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Dear Sir

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) – Section 55

Application by Medworth CHP Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility

Adequacy of consultation request

I refer to your letter of 8th July 2022 inviting Norfolk County Council to make representations on the adequacy of consultation for the application by Medworth CHP Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility.

Medworth CHP Limited as the developer produced a draft Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) which the County Planning Authority provided comments on.

The County Planning Authority has reviewed the Consultation Report that has been submitted with the application.

Although not all the points raised by the County Planning Authority (CPA) in its response to the consultation on the draft SoCC were incorporated into the finalised SoCC, the Appellant has addressed each of the comments, setting out how they were responded to, either by amendment of the SoCC or explaining why the amendment was not considered to be necessary. In that respect it can be considered that the Applicant did have regard to the consultation responses received.

I can confirm that Norfolk County Council as County Planning Authority considers that the developer has undertaken appropriate and adequate consultation, in accordance with the provisions of Section 42, 47 and 48 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended), in respect of their DCO application for the above development.

During consideration of the the adequacy of the applicant's consultation, the CPA received correspondence from the County Councillor for the Clenchwarton and King's Lynn South Electoral Division, Alexandra Kemp. Cllr Kemp's view was that the that the applicant did not consult adequately with residents in West Norfolk, and that the 5-kilometre radius for the area of consultation was too narrow for the area potentially affected by air pollution. This is being forwarded on for completeness and **does not affect the position set out above**, that the developer has undertaken appropriate and adequate consultation, in accordance with the provisions of Section 42, 47 and 48 of the Planning Act 2008.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the case officer, Andrew Sierakowski, [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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