

Development Management

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An application by SSE Slough Multifuel Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Slough Multifuel Extension Project

**Response to The Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information
(ExQ2)**

Planning Inspectorate Reference Number EN010129

Q2.1.2	Applicant and SBC	In March 2023 the Government published updated draft National Policy Statements (NPS), including NPS EN-1 and NPS EN-3. Please comment on whether the updated drafts contain any changes from the September 2021 drafts which are relevant and material to the Proposed Development.	The Council has sight of the Applicant's response to this question, and is in agreement regarding the impact of the draft National Policy Statements (NPS), including NPS EN-1 and NPS EN-3 as relevant to the Proposed Development.
Q2.1.2	SBC	Please respond to the clarifications sought by the Applicant in its response to your LIR [REP3- 011, section 4.0].	<p>The Council makes it clear in the introduction of the Local Impact Report that the purpose of the report is to give details of the likely impact of the proposed development on the Authority's area. The comments therefore within the LIR will address the impact of the proposed development, however due to the Consented Development sharing similarities to that proposed, there are comments on, and references to, the Consented Development.</p> <p>The Council confirms the following in relation to the Applicant's comments seeking clarification on the LIR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With reference to section 6.0 "Local Transport Issues", there are no concerns or objections to the proposed project on transport or traffic generation grounds, both in terms of construction and operational traffic. • The statements within section 11.3 of the LIR (environmental impacts and planning balance exercise) relate to the Consented Development which establishes a baseline upon which to assess the Proposed Project for potential

			<p>impacts or necessary mitigation. It is considered that given the input of waste derived fuel, vehicle movements and emissions related to the Proposed Project will be equivalent to the Consented Development (which has been mitigated through section 106 obligations and planning conditions), there are no concerns regarding environmental impacts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The purpose of the LIR is to give details of the likely impact of the proposed development (with reference to the Consented Development); section 11.3 of the LIR concludes there are no additional mitigation required for the DCO (proposed) development, and the proposal is supported by SBC.
Q2.1.3	Applicant and SBC	Please submit a signed version of the Supplemental Deed of Variation [REP2-013].	The Council's legal team have liaised with the Applicant's legal team to finalise the Supplemental Deed of Variation, and it is understood that this will be submitted by Deadline 5.
Q2.2.1	SBC	Please comment on approach to the dDCO set out in the Rule 17 letter dated 5 May 2023	The Council have no comments or objections to the approach set out in the Rule 17 letter.