

Response to ISH2 and CAH2 Action Points

This document provides Cambridgeshire County Council (**CCC**) and Fenland District Council's (**FDC**) (together, **the Councils'**) responses to Action Points addressed to CCC and/or FDC arising from the Issue Specific Hearing 2 (ISH2) and Compulsory Acquisitions Hearing 2 (CAH2), held on Wednesday 12th April 2023 and Thursday 13th April 2023 respectively, in respect of the Medworth Energy from Waste (EfW) Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Facility.

Table 1.1 below sets out responses to actions addressed to CCC and/or FDC.

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Action No.	ExA Description	Party	Deadline	Response
ISH2-8	Confirm if it has any further comments that it would like to make in relation to air quality monitoring and a change of focus from monitoring to financial contributions.	Fenland District Council	Deadline 3	<p>Fenland DC would like to raise the following points;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FDC would like to ensure that the Applicant retains the responsibility for undertaking monitoring their impact on local air quality and community health impacts and any remedial measures as appropriate. At this time there is insufficient information available to determine the specifications of the additional monitoring that would be required. The Environmental Permit monitoring requirements for the industrial processes and local transport volumes/routes are unknown and this may change and evolve throughout the operation of this development, i.e. where there are substantial changes in the access to waste for this operation or through the development of Best Available Techniques (BATs). This information will be used to inform the requirements of the wider community monitoring and can be detailed determined through the Local Air Quality Monitoring Strategy.

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the Local Authority (LA) is responsible for Local Air Quality Management; the impact of this development will increase the costs of resources and equipment for the LA and consideration of this should be taken into account. • UK air quality standards are changing as the UK works towards emerging air quality targets and monitoring requirements, particularly for PM2.5 monitoring requirements. At this time, the specific requirements of these regulations are unknown and therefore the LA identifies a large risk in calculating the amount of work or costs to this at this time. • A move towards a financial contribution being paid to the LAs (instead of the Applicant undertaking the monitoring) would require the Councils to estimate the cost of equipment, maintenance and officer resource/time. The Councils are not in a position to do this. There would be an unacceptable risk that the cost will have been underestimated and that the Councils are unable to secure the necessary staffing resource to undertake the associated monitoring and related duties. • The LA deems that the aims of creating transparent and publicly available monitoring data could be achieved through a Local Air Quality Monitoring Strategy. • Detailed information on the local air quality monitoring process will be required to enable further comments. The resolution of any issues and impacts would require an agreement that includes access to resources and data sharing.
ISH2-13	Applicant to engage with CCC an update the ExA in relation to progress with negotiations in relation to predevelopment condition surveys, monitoring of the condition of the highway and	Applicant Cambridgeshire County Council	Deadline 3	Discussions are ongoing.

	compensation figures for additional traffic.			
ISH2-15	Schedule 6 "Access" tables to be refined and clarified and applicant to engage with CCC to review consents regarding access, particularly in relation to Tables 4 and 5.	Applicant Cambridge County Council	Deadline 3	Discussions are ongoing.
CAH2-4	The Applicant to contact Cambridgeshire County Council to ensure they have the correct and most up-to-date versions of the plans.	Applicant Cambs CC	Deadline 3	Discussions are ongoing.