving lives



Rob Skoulding and wife Laura  
Picture: ARCHANT

Collapse of footballer Eriksen in Euros highlights need for cardio equipment

**Never more was there a stark reminder of why campaigners have fought to equip Fenland towns with defibrillators.**

Millions watched as Christian Eriksen had a cardiac arrest during the Euro 2020 Denmark v Sweden match.

Danish player Eriksen was resuscitated on the pitch using the same CPR techniques and specialist medical equipment for which Whittlesey and March have led the field.

Whittlesey and local areas have 48, according to the charity Defibrillators for All.

Its founder, Deborah Slator, said they're about to give another 15 to households in rural areas.

There are 37 defibrillators in

JOHN ELWORTHY

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March, and former March mayor Rob Skoulding has helped provide 27 of them.

His goal is for everyone in March to live within three minutes of a defibrillator.

Rob himself had a heart attack earlier this year and says he is "living proof CPR and defibrillators work, and so is this footballer now".

Community Defibrillators for Chatteris have provided four, but that number will soon rise to six, and around town there are several others.

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Surprise birthday bash for Johnny

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## Medworth CHP Limited

### MEDWORTH ENERGY FROM WASTE COMBINED HEAT AND POWER FACILITY DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER 202[X]

Section 48 Planning Act 2008 – Regulation 4 Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009. Notice publicising a proposed application for a Development Consent Order



Notice is hereby given that Medworth CHP Limited ('MCL'), whose registered office is at Devonport Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility, 40 Creek Road, Plymouth, PL5 1FL, intends to make an application ('the proposed application') to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order (DCO) under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (the '2008 Act') to authorise the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power (EFW CHP) Facility ('the Project').

**THE PROJECT** - The Project is a new development on land at the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire, currently used as a waste transfer station and for aggregate processing, and associated infrastructure. The Project is situated in the local authority areas of Fenland District Council and Cambridgeshire County Council, and the grid connection extends into areas of the Borough Council of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk and Norfolk County Council. The Grid Connection route would pass the edge of the south-east of Wisbech, heading north after Elm High Road roundabout on the A47 to either Walpole Substation or Walsoken Substation.

The Project will comprise:

- An energy from waste combined heat and power facility (EFW CHP Facility) and supporting infrastructure capable of handling up to 625,600 tonnes of waste per annum and aiming to generate 53MWe of electricity (net) and 50MWth of usable steam (heat) energy.
- A CHP Connection comprising a pipeline and electrical cable suspended on a frame above ground.
- Access improvements along New Bridge Lane to create a new access route into the EFW CHP Facility.
- A 132kV electrical grid connection comprising sections of underground cable and overhead line on wooden poles.
- Drainage works and Sustainable Urban Drainage (SUDs) storage systems.
- Measures for avoiding, minimising and/or mitigating adverse environmental effects likely to arise in connection with the construction and operation of the Project.
- Other associated works, for example, temporary access roads, highway works, temporary works compounds, work sites and ancillary works.

- Compulsory acquisition of land, including interests in land, rights over land and imposition of restrictions, powers to override, suspend or extinguish rights over land and powers for the temporary use of land.

As the Project will be a generating station with a capacity of more than 50MWe it is therefore a nationally significant infrastructure project under part 3 section 15 of the 2008 Act.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT** - The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development as defined in the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. MCL is required to carry out an EIA and submit an Environmental Statement with the DCO application. The Environmental Statement will provide a detailed description of the Project and its likely significant environmental impacts. Information compiled so far about the Project's likely significant environmental effects is set out for consultation in a Preliminary Environmental Information Report ('the PEIR') and summarised in a non-technical summary.

**CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS** - The PEIR and other documents, plans and maps which detail the nature and location of the Project ('the consultation documents') are available for inspection, free of charge, from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021 at the locations set out below. Copies of the consultation documents will also be available to download, free of charge, from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021 on the 'documents' page of the project website at: [www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/documents](http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/documents)

Hard copies of the consultation documents can be made available on request. MCL reserves the right to make a reasonable charge for copying costs in respect of any documentation it is requested to provide in hard copy, up to a maximum of £150. Copies of individual documents are also available on request.

To request hard copies of any of the consultation documents or for any other enquiries in relation to the consultation documents, plans or maps, please contact us on: 01945 232 231 (please leave a message if we are unable to answer your call) or send us an email to: [medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk)

**RESPONDING TO CONSULTATION AND PUBLICITY** - Any person may respond to this notice or make a representation in respect of the Project presented in the consultation documents. A feedback form is available on the Project website and in hard copy on request. Comments and

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By post: 'Freepost MVV'

By email: [medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk)

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#### DOCUMENT INSPECTION LOCATIONS:

**Oasis Community Centre: Mon-Fri 8:30am - 7:00pm**  
St Michael's Ave, Wisbech, PE13 3NR

**Wisbech St Mary Sports and Community Centre: Mon-Tue 6:30pm-12am; Wed/Sat-Sun 12pm-12am; Thu-Fri 6pm-12am**  
Beechings Close, Wisbech St Mary, Wisbech, PE13 4SS

**Marshland Hall: Tue/Thu/Fri, 10am-2pm; Sat 10am-1pm**  
Marshland Hall, 156 - 158 Smeeth Rd, Wisbech PE14 8JB

**Rosmini Centre: Please contact venue for opening times**  
69a Queens Rd, Wisbech, PE13 2PH

**Walton Highway Village Club: Sat, 10am-1pm**  
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# 'I have lost my soulmate in such cruel way'

Wife's heartfelt tribute to husband killed in crash



Sara Vaughan has paid tribute to her husband of nine-and-a-half-years Lucan  
 Picture: CONTRIBUTED

**"I am absolutely heartbroken to think that I have lost my soulmate and best friend in such a cruel and unfair way."**

The words of March woman Sara Vaughan, whose husband of nine-and-a-half-years Lucan was killed in a crash last week. She said: "I had the honour of being married to Lucan for the past nine and a half years and we had been together for the past 17. "Lucan was the kindest person you could ever be lucky enough to meet."

Several stunning floral tributes have also been left near the B1101 Elm Road in March where the

**BEN JOLLEY**  
 Ben.Jolley@archant.co.uk

collision happened on June 18. Police were called at 6am to a collision between a grey Mercedes C220, a grey Audi A4 and a Blue Ford Galaxy, which was parked with no-one inside. Lucan, 42, of Russell Avenue, March, was the driver of the Audi. The driver of the Mercedes, a man in his 20s from March, was arrested on suspicion of causing death by dangerous driving. Call 101 quoting incident 72 of June 18 with any info.

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HEY SOLICITORS LIMITED,  
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**NEEDHAM & LADDUS INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD CULVERT IMPROVEMENTS The Environmental Impact Assessment (Land Drainage Improvement Works) (Amendment) Regulations 2006**

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David Thomas, Clerk to the Needham & Laddus Internal Drainage Board, Middle Level Offices, March, Cambridgeshire, PE15 0AH.

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# Murder probe as woman strangled

### 68-year-old found after fire



Emergency services in Cherwell Way, Gorleston

Picture: JAMES WEEDS

A community was in shock today after a murder probe was launched into the death of a 68-year-old woman.

The woman, provisionally identified as Linda Hood, was found dead following reports of a fire at an address in Cherwell Way, Gorleston, on Friday.

However, over the weekend it emerged she died of compression to the neck and police launched a murder

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inquiry. A 69-year-old neighbour, who wanted to remain anonymous, described the victim as "a lovely little lady".

Detective Inspector Lewis Craske said: "This is a tragic incident and my thoughts are with her friends and family."

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## Call for more defibs after Euro drama

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## MEDWORTH ENERGY FROM WASTE COMBINED HEAT AND POWER FACILITY DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER 202[X]

Section 48 Planning Act 2008 – Regulation 4 Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009. Notice publishing a proposed application for a Development Consent Order



Notice is hereby given that Medworth CHP Limited ('MCL'), whose registered office is at Devonport Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility, 40 Creek Road, Plymouth, PL5 1FL, intends to make an application ('the proposed application') to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order (DCO) under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (the '2008 Act') to authorise the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power (EFW CHP) Facility ('the Project').

**THE PROJECT** - The Project is a new development on land at the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire, currently used as a waste transfer station and for aggregate processing, and associated infrastructure. The Project is situated in the local authority areas of Fenland District Council and Cambridgeshire County Council, and the grid connection extends into areas of the Borough Council of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk and Norfolk County Council. The Grid Connection route would pass the edge of the south-east of Wisbech, heading north after Elm High Road roundabout on the A47 to either Walpole Substation or Walsoken Substation.

The Project will comprise:

- An energy from waste combined heat and power facility (EFW CHP Facility) and supporting infrastructure capable of handling up to 625,600 tonnes of waste per annum and aiming to generate 53MWe of electricity (net) and 50MWth of usable steam (heat) energy.
- A CHP Connection comprising a pipeline and electrical cable suspended on a frame above ground.
- Access improvements along New Bridge Lane to create a new access route into the EFW CHP Facility.
- A 132kV electrical grid connection comprising sections of underground cable and overhead line on wooden poles.
- Drainage works and Sustainable Urban Drainage (SUDs) storage systems.
- Measures for avoiding, minimising and/or mitigating adverse environmental effects likely to arise in connection with the construction and operation of the Project.
- Other associated works, for example, temporary access roads, highway works, temporary works compounds, work sites and ancillary works.

- Compulsory acquisition of land, including interests in land, rights over land and imposition of restrictions, powers to override, suspend or extinguish rights over land and powers for the temporary use of land.

As the Project will be a generating station with a capacity of more than 50MWe it is therefore a nationally significant infrastructure project under part 3 section 15 of the 2008 Act.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT** - The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development as defined in the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. MCL is required to carry out an EIA and submit an Environmental Statement with the DCO application. The Environmental Statement will provide a detailed description of the Project and its likely significant environmental impacts. Information compiled so far about the Project's likely significant environmental effects is set out for consultation in a Preliminary Environmental Information Report ('the PEIR') and summarised in a non-technical summary.

**CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS** - The PEIR and other documents, plans and maps which detail the nature and location of the Project ('the consultation documents') are available for inspection, free of charge, from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021 at the locations set out below. Copies of the consultation documents will also be available to download, free of charge, from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021 on the 'documents' page of the project website at: [www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/documents](http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/documents)

Hard copies of the consultation documents can be made available on request. MCL reserves the right to make a reasonable charge for copying costs in respect of any documentation it is requested to provide in hard copy, up to a maximum of £150. Copies of individual documents are also available on request.

To request hard copies of any of the consultation documents or for any other enquiries in relation to the consultation documents, plans or maps, please contact us on: 01945 232 231 (please leave a message if we are unable to answer your call) or send us an email to: [medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk)

**RESPONDING TO CONSULTATION AND PUBLICITY** - Any person may respond to this notice or make a representation in respect of the Project presented in the consultation documents. A feedback form is available on the Project website and in hard copy on request. Comments and

feedback forms should be sent to MCL by 11.59pm on 13th August 2021 to ensure their consideration.

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# Medworth CHP Limited

## MEDWORTH ENERGY FROM WASTE COMBINED HEAT AND POWER FACILITY DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER 202[X]

Section 47 Planning Act 2008 – Notice of Publication of a Statement of Community Consultation



Notice is hereby given that Medworth CHP Limited ('MCL'), whose registered office is at Devonport Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility, 40 Creek Road, Plymouth, PL5 1FL, has produced a Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') for the construction and operation of an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility on land at the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire ('the Project'), in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 ('the Act').

Under section 47, MCL has a duty to consult the local community about its proposals in accordance with the SoCC. MCL intends to make an application to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order under the Act to authorise the Project ('the proposed application').

### THE PROJECT

The Project is a new development on land currently used as a waste transfer station and for aggregate processing, and associated infrastructure. The Project will comprise an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility, a 132kV electricity connection via underground cables and overhead lines mounted on wooden poles, steam connections, access improvements, drainage and temporary works, environmental mitigation, the compulsory acquisition of land and interests in and rights over land and the taking of temporary possession of land. The Project will be capable of diverting up to 625,600 tonnes of non-recyclable waste per annum from landfill and export and aims to generate 53MWe of electricity (net) and 50MWth of usable steam (heat) energy. As the Project will be a generating station with a capacity of more than 50MW it is

therefore a nationally significant infrastructure project under part 3 section 15 of the Act.

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment development. An Environmental Statement, which will assess the likely significant environmental effects of the Project, will be produced and submitted with the proposed application in due course. A Preliminary Environmental Information Report has been produced and will be consulted on as part of the upcoming statutory consultation which is intended to start on 28th June 2021.

### PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The SoCC explains how MCL will consult the local community about the proposed application. Details about the consultation and how people can get involved are set out in the SoCC. The upcoming statutory consultation is intended to run from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021.

The SoCC will be available for inspection as follows:

1. The SoCC can be downloaded now, free of charge, from the Project website at <https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/documents>;
2. The SoCC will be available to view in hard copy format from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021 at the Document Inspection Locations listed below; and
3. The SoCC will be available to view in hard copy format at the Consultation Events taking place as part of the consultation, details of which are available on the Project website.

A hard copy of the SoCC is also available on request from MCL, using the contact details below.

### HOW TO RESPOND TO THE CONSULTATION

Consultation responses to the statutory consultation can be submitted in the following ways:

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By email at [medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk)

Online via the Project website <https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/get-in-touch>

Responses to the statutory consultation may be submitted at any time during the consultation period (which is intended to be from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021).

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# Family wants M11 layby tragedy truth

## Inquest today into roadside death of Peggy, 81



Peggy Copeman on her daughter Maxine's wedding day

A heartbroken family is today hoping for answers as the inquest begins into the death of an 81-year-old in a private ambulance in a motorway layby.

Peggy Copeman, from New Buckenham, was being driven between two mental health hospitals when she died in the M11 layby in December 2019.

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Mrs Copeman, hailed as a "special lady" by her family, was sent 250 miles away to Somerset for treatment because of a lack of local beds.

She was heading back to Norwich from Taunton when she

died in an ambulance operated by Premier Rescue.

Her daughter Maxine Fulcher, from North Lopham, was critical of the decision to transfer her so far from home and hopes the inquest will answer outstanding questions about her death.

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**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING GENERAL REGULATIONS 1992**  
**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (MODIFICATION AND DISCHARGE OF PLANNING OBLIGATIONS) REGULATIONS 1992**  
**THE APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION DOES NOT ACCORD WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN IN FORCE IN WHICH THE AREA OF LAND TO WHICH THE APPLICATION RELATES IS SITUATED (Departure)**

The following recently submitted applications fall within one or more of the above categories. Copies of these and their plans may be inspected between 9.00am-4.30pm, Monday to Friday inclusive, at the Development Management Section, Elizabeth House, Walkers Lane, Dereham, Norfolk, NR19 3SE. Tel: 01262 656070. Any representations should be sent to the Executive Director (Planning) at that address within 21 days of this publication.

\*\* Denotes a household application. In the event of an appeal against a refusal of planning permission, which it is to be dealt with on the basis of representations in writing, any representations made about this application will be sent to the Secretary of State, and there will be no further opportunity to comment at appeal stage.

**Key:** 1) Listed Building/adjacent Listed Building, 2) Conservation Area/adjacent Conservation Area, 3) Major, 4) Departure, 5) Application affects right of way, 6) Application by Council in relation to its own land, \*\* Household

**DERHAM** Land at Westfield Road/Shopdam Road. Modify S106 agreement on 100 SPL/2015/1840/0 - Reduce the affordable housing contribution 308/2021/0051/08  
**CRANWORTH** Letton Hall Woodrising Road. Erection of 4 safari tents on raised platforms. SPL/2021/0754/1  
**OLD BUCKENHAM** The Gamekeeper Public House. The Green. Proposed single storey link extension to rear of property with entrance porch canopy and intention of former window to form fire escape at second floor level to rear roof elevation. SPL/2021/0759/1  
**SPL/2021/0760/1B 1\***  
**NORTH ELMSHAM** Gray Cables Pump Street. Erection of a 5m x 4m, 4 post, decked pergola with a maximum height of 2.5m. SPL/2021/0771/0/12 \*\*  
**UTCHAM** Sunnyside Back Street. Two storey side extensions and alterations and amended access to front of property SPL/2021/0792/0/12 \*\*  
**LYNG Dale View** The Street. Demolition of existing modern bungalow and construction of 3 new bungalows with garaging. SPL/2021/0820/2  
**OLD BUCKENHAM** Albemarle House. The Green. Ground floor extension to rear/side of property and roof top extension partially within retained roof space to create an additional second floor of accommodation. SPL/2021/0825/0/2 \*\*  
**NORTH BUCKENHAM** The Blue Lion Houghton Lane. New two storey dwelling. SPL/2021/0841/1  
**SHROPSHAM** Stephen's Field. The erection of a permanent agricultural workers dwelling, to include landscaping and parking. SPL/2021/0843/4  
**LITTLE DUNHAM** Canister Hill Palgrave Road. Proposed Conversion and Extension of Former Golf Clubhouse to Residential Dwelling SPL/2021/0844/1  
**LITTLE DUNHAM** Canister Hill Farm Palgrave Road. Convert Former Golf Changing Rooms & Domestic Stores to Two Residential Annexes including new dormers within the setting of a Listed Building (previously approved SPL/2014/0613/F and SPL/2014/0803/LB1) SPL/2021/0847/1  
**LITTLE DUNHAM** Canister Hill Farm Palgrave Road. Proposed Conversion of Former Golf Workshop to Residential dwelling (previously approved SPL/2014/0811/F and SPL/2014/0804/LB1) SPL/2021/0849/1  
**SPL/2021/0850/1B 1\***  
**SOUTHAM/LARLING** The Old School Watton Road. Proposed change of use and conversion of building from class E use to a single dwelling and the erection of 2 two bed semi detached cottages with associated parking and turning space. SPL/2021/0857/1  
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**BRISLEY MILLS** House The Green. Proposed Single Storey Side Extension SPL/2021/0859/0/12 \*\*  
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# Medworth CHP Limited

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The town came out in force to support the Dodkin family, who had asked if Wisbech Castle could be lit up in orange to mark International Batten Disease Awareness Day on Wednesday (9).

Wisbech Town Council said yes to Sarah and Ben Dodkin's request and, from there, support grew for the couple

### Town was aglow for brave family

and their three boys Finley, 10, Arthur, seven and five-year-old Harrison.

Both Finley and Harrison have been diagnosed with the rare degenerative neurological, life limiting condition.

From cart wheeling councillors to businesses decorating their premises and local residents lighting up their homes in orange, the Wisbech community and beyond joined in to mark the day and make it extra special for the Dodkin

children, who enjoyed a tour to see all the orange lighted buildings.

Commenting on the week's events on behalf of Team Dodkin, Sarah, a teaching assistant at Meadowgate School, said: "This week has just been so overwhelming and so incredible!

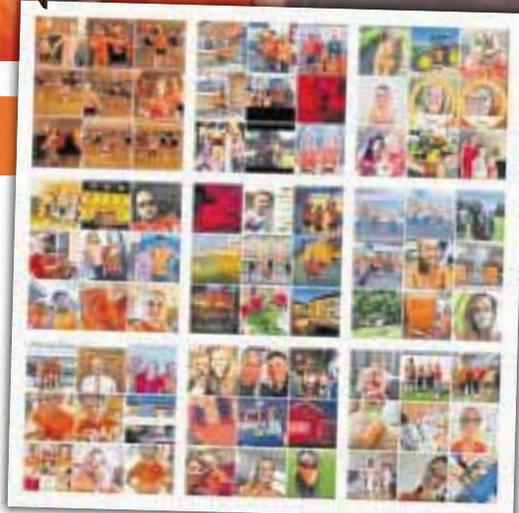
"Our lives have turned orange, our friends, neighbours, family, town and colleagues have turned orange and lots of local businesses

are holding orange themed promotions all week.

"There have been orange themed activities and products as well as the most wonderful amount of orange lights and clothing! Most of all, you shared what you have been up to and the awareness that creates is just awesome!

"You all are amazing. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts."

● For the full story and more pictures see pages 8 and 9.



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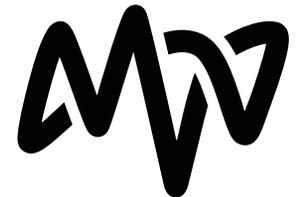
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Section 47 Planning Act 2008 – Notice of Publication of a Statement of Community Consultation



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Under section 47, MCL has a duty to consult the local community about its proposals in accordance with the SoCC. MCL intends to make an application to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order under the Act to authorise the Project ('the proposed application').

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### PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The SoCC explains how MCL will consult the local community about the proposed application. Details about the consultation and how people can get involved are set out in the SoCC. The upcoming statutory consultation is intended to run from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021.

**The SoCC will be available for inspection as follows:**

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3. The SoCC will be available to view in hard copy format at the Consultation Events taking place as part of the consultation, details of which are available on the Project website.

A hard copy of the SoCC is also available on request from MCL, using the contact details below.

### HOW TO RESPOND TO THE CONSULTATION

Consultation responses to the statutory consultation can be submitted in the following ways:

By post at 'Freeport MVV'

By email at [medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk)

Online via the Project website <https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/get-in-touch>

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## 'THERE'S NO PLACE FOR SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN OUR SCHOOLS'

**There's no place for sexual harassment in our schools - that's the message from headteachers this week after some former pupils shared experiences on a national website.**

Four schools in our area were listed on the Everyone's Invited Website - which describes itself as a movement dedicated to eradicating 'rape culture'.

More than 51,000 testimonies from women and men have been posted to the site since its launch in March from 100s of school nationwide.

Not all have been published on the website but Everyone's Invited has listed all the schools mentioned in those testimonies and they include: Neale-Wade in March, Wisbech Grammar School, Marshland High School and Marshland St James Primary School.

The Citizen has not seen the



Wisbech Grammar School headmaster Chris Staley and Craig Jansen, head of Marshland High School



testimonies relating to the schools but all were approached for a comment on their being on the list. The Neale-Wade declined to comment.

But Craig Jansen, headteacher at Marshland High said: "The 'Everyone's Invited' website has highlighted the scale and severity of the challenge faced by society

in addressing wide-spread sexual misconduct. All UK schools have an invaluable role in helping our society to educate that sexual misconduct, of any nature, is abhorrent.

"We would like to make it clear that there are no current nor have there been any recent allegations of sexual harassment at our school.

"Despite this, our school is anything but complacent about such serious matters.

"This month, Ofsted published its review of sexual abuse in schools and colleges.

"This report recommends that schools, colleges and multi-agency partners act as though sexual harassment and online sexual abuse are happening, even when there are no specific reports.

"As a school we continue to take all allegations of sexual harassment very seriously, and we have a zero tolerance policy.

"We will be using the findings of this report to ensure we continue to develop a strong strategy and culture where abuse is recognised, where people feel safe to report abuse and where abuse is addressed.

"Our strategy has always evolved and will continue to do so because this is, and always has been, a really important issue for the school, as it

should be for all the schools in the country, to ensure we do the very best for our young people."

A spokesperson from the Diocese of Ely Multi-Academy Trust which runs Marshland St James Primary School said: "We take safeguarding very seriously and have, and will continue to, enhance our provision of PHSE across all of the Trust's schools, including Marshland St James.

"We would encourage parents, carers, current and past pupils to come forward with any concerns, and we will investigate them accordingly."

It was a different case with Wisbech Grammar School as a former pupil from Downham Market spoke to sister paper the Lynn News about her experiences at the private school during the early 2000s, and headmaster Chris Staley responded to that testimony.

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**FRASER DAWBARNIS LLP**, Marchmont House 62 High Street March Cambridgeshire PE15 9LD.

**Goods Vehicle Operator's Licence**

Nigel K Phillips Transport of Conrad House, 117 Hollycroft Road, Emneth, Wisbech, PE14 8BD is applying to change an existing licence as follows - to keep an extra 2 goods vehicles and 2 trailers at the operating centre at Conrad House, 117 Hollycroft Road, Emneth, Wisbech, PE14 8BD.

Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds, LS9 6NF, stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representatives must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's Office.

**CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
(WILBERFORCE ROAD, WISBECH) (DISABLED PERSONS PARKING PLACE) (REVOCATION) ORDER 20SS  
(NORWOOD ROAD, MARCH) (DISABLED PERSONS PARKING PLACE) (VARIATION) ORDER 20SS

Cambridgeshire County Council proposes to make the above Orders under Sections 1(1) and (2), 2(1) to (3), and 4(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") as amended by the Road Traffic Regulation (Parking) Act 1986 and of all other enabling powers after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act to the Act the effect of which will be:-  
To remove the disabled persons parking place located outside of 14 Wilberforce Road, Wisbech, 1f Norwood Road and 151 Norwood Road, March.  
The draft Orders, together plans showing the roads and lengths of road concerned and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order, may be examined online at <http://bit.ly/cambridgeshiretrero> or Order documents can be requested by emailing the email address below.  
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Steve Cox, Executive Director, Place and Economy, c/o Policy and Regulation, Box No. D8E, Huntingdon Highways Depot, Stanton Way, Huntingdon, PE29 6PY

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Notice is hereby given that applications have been made to the Council for:-

**PROPOSAL AFFECTING A CONSERVATION AREA**

F/YR21/0614/F Erection of 1 x 3-bed single storey dwelling and conversion of existing premises from offices/residential to 1 x 2 storey 3-bedroom dwelling, involving the demolition of an existing outbuilding and the single storey element of the premises to be converted at Elgodd Hall, William Road, Wisbech

F/YR21/0620/F Change use of building to dental surgery (D1), replacement shop front, replacement windows to front and rear and installation of air condition units involving demolition of existing rear extension within a conservation area at 24 Broad Street, March

F/YR21/0625/F\* Erect a single-storey rear extension, a porch, and a detached garage, and convert existing garage to form additional living accommodation to existing dwelling at 6 Park Lane, Whittlesey

F/YR21/0629/F\* Alterations and demolition of first-floor of existing outbuilding to existing dwelling within a conservation area at 3 Townshend Road, Wisbech

F/YR21/0642/O Erection of up to 4no dwellings involving the demolition of existing dwelling and associated outbuildings (outline application with all matters reserved) at 14 - 16 Wenny Road, Chatteris

F/YR21/0644/RM Reserved Matters application relating to detailed matters of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale pursuant to outline permission F/YR20/0081/O to erect 2-storey 3-bed dwelling at Land East Of 20 Station Street, Chatteris

**MAJOR DEVELOPMENT DEVELOPMENT AFFECTING A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY**

F/YR21/0641/VOV Variation of Condition 10 of planning permission F/YR11/0256/F (Construction of a 2.7 MW solar energy farm, to include the installation of solar panels with sub-station and 3no inverters, access track, 2.2 metre high security fencing and cameras) to allow extended operational life to 18 July 2052 at Land South Of Reach Drive, Whittlesey

You can view these applications, plans and other documents submitted and make comments about them on the Council's website at [www.fenland.gov.uk](http://www.fenland.gov.uk), via the Council's 'PublicAccess' service.

Alternatively the applications are available to view online at any of our Customer Services Centres or Community Hubs by appointment only. To make an appointment, please contact our Customer Services team on 01354 654321 or see the Appointment Booking Form on our website at [www.fenland.gov.uk/contactus](http://www.fenland.gov.uk/contactus).

\*Should the Council refuse this application then the applicant will have the right to appeal. If the appeal is dealt with through the Planning Inspectorate's Expedited Householder Appeals Service, comments made on this application will automatically be forwarded to the Inspectorate for consideration. In these circumstances there will be no opportunity to make additional comments. For more information on the appeals process please visit [www.planning-inspectorate.gov.uk](http://www.planning-inspectorate.gov.uk).

Comments should be submitted in writing or online by **7 July 2021** to Development Services, Fenland District Council, Fenland Hall, County Road, March, PE15 8NQ. Please be aware that any comments you do make will form part of the public record.

Please refer to our planning privacy statement about how we use your personal data: [www.fenland.gov.uk/article/14696/Privacy-notices](http://www.fenland.gov.uk/article/14696/Privacy-notices)

23 June 2021

**Fenland District Council**

**Medworth CHP Limited**

MEDWORTH ENERGY FROM WASTE COMBINED HEAT AND POWER FACILITY DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER 202[X]  
Section 48 Planning Act 2008 – Regulation 4 Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009. Notice publicising a proposed application for a Development Consent Order

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**THE PROJECT** - The Project is a new development on land at the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire, currently used as a waste transfer station and for aggregate processing, and associated infrastructure. The Project is situated in the local authority areas of Fenland District Council and Cambridgeshire County Council, and the grid connection extends into areas of the Borough Council of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk and Norfolk County Council. The Grid Connection route would pass the edge of the south-east of Wisbech, heading north after Elm High Road roundabout on the A47 to either Walpole Substation or Walsoken Substation.

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  - A 132kV electrical grid connection comprising sections of underground cable and overhead line on wooden poles.
  - Drainage works and Sustainable Urban Drainage (SUDs) storage systems.
  - Measures for avoiding, minimising and/or mitigating adverse environmental effects likely to arise in connection with the construction and operation of the Project.
  - Other associated works, for example, temporary access roads, highway works, temporary works compounds, work sites and ancillary works.

- Compulsory acquisition of land, including interests in land, rights over land and imposition of restrictions, powers to override, suspend or extinguish rights over land and powers for the temporary use of land.

As the Project will be a generating station with a capacity of more than 50MW it is therefore a nationally significant infrastructure project under part 3 section 15 of the 2008 Act.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT** - The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development as defined in the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. MCL is required to carry out an EIA and submit an Environmental Statement with the DCO application. The Environmental Statement will provide a detailed description of the Project and its likely significant environmental impacts. Information compiled so far about the Project's likely significant environmental effects is set out for consultation in a Preliminary Environmental Information Report ('the PEIR') and summarised in a non-technical summary.

**CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS** - The PEIR and other documents, plans and maps which detail the nature and location of the Project ('the consultation documents') are available for inspection, free of charge, from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021 at the locations set out below. Copies of the consultation documents will also be available to download, free of charge, from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021 on the "documents" page of the project website at: [www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/documents](http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/documents)

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To request hard copies of any of the consultation documents or for any other enquiries in relation to the consultation documents, plans or maps, please contact us on: 01945 232 231 (please leave a message if we are unable to answer your call) or send us an email to: [medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk)

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 (on behalf of.....)  
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<sup>1</sup> In the case of a joint interest, insert the names and addresses of all of the informants.

<sup>2</sup> The land should be described concisely.

<sup>3</sup> If the interest is leasehold, the date of commencement and length of term should be given. If the land is subject to a mortgage or other encumbrance, details should be given (e.g. name of building society and roll number).

<sup>1</sup>Phase One Purposes has the meaning given by section 67 of the High Speed Rail Act.

<sup>2</sup> Section 3A of the 1981 Act as inserted by paragraph 3(a) of Schedule 6 to the High Speed Rail Act as substituted by section 11 of, and paragraphs 6 and 7 of Schedule 14 to, that Act.

<sup>3</sup>As amended by the High Speed Rail Act.

<sup>4</sup> As amended by the High Speed Rail Act.

<sup>5</sup> Schedule A1 to the 1981 Act as amended by section 11 of and paragraph 6 of Schedule 14 to the High Speed Rail Act.

<sup>6</sup> Section 9 of the 1981 Act as modified by paragraph 3(d) of Schedule 6 to the High Speed Rail (London - West Midlands) Act 2017 as substituted by section 11 of, and paragraph 6 of Schedule 14 to, that Act.

<sup>7</sup> Section 3A of the 1981 Act as inserted by paragraph 3(a) of Schedule 6 to the High Speed Rail (London - West Midlands) Act 2017 as substituted by section 11 of, and paragraphs 6 and 7 of Schedule 14 to, that Act. (3827196)

Copies of the draft Order and relevant plan may be obtained from us, free of charge, from the addresses stated below (quoting NATTRAN/EM/S247/4717) in the 28 days commencing on 21 June 2021. They may also be obtained by contacting Leicester City Council at [Imcbb-admin@leicester.gov.uk](mailto:Imcbb-admin@leicester.gov.uk).

Any person may object to the making of the proposed order by stating their reasons in writing to the Secretary of State at [nationalcasework@dft.gov.uk](mailto:nationalcasework@dft.gov.uk) or National Transport Casework Team, Tyneside House, Skinnerburn Road, Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 7AR, quoting the above reference. Objections should be received by midnight on 19 July 2021. Any person submitting any correspondence is advised that your personal data and correspondence will be passed to the applicant/agent to be considered. If you do not wish your personal data to be forwarded, please state your reasons when submitting your correspondence.

*S Zamenzadeh*, Casework Manager

(3827195)

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 MEDWORTH ENERGY FROM WASTE COMBINED HEAT AND  
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 SECTION 48 PLANNING ACT REGULATION 4  
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 NOTICE PUBLICISING A PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A  
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**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

**Planning**

**TOWN PLANNING**

**DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT  
 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

The Secretary of State gives notice of the proposal to make an Order under section 247 of the above Act to authorise the stopping up of a part-width of Brian Statham Way, as adjoins Lancashire County Cricket Club, at Stretford in the Metropolitan Borough of Trafford.

If made, the Order would authorise the stopping up only to enable development to be carried out should planning permission be granted by Trafford Council. The Secretary of State gives notice of the draft Order under Section 253 (1) of the 1990 Act.

Copies of the draft Order and relevant plan will be available for inspection during normal opening hours at Stretford Library, Kingsway, Stretford M32 8AP in the 28 days commencing on 21 June 2021. They may also be obtained, free of charge, from the addresses stated below by quoting NATTRAN/NW/S247/4715.

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*S Zamenzadeh*, Casework Manager

(3827191)

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 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

The Secretary of State gives notice of the proposal to make an Order under section 247 of the above Act to authorise the stopping up of a part-width of Rockingham Close, at Rowlatts Hill in the City of Leicester.

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## Roads & highways

### ROAD RESTRICTIONS

#### LONDON BOROUGH OF ISLINGTON

#### LOW TRAFFIC NEIGHBORHOODS

#### THE ISLINGTON (PRESCRIBED ROUTES) (NO. 7) EXPERIMENTAL TRAFFIC ORDER 2021

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#### THE ISLINGTON (LOADING PLACES) (NO. 4) EXPERIMENTAL TRAFFIC ORDER 2021

#### THE ISLINGTON (LOADING PLACES) (NO. 4) EXPERIMENTAL TRAFFIC ORDER 2021

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Islington ('the Council') on 17th June 2021 made the above-mentioned Orders under sections 9 and 10 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended.

2. The general effect of the Orders will be to suspend the existing experimental scheme in the streets listed in this Notice and introduce a new experimental scheme. The effect of the new experimental scheme will be to:

(a) prohibit the passage of all motor vehicles, at the following locations:

(i) in Colebrooke Row, between a point 9 metres north-east of the north eastern kerb-line of Vincent Terrace and a point 22.5 metres north-east of that kerb-line.

(ii) in Danbury Street, between the south-western boundary wall of No.1 Danbury Street and a point 26.6 metres south-west of the boundary wall.

(iii) in St Peter's Street, between a point 2.3 metres south-east of the south eastern kerb-line of Noel Road to a point 11.6 metres south-east of that kerb-line.

(iv) in Coleman Fields, at a point 1.7 metres south-east of the south-eastern kerb-line of Prebend Street.

(b) prohibit the passage of all motor vehicles, except local buses, in Prebend Street, at a point 1.5 metres north-east of the north-eastern wall of No. 70 Prebend Street;

(c) prohibit all vehicles, except pedal cycles, turning right from Duncan Street into Colebrooke Row;

(d) prohibit all vehicles, except pedal cycles, turning right from Graham Street into Danbury Street;

(e) prohibit all vehicles, except pedal cycles, turning right from Noel Road into St Peter's Street;

(f) prohibit all vehicles, except pedal cycles, turning right from Baldwin Terrace into St Peter's Street;

(g) prohibit all vehicles, except pedal cycles, turning left from Vincent Terrace into Danbury Street;

(h) prohibit all vehicles, except pedal cycles, proceeding in a south-westward direction in Prebend Street from turning left into Coleman Fields;

(i) prohibit all vehicles, except pedal cycles, proceeding in a south-eastward direction in Coleman Fields from turning left into Prebend Street;

(j) remove the residents parking place on the south-east side of Prebend Street, outside Nos. 14 and 20;

(k) remove the shared use (Zone 'E' business permits and pay-by-phone) parking place on the south-west side of Basire Street, outside Nos. 7 to 11 Basire Street, and replace it with a loading bay to operate between 8.30 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. on Mondays to Fridays and between 8.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. on Saturdays;

(l) introduce at any time waiting restrictions:

(i) on the south east side of Prebend Street, outside Nos. 14 and 20 Prebend Street; and

(ii) on the north-east side of Coleman Fields, at the side of No. 72 Prebend Street.

(m) suspend the width restrictions at the locations in items 2(a)(i),(ii) and (iii) above and in Prebend Street, between a point 8.8 metres south-west of the south-western kerb-line of Rector Street and a point 23.3 metres south-west of that kerb-line.

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# QEH makes a vow to learn lessons of Covid

By MARK LESLIE  
newsdesk@lynnnews.co.uk

**Lynn's Queen Elizabeth Hospital has become the first in the country to reach out to those who caught Covid on its wards to promise it will learn the lessons.**

Today the Lynn News publishes the joint statement of Queen Elizabeth Hospital King's Lynn NHS Foundation Trust chairman Steve Barnett and chief executive Caroline Shaw addressing the 341 patients, or their relatives, who caught Covid in its care.

Deputy chief executive Laura Skaith-Knight said this was a ground-breaking move.

She said: "All hospitals have a responsibility to follow Duty of Candour (regardless of Covid) - however, we know that during the height of Covid having these conversations was hugely challenging as we responded to the pandemic.

"We did speak to patients and relatives at the time, however, QEH has gone one step further and to make

absolutely sure we followed Duty of Candour, we took the decision as a board to contact 341 patients and next-of-kin to ensure we had the right conversations and give people the chance to ask questions.

"We believe we were the first trust to take such an approach and many hospitals have contacted us since to learn from this."

The statement says: "As part of our commitment to the Duty of Candour, QEH has contacted every patient who contracted Covid-19 in our care, or the next-of-kin for those patients who sadly died, to ensure that they are aware that their loved one is believed to have caught Covid-19 in hospital and to ensure that they know we are very sorry for this."

This week just three Covid patients were at the QEH, but 381 people have died there, since the pandemic began, including a staff member, healthcare assistant Chrissie Emerson.



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Queen Elizabeth Trust CEO Caroline Shaw and chairman Steve Barnett.

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# Medworth CHP Limited

## MEDWORTH ENERGY FROM WASTE COMBINED HEAT AND POWER FACILITY DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER 202[X]

### Section 47 Planning Act 2008 – Notice of Publication of a Statement of Community Consultation



Notice is hereby given that Medworth CHP Limited ('MCL'), whose registered office is at Devonport Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility, 40 Creek Road, Plymouth, PL5 1FL, has produced a Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') for the construction and operation of an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility on land at the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire ('the Project'), in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 ('the Act').

Under section 47, MCL has a duty to consult the local community about its proposals in accordance with the SoCC. MCL intends to make an application to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order under the Act to authorise the Project ('the proposed application').

#### THE PROJECT

The Project is a new development on land currently used as a waste transfer station and for aggregate processing, and associated infrastructure. The Project will comprise an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility, a 132kV electricity connection via underground cables and overhead lines mounted on wooden poles, steam connections, access improvements, drainage and temporary works, environmental mitigation, the compulsory acquisition of land and interests in and rights over land and the taking of temporary possession of land. The Project will be capable of diverting up to 625,600 tonnes of non-recyclable waste per annum from landfill and export and aims to generate 53MWe of electricity (net) and 50MWth of usable steam (heat) energy. As the Project will be a generating station with a capacity of more than 50MW it is

therefore a nationally significant infrastructure project under part 3 section 15 of the Act.

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment development. An Environmental Statement, which will assess the likely significant environmental effects of the Project, will be produced and submitted with the proposed application in due course. A Preliminary Environmental Information Report has been produced and will be consulted on as part of the upcoming statutory consultation which is intended to start on 28th June 2021.

#### PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The SoCC explains how MCL will consult the local community about the proposed application. Details about the consultation and how people can get involved are set out in the SoCC. The upcoming statutory consultation is intended to run from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021.

#### The SoCC will be available for inspection as follows:

1. The SoCC can be downloaded now, free of charge, from the Project website at <https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/documents>;
2. The SoCC will be available to view in hard copy format from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021 at the Document Inspection Locations listed below; and
3. The SoCC will be available to view in hard copy format at the Consultation Events taking place as part of the consultation, details of which are available on the Project website.

A hard copy of the SoCC is also available on request from MCL, using the contact details below.

#### HOW TO RESPOND TO THE CONSULTATION

Consultation responses to the statutory consultation can be submitted in the following ways:

By post at 'Freepost MVV'

By email at [medworth@mvvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mvvuk.co.uk)

Online via the Project website <https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/get-in-touch>

Responses to the statutory consultation may be submitted at any time during the consultation period (which is intended to be from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021).

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## A10 fears for those using path in village

People in a village near Lynn are being put at risk because of a narrow footpath that runs alongside part of the main route through their community.

That is the warning from residents and representatives in Setch, where traffic using the A10 passes within inches of walkers and cyclists close to the bridge over the River Nar.

County transport officials say they are willing to look at potential solutions and have installed a new section

of path nearby.

But they say they can't widen the existing path because of the nature of the road, which is the main route to Cambridge.

However, resident Dave Knights, who uses a mobility scooter, says he is worried about the risk of being struck by a vehicle as he uses the path.

And he fears the problem has become more urgent because of the increasing numbers walking and cycling in the area during the

coronavirus crisis.

He said: "You see a lot of people are very nervous."

The village's county councillor, Alexandra Kemp, has also called for more to be done to tackle the issue, particularly in the context of developing plans to improve walking and cycling links to Lynn from surrounding areas.

She said the current situation was "not right" and claims officials have already identified a potential solution.

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### New Bishop of Lynn is installed

The new Bishop of Lynn has been formally installed following an historic ceremony at Norwich Cathedral this week.

Dr Jane Steen, pictured above, took up the role during a special service on Wednesday, two months after her appointment was announced.

And the new Bishop chose a very pertinent hymn to be played at her ordination, 'King's Lynn'.

The famous tune was composed from traditional sources by Ralph Vaughan Williams after he visited the town.

The Bishop told BBC Radio Norfolk she was delighted it was included. "It is such a beautiful tune," she said.

The Bishop said of the ceremony: "If anyone had asked what I felt I would have said I felt incredibly small."

For more on the ceremony, turn to page 8.

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Ryan Hemming trading as Titanium Scaffolding Ltd of 12 Poplar Road, West Winch, King's Lynn, Norfolk PE33 0NH is applying for a licence to use The Compound (Next To Travis Perkins) Hamlin Way The Narrows King's Lynn Norfolk PE30 4NG as an operating centre for 2 goods vehicles and 0 trailers.

Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds, LS9 6NF, stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representatives must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's Office.

**JACQUELINE GRACE HILL (Deceased)**

Pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925 any persons having a claim against or an interest in the Estate of the above named, late of 30 Pilot Street, Kings Lynn, PE30 1QL, who died on 16/08/2015, are required to send written particulars thereof to the undersigned on or before 26/08/2021, after which date the Estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice.

**SHOOSMITHS,**  
9th Floor, Platform Building New Station Street Leeds West Yorkshire LS1 4JB.

**BENJAMIN VICTOR ABRAHAMS (Deceased)**

Pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925 any persons having a claim against or an interest in the Estate of the above named, late of Lower Farm Nursing Home, Grimston Road, South Wootton, King's Lynn, Norfolk PE30 3PB (formerly of 25 Fingles Road, North Wootton, King's Lynn, Norfolk PE30 3RW), who died on 08/01/2021 are required to send written particulars thereof to the undersigned on or before 02/09/2021, after which date the Estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice.

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**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)(a)**  
**THE A47 TRUNK ROAD (SWAFFHAM, NORFOLK) SLIP ROADS (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2021**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Highways England Company Limited(a) has made an Order on the A47 in the County of Norfolk to allow for drainage works and general routine maintenance works to be carried out in safety.

The works are expected to start on, or after, Monday 5 July 2021 (8pm – 6am, weekdays only) and to last for approximately 4 weeks.

The effect of the Order at the A1065 Castle Acre Road Interchange, Swaffham, will be to close, alternately, the A47 –

- eastbound exit and westbound entry slip roads; diverting traffic eastbound to Norwich Road Roundabout then westbound back to Castle Acre Road Interchange, and
- westbound exit and eastbound entry slip roads; diverting traffic westbound to the A1122 roundabout then eastbound back to Castle Acre Road Interchange.

The closures (which will not apply to emergency services, traffic officer or works vehicles) and diversion routes will be clearly indicated by traffic signs.

The Order will come into force on 28 June 2021 and may continue in force until the works detailed above have been completed, or for a maximum duration of eighteen months, whichever is the earlier.

**Mrs D Mainstone,** Highways England Company Limited

(a) Registered in England and Wales under company no. 9346363. Registered Office: Bridge House, Walnut Tree Close, Guildford, Surrey, GU1 4LZ.

General Enquiries relating to this notice may be made in writing to Sean Sharpe at Highways England Company Limited, Woodlands, Manton Lane, Bedford, MK41 7LW by telephoning 07562166562 or email Sean.Sharpe@highwaysengland.co.uk.



**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)(a)**  
**THE A47 TRUNK ROAD (PULLOVER ROUNDABOUT TO SADDLEBOW ROAD INTERCHANGE, KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 202X**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Highways England Company Limited(a) intends to make an Order on the A47 Trunk Road at King's Lynn in the County of Norfolk to enable survey works on the Great Ouse viaduct to take place in safety. General routine maintenance activities may also take place during the survey works.

The works are expected to be carried out in two phases; phase one would last for approximately 5 nights (8pm to 6am) starting on, or after, Monday 19 July 2021; phase two would last for approximately 15 nights (8pm to 6am) starting on, or after Monday 13 September 2021.

The effect of the Order would be to close the A47 eastbound and westbound carriageways between Pullover Roundabout and Saddlebow Road Interchange, including the westbound entry slip road at Saddlebow Interchange.

Eastbound traffic would be diverted off the A47 at Wisbech then via the A1101, A1122 and A10 to re-join the A47 at Hardwick Roundabout then westbound to Saddlebow Road Interchange; vice versa for westbound traffic.

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Under section 47, MCL has a duty to consult the local community about its proposals in accordance with the SoCC.

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The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment development. An Environmental Statement, which will assess the likely significant environmental effects of the Project, will be produced and submitted with the proposed application in due course. A Preliminary Environmental Information Report has been produced and will be consulted on as part of the upcoming statutory consultation which is intended to start on 28th June 2021.

#### PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The SoCC explains how MCL will consult the local community about the proposed application. Details about the consultation and how people can get involved are set out in the SoCC. The upcoming statutory consultation is intended to run from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021.

The SoCC will be available for inspection as follows:

1. The SoCC can be downloaded now, free of charge, from the Project website at <https://www.mv-medworthchp.co.uk/documents>;
2. The SoCC will be available to view in hard copy format from 28th June 2021 to 13th August 2021 at the Document Inspection Locations listed below; and
3. The SoCC will be available to view in hard copy format at the Consultation Events taking place as part of the consultation, details of which are available on the Project website.

A hard copy of the SoCC is also available on request from MCL, using the contact details below.

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MEDWORTH ENERGY FROM WASTE COMBINED HEAT AND POWER FACILITY DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER 202[X]

Section 48 Planning Act 2008 – Regulation 4 Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009. Notice publicising a proposed application for a Development Consent Order



Notice is hereby given that Medworth CHP Limited ('MCL'), whose registered office is at Devonport Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility, 40 Creek Road, Plymouth, PL5 1FL, intends to make an application ('the proposed application') to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order (DCO) under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (the "2008 Act") to authorise the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power (EFW CHP) Facility ('the Project').

**THE PROJECT** - The Project is a new development on land at the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire, currently used as a waste transfer station and for aggregate processing, and associated infrastructure. The Project is situated in the local authority areas of Fenland District Council and Cambridgeshire County Council, and the grid connection extends into areas of the Borough Council of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk and Norfolk County Council. The Grid Connection route would pass the edge of the south-east of Wisbech, heading north after Elm High Road roundabout on the A47 to either Walpole Substation or Walsoken Substation.

The Project will comprise:

- An energy from waste combined head and power facility (EFW CHP Facility) and supporting infrastructure capable of handling up to 625,600 tonnes of waste per annum and aiming to generate 53MWe of electricity (net) and 50MWth of usable steam (heat) energy.
- A CHP Connection comprising a pipeline and electrical cable suspended on a frame above ground.
- Access improvements along New Bridge Lane to create a new access route into the EFW CHP Facility.
- A 132kV electrical grid connection comprising sections of underground cable and overhead line on wooden poles.
- Drainage works and Sustainable Urban Drainage (SUDs) storage systems.
- Measures for avoiding, minimising and/or mitigating adverse environmental effects likely to arise in connection with the construction and operation of the Project.
- Other associated works, for example, temporary access roads, highway works, temporary works compounds, work sites and ancillary works.

- Compulsory acquisition of land, including interests in land, rights over land and imposition of restrictions, powers to override, suspend or extinguish rights over land and powers for the temporary use of land.

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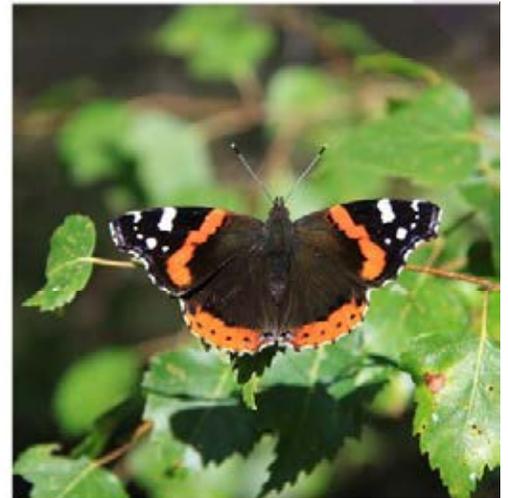


# Appendix J Stage 1 Consultation Strategy

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**Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and  
Power Facility  
Consultation Strategy**



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# 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Purpose of this Consultation Strategy

- 1.1.1 This Consultation Strategy sets out the proposed approach by MVV Environment Ltd (MVV) to pre-application consultation in support of their application for the construction and operation of a new Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power (EfW CHP) Facility in Cambridgeshire (hereafter referred to as the 'Project'). The application would be for a development consent order (DCO) under Section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008). There will be two stages of consultation, a first round of non-statutory consultation and a second round of statutory consultation.
- 1.1.2 The purpose of this Strategy is to inform the approach to the non-statutory consultation and ensure that:
- a) Consultees are made aware of MVV's intention to undertake two rounds of consultation, non-statutory and statutory
  - b) Consultees are consulted on the proposals for non-statutory consultation and are given opportunities and the appropriate time to influence them
  - c) The consultation is comprehensive whilst also being transparent and accessible
  - d) All responses received from both rounds of consultation will be analysed and considered in the development of the DCO application for the Project.
- 1.1.3 **This Consultation Strategy sets out the proposed approach to the non-statutory consultation.**
- 1.1.4 The second stage of consultation will be statutory, and MVV will prepare a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) setting out how it proposes to carry out that consultation. As required by the PA 2008, MVV will consult on the SoCC with all relevant local planning authorities.
- 1.1.5 The purpose of this non-statutory consultation will be to introduce strategic issues and options, with the statutory stage presenting the details of the proposed development, having had regard to consultation feedback, technical work and stakeholder engagement.
- 1.1.6 Outside of the non-statutory and statutory rounds of consultation on the Project, there will also be a programme of pre-application engagement with local communities and stakeholders that will provide a forum for briefing on and discussion about the Project. This programme of ongoing engagement is not detailed in this document.

## 1.2 Structure of this Consultation Strategy

- 1.2.1 The Consultation Strategy is structured as follows:
- Section 2: Describes the background to the Project and the aim and approach to the first stage of non-statutory consultation and its position within the broader context of pre-application consultation
  - Section 3: Describes the key drivers, aims and objectives which underpin the need to undertake pre-application consultation as part of the development of the proposals for the Project
  - Section 4: Identifies the consultation process and content

- Section 5: Sets out when, where and who will be consulted
- Section 6: Sets out the methods of consultation that will be used
- Section 7: Sets out the consultation recording and reporting process

## 2. The Project and the approach to consultation

### 2.1 The Project

- 2.1.1 MVV intends to make an application to the Secretary of State for a DCO for the EfW CHP Facility on the plot of land occupied by Frimstone on the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire.
- 2.1.2 The proposed development will recover useful energy in the form of electricity and steam from over half a million tonnes of non-recyclable (residual) municipal and commercial and industrial waste each year. Generating over 50 megawatts (MW), the electricity will be exported to the grid. The facility will also have the capability to export steam and electricity to users on the surrounding industrial estate.
- 2.1.3 The proposals include connections to supply steam and electricity on a private wire basis, following the disused railway line adjacent to the western boundary of the EfW CHP Facility site. The proposals will also include a grid connection, access improvements, a temporary construction compound, and a substation. The elements of the proposal, the area it covers, and associated consultation zones will be refined as part of the connection route selection process and further to ongoing engagement and assessment work. This is partially relevant to the grid connection route. Currently, two options are under investigation along corridors to the north and east of Wisbech. Once a decision on the selected route is taken, the extent of the planning application boundary and consequently any associated consultation areas around it will be refined. The proposed development is a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under Part 3 Section 15 of the Planning Act 2008<sup>1</sup> due to the fact that it will be a generating station located in England and will have a generating capacity of over 50 MW. It, therefore, requires an application to be submitted to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a DCO.

### 2.2 The aim of the consultation process

- 2.2.1 The overarching aim of both statutory and non-statutory pre-application consultation is to ensure that the local community, consultees, the wider public and all those with an interest in the Project are notified, consulted and given an opportunity to influence the proposals. Accordingly, this means that:
- The effects and benefits of the Project will be explained to allow all parties to understand what is being proposed and to be able to comment further on the proposals throughout the preparation of delivering an application for submission
  - Members of the public living in the vicinity of the site will be consulted in good time during the evolution of the Project, helping them to understand what they can influence, enabling them to comment on its development, potential mitigation and enhancement measures
  - All stakeholders, from those with statutory interests through to businesses, local communities, individual residents, affected landowners, as well as those who work or transit through the

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<sup>1</sup> Planning Act 2008. Available online at: <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2008/29/contents> [Accessed 25 November 2019]

local area, will have access to accurate and high-quality information on the Project which is accessible to stakeholders with varying levels of knowledge

## 2.3 The approach to consultation

- 2.3.1 MVV plans to carry out two stages of consultation, with the first, non-statutory, stage setting out options.
- 2.3.2 MVV recognises that it may be appropriate to undertake targeted consultation or additional consultation prior to submission of the DCO application, depending on how the proposals evolve as a result of consultation feedback, design development or environmental assessment work. In considering the need for targeted or additional consultation, MVV will be guided by the degree of change, the effect on the local community and the level of public interest.
- 2.3.3 It is expected that consultations on the Project will attract a high level of public interest and participation and some members of the public, groups and elected representatives already have some knowledge base of the background to the principle of the Project and established interest whilst others will not have the same background knowledge.
- 2.3.4 The approach to consultation is guided by the requirements of the PA 2008 and DCLG Guidance<sup>2</sup>
- 2.3.5 Pre-application consultation is a key requirement of the PA 2008 process. It is crucial in raising awareness and understanding about the Project and in helping develop a two-way dialogue with local communities and stakeholders to understand the issues that are important to them. Importantly, it can inform how proposals develop and potential effects of the development can be mitigated before submitting an application to the Planning Inspectorate for examination.
- 2.3.6 Due to the anticipated level of interest in the Project across a wide geographical area, a range of communication, engagement and consultation approaches will be required. These methods will ensure:
- The consultation is inclusive and provides opportunities for people to get involved and influence the development of the Project
  - The consultation approach and methods are appropriate to the different stakeholders affected
  - Harder to reach groups are identified, and appropriate methods of communication are implemented to enable their involvement, including any need for translated materials on request

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<sup>2</sup> Planning Act 2008 – Guidance on the pre-application process for major infrastructure projects – Updated March 2015

### 3. The need for pre-application consultation

- 3.1.1 The PA 2008 states that the construction of an onshore generating station of more than 50 MW constitutes a NSIP. NSIPs require an application for development consent to be submitted to the relevant Secretary of State ('SoS'). The proposed Medworth EfW facility will be capable of producing more than 50 MW gross electrical output and is therefore a NSIP.
- 3.1.2 Under the PA 2008, pre-application consultation is a statutory requirement.
- 3.1.3 Stage 1 will be a non-statutory consultation which presents the emerging proposals and gathers feedback. This feedback, along with ongoing technical work, will be fed into the development of a preferred scheme which is consulted on at Stage 2.
- 3.1.4 Stage 2 will be a statutory consultation carried out in line with the legal requirements of the PA 2008. Further detail on these principles and the approach to Stage 2 will be included in the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC).
- 3.1.5 Before accepting the application for examination, the Planning Inspectorate will need to be satisfied that MVV has carried out pre-application consultation and publicity in accordance with the requirements of the PA 2008. Evidence of this will be presented in the Consultation Report that will be submitted with the application for development consent.
- 3.1.6 As part of the process for accepting the application, the Planning Inspectorate will invite responses from each of the local authorities consulted and must have regard to any representations received regarding the adequacy of the pre-application consultation. If the Planning Inspectorate considers that the consultation has been inadequate, they can decide not to accept the application for examination.

#### 3.2 DCLG guidance

- 3.2.1 DCLG produces guidance on the pre-application process<sup>3</sup>, the latest version of which was published in March 2015. As explained above, MVV is obliged to have regard to this Guidance in completing the pre-application consultation on the Project and this Guidance has informed the approach to the consultations.
- 3.2.2 The most directly relevant advice in the Guidance is summarised below:
- Consultation (and publicity) is a key requirement of the PA 2008 process and is crucial to the effectiveness of the PA 2008 regime. If conducted effectively consultation and publicity leads to better applications
  - Consultation should be based on accurate information that gives consultees a clear view of what is proposed, including any options. It should also be shared at an early enough stage so that a proposal can be influenced, and it should be engaging and accessible in style, encouraging consultees to react and offer their views
  - Consultation should be appropriate to the scale and nature of the project in question and where any potential impacts may be experienced. Consultation should be thorough, effective and proportionate. However, larger more complex applications are likely to need to go

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<sup>3</sup> DCLG 'Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process' (March 2015).

beyond the statutory minimum timescales laid down in the PA 2008 to ensure enough time for consultees to understand project proposals and formulate responses

- Applicants must set out clearly what is being consulted on. They must be careful to make it clear what is settled and why, and what can be influenced. Applicants could prepare a short document specifically for local communities summarising the project proposals and outlining the matters on which the view of the local community is sought
- To manage the tension between consulting early and having project proposals that are firm enough to enable consultees to comment, applicants are encouraged to consider an iterative, phased approach to consultation consisting of two (or more) stages
- Where a phased consultation is proposed, applicants might wish to consider undertaking non-statutory early consultation at a stage where options are still being considered. This will be helpful in informing proposals and assisting the applicant in establishing a preferred option on which to undertake statutory consultation. Applicants may also find it advisable to carry out consultation with affected landowners in the final stage of consultation once project proposals have been developed in enough detail to allow the identification of all affected land interests
- Where the project proposals change to such a degree that what is being taken forward is fundamentally different to what was consulted on, applicants should undertake further re-consultation on the new proposals

### 3.3 Best practice consultation principles

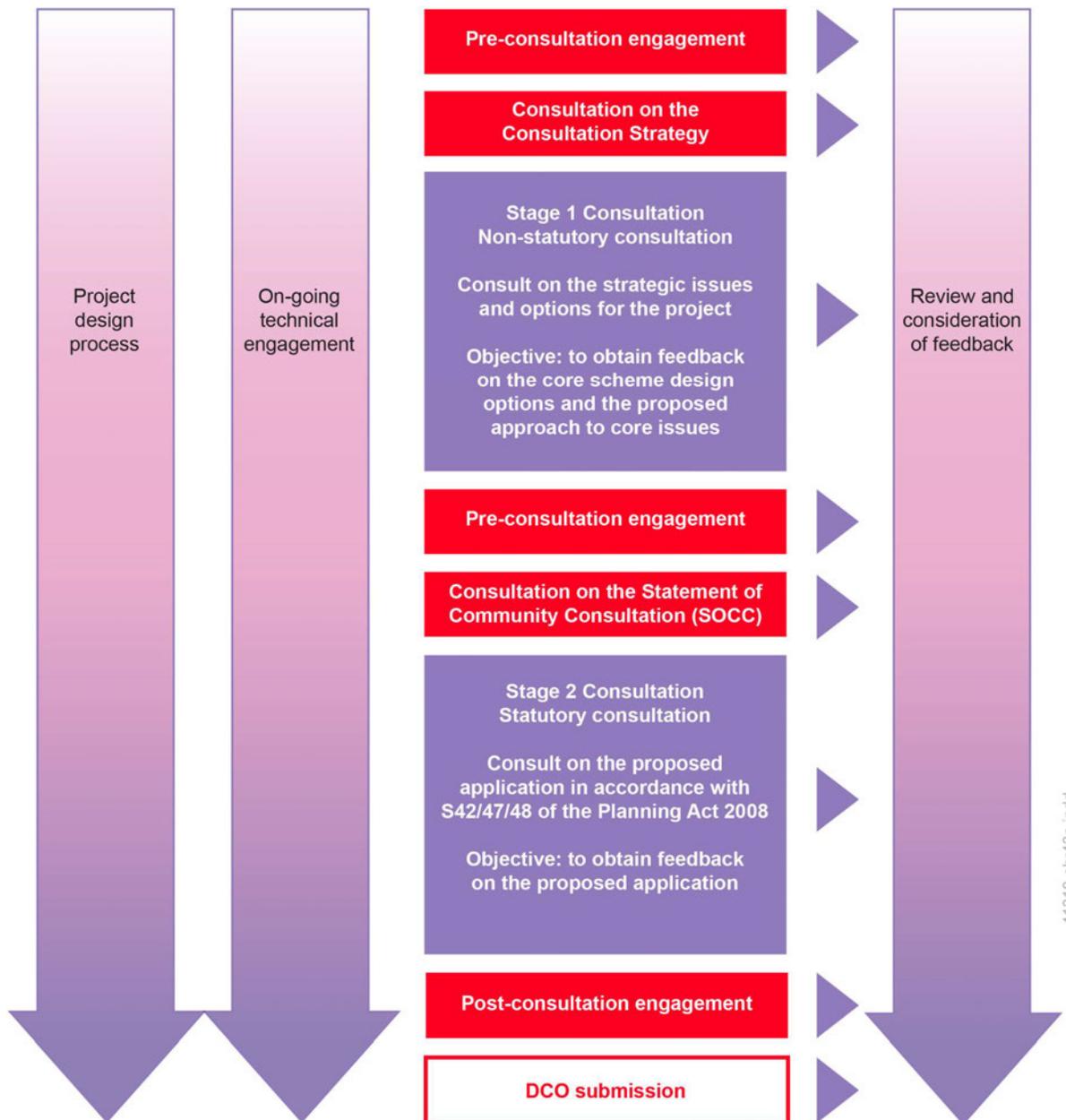
- MVV recognises the importance of adhering to the best practice consultation principles set out in guidance produced by local authorities who are affected by, or have an interest in, the Project.
- For example, in line with Cambridgeshire County Council's Statement of Community Involvement, MVV will adopt a consultation which includes:
  - Well publicised, manned public exhibitions which are advertised in a local newspaper at least two weeks in advance. These will be held in local venues and include material written in 'plain English.'
  - Opportunities for the community to provide feedback
  - Leaflets, posters and media coverage in the local area
- In adherence with Fenland District Council's Consultation Strategy, MVV will strive to ensure its own approach to consultation will be:
  - As required
  - Able to enable informed opinion
  - Well-planned and timely
  - Inclusive
  - Well managed and undertaken using appropriate methods

## 4. The consultation process

4.1.1 MWV proposes to undertake a two-stage pre-application consultation process:

- Stage 1 – non-statutory consultation; and
- Stage 2 – statutory consultation in accordance with the requirements of the PA 2008.

4.1.2 This is explained in the diagram below and this section sets out what will be consulted on as part of the Stage 1 non-statutory consultation.



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- 4.1.3 In addition to the two stages of consultation, it may be appropriate to carry out targeted consultations concerning specific aspects of the Project to inform its evolution or additional consultation. As set out previously, stakeholder and community engagement will also run in parallel to consultation.

## 4.2 The content of the consultation

### Stage 1 (non-statutory) - Strategic issues and options consultation

- 4.2.1 Stage 1 is a non-statutory consultation and does not require a SoCC. Instead, this Consultation Strategy sets out the proposals for undertaking the consultation and how consultees can participate.
- 4.2.2 In accordance with DCLG Guidance, Stage 1 is proposed to be a non-statutory consultation. This will help to ensure that the initial consultation takes place at a sufficiently early stage to allow consultees a real opportunity to influence the proposals, when options are still being considered.
- 4.2.3 Stage 1 will therefore be focused on the strategic issues and options for the Project. This will allow consultees to confirm their issues and concerns with the Project early in the pre-application process, which will in turn help to address those issues and concerns and seek to identify ways of mitigating the potential effects of the Project and make adjustments in response to feedback.
- 4.2.4 Stage 1 will set out the background to the Project, covering information such as the story of the Project and how the need for the Project has been established.
- 4.2.5 This stage of consultation will seek views on the core scheme; design options that are being considered; and will identify any preferred options for the Project and its delivery. Options for the main components of the Project will be presented to provide stakeholders with the opportunity to give feedback and inform the Project development process.

## 5. When, where and who will be consulted

### 5.1 Timings

- 5.1.1 In planning the timing of the consultations, MVV will be mindful of other external consultations taking place in order to manage any issues of consultation fatigue. However, there may be cases where the Project consultations overlap with other external consultations.
- 5.1.2 It is anticipated that Stage 1 will be held in Spring 2020.
- 5.1.3 The timings and duration of Stage 2 will be determined as part of the consultation on the SoCC with local authorities.
- 5.1.4 Engagement will also continue to be undertaken with relevant statutory consultees, local communities, and affected landowners between the stages of pre-application consultation and beyond.

### 5.2 Location

- 5.2.1 The zones described below comprise the proposed Consultation Zone for Stage 1.
- 5.2.2 For Stage 2, the size of the consultation zone will be reviewed and may change in size as more information becomes available on the potential effects of the Project.
- 5.2.3 In defining the consultation area for the local community, two consultation zones have been identified, shown in **Appendix A**.

#### Zone A

- 5.2.4 Zone A, includes the community within a two-kilometre radius of the main site boundary, plus the full extent of residential areas in Wisbech and Elm. The coverage of Zone A is represented by the purple line in Appendix A.

#### Zone B

- 5.2.5 Zone B, represents a five-kilometre radius of the main site boundary. It also includes a two-kilometre buffer around the potential grid connection options. The extent of Zone B is represented by the pink line in Appendix A. This approach has been taken from good practice applied in consultations for other similar proposals.

### 5.3 Consultees

- 5.3.1 For both non-statutory consultation in Stage 1 and statutory consultation in Stage 2, in accordance with best practice guidelines and statutory requirements, the consultation activity will be focussed at the following groups of stakeholders:

## Prescribed consultees

- 5.3.2 Prescribed consultees under Section 42(1)(a) (often referred to as statutory consultees) are defined in Schedule 1 to the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended).

## Local authorities

- 1.1.1 Under Section 43 of the PA 2008 applicants are required to consult with the local authorities in which the Project falls and those authorities that share a boundary with the host authorities.
- 1.1.2 Host authorities cover:
- Cambridgeshire County Council
  - Fenland District Council
  - Norfolk County Council
  - Borough Council of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk

## Persons with an interest in the land

- 5.3.3 This is a broad category as detailed by Section 44 of the PA 2008 and includes:
- Any owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of the land
  - Anyone who is interested in the land
  - Anyone who has the power to sell and convey or release the land (e.g. a mortgage)
  - Anyone who might be entitled to make a relevant claim under section 10 of the Compulsory Purchase Act 1965, Part 1 of the Land Compensation Act 1973 or Section 152(3) of the PA 2008
- 5.3.4 Prior to Stage 2 diligent enquiries will be made into this broad category to ensure that all those with an interest in the land or who would or might be entitled to make a relevant claim are identified and consulted at Stage 2.

## Local communities

- 5.3.5 Section 47 of the PA 2008 imposes a specific requirement on applicants to consult people living in the vicinity of the land to which the proposed application relates. Local community consultees are defined as:
- Individuals, owners/occupiers, businesses and groups based or living in the vicinity of the Project
  - Individuals who are users of the area or visitors to it (e.g. workers)
  - Voluntary organisations (including residents' associations)
  - Faith communities
  - Schools and colleges in the vicinity, and
  - Local hospitals, care homes and private healthcare organisations in the vicinity

## Wider stakeholders

- 5.3.6 In addition to those consultees prescribed under sections 42, 44 and 47 of the PA 2008, voluntary consultation will take place with a number of individuals and organisations. These include:
- Bodies and individuals who are not defined as prescribed consultees in Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended). This includes local bodies and technical consultees such as local Wildlife Trusts, the National Trust and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB)
  - Additional local authorities that are not included under Section 43 e.g. those that express an interest in the Project
  - Ward Councillors, MPs and MEPs in relevant areas
- 5.3.7 A list of the wider stakeholders proposed to be consulted will be continually reviewed in light of discussions with the local authorities and consultation feedback to ensure that anyone who requests to be included as a consultee has the same opportunity to provide feedback as those prescribed under the relevant legislation.

## 6. Approach to consultation

- 6.1.1 This section lists the communications channels which could be adopted to engage consultees throughout Stage 1.
- 6.1.2 In accordance with the relevant statutory provisions and guidance, the SoCC will set out the communications programme for Stage 2.

### 6.2 Channels of communication

- 6.2.1 To ensure the consultation is inclusive and open to all, a number of communications channels will be utilised to allow consultees to access project information and members of the team. These include the channels set out below.

#### Website

- 6.2.2 A dedicated website (<https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/>) was launched in December 2019 and will run for the duration of the Project. All consultation documentation and details of event locations, timings and document inspection locations will be available on a dedicated consultation section of this website. The website meets all standards in terms of accessibility and usability and will enable people to submit their comments online via a feedback form.
- 6.2.3 Following the close of Stage 1 the website will continue to provide a library of documents that were available during consultation but will clearly indicate that the consultation has closed. The website will be updated for subsequent stages of consultation.

#### Community contact point

- 6.2.4 At the start of Stage 1 a project contact point will be launched which will be resourced to deal with questions relating to the Project. Members of the public will be able to call this contact point to discuss the Project. All reasonable queries related to the consultation and the Project received will be responded to within 10 working days.

#### Exhibitions

- 6.2.5 Public exhibitions will be held throughout the Consultation Zone in Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (DDA) compliant and accessible venues which are known to the local community. Members of the Project team will be available to answer questions about the Project, assist with the interpretation of materials and provide guidance on the completion of feedback forms.
- 6.2.6 The exhibition venues proposed for Stage 1 are detailed at **Appendix B** and will be promoted through project materials sent directly to stakeholders, the Project website, locally displayed posters, local press and local leafleting.

#### Document Inspection Locations

- 6.2.7 Full sets of the consultation documents will be made available for inspection at the locations identified at **Appendix C** throughout the consultation period.

## 6.3 Types of information

6.3.1 Written information on the Project and details of the consultation will be provided to inform the local community, Section 42 consultees and wider consultees about the proposals at each stage of the process. This includes:

### Consultation information leaflet

6.3.2 An information leaflet notifying consultees about the consultation will be issued to everyone in the Zone A Consultation area, the Section 42 consultees and wider stakeholders prior to each stage of consultation and will provide a summary of information about the Project, detail on the consultation, including how to get involved and where more information can be found.

### Consultation booklet

6.3.3 A non-technical document for each stage of consultation summarising the proposals which will be made available on the website, at public exhibitions and at document inspection locations.

### Technical information

6.3.4 More detailed technical information will be made available on the main aspects of the proposals and will be made available on the website, at public exhibitions and at document inspection locations.

### Feedback form

6.3.5 The consultation will provide a feedback form for anyone wishing to respond. The feedback form will be capable of being completed by hand (and will be returnable using a 'Freepost' address) or online via the Project website.

## 6.4 Hard to reach groups

6.4.1 MVV recognises that some consultees will not be able to participate in the consultation without assistance and will ensure that that all groups and members of the community have the opportunity to participate and are not disadvantaged in the consultation process. As a result, MVV will:

- Ensure all exhibition venues are DDA compliant
- Utilise project staff with relevant language skills or provide translation services where appropriate / on request
- Publish the consultation booklet in large copy print, audio or Braille on request

## 6.5 Notification of Consultees

### Local communities

6.5.1 A number of methods will be used prior to and during the consultation to ensure that all consultees are given the opportunity to find out more and take part. These include:

- **Leaflet**

As set out above, a consultation information leaflet will be issued to residents and businesses within the Zone A Consultation area prior to each stage of consultation inviting them to get involved in the consultation

- **Press notices and advertising:**

For Stage 1, adverts detailing stages of consultation, including event locations and timings will be placed in all appropriate publications e.g. local and national newspapers, posters and local radio across Zone A and B consultation areas.

- **Stakeholders, groups and organisations**

A range of stakeholders, bodies and organisations will be engaged with to make them aware of the consultation and, where appropriate, provide details of how their membership can get involved

## 7. Recording and reporting

### 7.1 Recording feedback

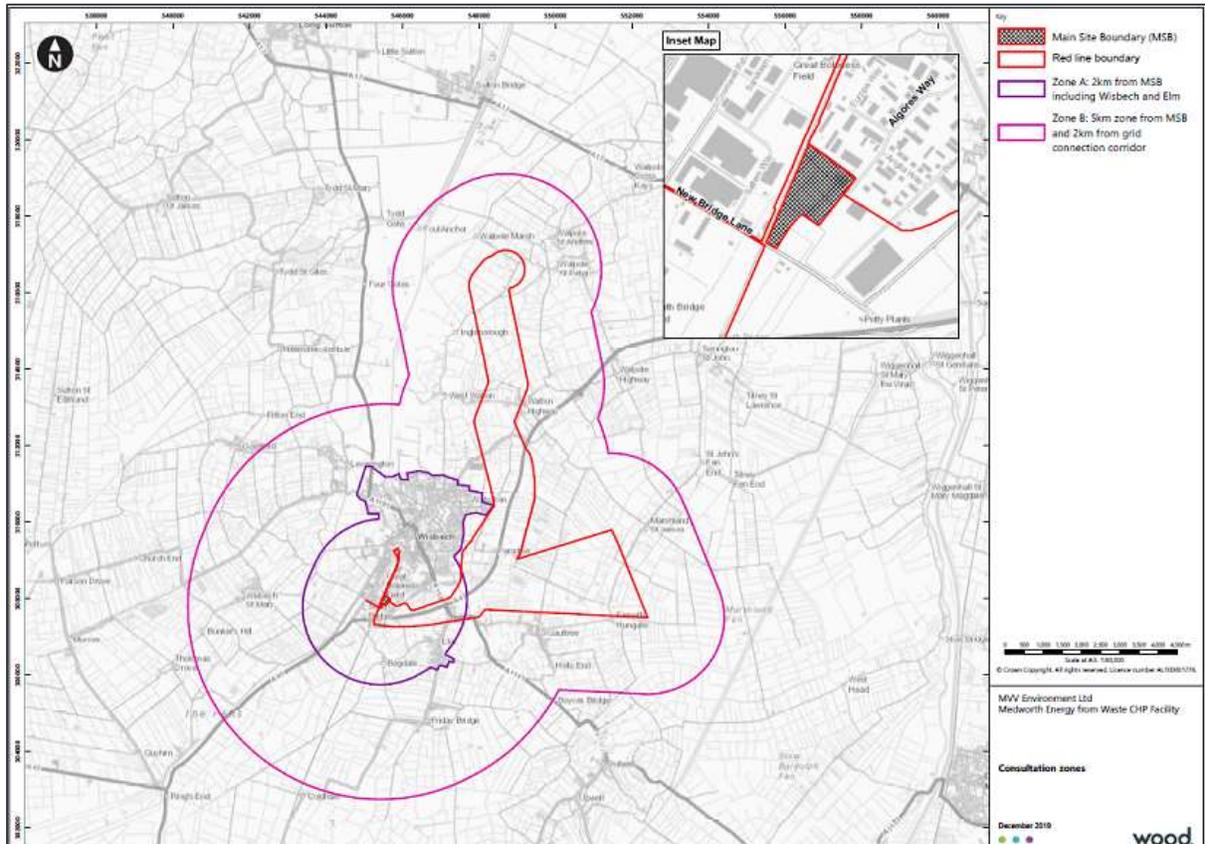
- 7.1.1 In accordance with Section 49 of the PA 2008, MVV is committed to recording, analysing and demonstrating how it has had regard to comments received during the pre-application consultation, within the Consultation Report. The preferred method of collecting comments is through the dedicated project website as it is the most efficient way of securely collecting information. However, consultation feedback can also be given through:
- Feedback forms submitted at exhibitions and via the Project Freepost address, and
  - Feedback received via the Project email address or other forms of correspondence received via the Project Freepost address
- 7.1.2 Verbal feedback will not be accepted via the Project helpline or at exhibitions except where necessary to recognise an individual's particular exceptional circumstances which would otherwise stop their view from being taken into account. Assistance with completing feedback forms will be provided at exhibitions for those who request it.
- 7.1.3 All responses received will be analysed and considered in the development of the DCO application for the Project.
- 7.1.4 Any personal data received as part of the consultation or as part of the consultation process will be stored and protected as per relevant data protection requirements as set out in the General Data Protection Regulation. No personal details will be used or published in any materials produced in support of the Project.

### 7.2 Reporting

- 7.2.1 Following the first non-statutory consultation, a Consultation Feedback Report will be produced which summarises all feedback received. This Report will be made publicly available at the statutory consultation, Stage 2.
- 7.2.2 In accordance with Section 37(3) of the PA 2008, a Consultation Report will be submitted with the application for development consent. This will report on both the non-statutory and statutory pre-application consultations to demonstrate how all statutory requirements relating to consultation and publicity including compliance with the PA 2008 have been met, how DCLG Guidance has been taken in to account and how the feedback received has influenced the application.

# Appendix A

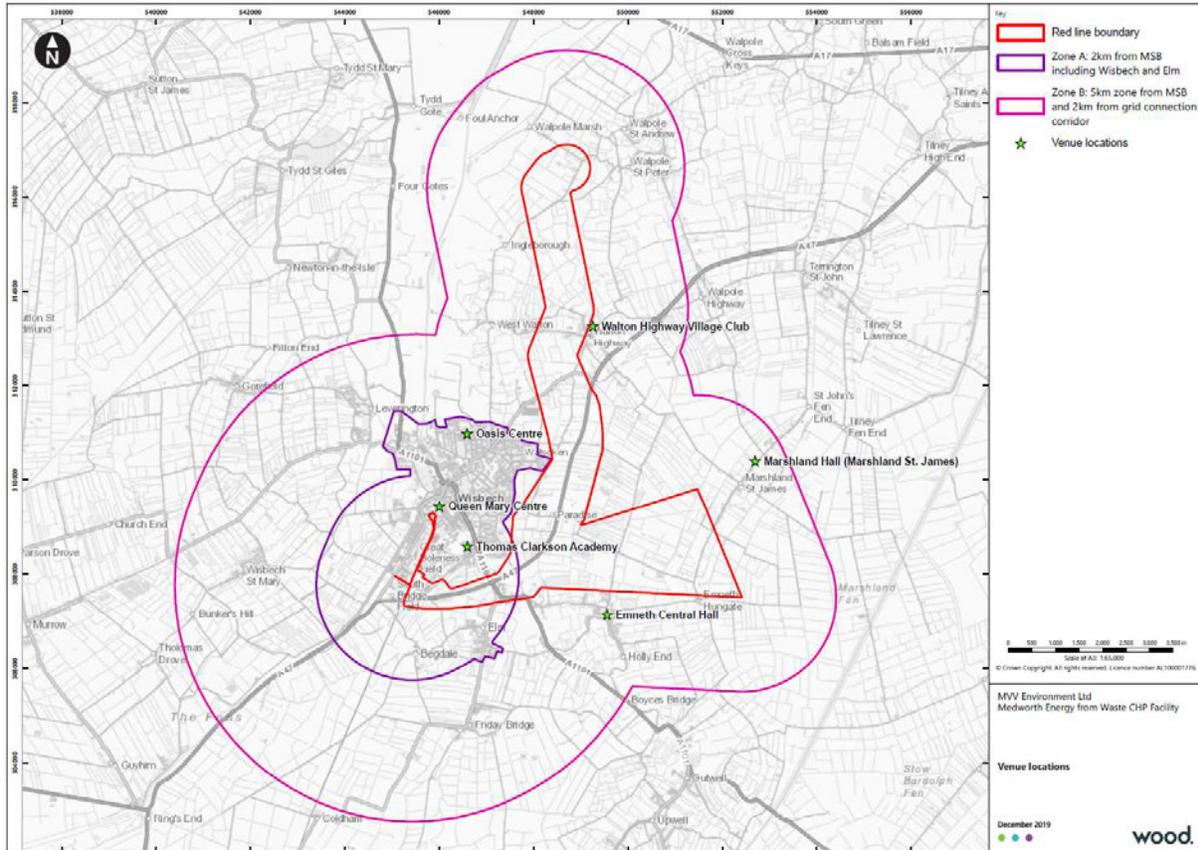
## Graphical representation of consultation zones



## Appendix B

### Exhibition venues

Exhibition venue	Address
<b>Thomas Clarkson Academy</b>	Corporation Road, Wisbech, PE13 2SE
<b>Queen Mary Centre</b>	Queens Road, Wisbech, PE13 2PE
<b>Oasis Centre</b>	St Michael's Ave, Wisbech PE13 3NR
<b>Emneth Central Hall</b>	7 Gaultree Square, Emneth, Wisbech PE14 8DA
<b>Marshland Hall (Marshland St. James)</b>	Marshland Hall, Smeeth Rd, Wisbech PE14 8JB
<b>Walton Highway Village Club</b>	New Club Site, Walton Highway, Wisbech PE14 7DF





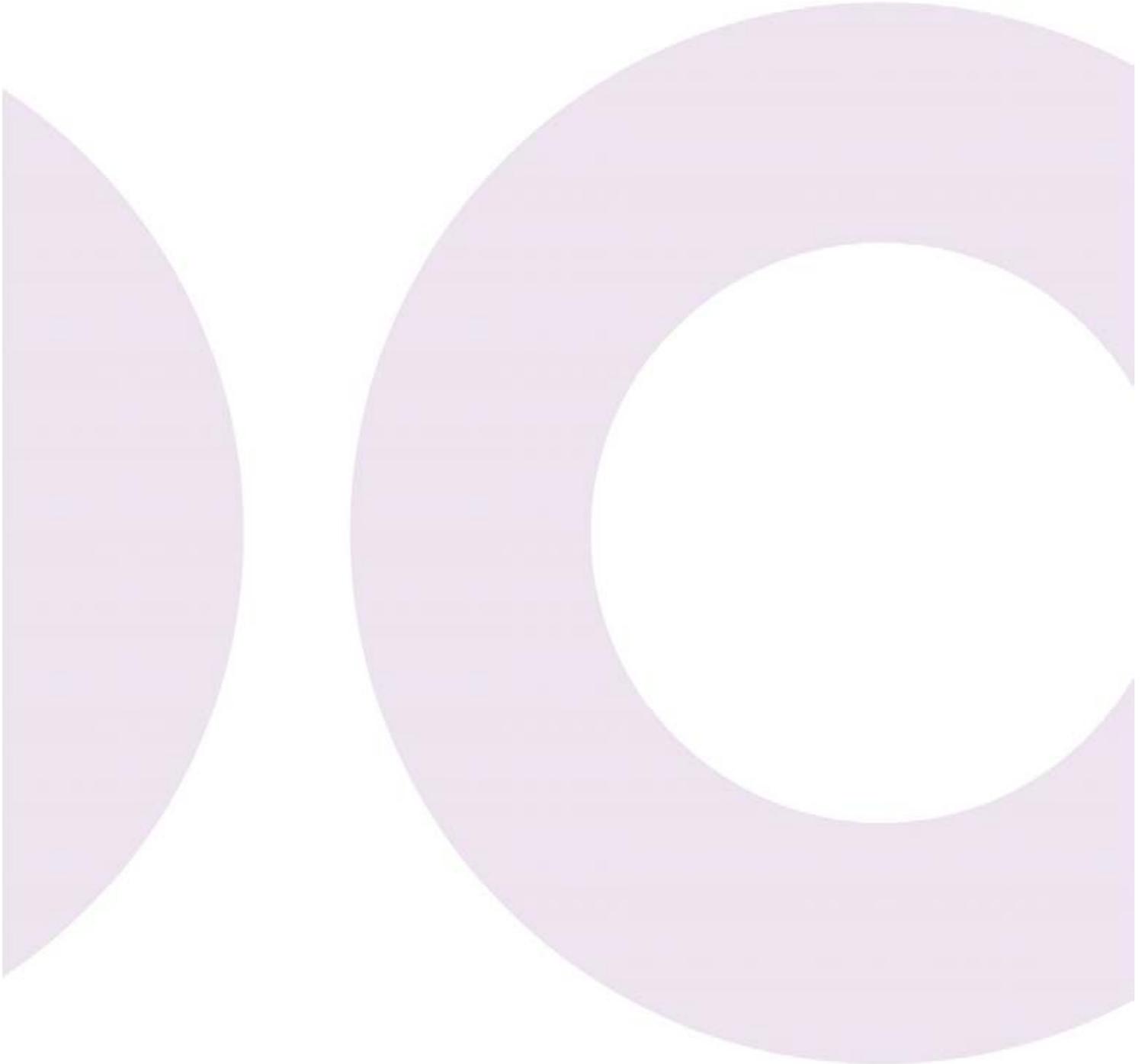
## Appendix C

### Document inspection locations

Document Inspection Location	Address
<b>Wisbech Library</b>	Ely Place, Wisbech, PE13 1EU
<b>Awdry House</b>	110 Ramnoth Road, Wisbech, PE13 2JD
<b>Wisbech Town Council</b>	1 North Brink, Wisbech, PE13 1JR
<b>Tesco Wisbech Extra Community Room</b>	Cromwell Road, Wisbech, PE14 0RG

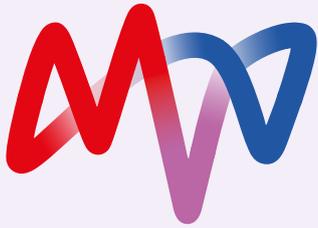


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# Appendix K Stage 1 Consultation Booklet



dealing with  
**waste today**  
for a **better**  
**tomorrow**



# who are MVV Environment?

## dealing with waste today for a better tomorrow

MVV Environment is part of the MVV Energie group of companies. We provide a sustainable alternative to landfill through energy recovery for publicly and privately-owned waste disposal companies.

The UK requires more renewable energy power stations as old, fossil fuel facilities are being decommissioned. Too much waste is still being sent to landfill or exported overseas, when it could better be used as a fuel to generate electricity and heat here in the UK.

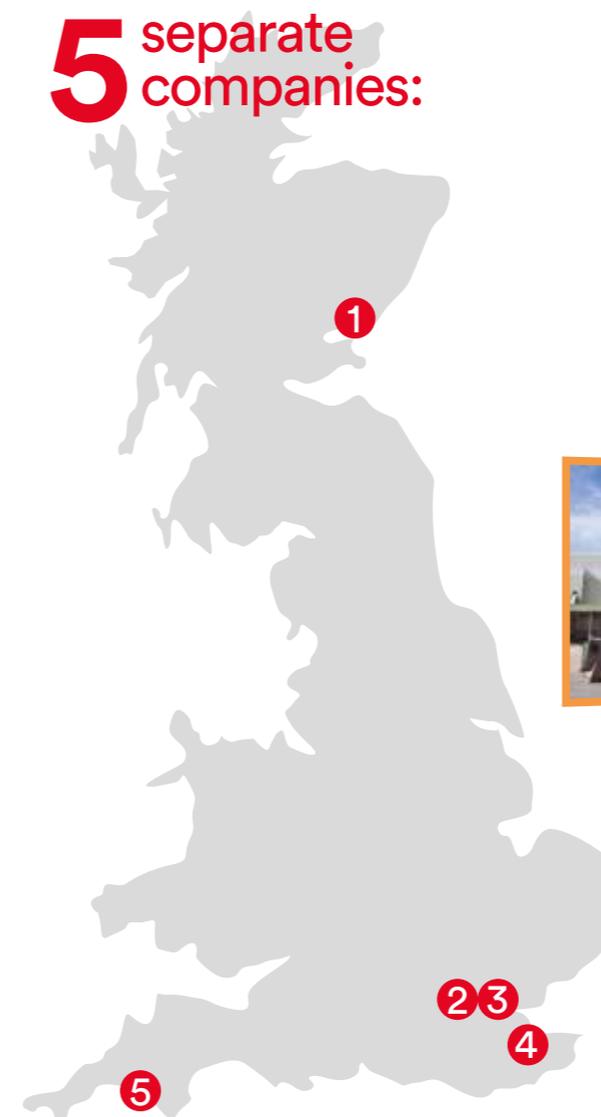
The UK business retains the overall group ethos of 'belonging' to the communities we serve, whilst benefiting from over 50 years' experience gained by our German sister companies. We provide solutions for waste reduction, energy generation and recycling.

Currently, some of the residual waste from the east of England region is exported to continental Europe where it is used as fuel in Energy from Waste (EfW) facilities.

MVV look to bring their expertise to the area and create a new business for Wisbech to avoid transporting the waste overseas and to generate renewable energy for local businesses.



## In the UK, MVV currently consists of 5 separate companies:




**1 MVV Environment Baldovie**  
Diverting 110,000 tonnes per annum of residual waste from landfill for Dundee City and Angus councils



**2 MVV Environment Services**  
The UK electricity trading subsidiary of MVV

**3 MVV Environment**  
The UK development company and core business support functions



**4 MVV Environment Ridham**  
Generating energy from 175,000 tonnes per annum of waste wood that would otherwise be landfilled or exported for energy generation abroad



**5 MVV Environment Devonport**  
Diverting 200,000 tonnes per annum of residual waste from landfill for the South West Devon Waste Partnership as well as 50,000 tonnes per annum of residual waste for private waste disposal companies



Find out more about MVV by visiting our website

# what is energy from waste?

## how does it work



Energy from Waste (or EfW) is the generation of partly renewable electricity and/or usable heat from residual waste that would otherwise go to landfill in the UK, or be exported to other countries as 'Refuse Derived Fuel.'

Like any power plant, the heat from the burning waste is used to boil water and generate steam which turns a turbine to drive a generator. Efficiencies can be increased if some of the steam can be used for heating, for example for industrial processes such as cooking food.

EfW facilities safely and effectively convert residual waste into clean, renewable baseload energy and useful by-products, while sustainably powering communities and protecting the environment.

### Combustion

Waste burns safely at very high temperatures.

### High pressure steam

Heat from the waste fire heats water in the boiler and creates high pressure steam.

### Electricity and heat production

Superheated steam turns a turbine to generate electricity and some steam can be extracted for heating.

### Metals and ash recover

Ash and metal are recovered from the process to be recycled.

### Air quality control

Hot gases from the boiler are treated and filtered to meet strict air quality standards.

## why EfW over landfill?

In the UK now, there is over 15 million\* tonnes of residual waste per year that is still going to landfill or being shipped abroad for disposal. This is not sustainable and we should be treating this waste as a resource.

As an alternative to landfill, thermal treatment and efficient recovery of energy offers a number of advantages including environmental and financial benefits.

Landfill sites produce methane, which is 25 times worse than CO<sub>2</sub> as a greenhouse gas and exporting waste requires it to be shredded, baled and transported far greater distances than treating it locally. Shredding, baling and transport all carry an additional carbon footprint, which can be avoided with a local solution.

\*Tolvik Consulting, February 2019

## EfW does not compete with recycling

It is worth noting that MVV do not target municipal recyclable waste and as such our facilities have no direct impact on municipal recycling rates in the country. EfW competes with landfill, not recycling.

MVV supports the transition towards a circular economy. We acknowledge that within a circular economy there will still be materials that have reached the 'end of life' point and are only suitable for energy recovery.

OVER 15 MILLION\* TONNES OF RESIDUAL WASTE PER YEAR IS STILL GOING TO LANDFILL OR BEING TRANSPORTED OVERSEAS



EfW REDUCES WASTE GOING INTO LANDFILL

COMPARED TO LANDFILL EfW REDUCES THE CARBON FOOTPRINT WHILST CREATING RENEWABLE ENERGY



\*Tolvik Consulting, February 2019

EfW reduces landfill and contributes to renewable energy generation, reducing the UK's reliance on fossil fuels and cutting methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) emissions

DECOMPOSITION of organic materials in LANDFILLS ACCOUNTS for around **30%** of the UK's emissions of METHANE

\*University of Southampton, Dr Tristan Rees-White

NON-RENEWABLE SOURCES ACCOUNT FOR MORE THAN **60%** of the UK's electricity

\*UK Government - UK electricity generation trade and consumption, July to September 2019

**EfW** reduces landfill and the UK's reliance on fossil fuels

# energy from waste process

EfW is a way to recover valuable resources and a vital part of a sustainable waste management chain. This diagram takes you step-by-step through the EfW process.

## 1 Tipping hall

Waste is delivered to the facility in lorries. They enter the enclosed tipping hall and reverse up to the bunker edge. Air is sucked through the tipping hall and bunker and into the furnace so that odours do not escape.

## 2 Waste bunker

The waste is stored in the bunker waiting to be loaded into the furnace by crane. Around 10 days worth of waste can be stored here. Air is sucked through the tipping hall and bunker and used in the furnace so that odours do not escape.

## 3 Furnace

The waste is burnt under very carefully controlled conditions to ensure safe and complete combustion, and maximise the amount of heat recovered as useful energy. The walls of the furnace are made up of pipes within which water is heated and turned into steam in the boiler drum.

## 4 Bottom ash

Those bits of the waste that don't burn, e.g. metals and bricks, are part of the ash that falls off the furnace grate. This falls into water to cool it and is then put into a separate bunker before being taken away for recycling.

## 5 Boiler

The very hot gases from the furnace are passed through the boiler. The steam from the boiler drum goes through tubes in the boiler to superheat it, ready to be sent to the turbine.

## 6 Air pollution control system

Having given up most of their energy to create useful heat in the form of steam, the flue gases have to be cleaned before they enter the chimney. The flue gases are injected with activated carbon and lime which react with pollutants such as acidic gases. The filters at the end of the system ensure that the residues, together with dust from the furnace, are captured so that the flue gas entering the chimney is well within the limits set by law. The system is controlled "real time".

## 7 Chimney

The chimney height will be calculated to ensure that the limited emissions allowed under law are dispersed safely.

## 8 Turbine hall

Superheated steam from the boiler is sent to the turbine where it is used to drive an alternator, generating useful electrical energy. Steam can also be taken from the turbine at pressures and temperatures suitable for use by local industry. This reduces their dependency on fossil fuels and improves the overall efficiency of the facility.

## 9 Air cooled condenser

The condenser takes the exhaust steam from the turbine. Very quiet fans send cool air up through the condenser tubes. Warm water goes back to the boiler, where it is used to make steam again.

## 10 Energy distribution

The energy in the waste has finally been turned into useful electricity and steam for use by local industry. Any excess electricity is sent to the grid locally, displacing fossil fuels. Steam will be sent to local industry through an over ground pipeline.

We aim to produce **30** Megawatts of **usable steam** (heat) energy

We aim to produce **53** Megawatts of **of electricity** enough to power **74,000** homes

EfW only accounts for **0.05%** of total particulate emissions in the UK ANNUALLY\*

\*Environment Agency and National Atmospheric Emissions Inventory

Bottom ash may be used as an aggregate, replacing the need to quarry for virgin aggregate, for example in road construction

# features of the Medworth EfW CHP facility proposal

UK-based company MVV Environment plans to develop a new Energy from Waste (EfW) Combined Heat and Power (CHP) facility generating electricity and steam on land at Alorges Way, Wisbech.

If successful, a new company, to be called 'MVV Environment Medworth', will be looking to employ local people to help build, operate and maintain the facility.

The proposed EfW CHP facility will divert over half a million tonnes of residual waste from landfill every year, generating over 50 megawatts of electricity and offering the opportunity to supply steam to local factories.

The development includes not just the EfW facility but also the connections to the electricity grid and industrial heat users, and some modifications to the road network.

The total investment will be over £300 million and it is anticipated that construction will take around three years, during this time employing up to 700 people.

We are committed to playing an active role in supporting and engaging our local communities and being a good neighbour. Please let us know any suggestions on how we can do this in and around Wisbech and about any local projects and/or groups that we could work with to support.



Find out more about the project by visiting our website

## key elements of our proposal

A high efficiency EfW facility with the capability of handling residual waste, that is **waste left over after recycling** - turning it in to useful energy



INVESTMENT OF OVER **£300 million**

is likely to attract further quality development in the area around the site via supply of sustainable electricity and heat



Supply electricity and heat to local industrial customers

The CHP Connection will generate up to...

**53<sup>MW</sup>** of electricity enough to power 74,000 homes

**30<sup>MW</sup>** of usable steam (heat) energy

Employment opportunities



**700** JOBS DURING CONSTRUCTION



**40** FULL TIME JOBS IN A RANGE OF SKILLED ROLES

The project will divert around

**0.5 million**

tonnes of residual waste per annum from landfill, depending on waste composition



Access Improvements

including some modifications to the road network



## where will it be and what will it look like?

View from Halfpenny Lane, Wisbech



Indicative photomontage of the proposed Medworth EfW CHP facility

ALLOCATION OF AN AREA FOR **TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION COMPOUND** potentially including additional land for substation

Export surplus electricity to the National Grid  
MVV will be seeking consent for a grid connection

The proposed site is in the Medworth ward of Fenland District Council. The facility fits into the industrial setting, on a site that is currently used as a waste transfer station. This industrial area in Wisbech offers opportunities to achieve high efficiencies with Combined Heat and Power (CHP).

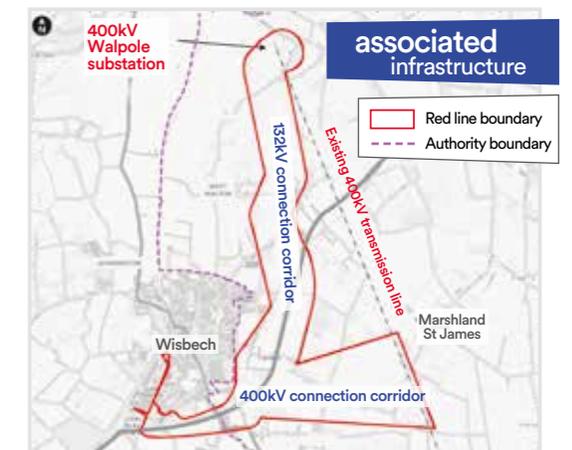
This means that some of the steam produced by burning residual waste could be used for heating or industrial processes, avoiding the use of fossil fuels.

Such steam supplies would also increase the efficiency of the proposed facility by increasing the amount of energy put to good use. We have already started talking to local companies about the opportunities to do this.

In these early stages of the proposal, some elements of the scheme's design may be influenced by the feedback provided via the consultation process. We do have some simple rendered drawings to share. These provide a basic indication of form and scale.



proposed area for the site



associated infrastructure

Red line boundary  
Authority boundary

## where will the waste come from?

Waste companies will want to deal with waste as close to its source as possible, to control transport costs. If approved, waste for the Medworth EfW CHP facility will come from the east of England region. This will enable MVV to ensure that the facility provides a regional solution to a regional problem.

Only waste that complies with the environmental permit will be accepted. In the event that non-compliant waste is identified, it will be removed from site for safe disposal/treatment.

The project will divert around **0.5 million**

tonnes of residual waste per annum from landfill, depending on waste composition

### what kinds of waste will you accept?

We would source non-hazardous household and business waste from the region which currently goes to landfill or for export. The exact wastes that can be accepted will be specified in an Environmental Permit issued by the Environment Agency based on European Waste Catalogue (EWC) codes.

### will there be plastic in the waste?

There will be an element of plastic in the waste stream. This represents those types of plastic that cannot yet be easily recycled, as well as plastic that remains after businesses or householders have separated out their recyclable waste.

Plastics that have been collected for, and are suitable for recycling cannot be accepted by MVV under the standard conditions of an environmental permit.

## Medworth EfW CHP facility aims to:

Recover useful, sustainable, energy from residual municipal waste



Divert around half a million tonnes of residual waste per annum from landfill, depending on waste composition



Generate over 50 MW of electricity



Generate up to 30 MW of usable steam heat



Supply electricity and heat to local industrial customers



Export surplus electricity to the National Grid



**15M\***  
TONNES OF RESIDUAL WASTE GOES TO LANDFILL OR IS SHIPPED ABROAD EVERY YEAR



\*Tolvik Consulting, February 2019

ON AVERAGE **OVER 3 MILLION** TONNES OF WASTE IS EXPORTED TO EUROPE EVERY YEAR  
WE WON'T BE IMPORTING FROM OVERSEAS

NON-HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD AND BUSINESS WASTE



### Waste capacity zones\*

- Capacity gap
- Capacity balanced

\*Suez, Mind the Gap 2017-2035, 2017

# impact on the environment

Like all significant development proposals, an **Environmental Impact Assessment**, for both construction and operation of the facility **will be undertaken and reported by MVV** in a document called an **Environmental Statement**.

The Environmental Statement reports on a range of potential environmental impacts and if necessary outlines measures to mitigate these.

In preparing its 'Scoping Opinion' the Planning Inspectorate consulted prescribed organisations, including the Environment Agency, Highways Authorities and Public Health England to determine how and what environmental impacts MVV need to assess.

The scope of the Environmental Impact Assessment has been formally confirmed by the **Planning Inspectorate**.



Further information about the Scoping process is available online at: [infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/](http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/)



and also on our dedicated web page: [infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/medworth-energy-from-waste-combined-heat-and-power-facility/](http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/medworth-energy-from-waste-combined-heat-and-power-facility/)

We are discussing the content of the **Scoping Opinion** with various stakeholders to further inform the Environmental Impact Assessment.

Topics agreed by the Secretary of State will include:

- |                               |                            |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| air quality & health          | surface water & flood risk |
| traffic & transportation      | ground conditions          |
| landscape & visual            | heritage                   |
| noise & vibration             | socio-economics & land use |
| ecology & nature conservation |                            |



# EfW and health

The most recent independent review of evidence shows no link between EfW emissions and adverse health impacts. This is upheld by Public Health England's position, that well run and regulated municipal waste incinerators do not pose a significant risk to public health, and this should reassure anyone living near an EfW facility

## what is the impact on local air quality?

Thanks to state-of-the-art flue gas cleaning, our power facilities comply with the very strict UK regulations for clean air.

According to Public Health England, by comparison, industry and traffic account for about 40% of particulate emissions.

**INDUSTRY AND TRAFFIC ACCOUNT FOR 40%\*** OF EMISSIONS IN THE UK ANNUALLY



\*Health Protection Agency (now Public Health England)

## is EfW a major source of dioxins?

**No, this is not the case due to highly sophisticated flue gas cleaning systems.**

In the past, EfW facilities were a significant source of dioxins, but following reductions in emission limits in 1995 and 2000 (that came in to effect more than 20 years ago), EfW now accounts for less than 1% of the overall dioxin emissions to the air in the UK. In fact, dioxin emissions from EfW in the UK have changed dramatically, with a 99.8% reduction in dioxin emissions per tonne of waste since 1990.

**UK EfW facilities generate LESS THAN 0.05%\*** UK PARTICULATE EMISSIONS

\*Environment Agency and National Atmospheric Emissions Inventory

**Safety is of the utmost importance and the system is designed to ensure that emissions to air are controlled even in the event of equipment failure.**

Sophisticated monitoring techniques throughout the process, from combustion through to filtration of the flue gases, ensure that the facility operates within the strict limits of the Environmental Permit.

**what safety measures are in place to ensure air quality protection, even when there's an equipment failure?**

## who monitors waste-to-energy facilities in the UK?

**The Environment Agency (EA) regulate all waste sites and act as an independent body which monitors a facility's outputs.**

If limits are breached, the EA has the power to shut down the plant and impose fines accordingly.

MVV monitors the majority of emissions from the facility continuously. Other trace emissions must be monitored by extractive sampling as they are present in such tiny amounts; this is carried out at regular intervals as required by the Environmental Permit. The emissions data is logged and stored and reported to the Environment Agency weekly.

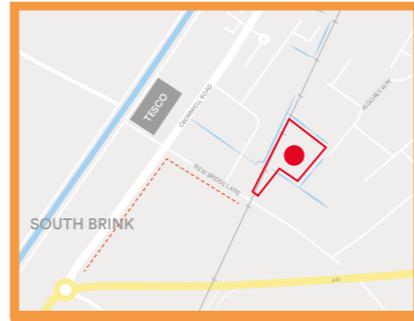


## managing the impact of transport and traffic

MVV will carefully look at local road networks and available waste in the area in order to develop a transport plan that will minimise impact on the existing infrastructure.

A transport assessment will establish the existing levels of traffic, and the level of traffic when the facility is at peak construction and peak operation, to develop an operational traffic and transport plan to mitigate traffic impact.

The site is currently accessed from Algores Way, however we are investigating the creation of an access route off New Bridge Lane to reduce the need for vehicles to travel through Wisbech town centre.



We are also investigating the impact of the facility on other transport projects in the local area, including those within the Wisbech Access Strategy. We want to ensure the construction and operation of the facility does not impact the delivery of these.

We shall be discussing the highways impacts of the project with the local highway authorities, Highways England, and Peterborough and Cambridgeshire Combined Authority to agree the approach to the transport assessment and obtain local knowledge of the highways network such as existing traffic flows.

The transport and traffic assessment will consider a range of impacts including delays, amenity and safety on a number of groups, including:



People at home  
People at work



Sensitive groups including children, elderly and disabled



Sensitive locations such as hospitals, churches, schools and historic buildings



Pedestrians  
Cyclists



Open spaces, recreational areas and shopping areas



Sites of ecological and nature conservation value



Sites of tourist/visitor attractions

## where we are in the consultation process

MVV invite you to take part in this first consultation opportunity. Whilst this is not required by law, we encourage comments and questions from the community and local businesses. We want to understand the issues that are important to you, and we hope that as many people as possible will come along to find out more about the project, as well as discuss any concerns they may have.

### what happens next?

This is the first of two public consultation opportunities starting on 16th March 2020 and runs until 4th May 2020. This is a non-statutory consultation, with exhibition events scheduled to start on 30th March. MVV staff will be available to answer your questions and explain what the project will entail, as well as how new employment opportunities will be created.

#### SPRING 2020 CONSULTATION Non statutory consultation:

- Consult on the strategic issues and options for the project

Objective: to obtain feedback on the core scheme design options and the proposed approach to issues

- Review and consideration of feedback
- Review proposal

#### SUMMER 2020 CONSULTATION Statutory consultation:

- Consult on the proposed application in accordance with the Planning Act 2008

Objective: Obtain feedback on the proposed application

- Review and consideration of feedback
- Development Consent Order Submission

PROJECT DESIGN PROCESS

ON-GOING TECHNICAL ENGAGEMENT



# get in touch

MVV recognises the importance of local people and knowledge to any new project and aims to develop a two-way dialogue with as wide a range of stakeholders as possible; we want to understand the issues that are important to you.

## consultation feedback



If you have any further thoughts on the project which we should consider as we develop our proposal, please let us know. Our preferred method for collecting your comments is via our dedicated project website.

[www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/](http://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/)



**Other ways** you can tell us what you think:



Feedback can also be provided by completing the consultation feedback form by hand and using the freepost address, "Freepost MVV".

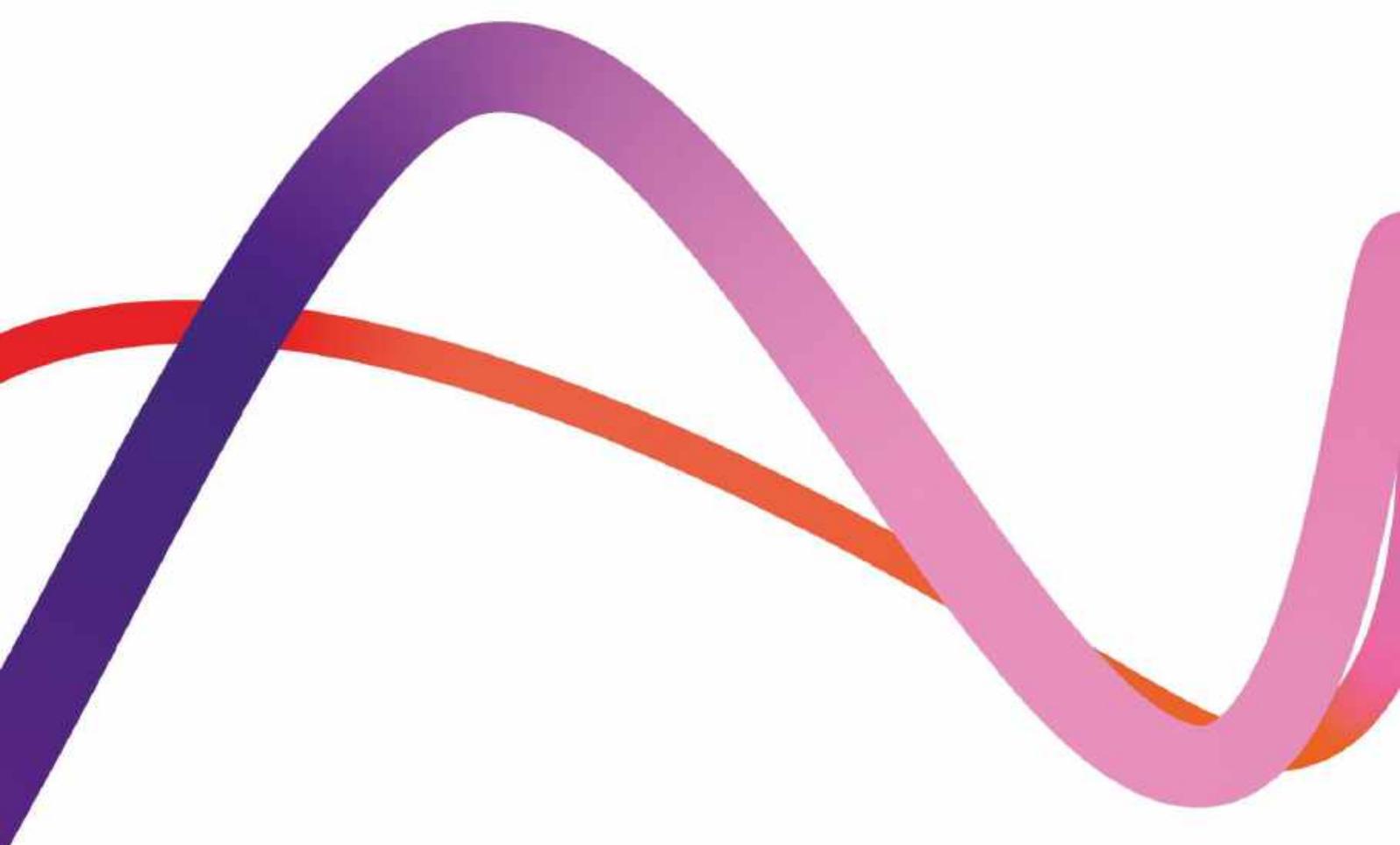
Alternatively you can submit your consultation feedback form at one of our events. Assistance with completing feedback forms will be provided at events for those who request it.



Other forms of correspondence can also be sent using the freepost address.



# Appendix L Grid Connection Corridor Options Report



# Grid Connection Corridor Options Report

11 September 2020

**We inspire  
with energy.**




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# Executive summary

## Purpose of this report

MVV Environment Ltd intend to submit a Development Consent Order application to the Secretary of State for the proposed Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility on the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech Cambridgeshire. The project will include a grid connection to export electricity to the national grid.

This report has been produced to explain how the grid connection corridor has been selected. It explains the planning, environmental, technical and cost factors taken into account when selecting the grid connection corridor.

At the time of publication, the process of identifying a defined route for the grid connection within the selected corridor remains ongoing. This report will be updated to explain the outcome of the route optioneering process once this is complete.



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# 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Background to the project

- 1.1.1 Wood Plc has been commissioned by MVV Environment Ltd ('the Applicant') to provide planning and environmental consultancy support services for the Proposed Development. The Proposed Development is centred around the establishment of an Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility ('the EfW CHP Facility') located on the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech Cambridgeshire (see **Figure 1.1**). The Proposed Development will recover useful energy in the form of electricity and steam from over half a million tonnes of non-recyclable (residual), non-hazardous Municipal and Commercial and Industrial waste each year to generate over 50 megawatts (MW) of electricity per year. The facility will also have the capability to export steam and electricity to users on the surrounding industrial estates.
- 1.1.2 The Proposed Development includes a Grid Connection to export the generated electricity to the national grid.
- 1.1.3 The Proposed Development is a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under Part 3 Section 14 of the Planning Act 2008<sup>1</sup> (hereafter referred to as the '2008 Act')<sup>1</sup> by virtue of the fact that the generating station is located in England and has a generating capacity of over 50MW(see section 15(2) of the 2008 Act. It, therefore, requires an application to be submitted to the Secretary of State for a Development Consent Order (DCO).

## 1.2 Purpose of the Report

- 1.2.1 This Grid Connection Corridor Options Report has been prepared to explain the process of appraising options for the Grid Connection and selecting the preferred Grid Connection Corridor.

## 1.3 Legislation

- 1.3.1 The Proposed Development requires an Environmental Statement (ES) which will report the outcomes of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). The EIA will be carried out in accordance with The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (as amended)<sup>2</sup> ('the EIA Regulations').
- 1.3.2 The EIA Regulations mandate that the ES must include:  
*"a description of the reasonable alternatives studied by the applicant, which are relevant to the proposed development and its specific characteristics, and an indication of the main reasons for the option chosen, taking into account the effects of the development on the environment."* (Regulation 14(2)(d)).

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<sup>1</sup> SI c.29. Planning Act 2008

<sup>2</sup> SI 572. The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017.



1.3.3 The information presented in this report will inform the content of the ES.

## 1.4 Policy

### National Policy Statements

1.4.1 As an NSIP, the primary policy basis for the Proposed Development are the relevant National Policy Statements (NPS). A summary of the relevant NPS's and their application to the grid connection corridor selection process is outlined below.

#### *Overarching National Policy Statement for Energy (EN-1)<sup>3</sup>;*

1.4.2 This document sets out national policy for energy infrastructure. It has effect, in combination with the relevant technology-specific NPS, on the decisions made by the Secretary of State on applications for energy developments.

1.4.3 NPS EN-1 recognises that whilst the applicant may not have any, or very limited choice in the physical appearance of some energy infrastructure, there may be opportunities for the applicant to demonstrate good design in terms of siting relative to existing landscape character, landform and vegetation.

#### *National Policy Statement for Renewable Energy (EN-3)<sup>4</sup>;*

1.4.4 This policy document sits alongside NPS EN-1 and sets out the national policy for renewable energy infrastructure. The policy recognises that the success of an EfW plant is dependent on the ability to connect to the national grid. It states that a DCO application must include information on how a project will be connected to the grid, and what environmental issues are likely to arise from the connection.

#### *National Policy Statement for Electricity Networks Infrastructure (EN-5)<sup>5</sup>*

1.4.5 NPS EN-5 provides more advice on the approach to selecting, assessing and considering electricity networks infrastructure. Relevant to the current scope, it advises that infrastructure should be resilient to climate change, defined as:

- Flooding, particularly for substations that are vital for the electricity distribution and distribution network;
- The effects of wind and storms on overhead lines;
- Higher average temperatures, leading to increased distribution losses; and
- Earth movement or subsidence caused by flooding or drought (for underground cables).

1.4.6 NPS EN-5 sets out additional technology specific considerations on the following generic effects considered in NPS EN-1:

<sup>3</sup> Department for Energy and Climate Change. Overarching National Policy Statement for Energy (EN-1) 2011

<sup>4</sup> Department for Energy and Climate Change. National Policy Statement for Renewable Energy Infrastructure (EN-3) 2011

<sup>5</sup> Department for Energy and Climate Change. National Policy Statement for Electricity Networks Infrastructure (EN-5) 2011



- Biodiversity and geological conservation;
- Landscape and visual;
- Noise and vibration and
- Electric and magnetic fields.

- 1.4.7 With regards to biodiversity, it states that particular consideration should be given to feeding and hunting grounds, migration corridors and breeding grounds. For landscape and visual matters, NPS EN-5 references the Holford Rules which form a key consideration in overhead line routing, as set out elsewhere in this report. Assessment guidance on the topics of noise and electric and magnetic fields focuses upon approaches to assessment and the possibilities of mitigation through the design and specification of the infrastructure itself.
- 1.4.8 Under the sub-heading Landscape and Visual, paragraph 2.8.2 sets out the Government's view that it does not believe that development of overhead lines is generally incompatible in principle with developers' statutory duty under section 9 of the Electricity Act to have regard to amenity and to mitigate impacts (see paragraph 2.2.6). Whilst recognising that above ground electricity lines can give rise to adverse landscape and visual impacts, the degree can be dependent upon their scale, siting, degree of screening and the nature of the landscape and local environment through which they are routed. In the opinion of Government, such impacts can in the most part be mitigated. Government does accept however that there are, on some occasions, locations that might be considered particularly sensitive to the potential adverse landscape and visual impacts, such that it may be necessary to consider if undergrounding is acceptable in planning terms in the specific local environment and context.
- 1.4.9 Paragraph 2.8.8 considers the subject of undergrounding and states that where there are serious concerns about potential adverse landscape and visual effects arising from a proposed overhead connection that these need to be balanced by the decision-maker against other relevant factors, including the need for the proposed infrastructure, the availability and cost of alternative sites and routes and methods of installation (such as undergrounding). Particular sensitivities to consider include the presence of residential areas, national parks or Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and the potential environmental and archaeological effects arising from as well as the additional cost of undergrounding.
- 1.4.10 NPS EN-5 also refers to the potential effects of electromagnetic fields (EMFs). However, it notes that the Electricity Safety, Quality and Continuity Regulations 2002<sup>6</sup> (ESQC 2002) set out the minimum height, position, insulation and protection specifications at which conductors can be strung between towers to ensure safe clearance of objects. The effect of these requirements should be that power lines at, or below 132kV will comply with the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) 1998<sup>7</sup> basic restrictions, although the decision-maker should be satisfied that this is the case on the basis of the evidence

<sup>6</sup> SI 2665. The Electricity Safety, Quality and Continuity Regulations 2002.

<sup>7</sup> ICNIRP. ICNIRP Guidelines for Limiting Exposure to Time-Varying Electric, Magnetic and Electromagnetic Fields (up to 300 GHz) 1998



produced as specified in the “Power Lines: Demonstrating compliance with EMFs public exposure guidelines – a voluntary Code of Practice” published in 2011 by Government and the electricity industry.

## National Planning Policy Framework<sup>8</sup>

- 1.4.11 Whilst NPSs provide the main policy basis for decisions on NSIPs other policy may be considered both important and relevant. The main national planning policy is the Revised National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). It sets out the Government’s planning policies for England.
- 1.4.12 The NPPF highlights that development should be designed to ensure that it will not be vulnerable to the impacts of climate change, should seek to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and should not increase the risk of flooding.
- 1.4.13 The NPPF outlines factors of the natural and historic environment that should be protected from the impacts of new development.

## Local Policy

- 1.4.14 The Main Development Site is located within Fenland District in the County of Cambridgeshire. The Grid Connection would extend from this area into the boundary of the Borough Council of King’s Lynn and West Norfolk and Norfolk County Council. Local development plans may be an important and relevant consideration for NSIPs, although like the NPPF, they are not the primary policy.
- 1.4.15 A summary of the policies relevant to the grid connection corridor selection process are set out in **Table 1.1** below.

Policy Document	Topic	Policy
Fenland Local Plan <sup>9</sup>	Landscape and Visual	<p><b>Policy LP16:</b> Proposals for all new development will only be permitted if it can be demonstrated that the proposal meets, amongst other criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• makes a positive contribution to the local distinctiveness and character of the area, enhances its local setting, responds to and improves the character of the local built environment, provides resilience to climate change, reinforces local identity and or scale terms, on the street scene, settlement pattern or the landscape character of the surrounding area; and</li> <li>• provides well designed hard and soft landscaping incorporating sustainable drainage systems as appropriate.</li> </ul>
	Biodiversity	<p><b>Policy LP16:</b> Proposals for all new development, will only be permitted if it can be demonstrated that the proposal meets all of the following relevant criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• protects and enhances biodiversity on and surrounding the proposal site, taking into account locally designated sites and the special protection given to internationally and nationally designated sites, in accordance with Policy LP19.</li> </ul>

<sup>8</sup> Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government Revised National Planning Policy Framework 2019

<sup>9</sup> Fenland District Council. Fenland Local Plan 2014



Policy Document	Topic	Policy
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• retains and incorporates natural and historic features of the site such as trees, hedgerows, field patterns, drains and water bodies.</li> <li>• provides well designed hard and soft landscaping incorporating sustainable drainage systems as appropriate.</li> <li>• complements and enhances the quality of riverside settings, including ecological value and re-naturalisation where possible.</li> <li>• A Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) to be adopted in 2014 will be used to further assess planning applications in relation to the criteria in this policy.– The SPD was adopted subsequently on 24 July 2014 and provides additional guidance on matters of potential relevance to the Proposed Development including buildings of local importance, the protection of natural features, local distinctiveness and character.</li> </ul> <p><b>Policy LP19:</b> The Council, working in partnership with all relevant stakeholders, will conserve, enhance and promote the biodiversity interest of the natural environment throughout Fenland. The Council will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protect and enhance sites which have been designated for their international, national or local importance to an extent that is commensurate with their status, in accordance with national policy in the National Planning Policy Framework.</li> <li>• Refuse permission for development that would cause demonstrable harm to a protected habitat or species, unless the need for and public benefits of the development clearly outweigh the harm and mitigation and/or compensation measures can be secured to offset the harm and achieve, where possible, a net gain for biodiversity.</li> <li>• Promote the preservation, restoration and re-creation of priority habitats, and the preservation and increase of priority species identified for Fenland in the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Biodiversity Action Plans.</li> <li>• Ensure opportunities are taken to incorporate beneficial features for biodiversity in new developments, including, where possible, the creation of new habitats that will contribute to a viable ecological network extending beyond the District into the rest of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, and other adjoining areas.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Water Environment</b></p>	<p><b>Policy LP14:</b> Part (A) Resource Use, Renewable Energy and Allowable Solutions: The Policy recommends that all developments incorporate on site renewable and/or decentralised renewable or low carbon energy sources, water saving measures and measures to help the development withstand the longer-term impacts of climate change.</p> <p>Part (B) Flood Risk and Drainage: The Policy requires that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All development proposals should adopt a sequential approach to flood risk from all forms of flooding;</li> <li>• Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDs) are used to ensure that runoff from the site (post development) is to greenfield runoff rates for all previously undeveloped sites and for developed sites (where feasible);</li> </ul>



Policy Document	Topic	Policy
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The discharge of surface water from developments should be designed to contribute to an improvement in water quality in the receiving water course or aquifer in accordance with the objectives of the Water Framework Directive; and</li> <li>• All proposals should have regard to the guidance and byelaws of the relevant Internal Drainage Board, including, where appropriate the Middle Level Strategic Study and should help achieve the flood management goals from the River Nene and Great Ouse Catchment Flood Management Plans.</li> </ul> <p>Policy LP16: The Policy sets out the following requirements with respect to hydrology:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Makes a positive contribution to the local distinctiveness and character of the area, enhances its local setting, responds to and improves the character of the local built environment, provides resilience to climate change, reinforces local identity and does not adversely impact, either in design or scale terms, on the street scene, settlement pattern or the landscape character of the surrounding area;</li> <li>• Provides well designed hard and soft landscaping incorporating sustainable drainage systems as appropriate;</li> <li>• Identifies, manages and mitigates against any existing or proposed risks from sources of noise, emissions, pollution, contamination, odour and dust, vibration, landfill gas and protects from water body deterioration;</li> <li>• The site is suitable for its proposed use with layout and drainage taking account of ground conditions, contamination and gas risks arising from previous uses and any proposals for land remediation, with no significant impacts on future users, groundwater or surface waters; and</li> <li>• Complements and enhances the quality of riverside settings, including ecological value, re-naturalisation where possible, and navigation.</li> </ul>
	<b>Socio-economics</b>	<p><b>Policy LP2:</b> Development proposals should contribute to the Council's goal of Fenland's residents achieving the highest attainable standard of health, irrespective of their race, religion, political belief, economic or social condition, sex or age. Development proposals should contribute to creating a healthy, safe and equitable living environment by: Creating an environment (built and social) in which communities can flourish (see all policies in this plan);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating opportunities for employment in accessible locations;</li> <li>• Promoting and facilitating healthy lifestyles; and</li> <li>• Avoiding adverse impacts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Policy LP8:</b> Wisbech, alongside March, is the main focus for housing, employment and retail growth. All development should contribute to the promotion of Wisbech into a strong, safe and community focused market town, preserving and enhancing its unique character and making appropriate use of its heritage assets to benefit its regeneration, tourism potential and sense of place.</p> <p><b>Policy LP14:</b> Renewable energy proposals will be supported and considered in the context of sustainable development and climate change. Proposals for renewable energy technology, associated</p>



Policy Document	Topic	Policy
		<p>infrastructure and integration of renewable technology on existing or proposed structures will be assessed both individually and cumulatively on their merits taking account of the following factors: Surrounding landscape, townscape and heritage assets;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Residential and visual amenity;</li> <li>• Noise impact;</li> <li>• Specific highway safety; and</li> <li>• High quality agricultural land.</li> </ul> <p><b>Policy LP16:</b> The Local Plan seeks to deliver and protect high quality environments throughout the district. The Proposed Development should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Making a positive contribution to the local character and distinctiveness of the area;</li> <li>• Not adversely impact on the amenity of neighbouring users such as noise, light pollution, loss of privacy and loss of light;</li> <li>• Provide a safe environment and incorporates security measures to deter crime in accordance with Policy LP17;</li> <li>• Identify, manage and mitigate against any existing or proposed risks from sources of noise, emissions, pollution, contamination, odour and dust, vibration, landfill gas and protects from water body deterioration; and</li> <li>• Not result in any unreasonable constraint(s) or threaten the operation and viability of existing or nearby or adjoining businesses or employment sites.</li> </ul>
<b>King's Lynn and West Norfolk Local Development Framework – Core Strategy<sup>10</sup></b>	<b>Landscape and Visual</b>	<p><b>Policy CS08:</b> Requires all new development in the borough to be of high-quality design. New development will be required to demonstrate its ability to (amongst other criteria) respond to the context and character of places in West Norfolk by ensuring that the scale, density, layout and access will enhance the quality of the environment.</p> <p><b>Policy CS12:</b> This requires that proposals for development be informed by, and seek opportunities to reinforce the distinctive character areas and potential habitat creation areas identified in the King's Lynn and West Norfolk Landscape Character Assessment, the West Norfolk Econet Map and other character assessments. Development proposals should demonstrate that their location, scale, design and materials will protect, conserve and, where possible, enhance the special qualities and local distinctiveness of the area, gaps between settlements, landscape setting, distinctive settlement character, landscape features and ecological networks.</p>
	<b>Historic Environment</b>	<p><b>Policy CS08:</b> states that new development will be required to demonstrate that it will protect and enhance the historic environment.</p> <p><b>Policy CS12:</b> recognises the importance of the historic environment.</p>
	<b>Biodiversity</b>	<p><b>Policy CS12:</b> states that the Council will protect designated sites and that development should seek to avoid, mitigate or compensate for any adverse impacts.</p>

<sup>10</sup> King's Lynn and West Norfolk Borough Council. Local Development Framework – Core Strategy 2011.



Policy Document	Topic	Policy
King's Lynn and West Norfolk Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Plan <sup>11</sup>	Landscape and Visual	<b>Policy DM15:</b> Proposals will be assessed against a number of factors including (amongst other criteria) visual impact. The scale, height, massing, materials and layout of a development should respond sensitively and sympathetically to the local setting.
	Water Environment	<b>Policy DM 20:</b> Renewable Energy which includes for its associated infrastructure states that applications will be assessed to determine whether the benefits are outweighed by the impacts with reference to watercourse, in terms of pollution. Policy DM 21 states that applications for development in zones 2 and 3 will need to be accompanied by a flood risk assessment which includes for climate change allowance.
	Socio-economics	<b>Policy DM 20:</b> Renewable Energy which includes for its associated infrastructure states that applications will be assessed to determine whether the benefits are outweighed by the impacts with reference to tourism and other economic activity.

## 1.5 Guidance

### The Holford Rules

1.5.1 The Holford Rules<sup>12</sup> comprises a set of guidelines for overhead line routeing. The Rules were prepared in 1959 by Lord Holford, the key principles of which focus on the achievement of good visual integration and protection of areas of high amenity value.

1.5.2 The original Rules and notes of clarification subsequently added by National Grid are as follows.

- **Rule 1:** Avoid altogether, if possible, the major areas of highest amenity value, by so planning the general route of the first line in the first place, even if the total mileage is somewhat increased in consequence.

**Note:** Investigate the possibility of alternative routes, avoiding if possible the areas of the highest amenity value. The consideration of alternative routes must be an integral feature of environmental statements. Areas of highest amenity value are: AONB; National Parks; Heritage Coasts; and World Heritage Sites.

- **Rule 2:** Avoid smaller areas of high amenity value, or scientific interests by deviation; provided that this can be done without using too many angle towers i.e. the more massive structures which are used when lines change direction;

**Note:** Some areas (e.g. Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)) may require special consideration for potential effects on ecology (e.g. to their flora and fauna). Where possible choose routes which minimise the effects on the setting

<sup>11</sup> King's Lynn and West Norfolk Borough Council. King's Lynn and West Norfolk Local Plan – Site Allocations & Development Management Policies 2016

<sup>12</sup> National Grid. The Holford Rules.



of areas of architectural, historic and archaeological interest including Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, Listed Parks and Gardens and Ancient Monuments.

- **Rule 3:** Other things being equal, choose the most direct line, with no sharp changes of direction and thus with fewer angle towers;

**Note:** Where possible choose inconspicuous locations for angle towers terminal towers and sealing end compounds.

- **Rule 4:** Choose tree and hill backgrounds in preference to sky backgrounds wherever possible; and when the line has to cross a ridge, secure this opaque background as long as possible and cross obliquely when a dip in the ridge provides an opportunity. Where it does not, cross directly, preferably between belts of trees;

- **Rule 5:** Prefer moderately open valleys with woods where the apparent height of towers will be reduced, and views of the line will be broken by trees;

**Note:** Utilise background and foreground features to reduce the apparent height and domination of towers from pan viewpoints. Minimise the exposure of numbers of towers on prominent ridges and skylines. Where possible avoiding cutting extensive swathes through woodland blocks and consider opportunities for skirting edges of copses and woods. Protecting existing vegetation, including woodland and hedgerows, and safeguard visual and ecological links with the surrounding landscape.

- **Rule 6:** In country which is flat and sparsely planted, keep the high voltage lines as far as possible independent of smaller lines, converging routes, distribution poles and other masts, wires and cables, so as to avoid a concentration or 'wirescape';

**Note:** In all locations minimise confusing appearance. Arrange wherever practicable that parallel or closely related routes are planned with tower types, spans and conductors forming a coherent appearance; where routes need to diverge, allow where practicable sufficient separation to limit the effects on properties and features between the lines.

- **Rule 7:** Approach urban area through industrial zones, where they exist; and when pleasant residential and recreational land intervenes between the approach line and the substation, go carefully into the comparative costs of the undergrounding, for lines other than those of the highest voltage;

**Note:** When a line needs to pass through a development area, route it so as to minimise as far as possible the effect on development. Alignments should be chosen after consideration of effects on the amenity of existing development and on proposals for new development. When siting substations take account of the effects of the terminal towers and line connections that will need to be made and take advantage of screening features such as ground form and vegetation.

- **Supplementary Notes:**



**Residential Areas:** Avoid routing close to residential areas as far as possible on grounds of general amenity.

**Designations of County, District and Local Value:** Where possible choose routes which minimise the effect on Special Landscape Areas, areas of Great Landscape Value and other similar designations of County, District or Local value.

**Alternative Tower Designs:** In addition to adopting appropriate routing, evaluate where appropriate the use of alternative tower designs now available where these would be advantageous visually, and where the extra cost can be justified.

1.5.3 As outlined in **Section 1.4** above, the core principles of the Holford Rules have been integrated into NPS EN-5.

## National Grid Guidance

1.5.4 National Grid, the organisation responsible for the development and maintenance of the strategic high-voltage transmission network and other energy connections, has published the following guidance on their approach and principles concerning installation of new overhead and underground transmission lines:

- Our approach to the design and routing of new electricity transmission lines (2012)<sup>13</sup>; and
- Our approach to options appraisal (2012)<sup>14</sup>.

1.5.5 Both documents outline how National Grid identify the most appropriate location and technology for any new electricity connections, setting out how data is collected, analysed and consulted upon in order to develop and appraise alternatives to determine the most appropriate solutions. Whilst National Grid would not be responsible for designing a proposed 400kV connection from the EfW CHP Facility the guidance and advice contained within these documents could be relevant should this voltage of connection be selected by the applicant.

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<sup>13</sup> National Grid. Our approach to the design and routing of new electricity transmission lines. 2012.

<sup>14</sup> National Grid. Our approach to Options Appraisal. 2012.



## 2. Methodology

### 2.1 Study Area

- 2.1.1 The EfW CHP Facility would be located on the industrial estate, Algores Way in Wisbech, Cambridgeshire (see **Figure 1.1**).
- 2.1.2 Following the identification of potential connection points and the most direct routes to these from the EfW CHP Facility (see methodology in **Section 2.2** below), a minimum study area of 5km extending either side of these most direct routes was adopted to identify the key constraints that could influence the creation and selection of a Grid Connection Corridor. The study area was extended where impact pathways to those receptors with the highest amenity value had the potential to extend beyond 5km, for example international sites designated for flora and fauna. The study area is illustrated on **Figure 2.1**.

### 2.2 Methodology

- 2.2.1 The approach to identifying the Grid Connection Corridor followed the steps set out below. It assumes that the connection would be overhead unless the presence of any potentially sensitive receptors were to suggest that consideration should be given to undergrounding as mitigation in line with the policy guidance contained within NPS EN-5.

#### Identification of potential connection points

- 2.2.2 A review of the electricity network in the area surrounding the EfW CHP Facility was undertaken to identify the closest connection points. This review was conducted in engagement with UK Power Networks, the distribution provider for the area and National Grid.

#### Identification of potential grid connection corridors

- 2.2.3 Once the potential connection points were established, the most direct routes to these connection points were established as a starting point for defining the potential corridors, subject to avoiding the key settlement of Wisbech. This principle was in accordance with the Holford Rule 3 which suggests with other things being equal, choose the most direct line.

#### Review of environment and planning constraints

- 2.2.4 A 5km study area either side was applied to each of the direct routes identified above. These routes were reviewed against environmental constraints, comprising of physical constraints and receptors with the greatest amenity value (Holford Rules 1 and 2). This review determined if there were any receptors likely to be significantly affected by a corridor routed in the areas defined in Step 2.



- 2.2.5 The review of environmental constraints considered the following receptor groups, focusing on those receptors with the highest amenity value.
- Landscape (AONBs, National Parks);
  - Historic Environment (World Heritage Sites, Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, Listed Parks and Gardens, Ancient Monuments);
  - Biodiversity (Special Protection Areas (SPA), Special Areas of Conservation (SAC), Ramsars, SSSIs, National Nature Reserves (NNRs), Ancient Woodland);
  - Water Environment (Watercourses, Flood Risk zones); and
  - Socio-economic (recreational routes, transportation networks, major settlements).
- 2.2.6 In addition, the review considered whether any of the potential corridor options would prevent the ability to deliver land use allocations defined in the relevant local authority Local Plans, or any additional pertinent policy aspirations.
- 2.2.7 As outlined in **Section 2.1** above, the receptors of the highest amenity value were identified to a minimum 5km radius, but this was extended where impact pathways to those receptors with the highest amenity value had the potential to extend beyond 5km.
- 2.2.8 The receptors were identified using the following desk top information sources:
- MAGIC Map<sup>15</sup> (Natural England);
  - Flood Map for Planning<sup>16</sup> (Environment Agency);
  - Rights of Way Maps<sup>17</sup> (Cambridgeshire County Council and Norfolk County Council; and
  - Local Plan allocations.
- 2.2.9 A constraints plan was produced to illustrate the location of receptors in the study area (see **Figure 2.2**).

## Review of technical and cost constraints

- 2.2.10 The Grid Connection Corridor options were reviewed to determine their technical feasibility. Consideration was given to the available capacity of the connection points, the ease of stepping up electricity to the desired outputs, the scale of the supporting infrastructure or upgrades required to facilitate the connections, and the timescales in which the connection providers would be able to facilitate the connections.
- 2.2.11 Cost considerations taken into account included the length of the connection and the infrastructure required to facilitate the potential connections.

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<sup>15</sup> <https://magic.defra.gov.uk/MagicMap.aspx>

<sup>16</sup> <https://flood-map-for-planning.service.gov.uk/>

<sup>17</sup> <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisure-culture/arts-green-spaces-activities/rights-of-way> and <http://maps.norfolk.gov.uk/highways/>



2.2.12

Engagement with UKPN and National Grid was undertaken to determine the available capacity of the electricity network in the area surrounding the EfW CHP Facility. Both network operators confirmed the level of availability and identified connection points, and the technical feasibility and cost of constructing a connection to those points.



## 3. Grid connection corridor options identification and assessment

### 3.1 Identification of potential connection points

- 3.1.1 A review of potential connection options within proximity of the Grid Connection Corridor was undertaken. The initial aim was to identify connection points within closest proximity to the EfW CHP Facility to minimise the land-take and the potential environmental impacts of a Grid Connection.
- 3.1.2 UK Power Networks (UKPN) own and maintain the electricity network in the East of England, including Wisbech and the surrounding area. A review of the UKPN's distribution network indicated that the closest substation connection points to the EfW CHP Facility were:
- 132kV substation at Walsoken (approximately 4km to the northeast); and
  - 400kV/132kV substation at Walpole (approximately 10km to the north).
- 3.1.3 In addition to the UKPN operated substations, a National Grid 400kV overhead line approximately 6km to the east of the EfW CHP Facility was identified as a potential connection point.
- 3.1.4 An initial meeting was held with UKPN in August 2019 to discuss the available capacity of their network and the potential for a new connection. UKPN confirmed that there was insufficient capacity to facilitate a connection at Walsoken substation, but there would be potential to connect to Walpole subject to the technical requirements of the Facility (see **section 3.4**) below.
- 3.1.5 The potential connection points are illustrated on **Figure 2.1**.

### 3.2 Corridor Options Identification

- 3.2.1 The EfW CHP Facility is located on the southern outskirts of Wisbech on the edge of the industrial estate, Algores Way. The land to the south and immediate east of the EfW CHP Facility is currently undeveloped and therefore the grid connection was assumed to travel in either of these directions to avoid the built-up area of Wisbech to the north.
- 3.2.2 To access the 400/132kV connection at Walpole Substation, which connects to the National Grid Transmission Network at this location, two potential corridors were identified (see **Figure 2.1**):
- 132kV East; and
  - 132kV West.
- 3.2.3 To access the 400kV connection directly into the 400kV line to the east of Wisbech, a potential corridor option running directly east from the main site was identified (400kV East) (see **Figure 2.1**).



3.2.4 All three potential corridors assume the Grid Connection will approach the EfW CHP Facility along the outskirts of the industrial estate according with the principle of Holford Rule 7.

3.2.5 A description of the three potential connection corridors is provided below.

### *132kV East*

3.2.6 The 132kV East corridor leaves the main site to the east, running along New Bridge Lane on the southern edge of the industrial estate. The corridor turns north at the A47, broadly following the route of the A47 along the eastern edge of Wisbech town. This corridor continues north, crossing agricultural land and minor roads before reaching Walpole Substation. The corridor is located close to Walton Highway, and it includes within it a number of isolated dwellings as well as a solar farm. The corridor generally follows an existing 132kV overhead line. The corridor is approximately 11km in length from the EfW CHP Facility in Wisbech to Walpole.

### *132kV West*

3.2.7 The 132kV West corridor leaves the EfW CHP Facility to the west, running along New Bridge Lane before crossing Cromwell Road and the River Nene. The corridor skirts the western edge of Wisbech before heading in a northeast direction towards Walpole Substation. The corridor would cross over the A1101 and a number of minor roads. The villages of Leverington and Ingleborough are located within and adjacent to this corridor. This corridor option would be approximately 12km in length.

### *400kV East*

3.2.8 The 400kV East corridor shares a common corridor with Corridor 1 (132kV East) until it reaches the A47. At this point, the 400kV East continues east beyond the A47 across agricultural land until it reaches the existing 400kV overhead line. The villages of Emneth Gautree and Emneth Hungate are located to the south of the corridor, and Marshland St James further to the east. This corridor option measures approximately 6km in length with a width increasing towards the existing 400kV Overhead Line (OHL). This is because National Grid did not suggest a single defined end point for a connection.

3.2.9 A 400kV corridor option running to the west and north of Wisbech was identified, however it was not considered appropriate to take this option forwards for further environment, technical and cost reasons because it was would significantly longer in distance to the 400kV East option (10km compared to 6km). As this corridor would wrap around three sides of Wisbech, it was clear that the impacts on the environment, including the local population, would be potentially greater than the most direct route to the east. This decision followed the principle of Holford Rule 3 to take the most direct line.



### 3.3 Initial review of environmental and planning constraints

3.3.1 An initial review of the planning and environmental constraints for the three corridor options is set out in the **Table 3.1** below. The information in this Table is supported by the Constraints Plan provided in **Figure 2.2a and 2.2b**.

3.3.2 The appraisal of environmental and planning constraints took account of the following design assumptions defined in the EIA Scoping Report:

- 132kV OHL would be installed on wooden poles with a maximum height of 20m; and
- 400kV OHL would be installed on steel pylons with a maximum height of 49m.

**Table 3.1 Environmental and Planning Appraisal**

Topic	132kV (East)	132kV (West)	400kV (East)
<b>Landscape and Visual</b>	No National Parks or AONBs are located within the study area.  The corridor includes a Sustrans cycle route.	No National Parks or AONBs are located within the study area.  The study area includes two sections of the Nene Way Long Distance Path and the Sustrans cycle route.	No National Parks or AONBs are located within the study area.  The study area includes a Sustrans cycle route.
<b>Historic Environment</b>	No World Heritage Sites or Listed Parks and Gardens are located in the study area.  Peckover House Registered Park and Garden is located in the study area, 2km to the north of the most direct line.  Wisbech Conservation Area is located approximately 1.3km to the north of the most direct line and Elm Conservation Area 0.7km to the south.  One Scheduled Monument would be located within the study area, the Cross in All Saints churchyard at Walsoken, approximately 2km to the west of the most direct line.	No World Heritage Sites or Listed Parks and Gardens are located in the study area.  Peckover House Registered Park and Garden is located 2km to the north of the most direct line.  Wisbech Conservation Area is located approximately 700m to the north of the most direct line and Elm Conservation Area 0.7km to the south.  Three Scheduled Monuments would be located approximately 0.7km to the east of the most direct line in Leverington: Roman Bank ancient sea defence, Cherry Tree Hill Round Barrow and	No World Heritage Sites or Listed Parks and Gardens are located in the study area.  Peckover House Registered Park and Garden is located 2km to the north of the most direct line.  Wisbech Conservation Area is located approximately 1.3km to the north of the most direct line and Elm Conservation Area 0.7km to the south.  One Scheduled Monument would be located in within the study area, the Cross in All Saints churchyard at Walsoken, approximately 2.5km to the north of most direct line.



	<p>One Grade I and one Grade II* listed building are located in this study area in Elm, approximately 0.9km and 0.7km respectively to the south of the most direct line. Additional Grade I and II* buildings are located in the centre of Wisbech, 1.3km to the north.</p> <p>The majority of the Grade II listed buildings located within the study area are located within Wisbech approximately 1.3km to the north of the most direct line. Additional Grade II listed buildings are scattered in the study area.</p>	<p>Rabbit Hill Round Barrow.</p> <p>Two Grade I listed buildings are located in Leverington, approximately 0.7km to the east of the most direct line. Two Grade II* listed buildings are located in Wisbech St Mary, approximately 1km to the south of the most direct line, and one close to Leverington, immediately adjacent to the most direct line. Additional Grade I and II* buildings are located in the centre of Wisbech, 1.3km to the north.</p> <p>The majority of the Grade II listed buildings located within the study area are located within Wisbech approximately 1.3km to the north of the most direct line. Additional Grade II listed buildings are scattered in the study area, including within Leverington.</p>	<p>One Grade I and one Grade II* listed building are located in this study area in Elm, approximately 0.9km and 0.7km respectively to the south of the most direct line. Additional Grade I and II* buildings are located in the centre of Wisbech, 1.3km to the north.</p> <p>The majority of the Grade II listed buildings located within the study area are located within Wisbech approximately 1.3km to the north of most direct line. Additional Grade II listed buildings are scattered in the study area including within Emneth, within 0.5km of the most direct line.</p>
<b>Biodiversity</b>	<p>The nearest European Sites are located approximately 7.5km to the south of the most direct line (Nene Washes SAC, SPA and Ramsar) and approximately 10km to the north of Walpole substation (the Wash Ramsar, The Wash SPA and The Wash &amp; North Norfolk Coast SAC).</p> <p>No SSSI's, NNRs or areas of Ancient Woodland are located in the study area.</p>	<p>The nearest European Sites are located approximately 7.5km to the south of the most direct line (Nene Washes SAC, SPA and Ramsar) and approximately 10km to the north of Walpole substation (the Wash Ramsar, The Wash SPA and The Wash &amp; North Norfolk Coast SAC).</p> <p>No SSSI's, NNRs or areas of Ancient Woodland are located in the study area.</p>	<p>The nearest European Sites are located approximately 7.5km to the south of the most direct line (Nene Washes SAC, SPA and Ramsar) and approximately 17km to the north (the Wash Ramsar, The Wash SPA and The Wash &amp; North Norfolk Coast SAC).</p> <p>No SSSI's, NNRs or areas of Ancient Woodland are located in the study area.</p>
<b>Water environment</b>	<p>The study area is located in flood zones 1,</p>	<p>The study area is located in flood zones 1,</p>	<p>The study area is located in flood zones 1,</p>



	<p>2 and 3<sup>18</sup>. The most direct line would be partially located in an area benefitting from flood defences.</p> <p>This corridor would not cross the River Nene.</p>	<p>2 and 3<sup>19</sup>. All floodplain is undefended</p> <p>The most direct line would cross the Nene River in two locations, one immediately to the west of Wisbech beyond Cromwell Road, and the second to the north of Wisbech as the corridor heads northeast towards Walpole.</p>	<p>2 and 3<sup>20</sup>. The most direct line would be partially located in an area benefitting from flood defences.</p> <p>This corridor would not cross the River Nene.</p>
<b>Socio-economic</b>	<p>The most direct line would run along the southern outskirts of Wisbech, and route along the eastern edge of Wisbech towards Walpole. Elm is located approximately 0.2km to the south of the most direct line, West Walton 0.5km to the west and Walton Highway is located approximately 0.5km to the east of the most direct line.</p> <p>The A47 is located immediately to the east of the most direct line at the closest point.</p> <p>Sustrans cycle route 63 which crosses the A47 at Elm roundabout, and Sustrans cycle route 1 to the west of Walton Highway.</p>	<p>The most direct line would run along the southern outskirts of Wisbech, and route along the western edge of Wisbech towards Walpole. The corridor would cross through the outskirts of Leverington.</p> <p>This most direct line would cross the B198/Cromwell Road, and the A1101.</p> <p>The Nene Way Long Distance Trail passes through the study area on two occasions, one immediately to the west of Wisbech beyond Cromwell Road, and the second to the north of Wisbech as the corridor heads northeast towards Walpole. A further cycle corridor, although not part of the National Cycle Network would cross the most direct line to the north of Leverington</p>	<p>The most direct line would run along the southern outskirts of Wisbech. The villages of Elm and Emneth would be located approximately 0.5km to the south of the most direct line.</p> <p>The study area includes the A47 to the south of Wisbech.</p> <p>Sustrans cycle route 63 which crosses the A47 at Elm roundabout,</p>
<b>Planning</b>	<p>The study area includes Strategic Allocations in the Fenland Local Plan (2014) immediately to the south of the main</p>	<p>The study area includes Strategic Allocations in the Fenland Local Plan (2014) immediately to the south of the main</p>	<p>The study area would pass through Strategic Allocations in the Fenland Local Plan (2014) immediately to</p>

<sup>18</sup> Flood Map for Planning (2020). Available online at: <https://flood-map-for-planning.service.gov.uk/> [Accessed August 2020].

<sup>19</sup> Flood Map for Planning (2020). Available online at: <https://flood-map-for-planning.service.gov.uk/> [Accessed August 2020].

<sup>20</sup> Flood Map for Planning (2020). Available online at: <https://flood-map-for-planning.service.gov.uk/> [Accessed August 2020].



<p>site, and to the east of Wisbech. Land allocated in the King's Lynn &amp; West Norfolk Local Plan (2016) is also located on the eastern outskirts of Wisbech.</p> <p>Land identified for the potential Wisbech Garden Town is partially located in the study area, beyond the location of the Fenland and King's Lynn &amp; West Norfolk strategic allocations.</p>	<p>site, and to the west of Wisbech.</p> <p>Land identified for the potential Wisbech Garden Town is located in the study area, beyond the location of the Fenland strategic allocations.</p>	<p>the south of the main site, and to the east of Wisbech. Land allocated in the King's Lynn &amp; West Norfolk Local Plan (2016) is also located on the eastern outskirts of Wisbech.</p> <p>Land identified for the potential Wisbech Garden Town would be located adjacent to this corridor near the A47/Elm Roundabout.</p>
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Note: All measurements have been provided from the centre of each potential corridor which would be the most direct route. Ultimately the chosen alignment could be closer or further away depending upon its location within the corridor.

- 3.3.3 The initial review of the environmental and planning constraints sought to identify a preference between the two 132kV options to take forward to the EIA Scoping stage alongside the 400kV option. At this point, technical and cost constraints had not been considered.
- 3.3.4 The initial assessment of planning and environmental constraints identified a preference for the 132kV East corridor. The reasons for selecting the 132kV East corridor in preference to the 132kV West corridor are set out below:
- i. The 132kV East corridor is shorter and more direct than the 132kV West corridor, which follows the Holford Rule 3 principle which favours the most direct route when all things are equal.
  - ii. Whilst both corridors were crossed by Sustrans cycle route, the 132kV West corridor has potentially greater impacts on users of the Nene Way Long Distance Trail which crosses the corridor at two locations.
  - iii. The 132kV East corridor has fewer historic environmental receptors in comparison to the 132kV West corridor which would pass close to Grade I, II\* and II listed buildings near Leverington and Gorefield.
  - iv. The 132kV West corridor would require two crossings of the River Nene which has a greater potential for effects on the water environment than the east option.
  - v. Both corridor options fall within land currently identified for the potential Wisbech Garden Town however the 132kV East corridor would provide the ability to identify a route on the eastern side of the A47 to avoid an overlap with the potential Garden Town. The 132kV East corridor would be required to lengthen substantially to route around the potential Garden Town, which would potentially increase the extent of environmental impacts caused by implementing a longer route.



- vi. Both corridor options cross areas of Flood Zones 2 and 3. However, all floodplain within the 132kV West corridor is undefended whilst the majority of floodplain within the 132kV East benefits from flood defences.

3.3.5 No discernible biodiversity impacts were noted when comparing the two corridor options.

3.3.6 On the basis of the reasons outlined above the 132kV West Corridor was not taken any further in the appraisal process. The 132kV East Corridor was taken forwards for further appraisal, together with the 400kV East Corridor.

### *EIA Scoping*

3.3.7 In December 2019 the Applicant submitted a request to the Secretary of State for an EIA Scoping Opinion to determine the scope of the EIA and the content of the Environmental Statement which would be submitted with the DCO Application. At this time, two corridor options (132kV East and 400kV East) remained under consideration. These two options were included within the red line boundary for the project and factored into the scope of the EIA for consideration by the Secretary of State<sup>21</sup>. The Secretary of State published their EIA Scoping Opinion for the project in January 2020. This took account of the two options for the proposed grid connection.

### *Phase 1 Non-Statutory Consultation*

3.3.8 A copy of the Applicant's Scoping Report and the Secretary of State's Scoping Opinion was published as part of the Phase 1 Non-Statutory Consultation. This consultation ran between 16 March 2020 and 4 May 2020 and sought comments on the proposals, including both grid connection corridor options. One comment was received during this consultation that raised concerns regarding the visual impact of a grid connection and the impact of electromagnetic fields. No comments were received that suggested a preference for one grid connection corridor over another.

## **3.4 Technical and cost feasibility**

3.4.1 The Applicant engaged with UKPN and National Grid, who are responsible for the 132kV and 400kV connection options respectively.

### **132kV Connection (UKPN)**

3.4.2 Following the initial meeting with UKPN in August 2019 in which it was agreed that there could be a potential connection point at Walpole, the Applicant submitted an application for connection of generation to UKPN's Major Connections Team in October 2019. This application enabled UKPN to undertake an initial assessment of the Applicant's proposal in order to advise on the proposed approach to a connection point at Walpole Substation.

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<sup>21</sup> MWV Environment Ltd. Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility – EIA Scoping Report. 2019



- 3.4.3 Between October 2019 and December 2019, the Applicant provided further information to UKPN to support the development of a connection offer. In mid-December 2019, UKPN confirmed a point of connection at Walpole substation and provided the initial technical requirements and costs for both contestable and non-contestable works.
- 3.4.4 Further discussions were held between the Applicant and UKPN between December 2019 to January 2020 to determine the precise location of the connection point at Walpole substation and to ensure that the technical requirements of the initial offer suited the needs of the project. In late January 2020, UKPN issued a Connections Estimate offer to the Applicant which specified the following:
- Maximum export capacity of 62MW;
  - Point of Connection located on the southern boundary of Walpole substation.
  - New extra high voltage plant and switch gear; and
  - 132kV cable duct from the EfW CHP Facility to Walpole substation
- 3.4.5 UKPN estimated the cost for the works at £16.1m.

### National Grid (400kV)

- 3.4.6 In addition to the potential connection to the Walpole Substation the Applicant also considered an alternative connection directly to the 400kV line to the east of the EfW CHP Facility.
- 3.4.7 An initial meeting was held with National Grid in October 2019 to introduce the project and discuss potential connection options. National Grid confirmed that the Applicant had two options; to pursue a feasibility study to determine the suitability of connection (with no connection guaranteed) or proceed directly to a connection application. A connection application was subsequently submitted to National Grid in December 2019, followed by further information at the request of National Grid in January 2020.
- 3.4.8 National Grid responded to the connection application in February 2020 and advised that it would be technically feasible to connect to the 400kV overhead line via a double 400kV circuit, but this would require extensive transmission reinforcement works and enabling works including:
- Construction of a new 4 bay double busbar AIS substation;
  - Modification to an existing and provision of an additional overhead line tension tower;
  - 400kV cable duct to the EfW CHP Facility; and
  - Associated protection and control works at Walpole and Burwell Main substations.
- 3.4.9 National Grid provided an indicative cost for these works of between £23m - £27m.



- 3.4.10 On the basis of the extensive reinforcement works required to transfer approximately 60MW to the 400kV overhead line, National Grid advised that this option would not be economical to construct.

### 3.5 Selection of the preferred grid connection corridor

- 3.5.1 The 132kV (East) and 400kV (East) corridor options have been reviewed from an environmental, technical and cost perspective and subject to extensive engagement with UKPN and National Grid to determine the most appropriate grid connection corridor. Taking account of these factors, the **132kV (East) corridor** has been selected as the preferred option for the following reasons:
- i. Steel pylons with a maximum height of 49m for the 400kV connection would be more visually intrusive than the 132kV wooden pole option with a maximum height of 20m. Whilst the 132kV OHL would be longer in length than the 400kV OHL, the zone of theoretical visibility is substantially reduced meaning that fewer receptors would have the connection infrastructure.
  - ii. The presence of and distance to historic assets is similar for both corridor options, however the increased height of the steel pylons for the 400kV connection has the potential to impact upon the setting of heritage assets to a greater extent than the shorter wood poles used for the 132kV connection.
  - iii. Whilst neither corridor is located in an area designated for biodiversity reasons, there are SPA's and Ramsar's located within a 20km radius of both grid connections. The greater height of the 49m OHL for the 400kV connection may have the potential to result in an increased collision risk to certain bird species.
  - iv. Both corridors are located in Flood Zone's 1, 2 and 3. Whilst the 132kV corridor is greater in length than the 400kV corridor (10km compared to 6km) and thus covers a wider area of flood plain, both corridors benefit from flood defences and are not dissimilar in terms of flood risk.
  - v. The foundations for wooden poles associated with the 132kV corridor are expected to be shallower and less intrusive than those required to construct the taller steel pylons associated with the 400kV corridor. Therefore, reduce the potential risks to groundwater and surface water receptors during construction phase.
  - vi. Extensive transmission reinforcement works would be required for the 400kV connection, including works at two offsite locations; Walpole substation and Burwell Main substation, compared to the 132kV connection which would limit works to Walpole substation.
  - vii. The cost of the works required to facilitate a 400kV connection is significantly more than the 132kV option and National Grid consider that it would not be economical to pursue this option.

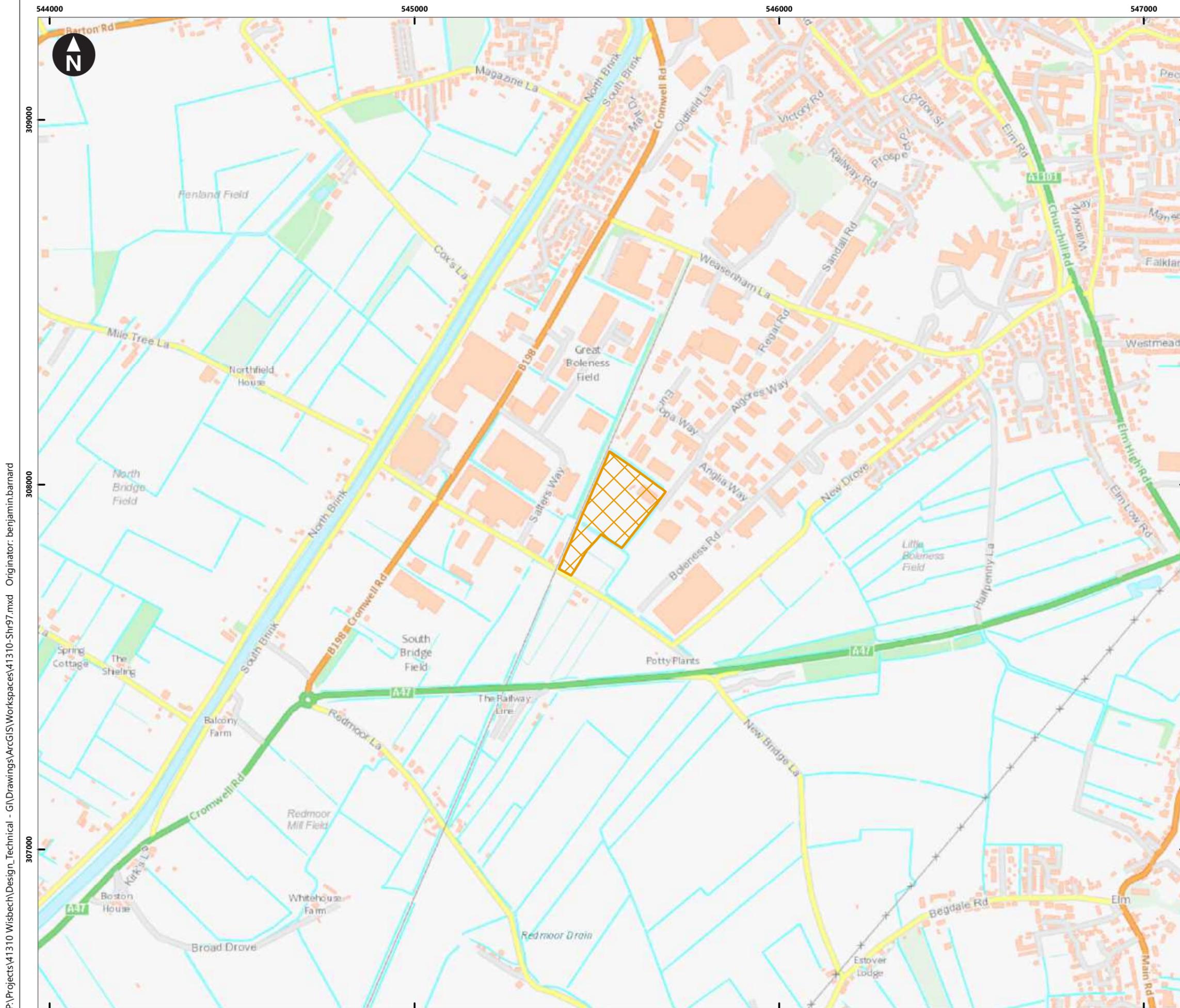


## 4. Next Steps

- 4.1.1 Following the selection of the 132kV (East) corridor, work is continuing with UKPN and an Independent Connection Provider to identify a proposed route alignment within the selected Grid Connection Corridor and define the works required at Walpole substation. This process will be informed by the results of environmental surveys that are in the process of being carried out to inform the EIA. The views of key stakeholders, including statutory consultees and members of the public will be taken into account in this process.
- 4.1.2 The route selection will also be informed by discussions with the landowners who may be affected by the proposed route alignment in the 132kV East corridor. The process of engaging with landowners commenced in August 2020.
- 4.1.3 This report will be updated in advance of the DCO submission to outline the route appraisal process and provide a justification for the chosen grid connection route.



# Figures



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**Boundary**

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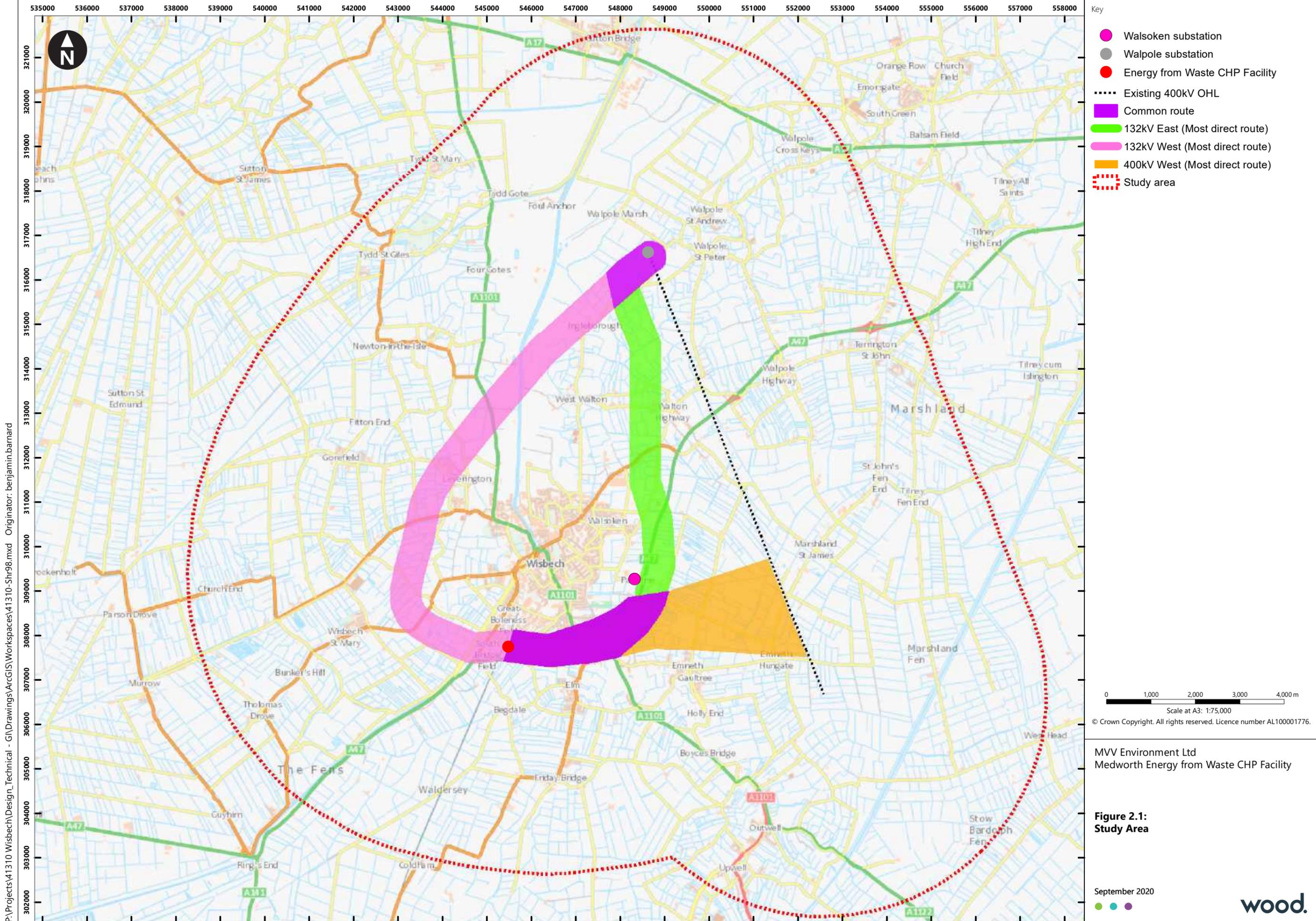
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**Figure 1.1:**  
**Location Plan**

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- Key
- Walsoken substation
  - Walpole substation
  - Energy from Waste CHP Facility
  - ..... Existing 400kV OHL
  - Common route
  - 132kV East (Most direct route)
  - 132kV West (Most direct route)
  - 400kV West (Most direct route)
  - Study area

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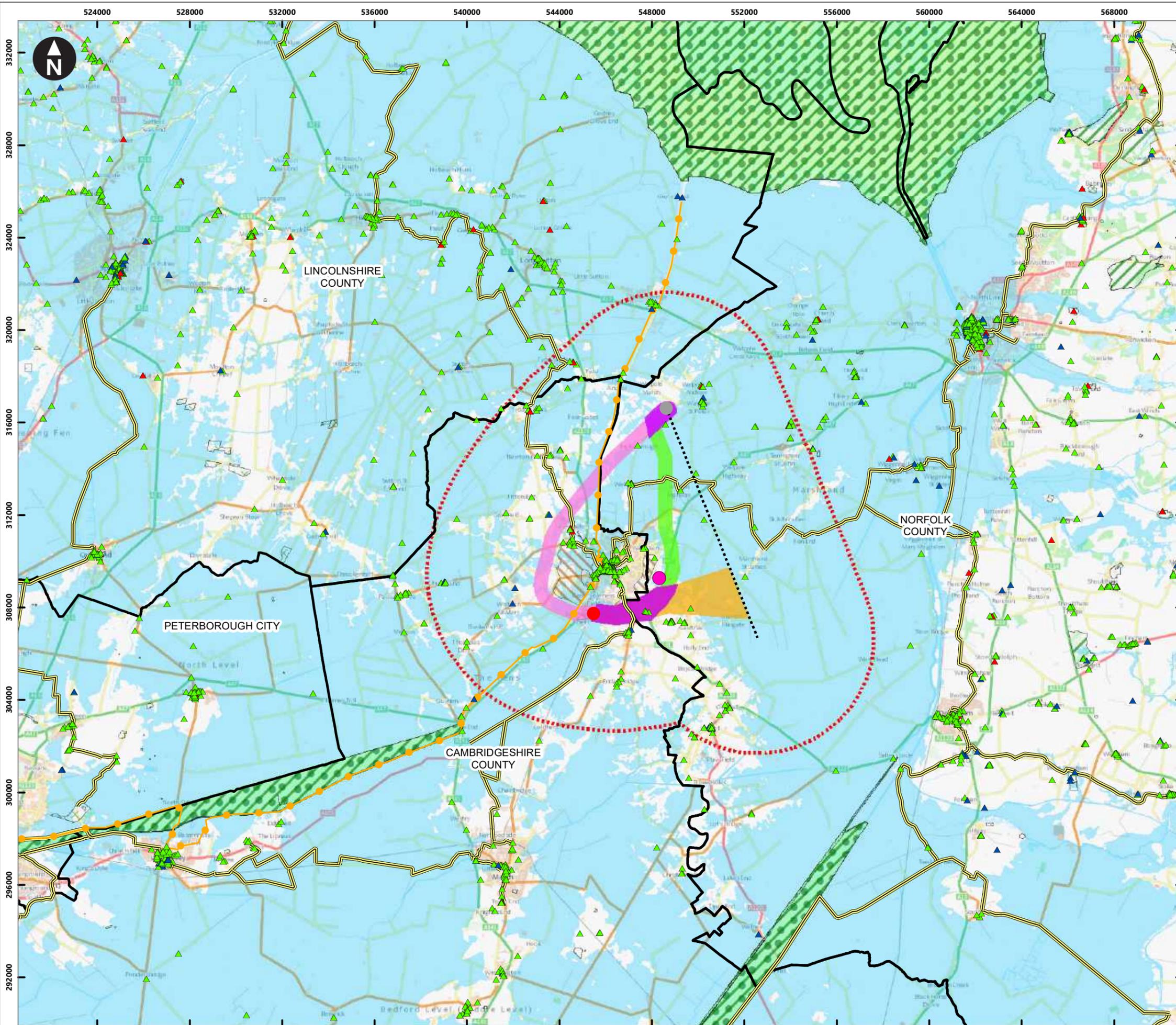
**Figure 2.1:**  
**Study Area**

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Key

**Listed building**

**Grade**

- ▲ I
- ▲ II\*
- ▲ II
- Walsoken substation
- Walpole substation
- Energy from Waste CHP Facility
- Nene Way Long Distance Trail
- National Cycle Network
- Existing 400kV OHL
- Administrative boundaries
- Common route
- 132kV East (Most direct route)
- 132kV West (Most direct route)
- 400kV West (Most direct route)
- ▨ Ramsar
- ▨ Special areas of conservation
- ▨ Special protection areas
- ▨ Special areas of conservation
- ▨ Parks and gardens
- ▨ Scheduled monuments
- ▨ Strategic allocations
- ▨ Study area
- ▨ Flood zones

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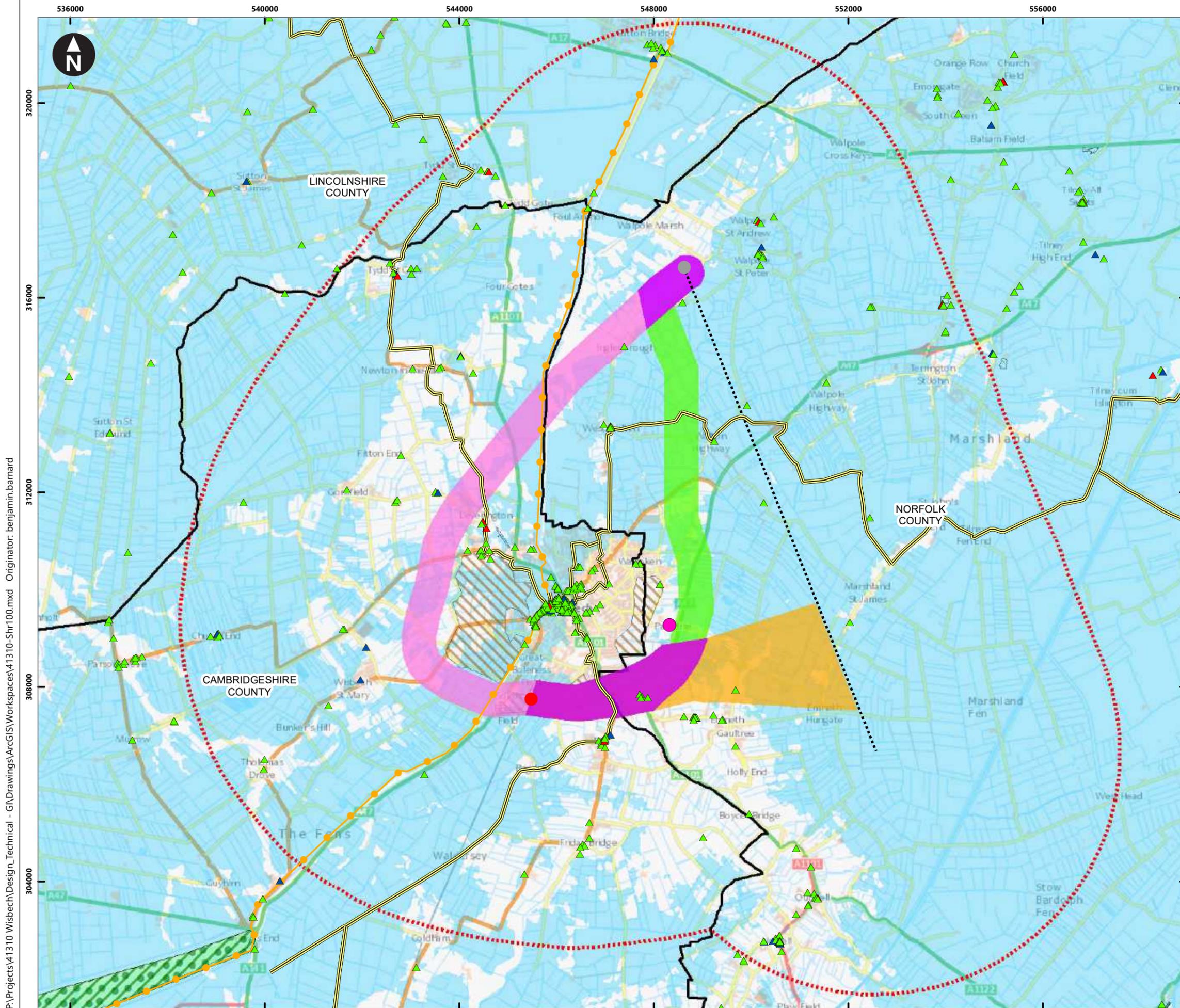
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**Figure 2.2a:  
Environmental Constraints Plan**

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Key

**Listed building**

**Grade**

- ▲ I
- ▲ II\*
- ▲ II
- Walsoken substation
- Walpole substation
- Energy from Waste CHP Facility
- Nene Way Long Distance Trail
- National Cycle Network
- ⋯ Existing 400kV OHL
- ▭ Administrative boundaries
- ▭ Common route
- ▭ 132kV East (Most direct route)
- ▭ 132kV West (Most direct route)
- ▭ 400kV West (Most direct route)
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**Figure 2.2a:**  
**Environmental Constraints Plan**

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# Appendix A

## Glossary

Acronym/term	Full term/definition
<b>Access Improvements</b>	To improve access from Cromwell Road along New Bridge Lane to the EfW CHP Facility
<b>Alternatives</b>	Different design, layout and technological possibilities considered
<b>[the] Applicant</b>	MVV Environment Ltd, the company applying for a Development Consent Order also referred to as the Developer
<b>AONB</b>	Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty
<b>Assessment</b>	A process by which information about effects of a proposed plan, programme or project are evaluated.
<b>CCC</b>	Cambridgeshire County Council
<b>CHP</b>	Combined Heat and Power
<b>[the] Combined Heat and Power Connection Corridor</b>	Potential combined heat and power connection corridor identified along a disused railway line and into the surrounding industrial estate
<b>[the] Developer</b>	MVV Environment Ltd, the company applying for a Development Consent Order also referred to as the Applicant
<b>DCO</b>	Development Consent Order. The form of development consent granted by the Secretary of State for a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project.
<b>DNO</b>	District Network Operator. A company licensed to distribute electricity in the UK.
<b>EMFs</b>	Electromagnetic Fields
<b>EfW</b>	Energy from Waste
<b>[the] EfW CHP Facility</b>	The Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility. The facility where residual waste is delivered to be treated by means of controlled incineration to produce energy.
<b>EIA Regulations</b>	The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017
<b>ESQC 2002</b>	ICNIRP guidelines for the Electricity Safety, Quality and Continuity Regulations 2002
<b>Environmental Assessment</b>	A method and a process by which information about environmental effects is collected, assessed and used to inform decision-making



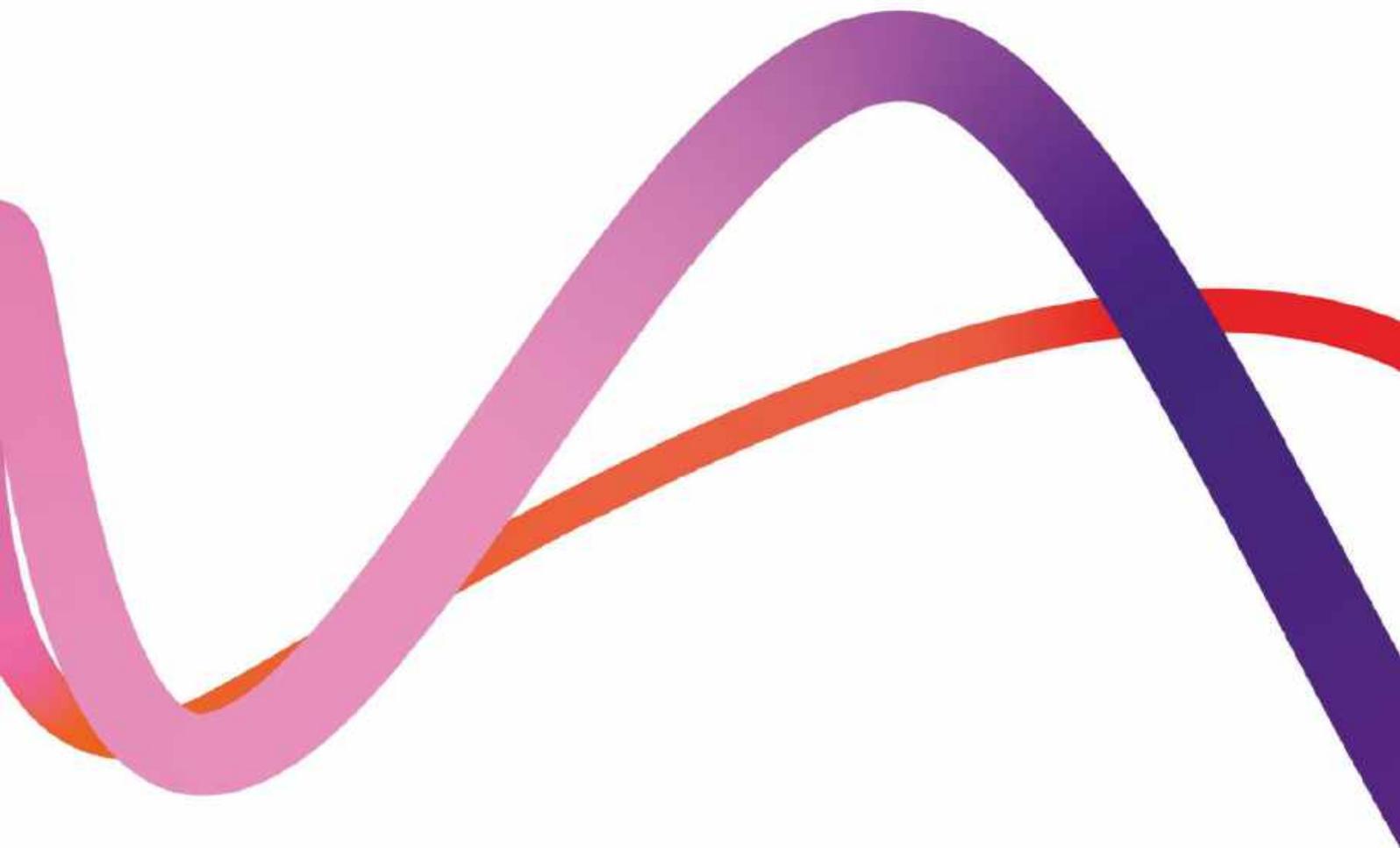
Acronym/term	Full term/definition
<b>EIA</b>	Environmental Impact Assessment. A statutory process by which certain planned projects must be assessed before a formal decision to proceed can be made. Involves the collection and consideration of environmental information, which fulfils the assessment requirements of the EIA Regulations, including the publication of an Environmental Statement.
<b>ES</b>	Environmental Statement. A document produced in accordance the EIA Regulations.
<b>European Site</b>	Sites which make up the European ecological network (also known as Natura 2000 sites). These include: Sites of Community Importance (SCIs); Special Protection Areas (SPAs) and potential SPAs (pSPAs); Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) and candidate or possible SACs (cSACs or pSACs); and Ramsar sites.
<b>FDC</b>	Fenland District Council
<b>[the] Grid Connection</b>	The route of an electrical connection to the National Electricity Transmission Network from the Energy from Waste CHP Facility
<b>[the] Grid Connection Corridor</b>	Areas of search to connect the Energy from Waste CHP Facility to the National Electricity Transmission Network
<b>[the] Grid Route Temporary Construction Compound(s)</b>	Compounds that are required temporarily along the Grid Connection route to facilitate the laying and erection of poles and cables and other associated works
<b>[the] Holford Rules</b>	Guidelines for the routing of new high voltage overhead transmission lines
<b>Independent Connection Provider</b>	An accredited company that carries out works on behalf of clients on the electricity network
<b>ICNIRP</b>	International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection
<b>KLWN</b>	Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk
<b>km</b>	Kilometre
<b>kV</b>	Kilovolt
<b>LETVEM</b>	Guidelines for Limiting Exposure to Time-Varying Electric, Magnetic and Electromagnetic Fields (up to 300 GHz) 1998
<b>m</b>	Metre
<b>MW</b>	Megawatt
<b>[the] Main Development Site</b>	The area incorporating the Energy from Waste CHP Facility, Combined Heat and Power Connection Corridor and Access Improvements, to distinguish this from the Grid Connection Corridor.
<b>National Grid</b>	Company which owns the National Electricity Transmission Network



Acronym/term	Full term/definition
<b>National Electricity Transmission Network</b>	The high voltage electricity transmission network for England, Scotland and Wales
<b>NNRs</b>	National Nature Reserves
<b>Norfolk County Council</b>	NCC
<b>NPPF</b>	National Planning Policy Framework
<b>NPS</b>	National Policy Statements. Documents which set out the primary policy considerations for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects
<b>NSIP</b>	Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project. Large projects that support the economy and vital public services, including railways, large wind farms, power stations, reservoirs, harbours, airports and sewage treatment works, as defined in the Planning Act 2008
<b>NPS EN-1</b>	National Policy Statement - Overarching NPS for Energy
<b>NPS EN-3</b>	National Policy Statement - Renewable Energy Infrastructure
<b>NPS EN-5</b>	National Policy Statement - Electricity Networks Infrastructure
<b>OHL</b>	Overhead Line
<b>2008 Act</b>	Planning Act 2008 (as amended)
<b>Preferred Option</b>	The chosen design option that most successfully achieves the project objectives and becomes subject to further design and assessment.
<b>Private Wire Connections</b>	A cable that transmits electricity generated by the Energy from Waste CHP Facility to customers
<b>Potential Construction Compound</b>	An area of land identified in the EIA Scoping Report for a potential construction compound for the Main Development Site
<b>Potential Construction Compound and Potential Substation Location</b>	An area of land identified in the EIA Scoping Report for a potential construction compound and substation for the Main Development Site
<b>[the] Proposed Development</b>	The Whole of the development comprising Medworth EfW CHP Facility, Combined Heat and Power Connections, Grid Connection, Access Improvements, Substations, Temporary Construction Compounds and Grid Connection Temporary Construction Compounds
<b>Ramsar</b>	Areas designated by the UK Government under the International Ramsar Convention (the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance).
<b>Receptor</b>	A defined environmental feature usually associated with population, fauna and flora with the potential to be affected by a project.
<b>Scoping</b>	The process of identifying the issues to be addressed by the environmental impact assessment process. It is a method of ensuring that an assessment focuses on the important issues

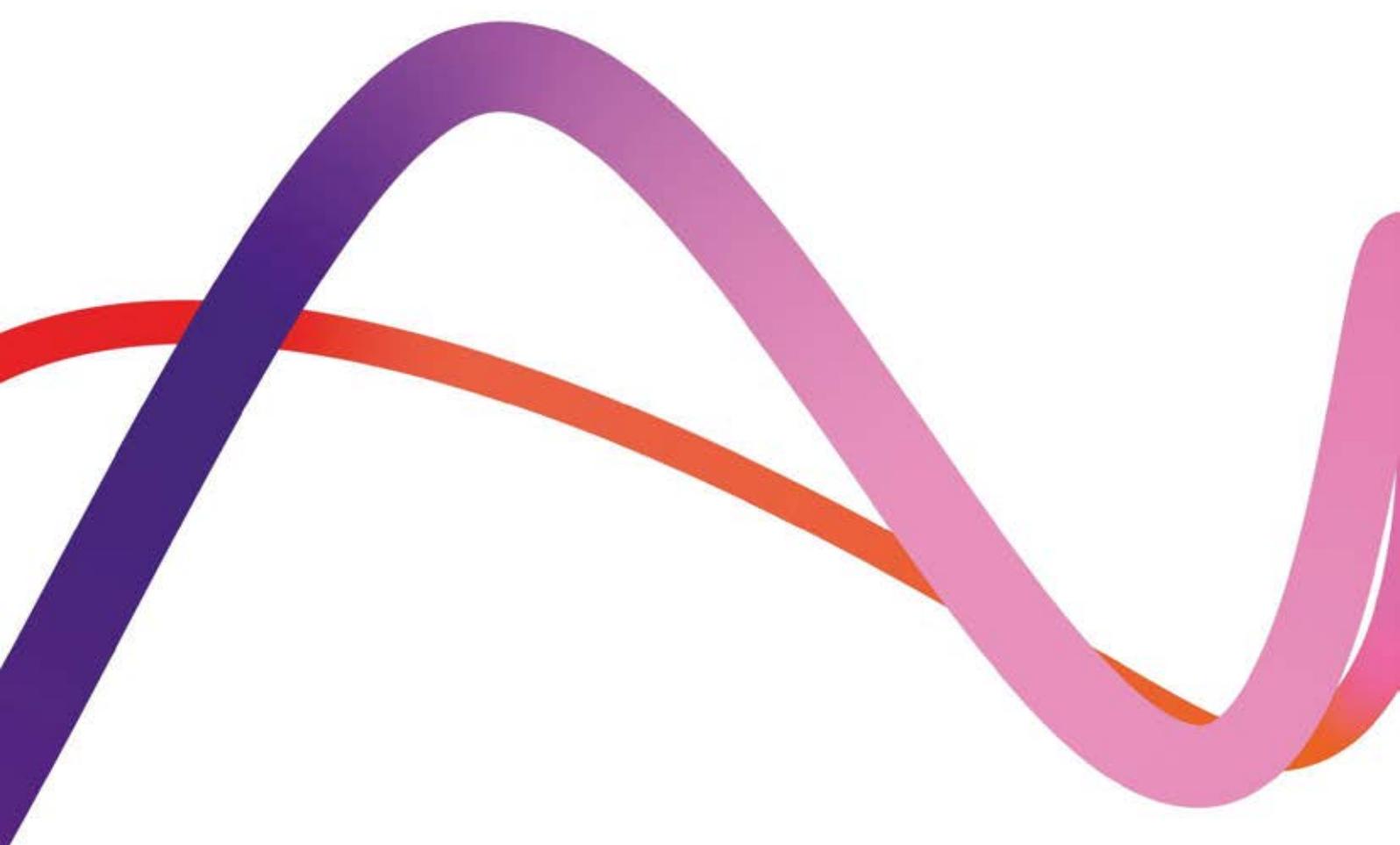


Acronym/term	Full term/definition
	and avoids those that are considered to be not significant.
<b>Scoping Opinion</b>	The opinion received from the Secretary of State on the information contained with the Scoping Report. Dated December 2019
<b>[the] Scoping Report</b>	The Applicant's EIA Scoping Report for the Proposed Development dated December 2019
<b>SoS</b>	Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy
<b>SAC</b>	Special Area of Conservation. International designation implemented for the protection of habitats and (non bird) species and protected in England by the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017.
<b>SPA</b>	Special Protection Area. International designation implemented for the conservation of wild birds and protected in England by the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017.
<b>SSSI</b>	Site of Special Scientific Interest
<b>Stakeholder</b>	An organisation or individual with a particular interest in the project.
<b>Statutory Consultee</b>	Organisations that the competent authority is required to consult by virtue of the EIA Regulations and the Infrastructure Planning (APEP) Regulations 2009.
<b>Steam Pipeline</b>	A pipeline that transports steam generated by the EfW CHP Facility to customer
<b>Study Area</b>	The spatial area within which environmental effects are assessed (i.e. extending a distance from the project footprint in which significant environmental effects are anticipated to occur). This may vary between the topic areas.
<b>[the] Temporary Construction Compounds</b>	Land identified by the Potential Construction Compound and Potential Construction Compound and Potential Substation Location
<b>UKPN</b>	UK Power Networks. A District Network Operator responsible for the regional electrical transmission network





# Appendix M Final Statement of Community Consultation



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Appendix A    Consultation Zones



# 1. Introduction

- 1.1.1 MVV Environment Ltd (MVV) is part of the MVV Energie group of companies. We provide a sustainable alternative to landfill through energy recovery for publicly and privately-owned waste disposal companies. MVV has established a wholly owned subsidiary company, Medworth CHP Limited, to act as the project company to deliver this development. All formal notices and applications will be made in the name of Medworth CHP Limited, hereafter referred to as the 'Applicant'.
- 1.1.2 MVV has developed proposals for the construction and operation of an energy from waste facility – known as 'the Medworth Energy from Waste (EfW) Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Facility' (hereafter referred to as the 'Project'). The Project also includes associated development such as a steam pipeline connection to local industries, access improvements and a grid connection. The application would be for a Development Consent Order (DCO) under Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008).
- 1.1.3 Before a DCO application is made, we are required to consult with those living in the vicinity of the land proposed for development (under Section 47 of the Planning Act 2008), key local authorities, persons with an interest in the land and prescribed statutory bodies, as well as publicising our proposed application (under Section 48 of the PA 2008).

## 1.2 Structure of this Statement of Community Consultation

- 1.2.1 This Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) sets out how we intend to consult the public and local communities in the vicinity of the Project on our proposed DCO application pursuant to Section 47 of the PA 2008. It sets out:
- Information and background on the Project proposals;
  - Details of the legal framework for consultation under the PA 2008;
  - Our proposed approach to consultation, including preliminary environmental information, when the consultation will be conducted, who will be consulted, where the consultation will take place and the methods that will be used; and
  - How we will gather feedback and use it to develop the Project.



## 2. The Proposals

### 2.1 The Project

2.1.1 Medworth CHP Limited (the 'Applicant') intends to make an application to the Secretary of State for a DCO for an EfW CHP Facility on land at the industrial estate, Algores Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire. The Project will comprise:

- An EfW CHP Facility and supporting infrastructure capable of handling up to 625,600 tonnes of waste per annum with the ability to generate up to 53MW<sub>e</sub> of electricity (net) and up to 50MW<sub>th</sub> of usable steam (heat) energy.
- A CHP Connection comprising a pipeline and electrical cable suspended on a frame above ground.
- Access improvements along New Bridge Lane to create a new access route into the EfW CHP Facility.
- A 132kV electrical grid connection between the EfW CHP Facility and either Walsoken or Walpole substation, comprising sections of underground cable and overhead line on wooden poles.
- Drainage works and Sustainable Urban Drainage (SUDs) storage systems.
- Measures for avoiding, minimising and/or mitigating adverse environmental effects likely to arise in connection with the construction and operation of the Project.
- Other associated works, for example, temporary access roads, highway works, temporary works compounds, work sites and ancillary works.
- Compulsory acquisition of land, including interests in land, rights over land and imposition of restrictions, powers to override, suspend or extinguish rights over land and powers for the temporary use of land.

### 2.2 Development Consent Order (DCO)

2.2.1 The Project will be a generating station located in England and will have a generating capacity of over 50 MW. As a result, it is classified as a nationally significant infrastructure project (NSIP) under Part 3 Section 15 of the PA 2008. A DCO granted by the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) is therefore required to authorise construction and operation of the Project.

2.2.2 Before a DCO application is submitted, the proposed application must be consulted on and publicised in accordance with specific requirements contained in Sections 42 to 50 of the PA 2008, and as informed by the "Planning Act 2008: guidance on the pre-application process", published by the Department for Communities and Local Government (2015) (the DCLG Guidance).

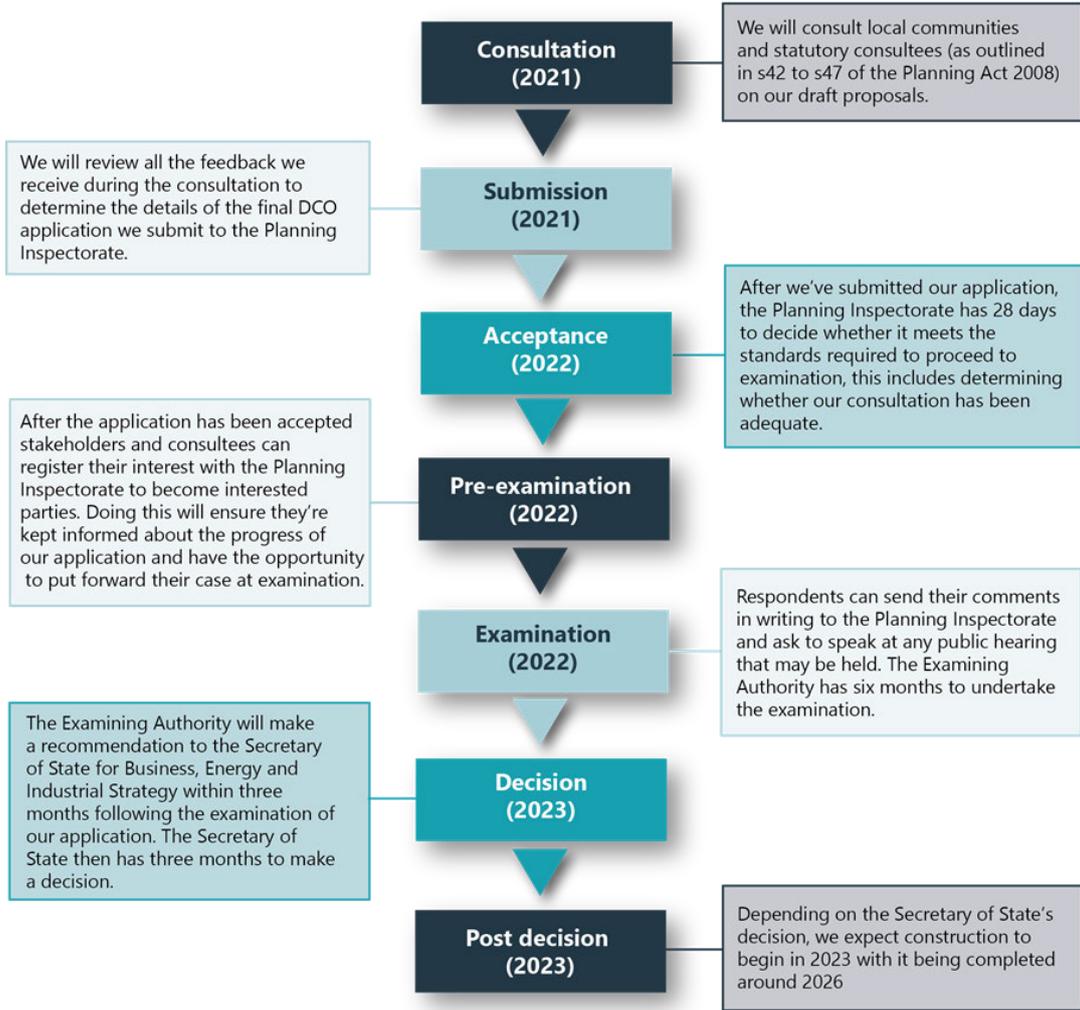


- 2.2.3 After the DCO application has been submitted, the Planning Inspectorate (PINS), an executive agency of the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, will decide, on behalf of the Secretary of State for BEIS, if it can be accepted for examination. As part of this decision-making process, consideration will be given to any responses provided by local planning authorities on the adequacy of consultation undertaken by the Applicant.
- 2.2.4 If accepted, PINS will examine the application on behalf of the Secretary of State for BEIS via a specially appointed Examining Authority. Following the Examination, the Examining Authority will make a written recommendation to the Secretary of State for BEIS who will then decide whether or not to make the DCO.
- 2.2.5 The DCO application will be decided in accordance with the Energy NPSs (which, at the time of publication, are EN-1, EN-3 and EN-5), except in certain limited circumstances set out in Subsections 104(4) to (8) of PA 2008. The Energy NPSs set out the Government's objectives and policies for energy-related nationally significant projects. Further information about these is available online<sup>1</sup>.
- 2.2.6 More details regarding the DCO process and the Applicant's proposed timescales for the Project are set out at Figure 2.2 below. Further information on the DCO process can be found on the National Infrastructure Planning website<sup>2</sup> or by telephone on 0303 444 5000.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-policy-statements-for-energy-infrastructure>

<sup>2</sup> <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>



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## 3. Legal Requirement to Consult

- 3.1.1 Sections 42 to 50 of the PA 2008 (Part 5, Chapter 2) set out the requirements for statutory pre-application consultation in relation to a proposed application for a DCO.
- 3.1.2 Under the PA 2008, and as set out in the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedures) Regulations 2009 (2009 Regulations), the Applicant is required to consult the following organisations and individuals about the proposed application:
- Prescribed statutory consultees (as set out in Schedule 1 of the 2009 Regulations);
  - Each local authority in whose area the Project is located and their neighbouring local authorities (as determined in accordance with section 43 of the PA 2008);
  - Owners, occupiers and others with an interest in the land on which the Project is located (being Category 1 and Category 2 persons under section 44 of the PA 2008);
  - Owners and occupiers of land who the Applicant considers would or might be entitled to make certain types of land compensation claim as a result of the implementation of the DCO (being Category 3 persons determined in accordance with section 44 (4) to (6) of the PA 2008); and
  - Local communities in the vicinity of the Project.
- 3.1.3 Section 47 of the PA 2008 requires the Applicant to prepare a statement in the form of a SoCC setting out how it proposes to consult local communities in the vicinity of the Project about the proposed DCO application.
- 3.1.4 This SoCC has been prepared for the purposes of the statutory consultation in accordance with the requirements of the PA 2008 and taking account of the DCLG guidance (as required by Section 50 of the PA 2008) and best practice.
- 3.1.5 Under Section 47 of the PA 2008 we are required to consult on the contents of the SoCC with host local authorities, i.e. local planning authorities, for the area within which the land for the Project is located.
- 3.1.6 The Applicant is legally obliged to take account of the feedback received in relation to consultation on the draft SoCC prior to finalising and adopting the SoCC. The statutory consultation must then be carried out in accordance with the proposals in the adopted SoCC.
- 3.1.7 The SoCC must be made available for inspection by the public in a convenient manner for people living in the vicinity of the Project<sup>3</sup>. We are also required to publish a notice in a local newspaper which states where the SoCC may be inspected.

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<sup>3</sup> In line with changes to certain publicity requirements introduced by the Infrastructure Planning (Publication and Notification of Applications etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2020, the SoCC will be made available for inspection online on the Project website.



- 3.1.8 Section 48 of the PA 2008 requires the proposed application for development consent to be publicised in local and national newspapers and for the applicant to invite responses on the proposals. We are publishing the notice of the proposed application at the same time as undertaking our statutory consultation with local planning authorities, statutory consultees, owners and occupiers of land and the general public in respect of the Project.
- 3.1.9 Section 49 of the PA 2008 requires the Applicant to have regard to the responses to consultation and publicity when deciding on the form and content of its application for the Project. Details of the regard had to consultation feedback will be presented in the Consultation Report which accompanies the DCO application.

## 3.2 Environmental information

- 3.2.1 The Project is classified as 'environmental impact assessment (EIA) development' as defined by the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the '2017 EIA Regs'). A Scoping Report and request for an EIA Scoping Opinion was submitted to the Planning Inspectorate on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019 and a Scoping Opinion was received on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020. An EIA is being undertaken to ensure the likely significant effects of the Project are understood and that appropriate mitigation of those effects is put in place. The results of the EIA will be set out in an Environmental Statement that will accompany the DCO application.
- 3.2.2 In accordance with the requirements in Regulation 12 of the 2017 EIA Regs, the preliminary results of the EIA will be presented in a 'Preliminary Environmental Information Report' (PEIR) during our statutory consultation on the proposed application. We will publicise and consult on the PEIR and will be seeking the local community's views on the information contained in it through the approaches set out in Section 4 of this document.



## 4. Approach to Consultation

### 4.1 Purpose and objectives

4.1.1 The overarching aim of the consultation is to ensure that the local community and all those with an interest in the Project are notified, consulted and given an opportunity to influence the proposals.

4.1.2 Our objectives for the consultation are to:

- Raise awareness of what is proposed and give the local community, relevant local authorities and other stakeholders an opportunity to comment on the proposals;
- Provide consultees and the local community with an opportunity to influence the development of the Project and to communicate which elements of the Project are necessarily fixed and why;
- Provide clear and concise technical and non-technical information during consultation;
- Provide a range of opportunities for people to engage with the Project and provide comments and feedback;
- Ensure that comments and feedback are accurately captured and recorded; and
- Show how comments and feedback have been taken into account in finalising the DCO application prior to its submission.

### 4.2 The approach to consultation

4.2.1 The Applicant recognises the importance of adhering to the best practice consultation principles<sup>4</sup>, DCLG Guidance on pre-application consultation and relevant guidance produced by host and neighbouring local authorities.

4.2.2 The pre-application process for the Project comprises three stages, as follows:

- Stage 1 – non-statutory consultation;
- Stage 1b – additional non-statutory consultation; and
- Stage 2 – statutory consultation in accordance with the requirements of the PA 2008.

#### Stage 1 non-statutory consultation

4.2.3 The Stage 1 non-statutory consultation took place between 16<sup>th</sup> March and 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020 on the emerging proposals for the Project. The consultation was undertaken

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<sup>4</sup> [https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/691383/consultation\\_Principles\\_\\_1\\_.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/691383/consultation_Principles__1_.pdf)



at an early stage in the project development process, to provide consultees with an opportunity to influence the proposals whilst options were still being considered. It was undertaken in accordance with a non-statutory consultation strategy that was discussed and agreed with the four host local authorities<sup>5</sup>. We have considered all of the feedback received during this consultation in the development and refinement of our proposals.

4.2.4 Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the associated social restrictions, the public exhibitions proposed as part of the consultation were postponed. In postponing the exhibitions, we committed to rearranging them as soon as possible and subsequently proposed an additional stage of non-statutory consultation prior to the statutory consultation (the Stage 1b consultation – see below).

### Stage 1b non-statutory consultation

4.2.5 The Stage 1b non-statutory consultation provided a further opportunity for consultees to influence the proposals whilst options were still being considered. The consultation included some updates on the proposals resulting from consultation feedback at Stage 1 and the further development and refinement of the proposals. This included the refinement of the options for the electricity connection to the grid.

4.2.6 As the public exhibitions proposed during the Stage 1 consultation had to be postponed due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the consultation also provided an opportunity for consultees to attend public exhibitions and speak to members of the Project team.

4.2.7 As with the Stage 1 consultation, all of the feedback received from this consultation has been considered in the development and refinement of the proposals.

4.2.8 Consultation Feedback Reports summarising the feedback received from the non-statutory consultations, explaining how it has influenced the development of the Project, the approach to consultation and our proposed application, will be published as part of the Stage 2 statutory consultation.

### Stage 2 statutory consultation

4.2.9 The Stage 2 statutory consultation will comprise the statutory stage of consultation on our proposed application in accordance with the requirements of the PA 2008. This section of the SoCC sets out how we intend to carry out this consultation.

## 4.3 When will the consultation take place?

4.3.1 In planning the timing of the Stage 2 statutory consultation, we will carefully consider government advice and guidelines in relation to Covid-19 and social distancing. We will also be mindful of other external consultations taking place, in order to manage any issues of consultation fatigue.

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<sup>5</sup> Cambridgeshire County Council, Fenland District Council, Norfolk County Council and the Borough Council of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk;



4.3.2 It is anticipated that the Stage 2 statutory consultation will run from 28<sup>th</sup> June 2021 until 13<sup>th</sup> August 2021 (a total of 6.5 weeks). This exceeds the statutory minimum of 28 days for statutory consultation under the PA 2008.

4.3.3 All consultation responses will have to be received by 11.55pm on the final day of the consultation period (13<sup>th</sup> August 2021). The deadline will be made clear on the literature and other documents relating to the consultation. Postal responses received after this date with a date stamp on or before 13<sup>th</sup> August 2021 will be accepted. We cannot guarantee that other responses stamped and received after this date will be taken into consideration.

## 4.4 Who will we consult?

4.4.1 The consultation will be open to anyone that has a view that they wish us to consider (as has been the case for all prior pre-application consultations).

4.4.2 As outlined in Section 3, at the same time as consulting the local community we will consult a wide range of statutory consultees on the proposed application in accordance with section 42 of the PA 2008. These include:

- Host and neighbouring local authorities;
- Prescribed consultees (such as Natural England, the Environment Agency and Town and Parish Councils); and
- People with an interest in land that might be affected by the proposals.

4.4.3 A copy of the section 48 notice will also be sent to all of the "consultation bodies" in accordance with Regulation 13 of the EIA Regulations.

### Wider stakeholders

4.4.4 In addition to those consultees prescribed under sections 42, 44 and 47 of the PA 2008, we have identified a number of individuals and organisations with whom we will voluntarily consult. These include:

- Bodies and individuals who are not defined as prescribed consultees in Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended). This includes local bodies and technical consultees such as local Wildlife Trusts, the National Trust and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB); and
- County and Ward Councillors and MPs in relevant areas.

4.4.5 A proposed list of the wider stakeholders to be consulted will be continually reviewed in light of discussions with the local authorities and consultation feedback, to ensure that anyone who requests to be included as a consultee has the same opportunity to provide feedback as those prescribed under the relevant legislation.



## Local community

4.4.6 At the same time as consulting with statutory bodies and interested parties, we will undertake consultation with the local community. We have defined local community consultees as:

- Individuals, owners/occupiers, businesses and groups based or living in the vicinity of the Project;
- Individuals who are users of the area or visitors to it (e.g. workers);
- Voluntary organisations (including residents' associations);
- Faith communities;
- Traveller communities;
- Schools and colleges in the vicinity; and
- Local hospitals, care homes and private healthcare organisations in the vicinity.

4.4.7 We will design the consultation process and all associated communications to be accessible and inclusive, enabling the consultation to reach all sections of the community.

4.4.8 We understand that some individuals and groups within the community can prove more challenging to reach and their views may, therefore, be harder to obtain. This understanding will underpin our approach to consultation, informing how, where and when we will seek community views.

## 4.5 Where will the consultation take place?

4.5.1 To help determine the areas where we will notify consultees about the consultation, we have considered where the Project may have a direct or indirect effect, either permanently or temporarily, as a result of its construction or operation.

4.5.2 Having considered these effects, we have identified the following consultation zones.

- Zone A - This includes all properties within a two-kilometre radius of the main site boundary and grid connection, plus the full extent of residential areas in Wisbech and Elm.
- Zone B – This covers a five-kilometre radius of the main site boundary and grid connection.

4.5.3 These zones are illustrated in Appendix A.

## 4.6 How will we consult

4.6.1 This section sets out the types of information and channels of communication which will be adopted to engage consultees throughout the Stage 2 statutory consultation.



## Consultation invitation flyer

- 4.6.2 At the start of the Stage 2 statutory consultation, an invitation flyer notifying consultees about the consultation will be issued to everyone in the Zone A consultation area. This will provide a summary of information about the Project and details of the consultation, including how to get involved and where more information can be found.
- 4.6.3 Properties in Zone B will not receive a direct mail but will be notified of the consultation through a combination of online and printed advertising.

## Website

- 4.6.4 The dedicated Project website (<https://www.mvv-medworthchp.co.uk/>) will provide information about the Stage 2 statutory consultation, as well as being a resource for all Project materials.
- 4.6.5 The website meets all standards in terms of accessibility and usability; it will contain videos and infographics to help explain the Project, the content of the consultation, an interactive virtual exhibition, an online feedback form and contact details so that the public and other stakeholders can respond.
- 4.6.6 Following the close of the consultation the website will continue to provide a library of documents that were available during consultation but will clearly indicate that the consultation has closed.

## Consultation documents

- 4.6.7 For the Stage 2 statutory consultation, we have produced a number of documents, maps and plans showing the nature and location of the proposed Project. These documents are designed to assist people who wish to comment on the Project. These include:
- Consultation booklet - A non-technical document summarising the elements of the Project, as well as information on potential impacts and the approach to managing them.
  - Feedback form - A feedback form will be provided for anyone wishing to respond, highlighting the specific matters on which we are seeking feedback. The feedback form will be capable of being completed by hand (and will be returnable using a 'Freepost' address) or online via the Project website.
  - Consultation Feedback Reports - Documents explaining how the feedback received during the Stage 1 and 1b non-statutory consultations has been taken into account in the development of the proposed application.
  - Environmental assessments - Comprising our PEIR and supporting documents which set out our environmental assessments to date, explain what we propose to construct, where we propose to construct it and the decisions we have made in developing our proposals.
- 4.6.8 Copies of consultation documents, including the feedback form, will be made available to download from the Project website and will be available for inspection



at public exhibitions and deposit locations. We will also provide USB copies of the materials on request free of charge.

- 4.6.9 Requests for hard copies of the technical documents will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. To cover printing costs a reasonable copying charge may apply (up to a maximum of £150 for one full suite of documents) to be paid for by the recipient. These can be requested using the contact details at the end of this document.

## Exhibitions

- 4.6.10 Subject to limitations on public gatherings or social distancing imposed as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, public exhibitions will be held in Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (DDA) compliant and accessible venues which are known to the local community. Members of the Project team will be available to answer questions about the Project, assist with the interpretation of materials and provide guidance on the completion of feedback forms. If government advice and/or local circumstances change, and it is necessary to adjust the approach to public exhibitions, we will engage with the host local authorities to agree suitable alternative arrangements; these may include alternative public exhibition venues or digital consultation events/activities.
- 4.6.11 The exhibitions will be held at the venues set out in Table 4.1 between 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021 and 25<sup>th</sup> July 2021 between 2pm and 8pm Monday – Friday and between 10am – 4pm on Saturday. The exhibition venue locations have been selected to be accessible by public transport, meet relevant accessibility requirements and be in the vicinity of population centres. We will liaise with each venue and, should they become unavailable due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a suitable alternative will be secured; as a last resort, that public exhibition would be cancelled.
- 4.6.12 The public exhibitions will be promoted through project materials sent directly to stakeholders, the Project website, locally displayed posters, local press and local leafleting.

**Table 4.1 – Consultation Exhibitions**

Exhibition Venue	Address
<b>Rosmini Centre</b>	69a Queens Road, Wisbech PE13 2PH
<b>Queen Mary Centre</b>	Queens Road, Wisbech, PE13 2PE
<b>Oasis Community Centre</b>	St Michael's Ave, Wisbech PE13 3NR
<b>Tower Hall</b>	Maltmas Drove, Friday Bridge, Wisbech, PE14 0HW



Exhibition Venue	Address
<b>Marshland Hall</b>	Marshland Hall, 156 – 158 Smeeth Rd, Wisbech PE14 8JB
<b>Walton Highway Village Club</b>	Lynn Road, Walton Highway, Wisbech PE14 7DF
<b>Walpole Community Centre</b>	Summer Close, Wisbech, PE14 7JW
<b>Wisbech St Mary Sports &amp; Community Centre</b>	Beechings Close, Wisbech St Mary, Wisbech, PE13 4SS

4.6.13 Where any exhibition event referred to in Table 4.1 is cancelled or rearranged for any reason, as much notice as possible will be given. Notice of any alternative arrangements (if any are reasonably considered necessary by us) will be given as soon as possible after the cancellation or rearrangement is made. This may include alternative dates, venues and/or arrangements for the submission of representations. The public will be informed via press releases issued to the local media, posters displayed locally and through the website.

### Document inspection locations

4.6.14 Subject to access limitations or social distancing imposed as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, full sets of the consultation documents will be made available for inspection at the locations detailed in Table 4.2 throughout the consultation period. If local circumstances change and it is necessary to adjust the approach to document inspection locations, we will engage with the host local authorities to agree suitable alternative arrangements.

**Table 4.2 – Document Inspection Locations**

Document Inspection Location	Address
<b>Oasis Community Centre</b>	St Michael's Ave, Wisbech, PE13 3NR
<b>Wisbech St Mary Sports and Community Centre</b>	Beechings Close, Wisbech St Mary, Wisbech, PE13 4SS
<b>Marshland Hall</b>	Marshland Hall, 156 – 158 Smeeth Rd, Wisbech PE14 8JB
<b>Rosmini Centre</b>	69a Queens Rd, Wisbech, PE13 2PH



Document Inspection Location	Address
<b>Walton Highway Village Club</b>	Lynn Road, Walton, Highway, Wisbech, PE14 7DF

4.6.15 In line with changes to certain publicity requirements introduced by the Infrastructure Planning (Publication and Notification of Applications etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2020, the consultation documents will also be made available for inspection on the Project website. Hard copies will also be available on request through the community contact point (see paragraph 4.6.19 below).

### Media/advertising

4.6.16 As well as writing to residents and other stakeholders, we will also undertake the following steps to promote the consultation more widely and ensure that as many people as reasonably practicable, including those that visit the area but do not live within it, are aware of the consultation.

### *Publication of statutory notices*

4.6.17 At the start of the consultation, we will publish statutory notices (as outlined in Section 3) in local and national newspapers giving details about the consultation.

### *Press advertisements*

4.6.18 At the start of the consultation, we will publish an advert in the publications set out in Table 4.3 to raise awareness about the consultation and encourage people to take part.

**Table 4.3 – Press advertisements**

Publication	
Fenland Citizen	Lynn News
Wisbech Standard	Eastern Daily Press
Your Local Paper	

### Community contact point

4.6.19 A project contact point (local rate telephone number) has been set up for questions relating to the Project. Consultees are able to call this contact point to



discuss the Project, leave a message or request hard copies of project documents. Consultees can also request a telephone appointment to discuss the Project<sup>6</sup>.

4.6.20 We aim to respond within 10 working days to all queries related to the consultation and the Project. There is also a dedicated email address, [medworth@mrvuk.co.uk](mailto:medworth@mrvuk.co.uk), from which all queries relating to the consultation and the Project will receive a response.

### Notification of Consultees

4.6.21 A number of methods will be used, prior to and during the consultation, to ensure that all consultees are given the opportunity to find out more and take part. These include:

- **Flyer** - As set out above, a consultation invitation flyer will be issued to residents and businesses within the Zone A consultation area prior to, or at the launch of, consultation inviting them to get involved.
- **Press notices and advertising** - Adverts detailing event locations and timings will be placed in appropriate publications, e.g. local newspapers and posters across Zone A and B consultation areas.
- **Stakeholders, groups and organisations** - A range of stakeholders, bodies and organisations will be engaged to make them aware of the consultation and, where appropriate, provide details of how their membership can get involved.

### Hard to reach groups

4.6.22 The Applicant recognises that some consultees will not be able to participate in the consultation without assistance and will ensure that all groups and members of the community have the opportunity to participate and are not disadvantaged in the consultation process. As a result, we will:

- Ensure all exhibition venues are DDA compliant;
- Utilise where possible, local venues known to be used and accessible by hard-to-reach groups;
- Provide translation services where appropriate / on request; and
- Publish the consultation booklet in large copy print, audio or Braille on request.

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<sup>6</sup> In line with PINS Advice Note 14 and to ensure accessibility for digitally disadvantaged members of the community.



## 5. How to Respond to the Consultation

### 5.1 Recording feedback

- 5.1.1 In accordance with Section 49 of the PA 2008, we are committed to recording, analysing and demonstrating how we have had regard to comments received during the pre-application consultation. The preferred method of collecting comments is through the dedicated Project website as it is the most efficient way of securely collecting information. However, consultation feedback can also be given through:
- Feedback forms submitted at exhibitions and via the Project Freepost address; and
  - Feedback received via the Project email address or other forms of correspondence received via the Project Freepost address.
- 5.1.2 Verbal feedback will not be accepted via the community contact point or at exhibitions except where necessary to recognise an individual's particular exceptional circumstances which would otherwise stop their view from being taken into account. Assistance with completing feedback forms will be provided at exhibitions for those who request it.
- 5.1.3 All responses received will be analysed and considered in the development of the DCO application for the Project.
- 5.1.4 Any personal data received as part of the consultation or as part of the consultation process will be stored and protected as per relevant data protection requirements as set out in the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). No personal details will be used or published in any materials produced in support of the Project.

### 5.2 Reporting

- 5.2.1 In accordance with Section 37(3)(c) of the PA 2008, a Consultation Report will be submitted with the application for development consent. This will report on both the non-statutory and statutory pre-application consultations to demonstrate how all statutory requirements relating to consultation and publicity (including compliance with the PA 2008) have been met, how DCLG Guidance has been taken into account and how the feedback received has influenced the application.



## 6. What happens next

- 6.1.1 Once the Stage 2 statutory consultation has closed, we will collate and analyse all of the responses received. We will carefully consider all of the issues raised and will take account of this feedback when finalising our DCO application.
- 6.1.2 As part of the DCO application we will publish a Consultation Report, listing the issues raised in the consultation and our response to them. The responses received or extracts of them may be published with personal details redacted.
- 6.1.3 If it is necessary to undertake further geographically targeted engagement, this would be undertaken, where relevant, in accordance with the principles and methods set out in this SoCC. The timetable and programme for the engagement would be publicised in the affected area via methods judged to be most appropriate by the Applicant.
- 6.1.4 We will continue to update the public and other stakeholders on our proposals at appropriate milestones throughout the Project, primarily through our Project website and engagement activities.



## 7. Further information

7.1.1

If you want to know more about the Project or would like to request copies of our consultation documents, you can:

- Visit our website [REDACTED]
- Email us at [REDACTED]
- Call our project contact point on 01945 232 231.



# Appendix A Consultation Zones

