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Hello again. It's now 1015. It's not 1015. And I have confirmation from the A.V. team that apparently sound is now working. So I would like to welcome you again to the issue specific hearing one on the scope of the proposed development. And now it's time to resume this hearing.

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As I've mentioned before, this is the issue specific hearing, one on the scope of the proposed development in relation to an application made by Made with CHP Ltd, who we will refer to as the applicant for an order granting development consent for the Met with energy from waste combined heat and power facility. The development proposal comprises the construction operation and maintenance of the energy from waste combined heat and power facility with associated with connection, CHP, connection and water connection, access improvements and temporary construction compound.

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Thank you all for attending this hearing today. My name is Andre Pinto. I am a chartered town planner employed by the Planning Inspectorate, and I have been appointed by the Secretary of State for levelling up Housing and Communities as a single examining inspector to examine this application. You'll also hear me being referred to as the examining authority. I will be reporting to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy with a recommendation as to whether the development consent order should be made. The case manager for this project is Tracy Williams, who some of you have met this morning.

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Tracy is being supported here today by Mr. Atila Bustos and Ms.. April Coombes will also have Phoebe. Charlie's providing support remotely. If you have any queries about the examination process or the technology we are using for virtual events, this should be your first point of contact. The contact details can be found at the top of any that you have received from us or on the project page of National Infrastructure website.

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I will now deal with a few housekeeping that just for those attending in person first. So can I ask please, if you want to set out all of the devices and phones to silent, please. And I would also like to inform those in the room that the closest toilets are outside of this room, through the same door that you have used to gain entrance to room earlier. Straight on into the left. There are no planned five question tests today, so should the fire alarm sound, please make your way to the nearest fire exit door and make your way downstairs to the right hand side of the building.

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Fire evacuation Simply point is by the lamppost with the red sign in the green sign. Today's a blended event and it comprises an in-person meeting as well as a virtual event being held on the Microsoft teams platform.

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But those observing or participating through teams in order to minimize background noise. Can you please make sure that you stay muted unless you are speaking? If you are participating virtually and you wish to speak. It's relevant. Pointing to proceedings. Please use your hands up function. Please be patient as we may not get to you immediately, but we will invite you to speak at an appropriate time. I would also like to remind people that chat function on microphones on Microsoft teams has been deactivated, so please don't try and use this at any point.

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If you don't manage to ask your question or raise your point at the relevant time, there'll be another opportunity to do this at the end of the meeting. We will take a short break. It's about 11:30. If it appears that we need to continue much beyond our time, if this happens, please just remember those that are participating virtually to turn off the cameras and microphones during the break. If after we resume the hearing, it's still a piece that will go much beyond 1:00.

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I'll take a longer conflict break. I'm proposing approximately 45 minutes before we resume again. Can I ask if anyone has any questions on any of that?

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00:04:25:22 - 00:04:26:26 Night. Thank you.

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I don't see any hands raised, so I take that as a no. So I'll move us forward. So thank you very much for that. I would just like to stress that I will make sure that however you have decided to attend today, you'll be given a fair opportunity to participate.

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In addition to the live stream, a recording of today's meeting will be made available on demand with Energy from Waste, Combined Heat and Power Facility section of the National Infrastructure Planning website as soon as practicable after the meeting has finished. With this in mind, please ensure that you speak clearly into a microphone stating your name and who you are into it and who you are representing. If applicable, each time before you speak for those at the table, you can do that by pressing the logic button at the base of your microphone. And please make sure that you do that.

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If you are not at a table with a microphone and you wouldn't like to step up to the table to ask a question. There'll be a roving microphone. So please wait for one of those to be brought to you before you speak. I believe that my colleague Tracey Williams will be carrying out that function. If you are attending virtually and don't want your image to be recorded, you can switch off your camera. For those in the room who do not want to be recorded, there is an area to the back of the room, out of shot to out of shot of the camera, to my left hand site.

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Because the digital recording that we make, because the digital recordings that we make are kind in published the form of public records, it can contain your personal information into which the general data protection regulation does apply. All in the rarest of circumstances. Might we ask you to provide

personal information of the type that most of us would prefer to keep private or confidential? Therefore, to avoid the need to edit digital recordings, please try your best not to add any information that you wouldn't like to see in the public records, or that you wish to be kept private.

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If you feel that personal information is necessary, please provide this in a written documents that we can redact before publication. The planning Practice practice is to retain and publish recordings for a period of five years from the Secretary of State's decision

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link to the planning Inspectorate's Privacy notice was provided in the Rule six letter alongside notification for this hearing, which I assume that everybody here today is familiar with.

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Please speak to Tracy Williams as well if you have any questions or queries about this.

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This meeting will follow the agenda as set out in Annex F of the Rule six letter. So it would be helpful if you have a copy of this in front of you today. I will now ask the case team to display the agenda on screen if we can. When we get a chance.

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Can I ask, is there anyone in this room that does not have the agenda with them?

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No. Everyone seems to have an agenda in the room, so maybe we can wait a while longer until the agenda is displayed. But as soon as we can. Please. Thank you.

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May I ask if anyone joining us? Virtually. Has not had access to an agenda.

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I don't see any hands. Right. So I'll take that as a now. So continue. I will conclude the hearing as soon as relevant contributions have been made and all questions asked and responded to. But if the discussions cannot be concluded, then it might be necessary for me to prioritize matters and other matters to written questions. Likewise, if you cannot answer the question being asked or required time to get the information requested, then please can you just indicate that you need to respond in writing? And we will do our best to submit a response on issues in writing.

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Thank you.

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Does anyone have any questions on what I have just set out?

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All right. So we'll move on to introductions then. So I'm going to ask those of you who are participating in today's meeting to introduce yourselves. When I said organization name, could you please introduce yourself stating your name and who you represent and which agenda item you would like to speak on if you are not representing an organization. Thank you. I believe that agenda is now visible. Thank you.

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Please confirm your name, Summarize your interest in the application and confirm the agenda items upon which.

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So could I please start with the applicant first? To my left.

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Good morning, sir. My name is Alexandra Booth, King's counsel, and I appear on behalf of the applicant. To my immediate left is Roderick of Mason's solicitors, and she and I will effectively be holding the ring and the course of this specific hearing and presenting the counsel's case. But we will be chipping in to support the contributions from the applicant team, and I'm going to run through their names very briefly in terms of those who will be participating to Ms.

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Broderick's left. Immediate left is Mr. Tim Marks, who is the applicant head of Planning. Welcome to his left is Mr. Paul Carney, the Managing Director. Gosh, apologies of the applicant.

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To his immediate left is Mr. David KENYON, who is a technical director of WSP. That is to say, the planning consultants. Promoting the application.

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Behind him on the second row is standing now is Mrs. Claire Brown, who is also a technical director with WSP, and she will also be assisting. And in addition, I'm afraid one member of the team is not able to attend today because they are ill with COVID, and that is Mr. Mike Turner, who is another director of the applicant. He is attending virtually, and he will be contributing at various points during the session.

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The various members of the team will be chipping in at various different points. But in each case I will reintroduce them and ensure that the examination understands who it is that is contributing.

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Thank you, Mr.. Both. Now I would turn to my right and see a County Council in Fenland District Council.

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Good morning again. My name is Andrew Fraser Urquhart King's Council. I'm on a joint instruction from Cambridgeshire Council and Fenland District Council. And for the tape, I shall now introduce myself as representing the county and district.

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Thank you. Mr. Andrew Fraser. Eckert. Shall I? Did I pronounce it correctly today? Thank you. I'm trying. That's try.

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Thank you very much. Thank you. I'm just here before you. I'm I. Such as? Our contribution will be. I will primarily be doing the speaking for the County council. We have various offices here and online. And if I need their services, I'll bring them forward and introduce them. But that time, if I may.

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Thank you. Circuit. I'm.

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I would also like to bring in the Borough council of King's Lynn in West Norfolk, please.

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Hello. I'm Lorna Gilbert and I'm principal planner at the Borough Council of Kingsland in West Norfolk. I'm here to answer questions. If you've got any questions that you've got for me, then you know I'm available to answer those. Thank you.

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Okay. Thank you very much. And I have some other apps with me on the table, if I could ask. I believe Councillor. Michael. Doualy, is that correct? No.

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Close enough. It's Andrew. Michael. Totally unknown as Michael. I would describe myself as an interested party. I am a Bible counselor for West Norfolk, but I am not representing them.

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Thank you very much. And can I just confirm that Which items on the agenda do you wish to speak?

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Thank you, sir. Yes. Particularly item four on the agenda, the need for the proposed development. Thank you.

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Right.

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Thank you very much, Mr. MacLeod. Wally. And could I introduce. Could I ask you to introduce yourself, please?

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Thank you, sir. I'm Counselor Steve Tierney. I am the town district and county councillor representing Bedworth, and I'm here representing the people of Medway, which is the place where the applicants are proposing to build an incinerator. And I have no specific agenda item I wish to speak on. I expect to be speaking at the open giving. But I'm here in case of something that I can offer some insight or opinion.

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Thank you. Thank you very much. Thank you. Mr..

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Right.

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I will now turn to those that are joining us online. And I believe that we have some people that have expressed a desire to speak today and have joined us virtually. So I would like to bring those people in

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to we have with us today. Ms.. Miss Emma Barnett, I assume.

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Yes. Thank you. Thank you, sir. Yes. My name is Emma Barnett, and I'm here to represent Wisbech town council and I would like to speak on agenda items. Four and five, please.

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Thank you, Mr. Ballard. And can you. Can you just give some to me, please? How you would like to be addressed, please.

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An incoming respondent. We can call me Emma. I don't mind either. He just might.

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Thank you very much. Mr.. Okay.

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And may I also ask, I believe Mr. Josh Darwin from UK, Wyn has joined us online.

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Good morning, sir. My name is Shlomo. Mr. Shlomo doing? I'm here with my son and colleague, Mr. Joshua Darwin. We are indeed here from UK win the United Kingdom without incineration network. And we will be listening closely to everything the applicant has to say, in particular with respect to agenda item four. And we may need to chip in or we may be able to be quiet for the rest of the session.

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No, I don't believe we have. Um, I also have some further requests from people that have.

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Expressed a desire to speak today. Mr. Anthony Kelly I believe, no. Mr. Mervyn. Sergeant.

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Is there anyone that I have not called, first of all, that wishes to speak today?

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Yes. So I have registered to speak as well.

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I apologize. Introduce yourself. Yeah.

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I'm Clive Ballard. I'm just here in my capacity as a local resident, but hopefully bring some expertise related to health issues from my role as professor of age related diseases at King's College, London. I

wanted to speak about potential health and environment impacts in further consideration of the proposal.

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Thank you very much, Mr. Ballard, in Can I please ask you to just

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tell me whichever items you wanted to participate, and I'll bring you to that discussion. Thank you. Thank you.

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Anyone else in the room today? Now virtually. Can I ask people that have joined us online? If there is anyone that I have not called that would like to participate in today's meeting and specific agenda items?

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I don't see any hands raised, so I assume that that is a no.

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So thank you very much for that.

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So if I may, just one final point on introductions. Obviously, we can see those who are attending online insofar as we have names of individuals online. I think it might just assist so that we know who we are talking to. If any member of the public who was attending online, who was representing an organization, could indicate that they were representing an organization. And tell us what that is just so we can make a list and understand the position. For example, we know that Adams Henry are appearing on behalf of the town council, so we know the town council are participating.

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If I were any other organizations that were participating, it would be helpful to know. It may be that there aren't, but we think it'd be helpful. Yes, to that question.

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Thank you very much, Mr. Booth. And as I have said, as I have mentioned before in my introductory notes, if you are representing an organization, please identify the organization first and then to file yourself as well. Just for clarity, thank you very much.

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Me. But to week I see one hand raised. I believe that you are joining us online.

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Yes. Thank you, sir. I am representing natural England, and as Steve rightly said, I am unable to work.

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Thank you very much, Mr. Patrick.

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And would you like to speak on any specific items today? Be specific.

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No specific items of anything relating to the environment or any questions that anyone may have. I'm happy to answer.

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Thank you very much, Mr. Butler. Mrs. Buttery. Right.

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Right. So if there are no further questions on this point, I'll move then to item two purpose of the issue specific hearing.

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So let me briefly explain the purpose of this issue, your specific hearing.

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The main purpose of this hearing is twofold. One, for the examining authority to explore the overarching principles that underpin development proposal, its aims and objectives, and the role of each one of the principal components that make up its development proposal. For the examining authority to explore the applicant's intentions for the land included within Georgia limits as identified in the land plans. Reference 8s004. How it relates to draft is your debt Library Reference AP 001013 Apologies and how person and persons with a legal interest in the land or any part of the land affected by the application have been identified in the book of reference that is AP 015.

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I would also like to stress that this is not a hearing on the default on development consent order or compulsory acquisitions. Those hearings in those topics are pencilled in for Wednesday, 12th of April and Thursday, the 13th of April. As per the draft examination timetable, which will be confirmed as soon as practicable after this week of hearings. Therefore, I propose that for specific questions regarding either the development order or compulsory acquisitions that do not relate to items mentioned in today's agenda are raised in either one of those meetings hearings.

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As previously mentioned, the agenda for this meeting was set out in an F of the Rule six, and today's hearing will be a structured discussion led by the examining authority. Please be assured that I am familiar with all that you have submitted to us so you don't have to repeat in length anything that you have already put out in writing. Submissions carry equal weight regardless of the format in which they have been put to us. If you do refer to any documents this morning, it would be helpful if you could give us the correct examination library reference number.

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Please do try to avoid using any acronyms or people s people that might be watching into or might not be familiar with those terms that you are using or people online. Are there any comments that anyone like to make on item two of the agenda?

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I see no hands raised online or no hands raised in the room for all of us. On to item three components of the Met with energy from waste, combined heat and power. So before I start asking questions, I thought it might be useful for me to provide some context in terms of the key documents that will

form the basis of the questions that I have prepared on this specific topic, particularly for the applicant.

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So I will be relying mostly, if not exclusively on information in chapter three of the stats description of proposed development AP 030,

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which provides an overview of the proposed development as set out and sets out the main components of the energy from Waste CHP Facility, CHP connection, access improvements, grid connection, water connections, and temporary construction compounds. Chapter three of the S makes reference to the works as described within to drive the draft eco that will be AP 013 and is shown in the works plan. AP 007.

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Planning statement that will be reference app 091 assesses the compliance of proposed development with relevant and NPC national policy statements, as well as other national and local policies deemed important enough relevant to the termination of development consent order application. And finally, the statement of Reasons Steps Reference App 017. So first of all, can I ask the applicant to provide this with a brief overview, high level overview please, of the development proposal? They need key components.

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So, yes, of course.

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I mean, in terms of that agenda, right, It is Mr. Marx who is going to provide the examination with a brief overview. And as you say, he will be referring to, for example, chapter three of s document 030. So I should say Alexander Booth, King's counsel for the applicant. However, before we moved to that item, I just thought very briefly it might serve the examination purposes if Mr. Carey provided a very brief explanation as to who the applicant is, what it does, its experience and its expertise.

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So I don't know whether that would assist. Before we move to the actual agenda item, to put that into context.

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I'm happy to accept that. Yes. Yes. Thank you, Mr. Blair.

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On that basis, I'm going to hand over to Mr. Carey, and if he can briefly explain summarize the position for the benefit of the examination. Thank you.

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Good morning. Paul Carey, managing director of MVP environment and of the applicant met with CHP. So I represent and MVP in Germany. Our ultimate parent company is called MVP. And the key asking is Celsius, which is the equivalent of a postie based in Mannheim. We've been owning and operating energy from waste facilities

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since the 1960s and here in the UK developing the same over the last 10 to 15 years. Our portfolio includes a number of these facilities, including one in Mannheim with a facility capacity of 700,000

tons a year. But here in the UK, more importantly, excuse me. We operate three facilities, principally one in Devonport in the heart of Western China, with a capacity of 265,000 tonnes.

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And that is energy from waste, combined heat and power facility. It takes waste in from the local authorities and local businesses and it generates heat and electricity for the Royal Navy in Devonport dockyard with the excess of electricity going to the national grid. It's we operate a similar facility, slightly smaller in Dundee on the eastern side of the urban landscape of Dundee, treating 220,000 tonnes a year also geared up to provide heat to local users.

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And then in Kent we operate a particular plant that takes waste wood only, but it's still an energy from waste plant, again designed to supply heat. And we also have another subsidiary company, which is what we call a licensed electricity supply that helps us deal with the electricity industry. So each of these operations is set up as a subsidiary company. I'm a director, as would my colleague Mike Turner, who will be speaking later. We're both directors of each company in the portfolio and Medway CHP Ltd.

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The applicant record is another subsidiary sitting alongside all of those as a group, and Aviva Energy has made strong commitments towards achieving net zero by 2040 and being climate positive thereafter. And we've got specific targets to get to 80% of our cut, to cut our carbon emissions by 80% of our 2018 levels, and to do that by 2030. And we support all of these objectives here in our UK business, and we have future proofed all of our activities to be able to achieve those.

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We're looking here at an investment of around about 450 million. We've been working on this project for a number of years now, since 2019, and we're aided by a number of professional advisers on my left wood group, now known as WSP, as technical advisors, a cottage owners as land agents, Pinsent Masons as lawyers, and cut off elsewhere by other companies.

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Can just ask you a quick question. Just you mentioned several different projects that, as I understand it, within the UK. Could you clarify for the examination for everyone into them how many of those projects actually meet the threshold to be considered national significant infrastructure projects like the one that you are?

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None of those they will put through the Town and Country Planning Act process?

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But I was going to finish by just saying that we've been working on this project. We have advisors, but the majority of the work is done by my team, Mr. Marks here and colleagues behind our colleagues, not here necessarily. Maybe they're listening in available to help us answer any questions you may have. And we believe in doing this work ourselves. We don't just happen thinking so should we be successful here as we do with our facilities in Plymouth, we own and operate the facilities.

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We very much become a member of the community. Maybe talk about that a bit later on, but we're very much owners and operators of these facilities with many, many years of expertise in doing so.

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I thank you for that summary. Mr. Kirby and I will like to actually pick up some further questions on the climate positive sort of issue that you have touched upon, but I have that scheduled probably for item four of the agenda a little bit further down today. But I will actually ask some further questions on that specific topic. But thank you very much for that of of you.

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Thank you, sir. I should say for you and indeed others in the examination who wanted any further information in relation to the applicant. Further details can be found in the funding statement which. Use document app 016 and also section 1.2 of chapter one of the Yes. Which is document 029.

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Sorry, could you could you repeat that for me? I can see the.

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Funding statement at document 016.

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And also section 1.2 of chapter one of the S.

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And that is document 029.

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Thank you very much, Mr. Boss.

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Thank you, sir. Well, on that basis, I'm now going to ask Mr. Marks, just figuratively, at least, step forward and speak to the various elements of the proposal. And as I've already indicated, sir, I mean, obviously, as you are well aware, further details in respect of the proposal and its constituent elements can be found in the environmental statement, particularly in chapter three, which is document 030. But on that basis, I'm going to hand over to Mr.

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Martin.

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Thank you. Good morning, sir. My name is Tim Marks. I'm a chartered town planner and I'm head of planning at Mvb Environment Limited. I just like to say I appreciate you've undertaken a site visit and you've also reviewed the DCO applications submission documents, so I like to keep it brief, my introduction brief and to the key components of the proposed development. I also thought it might be helpful just to address the degree of confusion that emerged yesterday during the plenary meeting over some aspects of the proposed development regarding loophole and traffic rerouting.

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For the purpose of describing.

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Sorry. Sorry to interrupt you in terms of the points that you wish to address that came up yesterday. You mentioned traffic issues and I would I would sort of question why do we feel that we need to address that point today?

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So it's not in terms of dealing with traffic in any particular detail, but we think it might be helpful in talking about what the project is, to say a very little about how it would operate. Then you yourself said, and I know you hope to have a detailed understanding, but also members of the public participating in the examination will understand matters such as traffic rerouting. We're only proposing to explain it on a very high level. It's just simply a question of indicating which roads would be impacted or certainly directly impacted and which would not, for example, because in circumstances where there may be a misapprehension as to that point, we think that's probably relevant to explain in the context of what the project is.

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But again, so entirely in your.

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Hands that they will accept it. Mr. Bowles So as long as we keep it in relation to the different elements in very high level, then please do continue.

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Absolutely, sir. Okay. Thank you. So for the purpose of describing the order limits and the components of the proposed development, I'd refer you to figure 3.2. I project components in chapter three Document reference AP 049 Whether or not it it would be helpful for everybody concerned to put the drawing up on the screen.

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A killing, I suppose.

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Just a moment. We've asked for that to happen, right? The examination not yet know.

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Thank you. Can I just ask the case team to share that document if we can?

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Mr. Marks, I believe you mentioned was it figure 3.2?

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I correct. So this is the drawing. Thank you. So this drawing here provides an overview of the order limits and the key components within the order limits.

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Now, whilst a full description of the acronyms, abbreviations, etc. can be found in Appendix one F Document reference AP 068, I will aim to minimise my use of them. But sometimes this can be problematic in the in the descriptions, but nonetheless I'd refer you to the appendix. One map of the proposed development comprises of the following key components. Firstly, we have the energy from

waste combined Heat and power facility referred to as the f w CHP facility and reflected in the draft eco as works order number one and two of document reference ATP 013 and this is the facility to which residual waste is delivered to be treated by means of controlled incineration to produce energy.

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This is the red area on the drawing on the figure 3.2 that you see on your screen.

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We also have the combined heat and power connection, the CHP connection, which is works order number three and the CHP connection is from the west of the f w CHP facility site runs along the currently disused railway line heading north and involves the construction of steam pipelines and any private wire connections located within it to supply electricity and steam to local businesses.

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This is the purple line that heads north from the DFW CHP facility site.

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We then have access improvements, works order number four in the draft DCO, and these include works that will be carried out to improve the access along Newbridge Lane to the EAF CHP facility site and to include for the reopening of the highway over the disused currently disused march to Wisbech railway. We also see this will be the land to the south of the f w CHP facility site and I can't quite make out the colour with my glasses.

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Apologies. We we can confirm that in a moment.

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In terms of the water connections works, Order number six.

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Before we move away from access. Perhaps that might be an appropriate moment. Mr. Marks. Sorry, Alexander Booth for the applicant. And that might be an appropriate moment to indicate by reference to this plan where it is anticipated that.

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Traffic bringing waste for combustion at the site. What route they would be using?

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Sure.

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Okay. So just bear with me one second. In terms of the operation, no route restrictions. We are not trying to place undue burden on local employment, local businesses or local waste collections. Therefore, we are not proposing route restrictions for those local movements within Wisbech town.

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However, apologies. Mr. Mayor, Could you clarify that for me? I'm not really quite sure that I understand what you mean by burden.

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Sorry. Well, we do not want to unduly prevent people who live in Wisbech and could be employed at the facility from having to circumnavigate around Wisbech due to the road routes restriction onto the a47 and then to the facility. Rather they take the best course of travel for them to the site.

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Thank you. And also the same for local businesses. We would not want to restrict local businesses in we speech being able to provide services, parts, spare, etc. to the facility where the restrictions would be would come into force would be on those travelling on the strategic highway network where they would be it on the a47 and and they would be directed to the Cromwell Road junction with the A47 and then to New Bridge Lane through the new access improvements that we are proposing there to to enter the saw.

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My apologies. I'm just going to stop you there for a second. Could we just clarify within the image where those junctions are located?

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Okay. So the. Junction is just off the map.

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And I might jump in to assist on a very laymen's basis. The A47 is in effect,

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the semicircle.

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The semicircle area that has a high that high proportion of it is highlighted in red outline.

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Absolutely so, sir. So that is the a47. Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Fraser. Okay.

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Thank you.

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Circuit the relevant junction that Mr. Marks is talking about. Got to have an assistant.

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Right.

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The relevant junction is actually just off the page close to Mr. Fraser work, and it's a quite work from Weld Road. Joined the A47. So traffic it is anticipated in the ordinary course events would be coming up, I think potentially from both East and West, but particularly from the West. And then it will hit the Cromwell Road junction, move up Cromwell Road and then turn right down Newbridge Lane before reaching the site entrance where Mr. Urquhart's pennant. Thanks very much, sir.

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Thank you both.

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Thank you. So that would be the HGV route during operations to the facility. So HGV would not be routed north from the Elm Hall Roundabout may need another assistant to two points.

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The reference has been made to the Freedom Roundabout in particular, which is a roundabout at the very north. I'm not going to ask Mr. Fraser to jump up to the very north of that image and indeed it's close to the premises in which we're sat today. But what Mr. Marks is saying, that it's not anticipated that HGV traffic importing waste to the site would be accessing through Wisbech and that freedom roundabout rather it would be accessing by means of the a47 the Cromwell road and the new bridge lane as we've shown.

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Yes. Yes. So the Freedom Bridge roundabout further north and the M4 roundabout on the A47, we would not be rerouting HGV traffic through those. Thank you. So we wouldn't be reaching it a long ways in lane past the Thomas Clarkson Academy.

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So we're probably going in more detail than the inspector had in mind because these are all roads that you're familiar with that I'm familiar with. But we'd have to ask Mr. Fraser earlier to jump up and point to. So we're not going to do that, right? That's just the headline.

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I'll just I'm conscious that I see hands in the audience, several hands. Can I just ask that I'll give an opportunity to the applicant to finish answering the question that I have just asked. And after that I will then request if there is anyone else that wants to comment. So I have seen hands and I will provide you with an opportunity to comment and come back. Thank you. If you would like to continue, Mr. Booth.

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No, No, sir. I'll. I'll sit back down, so to speak.

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Of course.

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Mr. Monk. Mr. Marks, we talked down about access, and you were going on to discuss water. And actually.

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I was. Just very quickly, though, I would refer you in terms of the traffic rating restrictions for operational phase to DC draft requirements 11 and the outline traffic. So I get the right reference here. The outline Operational Traffic Management plan, APB, 106. Sorry, sorry. It's DCI requirement 12, not 11.

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Right. Okay. Thank you very much for that. Now, if we would go back to.

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Sort of main compartments and how they all come together. Please. Thank you.

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Okay. So the next component part is the water connections works. Order number six. And this is a proposed found water connection from the f w CHP facility site,

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both along at angles way by circuit around 10 to 20 meters to an existing rising main where connecting to Anglian water's existing foul water system and also which is on the top right hand corner of the red shape for the f w site on the figure 3.21.

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As I'm sure you are familiar with, Al Gore's way is the second.

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Shorted length for thanks to you.

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And the other elements of the water Connection is a possible water supply, and this would be a connected underground connection that would go south from the DFW CHP facility site and then turn east along the Newbridge lane. And then it would be to connect to the Anglian Water potable water connection point, which is on the east side of the A47 and would be following a route along Newbridge Lane or possibly through a field which is currently an orchard slightly to the north of Newbridge Lane.

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And though that is subject to the final details in terms of the construction activity and whether or not it's horizontal directional free or open cut arrangements.

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Thank you.

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We didn't have the what the grid connection. And the grid connection is the the semi-circle, as we say, that runs along the a47 north to the well. So can substation these are works or the number seven and eight and this is the underground electrical connection from the EAF CHP facility to the National Electricity Transition Network connection point at the also can substation. This includes the construction of a small substation, the substation which we are referring to in the planning documents as well.

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So can substation, which is a small compound housing some equipment to allow us to then connect into the network of the National Electricity Transmission Network at this substation.

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So we just emphasized that because we understood potentially yesterday, certain parties might have understood development, was proposing to link to the substation at Walpole, which is another destination some way hence, and that was a matter which the applicant had previously explored. But that is no part of this application.

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Before confirming that. Anything else you'd like to add at this point? Mr..

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Much Just that just in terms of the temporary construction compound, which is referred to as TCC Works order number five, and is the line or bright green

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block next to the east of the FWC facility site. This is required to construct the proposed development for temporary period. The land will be used to accommodate the construction compound, including staff, parking office and welfare facilities.

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Right. Just advance warning. I do have some more questions in terms of construction compound, but I am mindful that I have a lot of people in this room that wanted to actually come in on this specific point. So I propose that actually we will open to discussion now on that. If you have finished now your explanation.

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Mr. Morris I'm happy if you want to define the question.

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Okay. So first of all, I would like to open the discussion to the room. I will start with with the Council. What We switched on to come in, please.

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Thank you, sir. Councillor Steve Tierney, representing the people I've met with just a little bit of history on the vote, although you mentioned the Freedom Bridge roundabout, actually one of the busiest accesses to Wisbech is the former road junction that goes right past new bridge lane. You may not be aware, but they used to be, I think with the Wisbech access study, which was a group of people led by the County Council with all the other local authorities involved, I sat on that for a number of years where we looked at ways to improve access to Wisbech. One of the very early proposals was a change, very similar in New Bridge Lane to the one that's being suggested and it was rejected and thrown out because of the catastrophic effect we felt it would have on the local traffic movements.

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We absolutely rejected it. It was thrown out and no money was given to it. So I just think that's a very bad idea. And I wanted you to be aware that it's been discussed and rejected before.

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Okay, I will give a chance to the applicant to reply to this comment as to both.

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Sir. Thank you. Obviously I understand Councillor Tony's representation. We're not looking to debate the substance, if you like the meat of the traffic position today, so I'm not going to get into matters of detail. All I will say is that the applicant considers the position in relation to traffic to be entirely robust and the reason that we flagged this point in setting out the various constituent elements of the proposal was simply because a number of the representations and indeed a number of the banners that have been posted in the local area refer to traffic passing through Wisbech town.

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And we're not, we're not indicating that there will be no traffic that.

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Reaches the site through Wisbech town. But what we wish to indicate was that traffic travelling from further afield would not be travelling through Wisbech town. Rather it would be travelling on the route that Mr. Marks had explained. That is to say, the A47 Cranwell Road Newbridge Lane. As regards matters of detail in relation to what Count Attorney has said will come to that on the weekend.

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I would welcome that. It's just helpful at the moment. I have another gentleman that wants to participate, gentlemen, with the great. Yes, please.

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I was meeting, I was having a meeting to say if you'd like to join us. Please.

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Thank you. Self first and any organization that.

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Was beach town councillor deputy mayor and lead the council. Thank you sir. I've said here the first gentleman was talking about the access via the A47. I'm sorry. Thank you. That's rather been contradicted by Mr. Booth a short while ago by saying it's not put at risk. We don't want. I mean, hope to God this thing doesn't happen. But you've now contradicted what the gentleman said previously, saying, well, we.

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Might bring traffic through Freedom Bridge.

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Well, I think if it's if it doesn't happen. But if that does happen, I think there has to be a legal requirement somewhere. I know we all pay car tax and lorry tax and that sort of thing. There are restrictions on motoring access or lorry access to this site. The traffic in Wisbech is bad enough at the moment without having three lorries coming through every day.

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Thank you. Mr..

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Okay. Thank you very much. Councillor.

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Human applicant if that would assist if I clarify matters once again, it seems like looking to clarify something. I've confused people. And to be clear, I certainly didn't intend to say anything inconsistent with what Mr. Marks said previously. What Mr. Marks had indicated was that they weren't. That is to say the applicant is not seeking to constrain the activities and routes of local business and local traffic from within Wisbech, for example. But what it is seeking to do is to impose a well into impose controls in relation to HGV traffic travelling to the site from elsewhere.

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For the purposes of importing waste. And it is that traffic that will be making use of the A47 Cromwell Road new bridge lane rate. As I say, we're not going to get into the detail of it, but I'm not looking to get into detail now. But what I will say is that insofar as the Councillor refers to the need for a legal requirement, it is in fact intended that a requirement be imposed on the DCO, that requirement providing for the submission and approval of a traffic management plan which would address this issue.

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So that is entirely the applicant's intention. Thank you, sir.

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Thank you very much, Mr.. Both. I see that you would like to come in again council, but before I do, I would just like to ask anyone else in the room if they would like to come in first, since they haven't

had the opportunity now. And I will go first online and virtual and ask if there is anyone joining us on mind that would select committee on this point.

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Just again, please. Briefly, Counselor.

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Absolutely. I'm sorry. I don't mean to be pedantic or to delay the proceedings, but I do have to take issue with the idea that Chrome will vote on the votes turning off a part of the town of Wisbech. Of course they are. And the people who live on them will be offended for you to think otherwise. It shows a misunderstanding of the town that you don't think that's the town of Wisbech. The signs around the town of course, refer to the whole town, not just a small block in the middle. Thank you.

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Well, if I may briefly, of course, it's known no purpose of mine, no intention of mine to give offence to anyone. And perhaps I've been a little casual in terms of the language that I've used. But certainly a number of the representations that we have read, we have seen refer to travelling traffic, passing through the centre of Wisbech and the Freedom Bridge roundabout. And it is to that to those representations to which I was speaking. So whilst we recognise that of course the entirety of the built up area of Wisbech represents Wisbech, it is not and I can only confirm what I've said before.

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It is not the applicant's intention to bring traffic from further afield for the purposes of importing waste through the centre of Wisbech. But to say it's a noble purpose of mine to give offence to anyone.

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Thank you very much Mr. Borst, and thank you very much cos attending as well. Would anyone else like to intervene on this specific point? No, thank you very much. So I will move us onto our my next question for the applicant. And I would actually like for us to get in a little bit more detail of some of the proposal, some components of the proposal and the works. So the proposal includes two chimneys and associated continuous emission monitoring systems and platform.

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And can I ask the applicant to please talk a little bit more about the monitoring system that is proposed, how it works, and any failsafe mechanisms that might be built into the system.

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So I think the appropriate person to answer those questions would be Mr. Kerry, So I'm going to pass the ball to him. So topic.

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Mr. Kerry, please. Thank you.

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Thank you. Paul Kerry, Managing Director of energy. And so it's a requirement under the permit that we would have from the Environment Agency to monitor the emissions going up the chimney into the atmosphere. And we take this very seriously. Of course, it would be two boilers on each boiler, obviously this old chimney, so that we can operate one boiler at a time or both together, and each chimney would be fitted with its own sets of we call it SEMS in the industry, but it means continuous

emissions monitoring system sense and that would be on a platform and some meters up the height of the chimney.

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And the technology for this is varied. It depends on what you're looking to monitor. So some of the systems use light, some of the systems use gas analysis, etc. And what's important to know is that we have two sets on each chimney. So if one set is not working, we have a backup immediately on hand. Everything is monitored by us in real time, so we're able to see what these instruments are recording. And if you came to the control room in our facility, you could see all this information on a screen, and this information is made available to the Environment Agency at any time they want.

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They have a live feed if you wish to, to that. And we have alarms and other systems that monitor the emissions levels that are most of the time, the levels are well below those set by the legislation. And we monitor the levels. I mean, if we see them creeping up, which might happen for various reasons, our control, our system and our control room and our operators can take measures to intervene and in the worst case will shut down if we have to. And that's the simplest things ever. More often than not, we will control the situation and bring the emissions back down to their normal operating levels.

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This information would be made public normally on an average basis because it just is less data to present that this information will always be available to members of the public, and any visitor that wanted to come and see us would be able to see all this in in real time, just as they do in Plymouth and in Dundee, where we operate, a very similar facility. So to cut a long story short, it's all perfectly done and in safe hands according to our environmental permit that we would have to achieve obtained from the Environment Agency, which is a process that's underway in parallel to this DCO application.

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Thank you, Mr. Kerry. You mentioned just now several emissions, and that was, I believe, the term that you have used. I'm just wondering if you have had any conversations already with the Environment Agency in terms of what the appropriate emissions are, the nature of them that you'll be monitoring. And if you could talk a little bit more about actually what will be monitored specifically.

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Sure. Of course, are the the requirements under law are set down by what's called the Industrial emissions directive, and that has a number of set points above which we should never go.

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And they, for example, your monitoring

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dust or. Particulate matter. You're monitoring carbon monoxide. You should also be looking at very tiny quantities of acid gases, etc.. These are all different chemicals, if you like, that are in the food acid. Another one, which is obviously of great importance, would be not just oxides. We call them NOx. Again, it's an abbreviation used in the industry. So nitrous oxide would also be monitored. And we generally keep all of these levels and generally at least 20% and often 80% or so, but below the level set by the Industrial Emissions Directive.

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In practice, we'll have a permit from the Environment Agency to process for that. Application has started.

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It's going through the very early stages of that process now and we will agree with the Environment Agency limits. They may well even be below those set by the Industrial Emissions Directive. We will discuss those with the Environment Agency and will also be, should we call it future proofing to allow us to further reduce those, should those industrial emission Directive and be reduced as we anticipate them being done in any event, soon across the entire UK fleet? There would be perhaps tighter emissions deployed and we would be able to future proof the design of that facility to achieve those lower levels.

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Thank you, Mr. Kerry. And I would also remind people that we have the Environment Agency with us joining us online. Mr. Patrick, I was wondering if you would like to come in and.

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I might have misheard. I thought it was from Natural England.

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And.

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Apologies. Did I? Could you could you confirm for me my notes say environmental agency. But that might have been my mistake. Could you confirm to me, please, Mr. Patrick, which organisation you are representing with us today?

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Yes, sir. It's natural. England, I.

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Think. Apologies that. No problem. Thank you. Thank you very much for confirming that. You mentioned in any case, that's the process with the Environment Agency is actually ongoing at the moment.

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Yes, we we launched our application some time ago and unfortunately, the Environment Agency is sitting on a number of things and it's taken them a while to get round to ours. But they have now started that process. We have a named case officer and we'll follow that through with our technical consultants sitting next to me as well.

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Thank you very much, Mr. Mr. Marks. Mr. Kerry. Apologies.

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Would anyone like to add. Yes, gentlemen.

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Clive Barker, had you mentioned sort of a number of the emissions, but from what I've read about these types of facilities, there are also much more toxic things produced, such as heavy metals and other things that are dealt with with capture technology. And I think there have been one or two incidents of round a report from China where some where there was some escape of some of these which are obviously highly toxic if they do get into the environment. So it would be helpful to also understand, you know, how reliable the capture technology is.

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Can we understand the likelihood of that failing or partly failing? If that happens, how quickly with the monitoring procedures sort of pick that up and how much exposure would that be before that monitoring technology was able to then lead to shut down? And obviously, in the context of this particular development, I think that's especially important given the proximity to local primary and other schools.

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Thank you, Mr. Ballard. APPLICANT Mr. Clerk.

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So I don't know whether Mr. Kerry's is going to be able to respond to that. I'm going to invite him to do so in a moment. But of course,

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this is a this is a hearing concerned with the scope of the project rather than equality and health, which is perhaps a matter. Well, certainly said that I would anticipate B being addressed in more detail at one of the environmental issues specific hearings later in the process. I say that's only because we don't have our air quality specialist in the room with us today. It wasn't anticipated.

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I understand that. And except that in that case, can I actually have an action or deadline one, please, for perhaps this issue to be responded to in writing by deadline one? Yes.

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The policies for before I volunteer that, I'm going to ask whether Mr. Kerry can deal with it on the air. Okay. I just want in case he couldn't. I just wanted to make that point.

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Mr. Kerry, are you happy for Kerry?

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Yes, and certainly for Kerry. Again, sorry. So, yes, you're dead right There are in the waste, because what people throw in their bins, unfortunately, does contain things like heavy metals. So you might be talking about lead. You know, mercury is a common heavy metal and these things come through to the end of the point where we have a very, very big air pollution control system. We inject something called activated carbon, which is a very finely ground carbon.

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And the way I describe this to people, it's like a flying sponge. It collects up all those heavy metals and there's other things called dioxins and purines. Also, in the very hard to measure, they can be measured and they're captured by this flying sponge and then they're all trapped on the filters that are maybe several thousand of these filters. What I would really recommend, if you have the time, is to come and visit us in Plymouth. And I can show you show you exactly how this is done in Plymouth. And it is a very sophisticated system.

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And some of these, we call them species, some of these pollutants are very difficult to measure online. So some of them are done through what we call extractive testing. So we'll take a sample of three gas and send it to a laboratory, and we can do that fairly quickly. And that's monitored again in accordance with the permit. It will be not just the levels set, but also the monitoring frequencies. Some of them will be continuous online, some of them will be periodic to extractive testing. But

anybody in the room, anybody in Wisbech is welcome to come visit us in ten methods, see how we do it then.

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It's all perfect.

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Mr. Kerry, Can I just ask you, you have and now Plymouth and your your facility in that location and are we confident that the filters that you have just mentioned and the process through which you utilized our process would apply considering the difference in size of the two facilities that we are looking at?

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Absolutely confidence. No problem at all.

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Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Kelly.

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So could I just have all vote? Yes, You'd like to come in again.

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So just a very brief response that particularly if some of this testing has to be done in the laboratory and sent away, even if that's even if that's done fairly swiftly, it does sound like that would be concerning potential for those pollutant levels to be present for a period before that was recognized.

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Thank you, Mr. Bartlett, for that point. And I, I think at this point that I have mentioned previously, I think might still assist us in the examination if we would keep that action point. So if we could actually come back in writing

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by deadline one with a more detailed answer, I think that this is this will probably help us with the examination if that's acceptable to both.

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So yes, how these on a base for the option, we're keen to provide you with credits and records of anything that might assist and indeed to provide clarification

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to members of the public participating in the examination. We will come back with a more detailed answer. I'm keen not to drown people in paper because applicants are sometimes criticized for making documents such as this overly technical. So you say more detailed. We will provide a level of detail which we hope is the appropriate level,

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and we will do that. But just to be clear, firstly in relation to the question to which we are being asked to provide a detailed answer, my understanding is that we're being asked to explain how, if you like, the monitoring system works, specifically with reference to the risk of Harry heavy metals being passed through the flu gases.

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I believe that that was the essence of Mr. Ballot's concern. Is that correct? Please?

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Yes, yes, yes.

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Yeah. I'm not trying to be direct. It's just a question of if we think one thing and we've not got the right end of the stick and we end up answering the wrong question.

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Yes, I believe that that was Mr. Bath. Yes.

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Okay. And the only further observation I make at this stage is that, of course, whilst. It's the purpose of this process. If ultimately a consent is granted, what is the purpose of this process? To assess the merits and operation of a scheme in which we propose and ultimately, if we were successful, to develop a consent order would be granted in respect of our proposal. However, of course it's not appropriate that this process duplicate the environmental permitting regime.

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It's necessary to flag that because certain matters are essentially the preserve of the environment Agency as opposed.

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Understand that that can form part of that submission. Thank you, Mr.. Both. But I'm I'm I'm terribly sorry. I'm mindful of the time now, and I still have several questions that I would like to ask. So if I could just ask a set of questions and I will come back for some more comments from Jerome, please. Thank you. Um, I would also like to ask specific questions to the applicant in terms of the pollution control plant, which is part of the works proposed. Can you explain more about, again, in general terms, the mechanisms in place in relation to air pollution? Which pollutants will it monitor and how you are proposing and how the proposal suggests any pollution issues are addressed in what mechanisms are in place? I do understand that you have touched on some of those issues on your previous response, but if you could just give a more general overview on those issues, that would be helpful.

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Thank you.

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So again, I think that's one for Mr. Kerry.

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Yes.

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To Kerry.

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For Kerry, managing director of MVP. So there's three basic systems that we use to control the emissions. One is through controlling the combustion process itself, through making sure that there is enough oxygen to to to go through the waste as it burns. If you don't have enough oxygen, you run

the risk of having carbon monoxide being produced rather than carbon dioxide. Carbon dioxide is a sign of very efficient combustion. So we're monitoring that.

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We're also monitoring for nitrous oxide, which are, again, something to do with the combustion system for which we inject ammonia to to reduce the emissions from nitrous oxide. And that's part of the combustion system, if you will. We also then the ones the gases have given up their energy and turned it into useful energy. And for steam we are able to inject lime, which is an alkali, and that takes care of the acid gases.

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And then as I mentioned earlier, we inject this activated carbon, which has the effect of soaking up, for want of a better word, the heavy metals and the dioxins and the humans that are in in the flu gases. And all of that is then captured on a what we call a back house filter. It's it's hard to describe without having one. It's like a long sock hanging down from a frame and air is sucked out the middle of the sock and all the fluid gases go through the outside, into the inside.

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But the particulates and the APC residues, as we now call them, stuck on the outside. We did have one of these at the exhibitions we had last year, but there will be several thousands of these and we're talking across the plant, probably five or 6000 of these socks hanging down and then the clean flue gasket going up the middle of the socket sucked out by a large fan and then sent up the chimney. And then it's monitored by these continuous imitation monitoring platforms at a point up the level up the chimney.

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And all of that is monitored by our control system. It's highly automated, but we also have operators looking at that, and the control system will flag alarms when things start to

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move away from their set points. And the operators, if necessary, will intervene. But nine times out of ten, the control system does this all automatically. And all of this is part of what the Environment Agency will look at in terms of deciding whether we are to get a permit. So it's not just how we do it, it's how we monitor everything as well. Does that answer your question?

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Yes. Thank you. Mr. Kerry. Thank you, Mr. Kerry. That does answer my question. Thank you very much.

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I would like us to actually look now at a different component as well. And I particularly want us to look at the cooling down systems, particularly those that rely on water. I note that you have included this as part of developed proposal water treatment and a storage plant. Can you explain for everyone in this room? Water treatment and storage plant will work in how the applicant proposes to deal with any water issues. In general terms, again, just so that we understand the mechanism in general terms.

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Mr. Kerry.

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Yes, sir. Paul Kerry, Managing Director. So we are using water to make steam in the boiler. And now that steam goes through a steam turbine to to extend turns around a generator to make electricity. And we can also take some of that steam and send it to specific users for heating purposes because we are putting it through a boiler and especially because it's going through a steam turbine, which is a very high precision, high tech piece of equipment.

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We can't just put ordinary town's water into the system. We have to clean it up. So we have what we call a water treatment plant, which. Filters out a little bit of what might be minor levels of sediment, but it also particularly takes care of and for example, patch levels, which means that the balance between acidity and alkalinity, it will also

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treat the water for what we call conductivity, which is a rather difficult term to explain, but it's making sure that the water is the right type of water. It's it's like you might have used years back if you when you had an iron and you had to put in a special water. We call it deep mineralization, water or demon water. And I think ions have changed. Now you can put any water in an ion, but it used to be the case you had to buy special water to put in your iron. And it's that kind of demon water, the mineralized water that we put into our boiler.

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So the water goes through the boiler, it becomes steam, it goes through the turbine, Some of it may go to a customer, most of it goes to the turbine. It then goes through an air cooled condenser, which is like a big car radiator with some fans blowing air through and it condenses that steam back into water. Then we pump it back round again. So the water is going round in a loop many, many times. And it might.

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Sorry, Mr. Carey, just just to confirm. So what you are saying is that the water that is part of the system will be in a closed loop effectively, so there'll be no pumping of water after it has been used to the wider system.

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We will deep mineralized it and then we will store that. Damien Morse Because having spent all the money to, to mineralized it, we don't want to throw it away. It's put in to the boiler. If we need to ever empty the boiler, we'll save that water. We're not going to just put it down the drain, it's to, to, to work. It's too expensive, we'll keep it. And then we would use it again. Just to be clear, as the water goes round and round the circuit, many, many times we do drain down a small percentage of it.

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We call it Boiler Blowdown, and that's simply because as the water goes round, it just pick up a little bit of the metal of the boiler itself and we just need to extract that. And so we would have a little bit of boiler water, but it's a matter of one or 2% of what we call boiler blowdown, and we use that water elsewhere in our process. So so it's not wasted to say I think I water demand. Just to be absolutely clear, the air cooled condenser does not lose water. It's not going to have a plume like you might have seen with the old fashioned.

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Right. Thank you for that, Mr. Carey. I think that in terms of high level explanation, that that will probably suffice.

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I have a couple more questions, but I'm hoping that we can just keep to sort of headlines points on answering those questions. But a development proposal also includes the construction compound. Could the applicant please talk us through its plans for the construction compound once the construction phase is complete?

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So that's probably back to Mr. Marks for that one, sir.

01:15:10:26 - 01:15:12:00 Thank you, Mr. Marks.

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Thank you, sir. So in terms of the terms of the tin box for the applicant, the temporary construction compound was on the components drawing that we saw earlier. And the the the the trationale behind it is we need an area for the construction team to set up their welfare and office accommodation and to park their vehicles. This needs to be in very close proximity.

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Sorry, Mr. Max, can I just ask you to. I'll just like to ask the case team. I believe that we have the work plan document that we would rely on. I believe that it might be useful for everyone. If we can illustrate this, we have

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one of the pages. Which would be.

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Page three of the documents. If we can try and put that up in the screens, please. Thank you. Apologies, Mr. Max, if you'd like to continue.

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Note the time marks for the applicants. Just to to highlight actually the relevant documents and figures that would be helpful in these are figure. So I'm just opening.

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Just to clarify, Mr. Maxim, my question was actually linked with works number five, which I believe then link with the work plan, the page that I have to set, and I think it's the yellow area that is highlighted on that map. So that is the area that my question is linked to, which corresponds to this work. Number five.

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So the orange area. Yes. Yes. So that's the temporary construction compounds. This land is currently an unused grassland that's allocated for future development in the adopted Fenland local plan. Our proposal is to have temporary occupation of this land for three years for the duration of construction. Where? Which time? Any activities or buildings, temporary buildings or structures will be removed. And the land returned to grassland.

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The land returned to grassland. So that will be that the future of.

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It will be returned to its original state status.

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And would that land be publicly accessible?

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It is private land, so it is not publicly accessible, as far as I'm aware.

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So would there be any? So in terms of your plans, in terms of having it as grassland?

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What would be the use of that land? Would it be for biodiversity purposes only?

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So so on this, we will return it to the current state that the case, i.e. grassland. We have not included any biodiversity calculations because we cannot rely on it because it would be returned and the owner of that land may wish to develop it in the future. So we have excluded from our biodiversity net gain calculations and just replacing it to existing.

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Well, I.

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Thank you for that, Mr. Marx. Would anyone else from the applicant would like to comment on this point?

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Can I project for the applicant? Yes. Just to clarify that the I know we're going to talk about compulsory acquisition powers or the extent of those powers later on in the agenda. It was just to highlight at this point that the applicant has not sought to acquire this land on a permanent basis. It is only seeking temporary possession powers which reflects the temporary usage of the land and that the land would be returned to the landowner at the end of the construction period and restored.

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Thank you for that clarification. That's very helpful.

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Bear with me for one second. Um, I don't. I don't. Tim. I think that we probably can take this particular image out of the sharing screen. Thank you very much.

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I will just have one final question for the applicant before I actually open it for some more comments. I know that people want to come in on this point still, but I was just wondering very briefly, again,

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particularly in light of the planning statement, can the applicant please confirm how it considers that development proposal complies with the current and emerging national policy statements?

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Politics, in terms of that issue, I think it's effectively you're moving on to the second bullet, not in terms of the agenda under point three provision of a brief explanation as to how we consider that the proposal complies with current and emerging national policy statements.

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Yes. That would that. Yes. Of them. Yes.

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Yes, thanks. It was, as you've perhaps indicated, you know, I mean, we do set this out in some detail in the planning statement, which is inquiry, document examination, document 091. And we're also going to be submitting a draft national policy statement track as per your directions by deadline one. But in terms of providing a high level overview now for the purposes of this hearing, I think it probably helps if I pass over to Mr.

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KENYON further down the table and he can address that point.

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Thank you, Mr.. BOTH. Mr.. KENYON.

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Thank you, sir. And just following on from that, Mr. Booth, if I can just maybe explain a bit more detail, the planning statements and the approach that the planning statement takes to the assessment of compliance. I hope that will be of some assistance to you.

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So the planning statement, which is up 019 and supplemented by the planning summary, so a summary of that statements which is up zero nine to the planning statement, draws upon the evidence primarily in the environmental statement. And that includes the assessments of significance, the presence of embedded and in additional mitigation together with other application documents, to demonstrate that the proposed development is in accordance with national policy statements and indicative of the national and local policies as appropriate.

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Looking at the policy context and following on from the description that Mr. Marx has given, you'll be aware that there are a number of separate component parts to the proposed development, and these effectively trigger a number of national policy statements. So the national policy statements that the planning statement consider as amps and one of the overarching amps for energy infrastructure amps and three, which is the renewable energy infrastructure and finally NPS and five which covers electricity network infrastructure.

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Section four of the planning statement that looks to establish compliance of the proposed development against those impasses and as well as those adopted impasses. It also looks at the draft. Impasses. So in 2021, government issued a set, a new set of draft policy statements and these haven't been adopted

yet. They still draft documents, but they are considered relevance and importance. So our consideration.

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And you have assessed in your planning policy statement that you have mentioned in a response, you have assessed how the proposal actually complies or not. We do statements just to clarify that point.

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Yes, that's correct, sir. So a lot of the text in the statement is carried over from the adopted, but there are obviously differences as well and updates and those are identified in the planning statement and the assessment undertaken accordingly. Table 4.1 is is probably the key table within that Section four and identifies, as I've just said, that relevant policy our compliance and it also signposts the evidence documents. So for example it will refer to the relevant chapter in the environmental statements, the conclusions from which are used to then understand compliance against the relevant policy.

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Thank you very much, Mr. KENYON.

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I mean, on that point, I mean, we do commend, of course, to you, but also to others participating in the examination, the document to which Mr. KENYON has referred, because, of course, compliance with national policy statements. We say I think it's probably worth saying briefly for the rubber is a very significant issue for the examination, because where as here, there are designated relevant national policy statements. Those policy statements indicate that they are the primary basis for decision making in relation to our implications for nationally significant infrastructure.

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And indeed the legislation, as I know you are aware, recognises the preeminence of national policy statement over other tiers of planning policy in this context in particular. So section 1i4, subsection three, as you know, has the effect of conferring this primacy on the national policy statement requiring effective date to determine the application in accordance with it unless one of. A limited number of statutory exceptions apply. I just flagged that effectively that's the context for what Mr.

01:25:23:01 - 01:25:23:19 KENYON said.

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Yet. I think that perhaps I'm conscious of the time. I want to finish this item before any breaks, so I will now open and questions to the floor. So if I could actually. Councillor Stephen Tierney. Yes.

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Thank you, sir. And because Plymouth has been brought up a couple of times, a facility there as an example that we should look to look at, just wanted advice on a couple of points, if I may, about the Plymouth facility. First of all, I know the people of Plymouth mounted a strong opposition to the incinerator before it was built and it was posted on them nonetheless, within a few years of that. The World Health Organization named Plymouth as one of the most polluted cities in the UK. Said that the fine particle air pollution was above the safe level that they recommend. And I know that people will say perhaps that's a coincidence.

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They'll try and pass the blame elsewhere. But I know that local leaders have absolutely pointed to the incinerator as a contributory factor to that. And the second point I'd like to make is that the incinerator in Plymouth is much smaller than the one being proposed here. And so it stands to reason that any problems they face there will be exacerbated if this were to happen here. Thank you.

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Thank you. Council Tierney. I'm going to give the applicant a chance to reply to both.

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Yes. I'm not going to engage in a protracted tennis match with council anywhere, anyone else. But I mean, firstly, I do have to say that we do strongly objected to the use of the term foisted on the applicant or the applicant group made an application to the Planning Commission, to the local planning authority and the democratically elected representatives of the city of Plymouth. That is to say, the local planning authority granted planning permission for the facility. So it's not a situation where anything has been foisted upon anyone. And insofar as Mr.

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Tierney is going to make assertions about.

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Local leaders having been dissatisfied with the operation of the Devonport facility and there being any difficulty with air quality and particulate matter that is attributable to the facility there, that is the FWC facility as opposed to anything else. We would ask that he puts those details in his submission for deadline one so that we can respond to them because of course I and my team can't respond to the general allegations of that nature.

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Thank you. I think. Mr.. Both. I would turn to counsel Tierney again and just reiterate the point that we would expect written submissions of any oral submissions that I made today. So if I could please ask you to consider submitting that at deadline one day. It would be very helpful for the examination process. Thank you.

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Thank you. So I will do. But for the record, I was quoting Molly Scott Cato, the Green MEP of the time for the region. Thank you. I'll send the full day.

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Thank you, counsel. Thank you. Anyone else that would like to intervene on this point from the room? So I have a yes, please. Came to County Council and Fenland District Council, both of the.

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Andrew Fraser for the county district. So just to indicate that over the.

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National policy statements, as you'll be familiar with, draw attention to a range of effects which need to be considered by the examining authority. The county district down to ten now to make submissions about those, because that's clearly not appropriate. This is a a high level consider it consideration, but I just put down a marker that obviously will be exploring those range of effects through the environmental issues, specific hearings, and we'll be drawing together our position in terms of local impacts and the local impact report, which we're currently preparing and in due course will bring the whole matter together insofar as it's brought together at that stage in the examination through our written representation in due course.

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So I'm not going to say anything further today, but just to indicate that we have a position on these matters which we'll set out in due course.

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In writing. In writing, yes. Thank you very much. Thank you, Mr. Arcot and anyone else from the room? I think that. Yes. And would you like to approach the table or would you prefer to speak to us? Can I just ask you to wait until you have a mic? Because otherwise it's going to be very difficult for us to thear you. So if we could get a mic to this lady that has just standing, please.

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I think you can ask you to introduce yourself first and also just state if you are representing yourself for any organization, please. Thank you.

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Amanda Lynn Smith. Then I applied for my deeds, which some people signed.

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I've only got 12 of five and a half acres. When I own 12 acres of plus my days, I've been waiting for 12 to 13 months. They're in the pipeline being sorted and I feel that I own that property where they're going to burn this build this burn incinerator

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because I'm involved with all of a penny of property that I've found out down the line. So I'm waiting for my deeds to come back. It's being sorted, see what land I do own and I don't own my own.

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Mrs. Smith, thank you for coming in today and for participating. And if I understood your point correctly, I think that your point is a more general point in terms of concerns, in terms of how the development proposal is going to affect your properties. That is that case.

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And I feel that I own that property because I'm being told because of all I'm not just talking about with all the pennies of land all the way around me, which is got no paperwork. And I feel that's all I did. That's why I'm waiting for them to come back.

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Okay. Thank you very much for that intervention, Mr. Smith. And I'm conscious that it is a mrs. Smith Intervention was very general. But Mr. Blyth, would you like to comment on this point?

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Because I maybe might be wrong, Mrs. Smith, but I'd understood, I think you to be saying something slightly different to what the Inspector may have understood is that I think you're saying that it your view that you have an ownership interest in at least part or some of, or all, I don't know of the applications.

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Or deeds comes back.

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Right.

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So I just I'm my understanding is it's not that it's a more general point about the impact on Mr. Miss property. It's rather that Miss Smith says that she owns the property.

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Yes. Yes.

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So I'm not.

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Could we confirm how we have included this person? Yes, Miss Linda.

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Well, I think perhaps I'm going to pass to

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Miss Broderick, but I'm not. It's very difficult for us to respond in circumstances where I'm not sure.

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What.

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I land is being said to be within Mr. Smith's ownership. I'm the the bulk of the application site. That is to say, where the DFW CHP plant is to be constructed is certainly not owned by anyone other than the party that we've been dealing with.

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Okay. Can I ask Mr. Booth. Considering that we spotted Mrs. Rink, Mrs. Smith participation today. Can I ask you how you propose, then, that we move forward this issue in terms of getting certainty of the parcel of land and how this person will be involved in the process?

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Well, I think in the first instance, what we'd look to do is approach Mrs. Smith outside of the examination so as not to take up examination time, but a view to understanding what it is that what interested it is said that she has in, in what land.

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I mean, we're confident indeed very confident that we've undertaken the appropriate due diligence in terms of identifying relevant interests. But we will certainly engage with Mrs. Smith outside with a view to understanding what she says the position is. I don't think I can say anything more at this point.

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That's that's, that's the that's the assurance that I was up to. So thank you for that, Mr. Booth. Mrs. SMITH, would that be acceptable to you in terms of having a conversation to just clarify the situation? Is that acceptable? Thank you. Thank you very.

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Much.

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Anyone else from the room? We have a lady there to my right as well. Thank you. Try to.

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I'm Helen Pantalone, local resident and business owner. Could the applicant please come with regards to the construction compound?

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How much is going to be gained and for how long?

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Misspent. Helen, if I may, on that specific point, I am planning to actually do some further investigation of that specific point in some questions, and that will actually be item six probably of the agenda today. Would it be possible for us to wait until we get to that item? Or would you require an answer from the applicant?

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Now, I want to be honest. So if if I could offer a quick answer.

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Can I ask the applicant to reply? In that case? Thank you very, very much.

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Thank you, sir. I think Mr. Smith and Mr. Mark sorry can provide you with a

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at least a high level answer at this point, if that's okay.

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Thank you.

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Yes. Thank. Tim Marks for the applicant. So during construction, during construction access to the temporary construction compound, which will be light vehicles such as cars and transit bands for the construction staff will use and goes way. So that will be used for approximately three years for the duration of construction. In terms of access into the according to the construction site of DFW, CHP facilities on day one of or phase one of the construction, there will be some site setup required and the HDTVs will use our causeway.

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During phase two, we will construct the access improvements on new bridge lane, therefore open up the new HGV access and thereafter that point in time the majority of HGV traffic for construction will use the newly built access road off new Bridge lane, and less traffic will be using the Al Gore's way less HGV traffic. We are currently looking at those. We've looked at those numbers in terms of what they are. And we've reported those in the traffic assessment, which the reference will be.

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I'll just ask my colleagues to dig out the red face, the document reference for for these documents. So they've all been assessed within the traffic assessment and assessed within the environmental statement, traffic and transportation report. The company's the application.

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And if I might, sorry, just to help out in terms of research and some of this evidence, the library of reference of the traffic and transport document will be AP 033 and that will be chapter six of the environmental statement.

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So you sort of will they know that they can't come down there? I mean, obviously lower grades, they're not breaking the law back, come down or goes away. How are you going to stop them?

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Yes. So in our contracts, when we when we appoint the APC contractor, they will be required to comply with our vehicle routine construction arrangements. And there is a DCO requirements that we've proposed, which is DCO requirement 11 that we will have to submit to the relevant planning authority for them to review to approve, and then we'll have to thereafter monitor that for the construction activity.

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So that's when I attended the initial consultations. I spoke to Mr. Kerry and he said to some extent they would rely on local residents to kind of report people if they were going the wrong way.

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So

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if I can answer that, what I mean is we will monitor and administer the contracts that we have with our construction contractor and we will monitor what they're doing. But I mean, for you to say is that is should you see someone doing that? Of course. Please tell us and we'll take care of it. And we're not asking the public to monitor on our behalf. We will do that ourselves. But clearly, if anyone see someone not complying with those requirements, then please tell us.

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Right. Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair. And thank you. And thank you, Ms.. Pentland, as well for your question. And anyone else would like to come in at this point?

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Yes, please, sir, if I may. My name's Valerie McRae. I'm just a resident in Wisbech. I'd just like to clarify a point. You're talking about the emissions from this facility. You have two other facilities, one in Plymouth and one in Dundee. Do you have another facility of this size that you got your details from?

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To both. If like.

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Well, certainly in the UK the facilities as Mr. Kerry sorry Alexander, a former leader and as Mr. Kerry has explained, the facilities in the UK are smaller than this one. It is the same technology, it is the same expertise, but it is a smaller facility and the previous facilities were consented under different planning legislation. But because the generating capacity of this facility is larger north of 50 megawatts, we are making an application for a development consent order.

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But in terms of other facilities, well, perhaps I'll pass over to Mr. Kerry.

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Kerry In the UK, the facilities at Plymouth and Dan, they are smaller than Dennis in terms of the unit size. The facility here would be approximately 25% larger than the unit size of Plymouth, so not a lot

larger, but there would be two of them. So that's why it would be that much larger. But in Germany, where our parent company is, we have a larger facility which takes in about 700,000 tons a year.

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That has three lines. So you you will have a larger facility by having more lines. The lines themselves will be of a similar size to that which is proposed here or that which we have in Plymouth.

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So you're basing your figure of emissions on the Mannheim one?

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Well, that as it happens, the emission legislation derived from EU law and applies across the entire EU. Of course we've since left the EU, but those laws still apply to us here in the UK.

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Okay. Thank you very much. Thank you. Thank you both for your participation. I'm conscious of the time, so I'm going to actually ask if there is anyone joining us virtually that would like to ask a question on item one before I finish Item one.

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I don't see anyone else online that would like to ask a question. Um, so as I mentioned before, I think that we now might be much more useful to actually take a coffee break now. So I will adjourn this meeting for 15 minutes and perhaps resume approximately 15 minutes and perhaps resumed at a 12:15, if I may. Thank you.