

The Drax Power (Generating Stations) Order

Land at, and in the vicinity of, Drax Power Station, near Selby, North Yorkshire

Consultation Report

Appendix 2 - Non-statutory Consultation Material



The Planning Act 2008 – Section 37(3)(c)
The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure)
Regulations 2009 – Regulation 5(2)(q)

Drax Power Limited

Drax Repower Project

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2.1 Drax Community Leaflet (November 2017)



Introducing the Drax Repower Project

Drax Power Ltd (Drax) is proposing to modify up to two of its remaining coal-fired electricity generating units (known as Units 5 and 6) to become **gas-powered electricity generating plants**. This modification will involve Drax re-using certain equipment currently utilised in Units 5 and 6. In addition, Drax is proposing to construct a **new battery storage facility**. This equipment will be within the main boundary of the existing power station site.

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A **new pipeline** will provide gas to the new generating plants. We are currently considering two options for where this pipeline will be located, and we will decide on the final route taking into account factors including consultation feedback, engineering considerations and environmental impacts. The pipeline will be located outside of the main boundary of the power station site, on land that Drax does not currently own. We will be speaking with the owners of land affected to try to reach agreement to acquire the necessary rights to construct, operate and maintain the pipeline.

A summary of the key aspects of the Project are included at the end of this leaflet.

The Drax Repower Project was officially announced by Drax in September 2017, alongside a dedicated project website <http://repower.drax.com>

This website provides details of the Drax Repower Project as well as important documents such as the Scoping Report for Environmental Impact Assessment. This sets out the work that we intend to do to assess the Project's potential environmental impacts.

The Scoping Report is also available at local libraries and council offices, on the Planning Inspectorate's website (<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>) and is available upon request by contacting Drax.

Planning and consultation

The Drax Repower Project is classed a 'nationally significant infrastructure project'. Drax is therefore required to submit an application for what is known as a Development Consent Order (DCO) to the Planning Inspectorate, a central government office. It will examine the application and make a recommendation to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy as to whether the Project should go ahead.

At this stage, we anticipate that the application for a DCO will also seek consent for the pipeline. However, if this is not included in the application we will be required to seek a separate planning permission from Selby District Council.

An application for consent is likely to be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate in the first half of 2018, once Drax and its team of technical specialists have undertaken a series of environmental and engineering assessments and consulted local communities and interested parties.

Informing local people about the Project and considering people's views is an important part of the application process.

Drax will be carrying out a comprehensive two-phase programme of engagement and consultation with county, district and parish councils, the communities in the local area, local landowners and a range of organisations that have an interest in the local environment. A first round of public exhibitions/drop-in sessions will take place in November to introduce the Project.

How can I find out more and have my say?

We are hosting a number of drop-in sessions, where you and fellow members of the local community will have a chance to find out more about our plans and the work that we plan to do. You can also let us know if you feel that there are any issues that you think that we need to consider before moving to the next stage of the planning process and the formal round of statutory consultation.

The dates and locations of the drop-in sessions are as follows:

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4.00pm to 8.00pm

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Members of the Drax Repower team will be present to answer your questions.

If you are unable to attend the drop-in sessions, all information and a feedback form will be available at <http://repower.drax.com>

We would welcome your initial feedback to the Project by **30th November 2017**.

The formal round of statutory consultation about the Project will be held early next year. At this point, we will present more detailed information about the Project, including our Preliminary Environmental Information Report. This report will set out our preliminary findings regarding environmental effects. Your feedback will be used to inform the Environmental Impact Assessment and Project design.

We will widely publicise the details of the formal consultation and the timings of public exhibitions in advance.



Key facts about the Drax Repower project

- The Project will seek consent for up to 3,600 megawatts (MW) of new gas generation capacity and up to 200MW of battery storage.
- The gas generation plant units will include up to four new combined cycle gas turbines (CCGT).
- The Project includes a new gas pipeline connection to the National Gas Transmission System and an electrical connection into Drax's existing 400 kilovolt (kV) substation that would allow electricity to be exported into the National Grid.
- The installation of a temporary crane adjacent to the existing jetty on the River Ouse and at a point close to the power station, during the construction of the Project.
- The environmental assessments for the Project will consider issues such as local planning, air and water quality, flood risk, traffic and transport, noise, ecology, heritage and the effects on landscape and visual amenity.
- We are currently considering undertaking some essential site preparation works in advance of any decision by the Secretary of State on the Project. These site preparation works would involve the relocation of facilities within the power station site complex and may therefore be carried out during the course of 2018.

If these works take place next year, they would be carried out under Drax's existing "permitted development" rights (which means that an application for planning permission is not required) because the works are not major and would not impact on the environment.

If this timetable changes, then the relocation of the facilities would be included in the DCO application.
- Subject to development consent being granted and construction, the Drax Repower Project (gas generating plants, battery storage and gas pipeline) could start operations in 2023/24.



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2.2 Exhibition Event Feedback Form

Proposed power generation project at Drax Power Station



Feedback Form

Thank you for attending this exhibition. We would welcome your views on Drax's proposals to develop gas-fired power plants and a battery storage facility within the existing boundaries of the power station, and to construct a new gas pipeline.

Drax Power Limited will use the personal information supplied in this feedback form solely in connection with the consultation process and the proposed planning application. Responses may be made publicly available, but personal details will be kept confidential. Respondents do not have to provide any personal information, but this information will help us to understand the range of responses, and to provide updates about the project and the outcome of the consultation. Where we use third parties to support this process, we may share the feedback form with them but only under obligations of confidentiality and data protection.

We would also like to keep in touch with you as the project develops. If you would like to be kept informed, please fill in your contact details (postal address, email).

Name: _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Email: _____

Age bracket (please tick)

☐ Under 25 ☐ 25-45 ☐ 46-60 ☐ Over 60

Which exhibition did you attend?

☐ Selby Town Hall
November 8th ☐ Drax Sports & Social Club
November 9th ☐ Junction, Goole
November 11th ☐ no exhibition
attended

If you do NOT want us to contact you, we would appreciate
you leaving us just your postcode so that we can gauge
the approximate locations of people who attended today.

Postcode

How did you hear about this exhibition? (tick one or more)

☐ Leaflet ☐ Poster ☐ News article in newspaper or a news
report on TV/radio
☐ Twitter ☐ Facebook ☐ Advertisement in newspaper
☐ Word of mouth ☐ Drax website ☐ Drax employee communications

Please turn over



How do you feel about Drax's proposals?

☐

Supportive

☐

Neutral

☐

Opposed

Based on the information at today's event, what comments would you like to make about our proposals?

Are there any particular issues that you feel we need to consider in our proposals?

Did today's exhibition provide enough information and did we answer your questions and listen to your points of view?

☐

Yes

☐

No

☐

Somewhat

☐

Not applicable

Is there anything you would like to see done differently at the next round of exhibitions that will be held early next year?

We welcome your initial feedback.

Please leave this form in the box provided or return it to us via FREEPOST DRAX REPOWER by 30th November 2017

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2.3 Thank you and How to Feedback (November 2017)



Your Feedback

We would welcome your views on any aspect of the Drax Repower proposals, such as your understanding of the local environment, the application process and how you can be further involved, your opinions and views on the future of Drax, or the consultation itself.

We have feedback forms that you can fill in today, or if you prefer you can take away and return to us free of charge; or you can provide us with feedback online via our website.

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2.4 Advert: Goole Times (2 November 2017)

veins which carry blood back to the heart after it has circulated through the lungs isn't connected to the left atrium.

This connection in Jonah's heart meant that the blood returning from his lungs drained back into the right side of his heart.

Jonah was transferred to Leeds General Infirmary where he endured seven hours of open heart surgery to correctly reconnect his heart.

Following Jonah's surgery he spent five days in Leeds General Infirmary in intensive

raising the money for such an amazing cause was great and we are so pleased with all the support we have received, so thank you to everyone."

Sharon Coyle, CEO of Children's Heart Surgery Fund, said: "We're thrilled the Hennessy family took the time to raise valuable funds by completing several races in our name, inspired by their son Jonah.

"As a charity, we are wholly self-funded

Pictured from left is Michelle Hennessy, her son Quinn, her partner Ben Harwin and their son Jonah. (02-11-35 SU)

and all donations are used to improve the lives of congenital heart disease patients and their families.

"People like Ben and Michelle enable us to continue our work and support hearts for life across Yorkshire and North Lincolnshire."

Family's appeal after attempted theft of motorbike from garage

A family are appealing for information about the attempted theft of a motorbike from their garage.

The attempted theft took place at around 1am on Wednesday, October 18 from a house on Shaftesbury Avenue.

The occupants woke up to see two males pushing the motorcycle down their drive, before startling the would-be thieves so they dropped the motorcycle and ran away.

The incident caused considerable damage to the bike, with damage to the engine guard, indicators and headlights.

Now the family are looking for information on the incident, and have released photographs of the people they believed were trying to steal the bike.

Anyone who has information on the attempted theft should contact humberside police quoting log number 16/502 92/17.

The suspects were picked up on CCTV. (26-10-63 SU) (26-10-64 SU)

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2.5 Advert: Selby Times (2 November 2017)

during Carver's six-month hate campaign, he championed the banned far-right political group Britain First.

Officers from the Counter Terrorism Unit (CTU) swooped on the Selby address in November last year.

"What police found was that the defendant had been publishing numerous Facebook pages which contained anti-Muslim comments," added Mr Brook. "Some of these posts were clearly threatening and clearly designed to stir up anti-Muslim feelings."

In his rants, Carver declared his hatred of Muslims and shared similarly-vile

accident in which he suffered devastating injuries. This led to the break-up of the relationship with his long-term partner which effectively left him homeless.

He said Carver had lived an introverted life and "felt useless" following the break-up of his relationship, but he had since found new accommodation and work.

He had got the crossbow as an ornament or for use in his garden and had not taken any direct action against Muslims, added Mr Parkin.

Judge Paul Batty QC described Carver's "extremely-serious" posts as "persistent in the extreme".

Following sentence, Detective Chief Superintendent Clive Wain, head of the North East CTU, said: "Posts like these have the power to influence many vulnerable people and stir up racial hatred. As this case shows, it is vital that the public report concerning online material.

"By bringing such postings and websites to the attention of police we can work together with our partners to identify those responsible and put them before the courts."

Anyone who has concerns regarding online content can report the material anonymously via www.gov.uk/ACT or call police on 0800 789 321.

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Lorry fire near petrol station

A fire broke out in the cab of a lorry just metres from a petrol station.

The blaze happened near the Tesco Express station in Brayton at 10.20am on Tuesday, October 31.

North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service said no one was injured and the fire was contained to the vehicle's cab.

A spokesperson for the service said: "Appliances from Selby attended this incident which was a fire confined to the cab of a large goods vehicle, the fire crews used two breathing apparatus and a hose reel jet to extinguish the fire."

Firefighters tackled the blaze near Tesco Express petrol station on Tuesday morning. (02-11-52 ST/JW)



2.6 Advert: The Press (2 November 2017)

AWARD: Cadet S/Sgt Wiley on the left of the second and first place winners

Bentley bags bronze in county contest

A TEENAGE cadet from York won third prize in a county-wide contest.

Bentley Wiley is a 16-year-old student in the lower sixth at All Saints RC School in York.

He is studying maths, physics, computer science and history for his A-levels.

He is also an active member of his local army cadet unit - Fulford detachment, Yeomanry Barracks on Fulford Road.

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The outcome was that, out of about

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His detachment commander is Jeff Millward.

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Norton and Malton town councils had previously been told the district authority intended to cease responsibility for footway lighting from April 2018, but questions had arisen over who owned the lights.

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