

**NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AN APPLICATION
FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER BY THE PLANNING INSPECTORATE (ON
BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR BUSINESS ENERGY AND
INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY) UNDER SECTION 56 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008**

**THE NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE GREEN ENERGY PARK DEVELOPMENT CONSENT
ORDER**

(Application reference: EN010116)

REGULATION 9 OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (APPLICATIONS: PRESCRIBED FORMS AND PROCEDURE)
REGULATIONS 2009
REGULATION 16 OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2017

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Inspectorate (on behalf of the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (“the Secretary of State”)) has accepted an application by the North Lincolnshire Green Energy Park Limited (company number 10949653) of Regent's Court, Princess Street, Hull, East Yorkshire, England, HU2 8BA (“the Applicant”) for a Development Consent Order under the Planning Act 2008 (“the Application”). The Application (Reference No. EN010116) was submitted by the Applicant to the Secretary of State c/o the Planning Inspectorate on 31 May 2022 and accepted for Examination on 27 June 2022.

Summary of the Application

The North Lincolnshire Green Energy Park (NLGEP) (“the Project”), located at Flixborough, North Lincolnshire, is a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) with an Energy Recovery Facility (ERF) capable of converting up to 760,000 tonnes of non-recyclable waste into 95 MW of electricity at its heart and a carbon capture, utilisation and storage (CCUS) facility which will treat the excess gasses released from the ERF to remove and store carbon dioxide (CO₂) prior to emission into the atmosphere.

The NSIP incorporates a switchyard, to ensure that the power created can be exported to the National Grid or to local businesses, and a water treatment facility, to take water from the mains supply or recycled process water to remove impurities and make it suitable for use in the boilers, the CCUS facility, concrete block manufacture, hydrogen production and the maintenance of the water levels in the wetland area.

The Project will include the following Associated Development to support the operation of the NSIP:

- a bottom ash and flue gas residue handling and treatment facility (RHTF)
- a concrete block manufacturing facility (CBMF)
- a plastic recycling facility (PRF)
- a hydrogen production and storage facility
- an electric vehicle (EV) and hydrogen (H₂) refuelling station
- battery storage
- a hydrogen and natural gas above ground installations (AGI)
- a new access road and parking
- a gatehouse and visitor centre with elevated walkway
- railway reinstatement works including, sidings at Dragonby, reinstatement and safety improvements to the 6km private railway spur, and the construction of a new railhead with sidings south of Flixborough Wharf
- a northern and southern district heating and private wire network (DHPWN)

- habitat creation, landscaping and ecological mitigation, including green infrastructure and 65 acre wetland area
- new public rights of way and cycle ways including footbridges
- Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) and flood defence; and
- utility constructions and diversions.

The Project will also include development in connection with the above works such as security gates, fencing, boundary treatment, lighting, hard and soft landscaping, surface and foul water treatment and drainage systems and CCTV.

The Project also includes temporary facilities required during the course of construction, including site establishment and preparation works, temporary construction laydown areas, contractor facilities, materials and plant storage, generators, concrete batching facilities, vehicle and cycle parking facilities, offices, staff welfare facilities, security fencing and gates, external lighting, roadways and haul routes, wheel wash facilities, and signage.

The overarching aim of the Project is to support the UK's transition to a low carbon economy as outlined in the Sixth Carbon Budget (December 2020), the national Ten Point Plan for a Green Industrial Revolution (November 2020) and the North Lincolnshire prospectus for a Green Future. It will do this by enabling circular resource strategies and low-carbon infrastructure to be deployed as an integral part of the design (for example by reprocessing ash, wastewater and carbon dioxide to manufacture concrete blocks and capturing and utilising waste-heat to supply local homes and businesses with heat via a district heating network).

A map showing the location of the Project can be viewed on the National Infrastructure Planning website at the following link: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/projects/EN010116/EN010116-000362-4.1%20Location%20Plan%20and%20Order%20Limit%20Plans.pdf>

Development consent is required to the extent that development is or forms part of a nationally significant infrastructure project pursuant to sections 14(1)(a) and 15(1) and (2) of the Planning Act 2008, as an onshore generating station in England with a capacity exceeding 50 megawatts (MW). It is for this reason that the Project falls within the remit of the Secretary of State's decision making powers.

The Development Consent Order would authorise the compulsory acquisition of land, interests in land and rights over land, and the powers to use land permanently and temporarily for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Project. The Development Consent Order would also authorise the construction of temporary and permanent accesses to the Project, the temporary stopping up or diversion of public rights of way, street works and highway works, and the application and disapplication of certain legislation.

Environmental Impact Assessment Development:

The Project is environmental impact assessment (EIA) development for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 and accordingly an Environmental Statement accompanies the Application.

Application form and accompanying documents:

The application form and the accompanying documents, plans and Environmental

Statement and Non-technical Summary (NTS) (“Application Documents”) can be viewed and downloaded free of charge online on the North Lincolnshire Green Energy Park page of the Planning Inspectorate’s National Infrastructure Planning website under the documents tab: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/yorkshire-and-the-humber/north-lincolnshire-green-energy-park>

The Application Documents will be available to view online at least until the Secretary of State makes his decision whether or not to grant the Development Consent Order.

If you require a copy of the Application Documents to be supplied on a USB stick, this can be provided free of charge (one USB stick per household). Please use the contact details for the Applicant below to request for this to be provided.

If you have any questions about the Application Documents, you can email info@northlincolnshiregreenenergypark.co.uk, write to North Lincolnshire Green Energy Park Ltd c/o Freepost SEC NEWGATE UK LOCAL, or contact the Applicant by telephone on 0800 211 8562.

The Application Documents can be supplied in hard copy format on request at a cost of £0.35 per page. This includes the following documents:

- The Consultation Report and its appendices: £407.75
- The Design and Access Statement: £30.80
- The Environmental Statement and its associated appendices and figures: £2122.25
- The Non-Technical Summary of the Environmental Statement: £14.35
- The Planning Statement £46.55

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Representations:

The period during which representations are invited to be made to the Planning Inspectorate is between Thursday 4 August 2022 and 11.59pm Thursday 15 September 2022. Any person may make representations on the Application (i.e., giving notice of any interest in, or objection to, the Application). Any representation **must** be made on the Planning Inspectorate’s Registration and Relevant Representation Form which can be accessed and completed online by following the relevant link: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/yorkshire-and-the-humber/north-lincolnshire-green-energy-park>

If you require guidance on, or other methods of, obtaining and completing a Planning Inspectorate Registration and Relevant Representation Form (such as a hard copy paper form), please telephone the Planning Inspectorate on 0303 444 5000 or e-mail NorthLincolnshireGreenEnergyProject@planninginspectorate.gov.uk quoting the name of the Application and the Planning Inspectorate's reference number EN010116.

The Planning Inspectorate’s Advice Notice 8.2: How to register to participate in an Examination, provides further guidance on how to register and make a relevant representation and can be accessed via the following link: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/advice-note-8-2-how-to-register-to-participate-in-an-examination/>

Please note that representations must be received by the Planning Inspectorate by **11.59pm** on **Thursday 15 September 2022**.

Representations will be made public and will be subject to the Planning Inspectorate's privacy policy at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/planning-inspectorate-privacy-notice/customer-privacy-notice>