

Response to the Examining Authority's Written Questions

Borough Council of
King's Lynn &
West Norfolk



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Proposed Medworth Energy from Waste Combined Heat and Power Facility

Below is a response by the Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk (BCKLWN) to the Examining Authorities Questions, which are required by Deadline 2 (24th March 2023):

GCT.1.3

- If not possible to secure by a requirement, a S.106 may be required to deliver the outline air quality monitoring strategy. This would include:
 - 4x existing NO2 diffusion tubes
 - Implement a new roadside diffusion tube on the A1101 towards Outwell plus,
 - Provision for Particulate Matter analyser.

AQHH.1.4

- We agree with the Applicant's list of identified AQMAs and its approach to the AQMAs. AQMAs in BCKLWN are declared due to nitrogen dioxide from traffic but are outside of the area affected as confirmed by the air dispersion modelling.

AQHH.1.17

- In terms of the work to try and minimise any emissions from the chimney these are matters primarily for environmental permit as part of the Best Available Technology (BAT) assessment. Regarding additional traffic emissions, especially from HGV movements they will need to be minimised by restrictions as set out within respective traffic management plans and implemented through DCO Requirements 11 and 12. This will go some way to help to minimise effects along the more sensitive Elm High Rd (A1101) access as it links to Churchill Rd (in Fenland DC) where an AQMA is declared.
- In terms of the air quality monitoring as explained in this Council's LIR we are in discussion with the applicant to agree a suitable air quality monitoring scheme. The

applicant has indicated that as part its response to offsetting that it would be receptive in agreeing scope for an air quality monitoring scheme prior to commencement.

CA.1.12

- No comment, as this outside our Borough.

NV.1.1

- Agree with the applicant's approach and conclusions.

PP.1.2

- We support the County Councils' response as the waste planning authorities for the area, as this relates to the waste hierarchy.

SPC.1.2

Below is a list of large-scale developments near the proposed site, within the BCKLWN. These sites are missing from the Long and Short Lists in Appendix 18A. These have either recently been approved, are pending a decision, or are in the process of being appealed.

22/00357/FM - Grantham To Bexwell Pipeline Scheme - Hybrid Planning Application for the proposed Grantham to Bexwell Pipeline Scheme with full planning consent sought for 95 kilometres of pipeline and 4 kilometre spur, and outline consent for associated above ground infrastructure at Elton and Welby Heath with all matters reserved except for access. – Decision Pending.

22/02245/RMM - Drain From Bexwell To Bury St Edmunds, 562498 303555, Norfolk - RESERVED MATTERS APPLICATION WITH SOME MATTER RESERVED FOLLOWING OUTLINE CONSENT 21/01580/FM: Proposed hybrid for the proposed Bexwell to Bury St Edmunds Pipeline Scheme with full planning consent sought for a proposed 70 kilometre pipeline and associated above ground infrastructure at Gazeley, Isleham and Woodditton; and outline consent for above ground infrastructure at Bexwell, Kentford Ladys Green and Rede with all matters reserved except access – Decision Pending.

19/00812/RMM - The Barn, Bucksholt Road, Walsoken PE14 7AR - Reserved Matters Application: Industrial Units – Approved.

22/01756/FM - Land S of Sandy Lane And N And S of Walsoken, Footpath Usrn 80483456, Sandy Lane, Walsoken - Hybrid application. Full planning permission for the erection of 325 dwellings with access off Sandy Lane, highways layout, public open space, landscaping and associated infrastructure. Outline planning permission for a Community Hub/local centre comprising convenience store 300 m2, other retail

.services/health 200 m2, parking/servicing, play areas/open space, 60 bedroom care home/extra care accommodation and C3 residential development with all matters reserved apart from access – Decision Pending.

22/02265/FM - Land Opposite Walpole Sub Station, Walpole Bank, Walpole St Andrew - Proposed development of an energy storage installation and associated development to allow for the storage, importation and exportation of energy to the National Grid – Decision Pending.

22/02021/F - Land Opposite Walpole Sub Station, Walpole Bank, Walpole St Andrew - Erection of a Renewable Battery Energy Storage System and associated infrastructure including access and landscaping – Decision Pending.

22/00438/FM - Land Opposite Walpole Sub Station, Walpole Bank, Walpole St Andrew - Development of an energy storage installation and associated development to allow for the storage, importation and exportation of energy to the National Grid – Approved.

21/01442/FM - Land At East Marsh S of Gunthorpe Road W of Flowers Farm And Frenchs Road, The Marsh, Walpole St Andrew - Installation of a solar farm and battery storage facility with associated infrastructure – Refused – Appeal in Progress.

22/01616/FM - Land At Rose Hall Farm, Walpole Bank, Walpole St Andrew - Installation of a Synchronous Condenser facility with associated infrastructure access and landscaping – Approved.

22/01490/FM - PIL Membranes PCL Ceramics Porelle, Estuary Road, King's Lynn - The installation of a single wind turbine with a maximum blade tip of 100 m, with access and associated infrastructure – Decision Pending.

22/00704/FM - Land At Sedgford Hall Estate, Fring Road, Sedgford - Construction and operation of a solar farm comprising an array of ground-mounted solar photovoltaic ("PV") panels and containerised batteries and associated infrastructure – Refused – Appeal in Progress.

22/01987/FM - Land SE of Poplar Farm, Harps Hall Road, Walton Highway - Installation, operation, and decommissioning of solar farm comprising an array of ground mounted solar PV panels and battery storage system with associated infrastructure including inverters and a substation compound as well as fencing, security cameras, cabling and bio diversity enhancement measures – Decision Pending.

22/02086/FM - Alfred G Pearce, Castle Road, Wormegay - Installation of solar farm – Decision Pending.

21/01432/FM - Estuary Farm, Edward Benefer Way, King's Lynn - Erection of an up to 49.99 MW Solar PV Array and circa 15 MW battery storage, comprising ground mounted solar PV panels, battery storage, vehicular access from the site entrance with internal access tracks, landscaping and associated infrastructure including security

fencing, CCTV cameras, client storage containers and grid connection infrastructure, including transformer and substation buildings and off-site cabling – Approved.