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Electronic submission and email only

Dear Sir / Madam

Response to the Non-Statutory Consultation on Proposed Changes to the Application by Medworth CHP Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent (DCO) for the Medworth Energy from Waste (EfW) Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Facility

We are writing on behalf of Cambridgeshire County Council (CCC) and Fenland District Council (the Councils) in response to the non-statutory consultation on Proposed Changes to Medworth CHP Limited's (the Applicant's) application for a DCO to construct, operate and maintain an EfW CHP Facility on the industrial estate at Algores Way, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire.

The Councils welcome the opportunity to comment on the Proposed Changes to the DCO application, as is offered by this consultation. The Councils do not object to the Applicant's Proposed Changes to the draft DCO, but would refer to the following technical queries and representations listed below in relation to the proposal:

- As raised by CCC at ISH6 on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2023, the Councils question whether the Proposed Changes adequately extend the DCO boundary, and whether sufficient powers of compulsory acquisition are included to ensure that the revised junction layout at New Bridge Lane/Cromwell Road can be delivered within the Order limits and subsequently (where appropriate) dedicated as highway. CCC continues to engage with the Applicant in respect of the junction design to achieve clarity on this matter.
- The Councils understand that both CCC and the Applicant have (separately) engaged with the owner of private land affected by the Proposed Changes to discuss the status of the land. As discussed in a meeting between CCC and the Applicant on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2023, CCC notes it is important that the proposed status of this land after the works are completed is clarified, so that there is certainty that all new highway assets can be maintained by CCC without hindrance. CCC is content to work with both the Applicant and the landowner towards resolution of this matter.
- The Councils acknowledge that the Applicant is now proposing to modify the original design to construct central traffic islands, allowing the safe signal control of right turning vehicles from Cromwell Road towards the development. CCC notes that the provided 'Linsig' traffic modelling does not represent the traffic signal



staging required for this layout. CCC have provided further information to the Applicant to assist in their signal staging/modelling work and await receipt of further submissions regarding proposed staging and traffic modelling.

 The Transport Assessment Team have received clarification as to the origin of the future year predicted traffic flows through the junction and are satisfied that they are sufficiently robust for the purpose of the modelling. CCC are currently awaiting a revised 'Linsig' model, addressing comments raised in the meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> July by both CCC's Transport Assessment and Signals Teams.

If you have any queries regarding the above or require any further information, please contact <a href="mailto:planningdc@cambridgeshire.gov.uk">planningdc@cambridgeshire.gov.uk</a> /

Yours sincerely

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