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## Planning Act 2008 (as amended) and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) – Rule 13

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

#### Notification of Hearings

My letter of 2 March 2023, [the Rule 8 letter](#), provides the Examination Timetable setting out dates reserved for Hearings. I have considered how best to examine the matters arising from the application and how best to ensure fairness given practical constraints.

We write to advise you that the following hearings will be held under Rule 13 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010.

Please note that all the Issue Specific Hearings on Monday 26 June 2023 and Tuesday 27 June 2023 will be held **Virtually Only via Microsoft Teams**, please see [Advice Note 8.6: Virtual examination events](#) on how to participate.

Both the Compulsory Acquisition and Open Floor Hearing on Thursday 29 June 2023 and Issue Specific Hearing 7 (ISH7) (if required) will be held at **The Boathouse Business Centre (PE13 3BH)** and will be a **Blended** event.

#### Online only hearings

Hearing	Date	Start time	Location
Issue Specific Hearing 6 (ISH6) on Environmental Matters – landscape and visual effects; biodiversity (if required); and traffic and transport	Monday 26 June 2023	Virtual Arrangements Conference start: 9:00am  Event start: 10:00am	<b>By virtual means only using Microsoft Teams</b>  Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered.

Issue Specific Hearing 7 (ISH7) on Environmental Matters – Waste issues and cumulative effects	Tuesday 27 June 2023	Virtual Arrangements Conference start: 9:00am  Event start: 10:00am	<b>By virtual means only using Microsoft Teams</b>  Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered.
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## Blended Hearings

Hearing	Date	Start time	Location
Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 3 (CAH3)	Thursday 29 June 2023	Seating available at the venue from: 1:00pm  Virtual Arrangements Conference start: 1:00pm  Event start: 2:00pm	The Boathouse Business Centre, 1 Harbour Square, Wisbech PE13 3BH  and <b>By virtual means using Microsoft Teams</b>  Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered.
Open Floor Hearing 3 (OFH3)	Thursday 29 June 2023	Seating available at the venue from: 5:00pm  Virtual Arrangements Conference start: 5:00pm  Event start: 6:00pm	The Boathouse Business Centre, 1 Harbour Square, Wisbech PE13 3BH  and <b>By virtual means using Microsoft Teams</b>  Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered.
Issue Specific Hearing 8 (ISH8) on Environmental Matters (if required)  *please note ISH8 will only go ahead if required. If it is not needed, a notice will be posted on the project webpage of the National	Friday 30 June 2023	Seating available at the venue from: 9:00am  Virtual Arrangements Conference start: 9:00am  Event start: 10:00am	The Boathouse Business Centre, 1 Harbour Square, Wisbech PE13 3BH  and <b>By virtual means using Microsoft Teams</b>  Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered.

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**You must register through the [online questionnaire](#), by Tuesday 20 June 2023, if you wish to participate in the Hearings above.**

If you simply wish to observe the Hearings then you do not need to register, as you will be able to either:

1. attend the physical event to observe the proceedings;
2. watch a livestream of the event - a link to the livestream will be made available on the [project webpage](#) shortly before the event is scheduled to begin; and/or
3. watch the recording of the event which will be published on the project webpage shortly after the event has finished.

**Nevertheless, it would assist the ExA with the smooth running of the event if all persons wishing to attend the hearings, including those who wish to simply observe, register through the [online questionnaire](#) by Tuesday 20 June 2023 and indicate whether they wish to attend in person or virtually.**

If you have any difficulties in completing the Questionnaire or any queries regarding any of the above, please contact the Case Team on:

[Medworth@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:Medworth@planninginspectorate.gov.uk)

Any request to participate in a Hearing **must** include the following information:

- Name and unique reference number (found at the top of any letter or email from the Planning Inspectorate);
- email address (if available) and contact telephone number;
- name and unique reference number of any person/organisation that you are representing (if applicable);
- for blended events, confirmation of whether you will participate virtually or in-person;
- any special requirements you may have (e.g disabled access or hearing loop).
- confirmation of the hearing(s) you wish to participate in, the agenda item(s) on which you wish to speak and/or brief details of the topic(s) that you would like to raise;
- the [Examination Library](#) reference number (with paragraph/page number where appropriate) of any documents you wish to refer to.

**Agenda:** The detailed Agendas and any detailed arrangements for the Hearings will be published to the project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website at least five working days before the Hearings. However, the actual agenda on the day of each Hearing may be subject to change at our discretion. We will manage the Hearings and invite participants to speak on the topics they have requested to speak about.

**Attendance:** If your request to attend and/ or speak (both in person and virtually) at a Hearing is accepted, you will receive an email shortly before the Hearing containing a joining link and telephone number to enable participation virtually as necessary. If attending virtually, please join the Arrangements Conference promptly. The Case Team will admit you from the virtual Lobby and register your attendance. The Arrangements

Conference allows procedures to be explained and will enable the Hearing to start promptly.

**Contributing:** You may speak on issues set out in your Relevant Representation or Written Representation. Speakers will need to introduce themselves, including any organisation or groups that they represent, each time they speak to ensure that someone listening to the recording after the event is clear who was speaking.

We will be responsible for questioning each party, and as such, may not need to ask further questions either to you or to other parties in attendance. Please be assured that we will carefully assess all contributions you make during the examination of the application. Technical and management considerations may mean we need to limit the number of speakers at any Hearings. We will prioritise Interested Parties and those speaking on behalf of a group of people. We will give the same consideration to any matter, whether it is raised once or several times.

**Cancellation:** If the Hearing(s) are no longer required or need to be cancelled or postponed for any reason, notice will be provided on the project webpage of the National Infrastructure website.

**Livestream:** There will be a livestream recording of the event, a link will be posted on the project page before the start of the event.

**Post Hearing submissions:** Following the Hearing you may want to submit documents, e.g. a written summary of your answers to the ExA questions. These must be sent before the relevant deadline, **Deadline 6 (Wednesday 12 July 2023)**. Please see the Examination timetable for dates of deadline submissions. Where possible we ask that you use the Submissions Portal on the webpage of the National Infrastructure website.

**Queries:** If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Planning Inspectorate's Case Team [Medworth@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:Medworth@planninginspectorate.gov.uk)

Yours faithfully

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**Lead Member of the Examining Authority**

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