

## Submissions Received During Acceptance Period

EN010110 - Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility

Name	Date
Cllr Kemp	13 July 2022
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**Sent:** 19 July 2022 13:27

**To:** Medworth <[Medworth@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:Medworth@planninginspectorate.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** Medworth Energy from Waste Facility Combined Heat and Power Facility

Dear Sirs,

The proposed Medworth Energy From Waste facility in Wisbech raises a question regarding planning practice. Does planning practice have a principle where, in the absence of other compelling reasons, the siting of infrastructure is evenly shared throughout the nation? If such a principle does exist, will it be applied to this application?

Within a ten mile radius of Walton Highway, there is the Kings Lynn Power Station, the Sutton Bridge power station and the Walpole electricity sub-station, all built in the last twenty-five years. These three nationally strategic infrastructures would become four with the EWF. As to their importance, the Sutton Bridge power station alone supplies 2% of the electricity of England and Wales.

It's difficult to imagine there is a comparable concentration anywhere else in the East of England and possibly the country. Either way is it fair to say this area is already providing more than its part of the energy infrastructure for the country, so that it only seems reasonable the incinerator should be situated elsewhere?

I am in favour of the incinerator just against its location, a position open to the charge of not in my backyard. Except on the face of it, this seems not so much to be Nimby but NEIMBY - not everything in my backyard,

Regards

B Fogarty

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From: joseph howlett [REDACTED]  
Sent: 14 July 2022 14:37  
To: NI Enquiries <[NIEnquiries@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:NIEnquiries@planninginspectorate.gov.uk)>  
Subject: Re : Medworth CHP

Hi there,

With reference to MVV's application concerning Medworth CHP scheme, received by PINS on July 7th.

Could you please advise if anybody from the PINS team will be visiting Wisbech during pre- application period? Essentially during the 28 say period after July 7th.

Thanks for comment.

Cheers

Tom Howlett  
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**From:** Kemp, Alexandra <[REDACTED]>  
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**Cc:** West Winch Parish Council [REDACTED]; RFO  
Clenchwarton [REDACTED]; Dan [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]; McCabe, Tom [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** URGENT Medworth Incinerator EN010110 : Inadequacy of Consultation RSVP

**Dear Planning Inspectorate,**

As a local County and Borough Councillor, I am asking you to refuse MVV's application for an incinerator in Wisbech upwind of the West Norfolk border of Thursday 7 July, because MVV did not consult adequately with residents in West Norfolk, within the host authorities of The Borough Council and King's Lynn and West Norfolk and Norfolk County Council.

I represent the Division of Clenchwarton and King's Lynn South on Norfolk County Council, which includes South and West Lynn, Clenchwarton, West Winch; I represent the Ward of South and West Lynn on the Borough Council.

- I asked MVV both, before and during, the Pre-Application Consultation last July to August, to consult with residents, including in the community centres, but MVV refused. MVV held no consultation in South and West Lynn or in the parishes of West Winch or Clenchwarton, and the Parish Clerks have confirmed this.
- MVV didn't consult properly with West Norfolk residents, and they set too narrow a circle for the area of consultation, of up to **5** km.
- This was illogical and inconsistent, as MVV's pre-consultation report last Summer defined the area potentially affected by air pollution, from the incinerator, at **15** km.
- But 15 km area was still too narrow an area, as it extends only to the Pullover Roundabout in West Lynn, and stops short of King's Lynn and surrounding villages and took no proper account of the velocity of the winds around the Wash as a carrier of particulates, or of the impact on the tourist area of the North Norfolk Coast.
- There is an open and flat Fen landscape between Wisbech and King's Lynn, across which particulate matter and secondary particulate matter could easily travel.
- **All Parliamentary Group on Air Pollution in December called for an immediate moratorium on all new incinerators, as research shows that eggs, 10 km away from incinerators, have been found to contain dioxins from incinerators. Incinerator matter has been found in children's toenails, and associated with childhood leukemia.**
- Tellingly, MVV's report also said they didn't need to model what would happen if there was an abnormal incident, i.e. a major accident and so chose not to do so. This was unbelievable, as ash, from their Plymouth incinerator, blew up a ship on Plymouth Sound and injured the Chief Engineer. Legally, MVV were not responsible because the ash had left their site. But that was little comfort to the ship's crew when it put their lives at risk. Incinerator ash is highly flammable and would be a risk in transit through the roads of West Norfolk, not just onsite. MVV did not consult the areas potentially affected.
- South and West Lynn are deprived areas, living in the indices of deprivation and suffered from a long battle against an incinerator 8 years ago that Cory Wheelabrator wanted to build in the ward. The prospect of another incinerator is causing anxiety. **Public Health, and Mental Health, is a material planning consideration.**
- When MVV's hired consultants spoke to the Borough's Environment Committee about the incinerator, shortly before the pandemic, I told them they should consult with Lynn and surrounding villages. They refused.

The Borough Planning Committee is discussing the matter in July and has responses from the Parish Clerks confirming non-consultation.

Could you let me know by return, that HM Planning Inspectorate cannot accept MVV's application due to inadequacy of consultation.

Regards,

**County Councillor Alexandra Kemp**

**County Division: Clenchwarton and King's Lynn South**

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