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- The updated draft SoCC was issued to London Borough of Bexley, Dartford Borough Council and Kent County Council (the 'host authorities') for SoCC Statutory Consultation on 5th April 2018.
- The updated draft SoCC was also issued to Gravesham Borough Council, East Sussex County Council, Surrey County Council, Essex County Council, Medway Council, London Borough of Barking and Dagenham, Sevenoaks District Council, Thurrock Council, London Borough of Havering, Royal Borough of Greenwich and London Borough of Bromley (the 'neighbouring authorities') for informal comment on 9th April 2018.

RIVERSIDE ENERGY PARK **BELVEDERE**

DRAFT STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

APRIL 2018

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- 1.5.4** Cory will submit an Environmental Statement (ES) with the DCO application which will report on the likely significant environmental effects of REP identified in the EIA and the appropriate mitigation measures to be put in place where necessary.

1.6 CONSULTATION OBJECTIVES

- 1.6.1** Cory's objectives for the consultation are:
- To provide consultees with sufficiently detailed information to understand the REP proposal and the potential impacts;
 - To provide consultees with an opportunity to influence aspects of the project that are under development and to understand which elements of the project are fixed and the reasons why;
 - Clearly signpost the different ways in which consultees can comment on the proposals; and
 - Start a meaningful dialogue with the community that can continue through the submission and examination phase of the consenting process.

1.7 WHAT WE WILL CONSULT ON

- 1.7.1** The statutory consultation will take place between 18th June and 30th July 2018. Consultation responses should be submitted to Cory by **17.00 on 30th July 2018**. Cory will consider consultation responses received after this date wherever possible.
- 1.7.2** Cory will provide information on the outline design parameters of the REP proposal including any refinements made in response to previous consultation feedback, provide preliminary information on environmental impacts and proposed mitigation measures based on the findings from the published PEIR.
- 1.7.3** Cory will welcome and consider feedback on all aspects of the proposal and will specifically invite comments on the following:
- A preferred roof option for the facility (stepped, curved or flat);
 - Options for the underground electricity connection route;
 - The proposed use of the River Thames;
 - The proposed approach to traffic and transport management;
 - The proposed protection of local air quality; and
 - Anything else that matters to you and that you think Cory needs to consider.
- 1.7.4** Cory will hold public exhibitions throughout the statutory consultation period at the times and locations set out in Table 1.2 subject to unforeseen circumstances.

Table 1.2 Public exhibition details

DATE	VENUE	TIME
Friday 6th July	Belvedere Community Centre , Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre , Chrome Road, DA8 2EL	9am – 1pm 4pm – 8pm
Saturday 7th July	Belvedere Community Centre , Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA The Leigh University Technical College , Brunel Way, DA1 5TF	9am – 1pm 3pm – 8pm
Tuesday 10th July	Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre , Chrome Road, DA8 2EL	4pm – 8pm
Thursday 12th July	The Dartford Bridge Learning & Community Campus , Birdwood Avenue, DA1 5GB Belvedere Community Centre , Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA	9am – 1pm 4pm – 8pm

- 1.7.5 In the event that a public exhibition(s) is cancelled or rescheduled due to unforeseen circumstances Cory will seek to alert consultees as early as possible by updating the Riverside Energy Park website and the Cory Riverside Energy twitter account.
- 1.7.6 Display boards at the public exhibitions will provide further details on the different elements of the proposed development, design options, transporting waste on the River Thames and indicative timescales. The public exhibitions will be attended by representatives from the REP team who will be available to answer questions on the proposed development and the consultation.
- 1.7.7 Consultation documents will be available for inspection at the public exhibitions and in local venues during the statutory consultation period including:
- SoCC: this document;
 - PEIR: contains an overview of the nature and scale of the proposed development and an initial assessment of the likely significant environmental effects;
 - PEIR NTS: a non-technical summary of the information in the PEIR;
 - Project brochure: a non-technical summary of the REP proposal;
 - Section 48 notice: a copy of the notice published in local and national newspapers advertising Cory's intention to submit a DCO application for the REP proposal as required by section 48 of the 2008 Act; and
 - Feedback form: containing questions to capture views on the proposals and consultation available in print and on the Riverside Energy Park website for completion online at www.riversideenergypark.com

1.8 HOW WE WILL CONSULT

1.8.1 Cory will provide information about the proposals and the consultation through a range of methods:

- **Public exhibitions:** the public exhibitions will be open for anyone with an interest in REP to attend. Visitors will be able to ask questions to the REP team and will be encouraged to submit comments via a feedback form;
- **Newsletter:** newsletters will be mailed to stakeholders within the consultation zone to inform the local community about the REP proposals and the community consultation;
- **Website:** the Riverside Energy Park website will be regularly updated with the latest news about REP and will provide access to all consultation

documents, allow completion of an online questionnaire and provide responses to Frequently Asked Questions that arise during the consultation;

- **Social media:** details of the consultation including reminders of when and where events are taking place will be publicised via the main Cory Riverside Energy twitter account: [@CoryEnergy](https://twitter.com/CoryEnergy);
- **Posters:** posters advertising the public exhibitions will be displayed in local venues; and
- **Document inspection locations:** the consultation documents, (listed under Section 1.7.7) will be available to view at the following locations throughout the consultation period:

Table 1.3 Inspection venues for consultation documents

VENUE NAME AND ADDRESS	OPENING TIMES
Upper Belvedere Community Library, Woolwich Road, Upper Belvedere, DA17 5EQ	Monday 09.30-13.00 Tuesday 09.30-17.30 Wednesday 13.45-17.30 Thursday CLOSED Friday 09.30-17.30 Saturday 09.30-17.30 Sunday CLOSED
London Borough of Bexley Civic Offices, 2 Watling Street, Bexleyheath, Kent, DA6 7AT	Monday 09.00-17.00 Tuesday 09.00-17.00 Wednesday 09.00-17.00 Thursday 09.00-17.00 Friday 09.00-17.00 Saturday CLOSED Sunday CLOSED
Dartford Library, Central Park, Market Street, Dartford, Kent, DA1 1EU	Monday 08.30-18.00 Tuesday 08.30-18.00 Wednesday 08.30-18.00 Thursday 08.30-20.00 Friday 08.30-18.00 Saturday 09.00-17.00 Sunday CLOSED

1.8.2 The opening times provided in Table 1.3 are indicative and subject to the venue's operating procedures.

1.9 WHO WE WILL CONSULT WITH

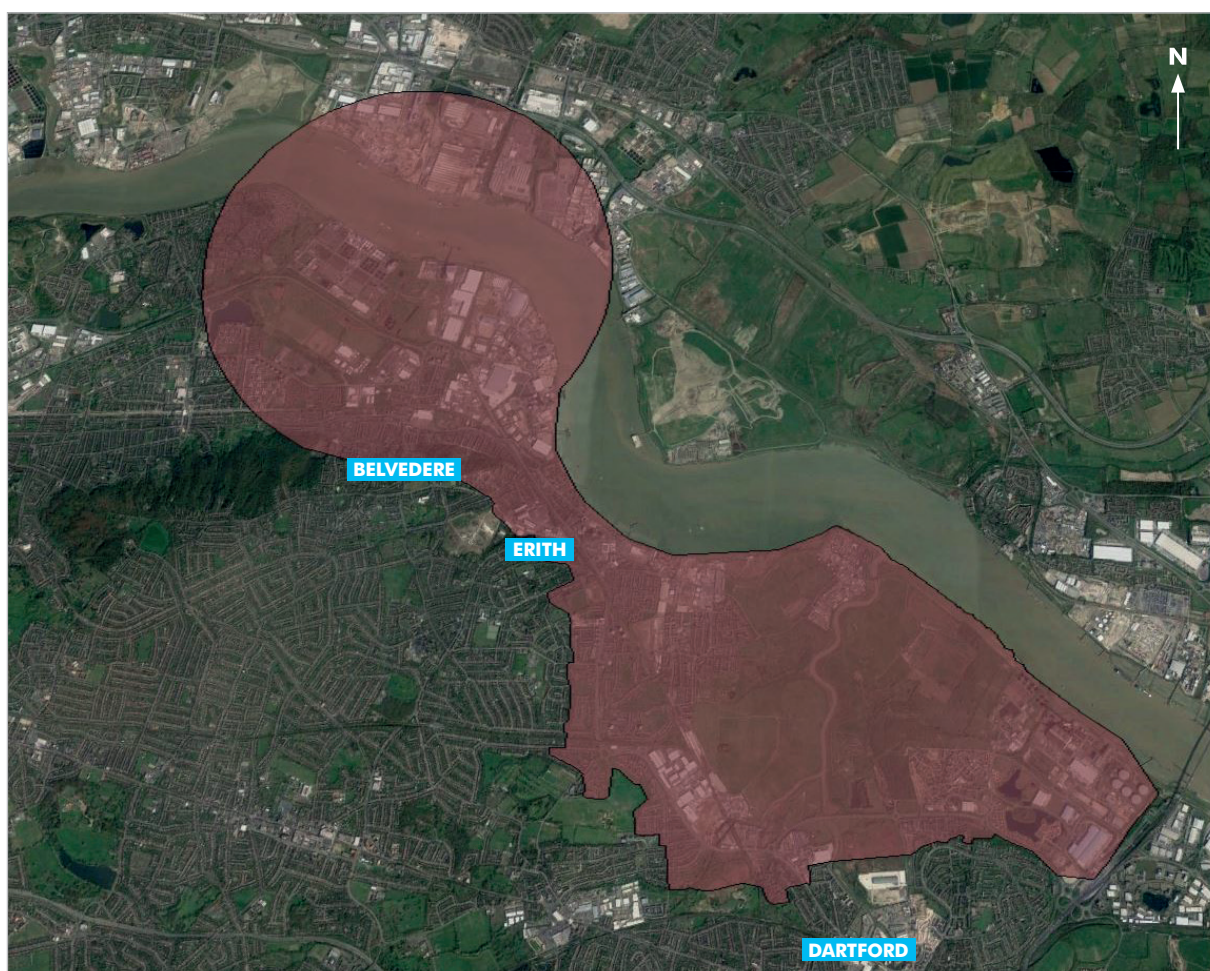
1.9.1 The consultation process has been designed to engage with those local communities who may be affected by the REP proposals. Within the consultation zone, shown in Figure 1.1 stakeholders will be sent an invitation to attend public exhibitions and informed about the REP proposal by mail including:

- Local residents with postal addresses within the consultation boundaries;
- Local businesses with postal addresses within the consultation boundaries;

- Local interest groups which are active within the consultation boundaries; and
- Elected representatives (Councillors, Members of Parliament and Members of the European Parliament) with constituencies within the consultation boundaries.

1.9.2 Cory will inform local communities beyond the consultation zone about the REP proposals and consultation through local newspaper advertisements, social media updates and website updates.

Figure 1.1 Consultation zone



1.10 WHAT WE WILL DO WITH CONSULTATION RESPONSES

- 1.10.1 Cory will consider all consultation responses received in refining the proposed development. Details of all consultation responses will be included in the Consultation Report which will be submitted to PINS as part of the DCO application and will be made public.

1.11 FURTHER DETAILS

- 1.11.1 Further information can be found on the Riverside Energy Park page of the Riverside Energy Park website at: www.riversideenergypark.com

1.12 CONTACT DETAILS

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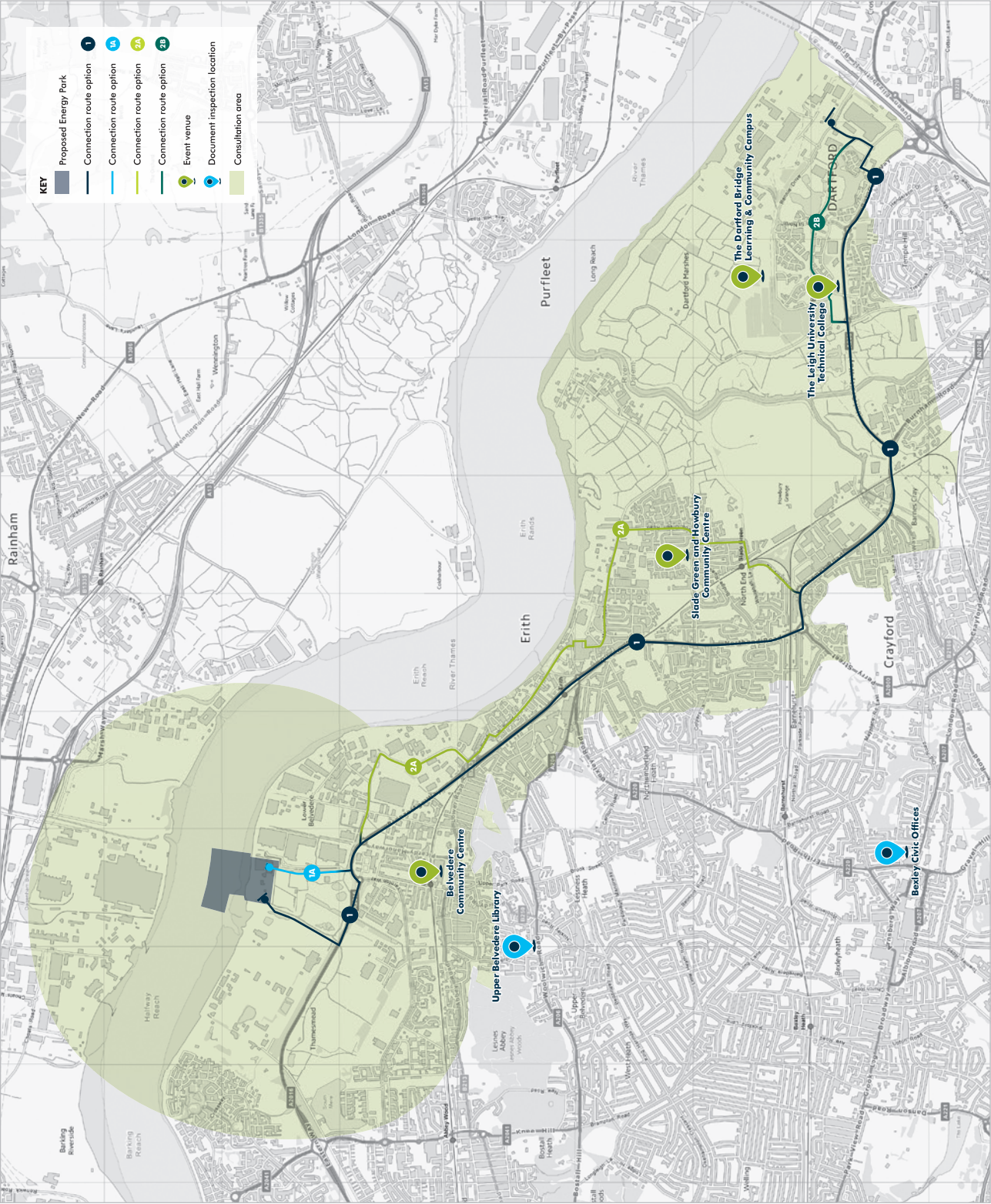
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Appendix H.2 SoCC Notice – 6th June 2018

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A clean-up operation has taken place across Bexley after several streets were waterlogged following thunderstorms and torrential rain.

A statement from Bexley Council confirmed 35 areas across the borough were damaged when flash flooding swept south east London and Kent.

Since the freak weather caused devastation to households, Bexley Council has promised to take action against problem areas to ensure there are no repeats of this in the future.

Among the roads affected was Pembroke Road in Erith, which was pictured partially submerged after the downpour. Residents had called the London Fire Brigade as

the flooding worsened.

According to the council, the scale of damage was down to a burst culvert (water tunnel) which runs underneath the road.

Bronze Age Way in Belvedere was also heavily affected by the flooding, with photos showing the road submerged in water and cars abandoned.

As well as drivers, commuters found themselves trapped at Erith train station after coming home from work as a result of flooding on Bronze Age Way. The road was closed for several days while the water was cleared.

The Council confirmed the flooding in Bronze Age Way was caused by blockages in the Corinthian Dyke.

Bexley Council has announced a partnership with the Environment Agency, Thames Water and Network Rail to ensure parts of the borough that have been sus-

ceptible to flooding the past will be safeguarded in future. Cllr Peter Craske, cabinet member for places, sent his sympathies to families who had been affected by flooding.

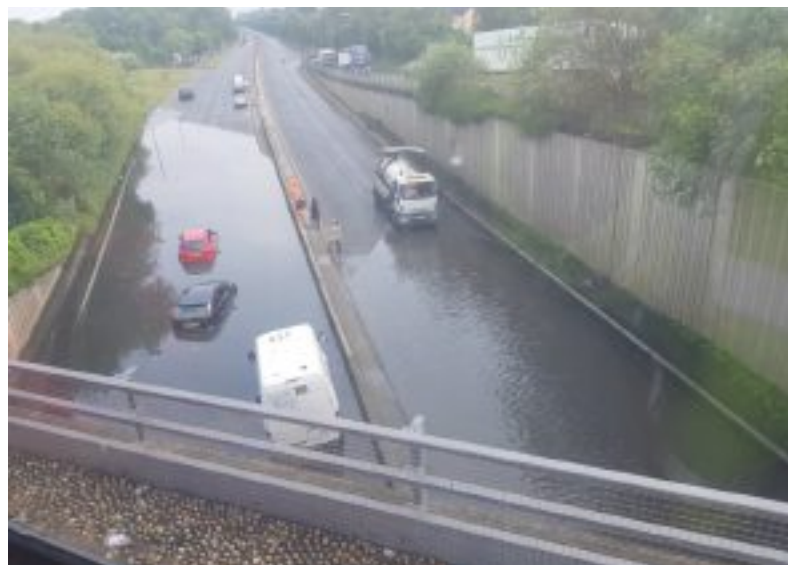
He said: "The torrential rain caused a number of floods across the borough and we worked alongside our partners as quickly as we could to try and ensure the safety of residents and road users.

"I'd like to thank our Council staff who responded quickly and effectively to these incidents.

"I hope that by getting all the parties involved in the issue at Pembroke Road and Bronze Age Way we can make sure this gets fixed as soon as possible to prevent another occurrence like this."

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Appendix H.3 Published SoCC

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1.5.2 Cory is therefore required to undertake an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the REP proposal. Cory will publish a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) as part of the pre-application consultation and will be seeking views on this information.

1.5.3 The PEIR will present the preliminary environmental information collected to date and an initial assessment of the likely significant environmental effects of the proposals.

1.5.4 Cory will submit an Environmental Statement (ES) with the DCO application which will report on the likely significant environmental effects of REP identified in the EIA and the appropriate mitigation measures to be put in place where necessary.

1.6 CONSULTATION OBJECTIVES

1.6.1 Cory's objectives for the consultation are:

- To provide consultees with sufficiently detailed information to understand the REP proposal and the potential impacts;
- To provide consultees with an opportunity to influence aspects of the project that are under development and to understand which elements of the project are fixed and the reasons why;

- Clearly signpost the different ways in which consultees can comment on the proposals; and
- Start a meaningful dialogue with the community that can continue through the submission and examination phase of the consenting process.

1.7 WHAT WE WILL CONSULT ON

- 1.7.1** The statutory consultation will take place between 18th June and 30th July 2018. Consultation responses should be submitted to Cory by **17.00 on 30th July 2018**. Cory will consider consultation responses received after this date wherever possible.
- 1.7.2** Cory will provide information on the outline design parameters of the REP proposal including any refinements made in response to previous consultation feedback, provide preliminary information on environmental impacts and proposed mitigation measures based on the findings from the published PEIR.
- 1.7.3** Cory will welcome and consider feedback on all aspects of the proposal and will specifically invite comments on the following:
- A preferred roof option for the facility (stepped, curved or flat);
 - Options for where Cory could route the underground electricity connection;
 - Proposed use of the River Thames;
 - Proposed approach to traffic and transport management;
 - Proposed protection of local air quality; and
 - Anything else that matters to you and that you think Cory need to consider.
- 1.7.4** Cory will hold public exhibitions during the statutory consultation period at the times and locations set out in Table 1.2 subject to unforeseen circumstances.

Table 1.2 Public exhibition details

DATE	VENUE	TIME
Friday 6th July	Belvedere Community Centre , Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre , Chrome Road, DA8 2EL	9am – 1pm 4pm – 8pm
Saturday 7th July	Belvedere Community Centre , Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA The Leigh University Technical College The Bridge Development, Brunel Way, Dartford, Kent, DA1 5TF	9am – 1pm 3pm – 6pm
Tuesday 10th July	Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre , Chrome Road, DA8 2EL	4pm – 8pm
Thursday 12th July	The Dartford Bridge Learning & Community Campus , Birdwood Avenue, DA1 5GB Belvedere Community Centre , Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA	9am – 1pm 4pm – 8pm

- 1.7.5 In the event that a public exhibition(s) is cancelled or rescheduled due to unforeseen circumstances Cory will seek to alert consultees as early as possible by updating the Riverside Energy Park website and the Cory Riverside Energy twitter account.
- 1.7.6 Display boards at the public exhibitions will provide further details on the different elements of the Proposed Development, design options, transporting waste on the River Thames and indicative timescales. The public exhibitions will be attended by representatives from the REP team who will be available to answer questions on the Proposed Development and the consultation.
- 1.7.7 Consultation documents will be available for inspection at the public exhibitions, in local venues and on the Riverside Energy Park website at www.riversideenergypark.com during the statutory consultation period (18th June – 30th July 2018). The consultation documents include:
- SoCC: this document;
 - PEIR: contains an overview of the nature and scale of the proposed development and an initial assessment of the likely significant environmental effects;
 - PEIR NTS: a non-technical summary of the information in the PEIR;
 - Project leaflet: a non-technical summary of the REP proposal;
 - Section 48 notice: a copy of the notice published in local and national newspapers advertising Cory's intention to submit a DCO application for the REP proposal as required by section 48 of the 2008 Act; and
 - Comments form: containing questions to capture views on the proposals and consultation available in print and on the Riverside Energy Park website for completion online at www.riversideenergypark.com

1.8 HOW WE WILL CONSULT

1.8.1 Cory will provide information about the proposals and the consultation through a range of methods:

- **Public exhibitions:** the public exhibitions will be open for anyone with an interest in REP to attend. Visitors will be able to ask questions to the REP team and will be encouraged to submit comments via a form;
- **Leaflet:** Leaflets will be mailed to stakeholders within the consultation zone to inform the local community about the REP proposals and the community consultation;
- **Website:** the Riverside Energy Park website (www.riversideenergypark.com) will be regularly updated with the latest news about REP and will provide access to all consultation documents including the PEIR, allow completion

of an online questionnaire and will provide responses to Frequently Asked Questions that arise during the consultation;

- **Social media:** details of the consultation including reminders of when and where events are taking place will be publicised via the main Cory Riverside Energy twitter account: [@CoryEnergy](https://twitter.com/CoryEnergy);
- **Posters:** posters advertising the public exhibitions will be displayed in local venues within the consultation zone; and
- **Document inspection locations:** the consultation documents, (listed under Section 1.7.7) will be available to view at the following locations throughout the consultation period (18th June – 30th July 2018):

Table 1.3 Inspection venues for consultation documents

VENUE NAME AND ADDRESS	OPENING TIMES	
Upper Belvedere Community Library, Woolwich Road, Upper Belvedere, DA17 5EQ	Monday	09.30-13.00
	Tuesday	09.30-17.30
	Wednesday	13.45-17.30
	Thursday	CLOSED
	Friday	09.30-17.30
	Saturday	09.30-14.30
	Sunday	CLOSED
London Borough of Bexley Civic Offices, 2 Watling Street, Bexleyheath, Kent, DA6 7AT	Monday	09.00-17.00
	Tuesday	09.00-17.00
	Wednesday	09.00-17.00
	Thursday	09.00-17.00
	Friday	09.00-17.00
	Saturday	CLOSED
	Sunday	CLOSED
Dartford Library, Central Park, Market Street, Dartford, Kent, DA1 1EU	Monday	08.30-18.00
	Tuesday	08.30-18.00
	Wednesday	08.30-18.00
	Thursday	08.30-20.00
	Friday	08.30-18.00
	Saturday	09.00-17.00
	Sunday	CLOSED

1.8.2 The opening times provided in Table 1.3 are indicative and subject to the venue's operating procedures.

1.9 WHO WE WILL CONSULT WITH

1.9.1 The consultation process has been designed to engage with those local communities who may be affected by the REP proposals. Within the consultation zone, shown in Figure 1.1 stakeholders will be sent an invitation to attend public exhibitions and informed about the REP proposal by mail including:

- Local residents with postal addresses within the consultation boundaries;
- Local businesses with postal addresses within the consultation boundaries;

- Local interest groups which are active within the consultation boundaries; and
- Elected representatives (Councillors, Members of Parliament and Members of the European Parliament) with constituencies within the consultation boundaries.

1.9.2 Cory will inform local communities beyond the consultation zone about the REP proposals and consultation through local newspaper advertisements, social media and Riverside Energy Park website updates.

Figure 1.1 Consultation zone



1.10 WHAT WE WILL DO WITH CONSULTATION RESPONSES

- 1.10.1 Cory will consider all consultation responses received when refining the Proposed Development. Details of all consultation responses will be included in the Consultation Report which will be submitted to PINS as part of the DCO application and will be made public.

1.11 FURTHER DETAILS

- 1.11.1 Further information can be found on the Riverside Energy Park website at:
www.riversideenergypark.com

1.12 CONTACT DETAILS

- 1.12.1 Consultation responses should be submitted to Cory by **17.00 on 30th July 2018**. Questions and comments on this document, the REP proposals and consultation responses can be submitted to Cory using the details below:

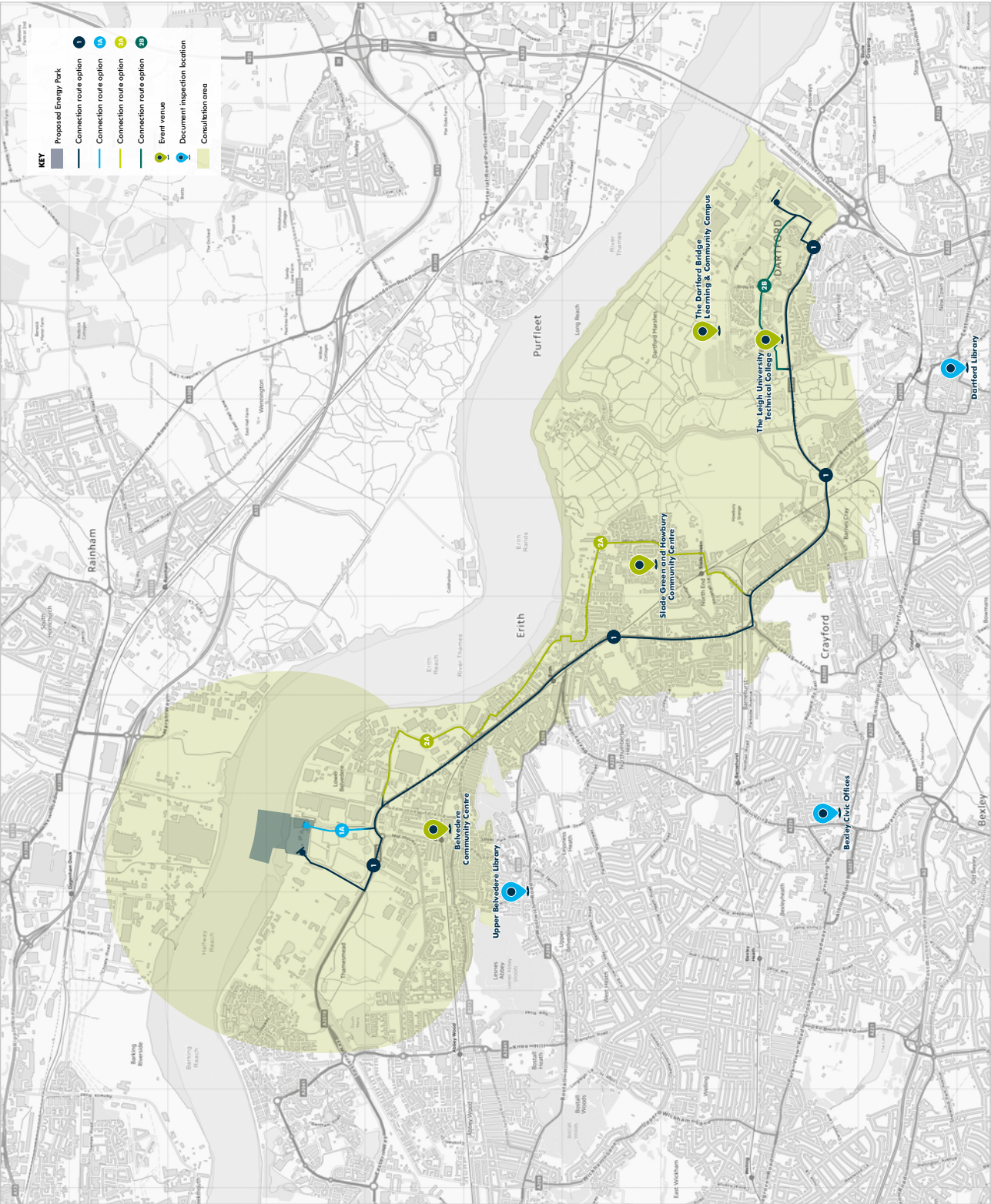
Email: info@riversideenergypark.com

Mail: **FREEPOST RIVERSIDE ENERGY PARK**

Freephone: **0330 838 4254**

APPENDIX

Appendix 1.1 Consultation zone map





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Appendix H.4 Updated Draft SoCC Explanatory Statement

- The updated draft SoCC Explanatory Statement was issued to the host authorities on 5th April 2018 alongside the updated draft SoCC.

Riverside Energy Park Belvedere

Draft Statement of Community Consultation Explanatory Statement

On behalf of **Cory Environmental Holdings Limited**
(trading as **Cory Riverside Energy**)



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1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 Cory Environmental Holdings Limited (trading as Cory Riverside Energy) ('Cory') proposes to develop an integrated multi-technology energy generation park in Belvedere, London, to be known as Riverside Energy Park ('REP').
- 1.1.2 The REP proposal is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project ('NSIP') under the Planning Act 2008 (as amended) ('the 2008 Act'). Cory will therefore need to apply to the Secretary of State ('SoS') for a development consent order ('DCO') to construct and operate the proposal.
- 1.1.3 The planning regime established by the Act 2008 places significant importance on pre-application consultation. Cory propose to undertake a single statutory pre-application consultation period between 18 June and 30 July 2018 incorporating the requirements of sections 42, 47 and 48 of the 2008 Act. Section 2 of this report sets out the requirements of the relevant legislation.
- 1.1.4 The Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') (enclosed with this document) explains to the local community how Cory will consult with them on the REP proposals as required under section 47(1) of the 2008 Act. The SoCC provides details of statutory consultation with the local community only.
- 1.1.5 This SoCC Explanatory Statement outlines the statutory consultation requirements of the 2008 Act; explains the pre-application consultation which Cory will undertake with local communities including non-statutory and statutory consultation activities; and provides details of consultation with local authorities on the SoCC as required by section 47(2) of the 2008 Act. This Statement is structured as follows:
 - Section 2 outlines the relevant legislation and guidance;
 - Section 3 provides an overview of the current REP proposals and modifications made to the EIA Scoping proposal;
 - Section 4 explains the purpose and content of the SoCC and Section 5 provides details of the consultation on the SoCC;
 - Section 6 outlines the key drivers behind Cory's community consultation process; and
 - Section 7 presents an overview of the refinement of the SoCC to date.
- 1.1.6 This version of the Consultation Document takes account of feedback received from the local authorities in February – March 2018 and informal comments received on an earlier version of the draft SoCC document in March 2018.

Cory is now seeking formal comments on the content and format of the draft SoCC from local authorities under section 47(2) of the 2008 Act.

In accordance with section 47(3) of the 2008 Act local authorities have 28 days in which to respond to this consultation. Therefore, comments must be submitted to Cory by **3rd May 2018** to ensure that they are incorporated in the published version of the SoCC.

Comments can be emailed directly to info@riversideenergypark.com.

2 Legislation and Policy Background

- 2.1.1 This section outlines the statutory requirement to consult with the local community on proposed DCO applications. The requirements are set out in the 2008 Act, The Infrastructure Planning (Environment Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the ‘EIA Regulations’) and associated guidance.
- 2.1.2 This document has been produced to satisfy section 47 of the 2008 Act (as amended) which sets out the requirement for applicants to consult with the local community on proposed DCO applications as summarised below:

Section 47 Duty to consult local community

- (1) The applicant must prepare a statement setting out how the applicant proposes to consult, about the proposed application, people living in the vicinity of the land.
- (2) Before preparing the statement, the applicant must consult each local authority that is within section 43(1) about what is to be in the statement.
- (3) The deadline for the receipt by the applicant of a local authority’s response to consultation under subsection (2) is the end of the period of 28 days that begins with the day after the day on which the local authority receives the consultation documents.
- (4) In subsection (3) “the consultation documents” means the documents supplied to the local authority by the applicant for the purpose of consulting the local authority under subsection (2).
- (5) In preparing the statement, the applicant must have regard to any response to consultation under subsection (2) that is received by the applicant before the deadline imposed by subsection (3).
- (6) Once the applicant has prepared the statement, the applicant must make the statement available for inspection by the public in a way that is reasonably convenient for people living in the vicinity of the land, and
- (a) publish a notice stating where and when the statement can be inspected
 - (b) publish the statement in such manner as may be prescribed.
- (7) The applicant must carry out consultation in accordance with the proposals set out in the statement.

- 2.1.3 The 2008 Act (as amended) requires that applicants undertake pre-application consultation with a range of stakeholders in addition to the local community. These requirements are summarised below:
- Section 42: the applicant must consult with all those required including prescribed bodies¹, the Marine Management Organisation (‘MMO’), the

¹ Set out at Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009

relevant local authorities, the Greater London Authority ('GLA') and relevant landowners or other parties with an interest in the land;

- Section 43(1): A local authority is within this section if the land is in the authority's area;
- Section 46: the applicant must notify the SoS of the proposed development and provide the section 42 consultation material to the SoS;
- Section 47: the applicant must consult with the relevant local authorities (as defined under section 43(1)) on the content of the SoCC, publish a notice in local newspapers, make the SoCC available to the public and consult with the local community in accordance with the published SoCC;
- Section 48: the applicant must publicise the proposed application in the manner prescribed by Regulation 4 of the APFP Regulations;
- Section 49: the applicant must take account of relevant responses received to consultation and publicity; and
- Section 50: the applicant must have regard to any guidance about how to comply with the requirements of Chapter 2.

2.1.4 While this document is concerned with the requirements of section 47 Cory will be undertaking consultation with the local community in parallel with pre-application consultation with stakeholders as required under section 42 of the 2008 Act including prescribed bodies, the MMO, the relevant local authorities, the GLA, landowners and other land interests.

2.1.5 The relevant authorities for the REP proposal for the purpose of Section 43(1) include the London Borough of Bexley ('LBB'), Dartford Borough Council ('DBC') and Kent County Council ('KCC').

Regulation 12 Consultation statement requirements

- (1) The consultation statement prepared under section 47(a) (duty to consult local community) must set out—
- (a) whether the development for which the applicant proposes to make an application for an order granting development consent is EIA development; and
 - (b) if that development is EIA development, how the applicant intends to publicise and consult on the preliminary environmental information.

2.1.6 Regulation 12 of the EIA Regulations, set out above, requires that the SoCC must explain how preliminary environmental information about the proposed development will be publicised as part of the community consultation.

2.1.7 Cory has taken account of the DCLG (2015) 2008 Act Guidance on the Pre-Application Process (the 'DCLG 2008 Act pre-application guidance') in developing their approach to the community consultation.

3 REP Proposal Overview

3.1.1 This section presents a brief overview of the current REP proposals.

3.2 REP Proposal Overview

3.2.1 REP would be developed immediately adjacent to Cory's existing Riverside Resource Recovery Facility (RRRF) and would complement the operation of the existing facility. It would comprise a range of technologies including; waste energy recovery, waste anaerobic digestion, solar panels and battery storage. The main elements of REP are described below:

- **Energy Recovery Facility (ERF):** to provide thermal treatment of Commercial and Industrial (C&I) waste with the potential for treatment of municipal solid waste (MSW);
- **Solar Photovoltaic Installation:** to be integrated across a wide extent of the roof;
- **Battery Storage:** to supply additional power to the local distribution network at times of peak electrical demand. This facility would be integrated into the main REP building;
- **Anaerobic Digestion Facility:** outputs from the anaerobic digestion facility would be used as a fuel in the ERF to generate electricity or alternatively transferred off-site for use in the agricultural sector as fertilizer;
- **Combined Heat and Power Connection ('CHP'):** REP would be CHP enabled with necessary infrastructure within the REP site included. The heat connection could service nearby residential developments such as the Thamesmead area;
- **The Electrical Connection Route:** REP would be connected to the existing National Electrical Transmission System ('NETS') via a new 132 kilovolt (kV) distribution network connection and a new substation within the REP site. In consultation with UK Power Networks ('UKPN') Cory are currently considering Electrical Connection Route options to connect to the existing National Grid Littlebrook Power Station substation located south east of REP. All Electrical Connection options have been included within the Indicative Application Boundary at this stage. A single Electrical Connection Route will be confirmed through consultation with UKPN and included in the DCO application;
- **Delivery of waste to REP:** the majority of waste will be delivered to REP by barge from Waste Transfer Stations (WTS) along the River Thames, utilising the existing jetty as per the existing RRRF. The remainder would be delivered by road. The proportions of the total to be delivered by road and river will be determined through further assessment work and details included in the DCO application; and

- **Removal of by-products from REP:** Incinerator Bottom Ash (IBA) would be transported by river to the existing IBA Facility at the Port of Tilbury for treatment/recycling, and then onward use as secondary aggregate in the construction sector. Air Pollution Control Residues (APCR) would be taken off site by road in sealed containers to be recycled.

3.2.2 Construction is targeted to begin in 2021, and REP is expected to be fully operational by 2024.

4 The draft SoCC

4.1 Scope of the SoCC

- 4.1.1 The SoCC is a statutory document produced to satisfy section 47(1) of the 2008 Act. A copy of Cory's draft SoCC is enclosed with this document. The enclosed draft SoCC is intended to provide an informative and comprehensive statement for local communities about how Cory will inform, engage and consult with them.
- 4.1.2 The content of the draft SoCC has been designed to meet the requirements of the 2008 Act and the EIA Regulations as outlined below:
- Section 1.1: provides an overview of the REP proposals and the statutory community consultation activities that Cory will carry out as required under section 47(1) of the 2008 Act and includes a table setting out key dates for the community consultation including the statutory consultation period;
 - Section 1.2: introduces the applicant including company details and an overview of Cory's existing operations at RRRF;
 - Section 1.3: provides details on different elements of the REP proposals;
 - Section 1.4: outlines the DCO application process as established by the 2008 Act and identifies the issues that would be considered at examination should the REP DCO application be accepted;
 - Section 1.5: explains how Cory will publish Preliminary Environmental Information on the proposals in a Preliminary Environmental Information Report ('PEIR') which will be made available as part of the statutory consultation with the local community to satisfy regulation 12 of the EIA Regulations;
 - Section 1.6: outlines Cory's objectives for the statutory consultation with the local community;
 - Section 1.7: explains the information that will be made available during the statutory consultation and includes a table setting out the proposed date, time and location of statutory public exhibitions;
 - Section 1.8: explains the methods that Cory will use to inform and engage local communities about the REP proposals during the statutory consultation and provides information about where the consultation documents can be inspected by the members of the public;
 - Section 1.9: explains who Cory will target as part of the statutory consultation with the local community;
 - Section 1.10: explains how Cory will have regard to all relevant consultation comments received as required by section 49 of the 2008 Act;

- Section 1.11: provides the Riverside Energy Park website address where further details and regular updates on the REP proposals can be found; and
 - Section 1.12: provides contact details for members of the community to contact Cory about the consultation and the REP proposal including an email address, free post address and free phone telephone number.
- 4.1.3 In parallel with this community consultation Cory will undertake pre-application consultation with stakeholders as required under section 42 of the 2008 Act including prescribed bodies, the MMO, the relevant local authorities, the GLA, landowners and other land interests.
- 4.2 Publication of the SoCC and SoCC notices**
- 4.2.1 Section 47(6) of the 2008 Act (as amended) requires the applicant to publish a notice stating where and when the SoCC can be inspected by people living in the vicinity of the land.
- 4.2.2 The SoCC will be lodged in local venues for inspection by members of the community by 21st May 2018. The table below sets out the proposed locations for lodging paper copies of the SoCC alongside the other consultation documents.

Table 4.1 Local venues for the SoCC

Venue	Opening times	
Upper Belvedere Community Library Woolwich Road Upper Belvedere DA17 5EQ	Monday	09.30-13.00
	Tuesday	09.30-17.30
	Wednesday	13.45-17.30
	Thursday	CLOSED
	Friday	09.30-17.30
	Saturday	09.30-17.30
	Sunday	CLOSED
London Borough of Bexley Civic Offices 2 Watling Street Bexleyheath Kent DA6 7AT	Monday	09.00-17.00
	Tuesday	09.00-17.00
	Wednesday	09.00-17.00
	Thursday	09.00-17.00
	Friday	09.00-17.00
	Saturday	CLOSED
	Sunday	CLOSED
Dartford Library Central Park Market Street	Monday	08.30-18.00
	Tuesday	08.30-18.00
	Wednesday	08.30-18.00

Venue	Opening times
Dartford	Thursday 08.30-20.00
Kent	Friday 08.30-18.00
DA1 1EU	Saturday 09.00-17.00
	Sunday CLOSED

- 4.2.3 Paper copies of the SoCC will be made available at the statutory public exhibitions and an electronic copy of the SoCC will be made available on the Riverside Energy Park website for members of the public to view and download.
- 4.2.4 Cory proposes to publish a SoCC notice, explaining that the SoCC can be viewed by members of the local community, in The Bexley News Shopper.

5 Consultation on the SoCC

- 5.1.1 Section 47(6) of the 2008 Act (as amended) requires that the applicant must consult with each local authority within section 43(1) about the content of the SoCC,
- 5.1.2 The relevant authorities for the REP proposal who are being consulted on the SoCC include LBB, DBC and KCC. The table below sets out the timetable for the SoCC preparation:

Table 5.1 SoCC timetable

Date	Milestone
23 rd March 2018	Draft SoCC issued to relevant local authorities for informal comment
29 th March 2018	Deadline for submission of informal comments to Cory on the draft SoCC
5 th April 2018	Draft SoCC issued to relevant local authorities for statutory consultation
6 th April 2018	Statutory consultation on draft SoCC begins
3 rd May 2018	Deadline for submission of statutory consultation comments to Cory on the draft SoCC
Mid-May 2018	Issue newsletter invite to local community to non-statutory and statutory consultation
16 th May 2018	SoCC notice to be published in local newspaper
21 st May 2018	SoCC published and lodged in local venues for public inspection

- 5.1.3 Cory undertook early non-statutory engagement with the relevant local authorities on the content on an earlier version of the draft SoCC between February and March 2018. Following the receipt of feedback from local authorities Cory has incorporated the following changes in to the community consultation:
- The consultation zone has been extended to incorporate the Bridge masterplan area in Dartford;
 - The Leigh University Technical College has been included as a public exhibition location;

- KCC and DBC have confirmed that there are no significant hard to reach groups;
 - Resident's groups in surrounding area will be directly contacted about the proposed public exhibitions at request of KCC/DBC to address potential wider transport and road network users; and
 - The Dartford Library has been included as an additional document inspection location.
- 5.1.4 Following liaison with the proposed exhibition venues a further change has been made due to a change in availability at The Dartford Bridge Learning & Community Campus. The public exhibition scheduled for the morning of 6th July 2018 is now proposed to be held at the Belvedere Community Centre. Cory has discussed this change with DBC and have reached agreement that the suite of exhibitions proposed within the Dartford area remain appropriate.
- 5.1.5 Cory is now seeking formal comments on the content and format of the updated draft SoCC from local authorities under section 47(2) of the 2008 Act.
- 5.1.6 In accordance with section 47(3) of the 2008 Act local authorities have 28 days in which to respond to this consultation. Therefore, comments must be submitted to Cory by **3rd May 2018** to ensure that they are incorporated in the published version of the SoCC, comments can be emailed directly to info@riversideenergypark.com.
- 5.1.7 The SoCC is intended to provide an informative and comprehensive statement for local communities about how Cory will consult and engage with them on the REP proposal as part of the wider pre-application consultation process. Bearing this in mind Cory would be grateful for your views on the following elements of the SoCC:
- Contact details for identified 'hard to reach' groups within the relevant local authority areas;
 - Contact details for any local interest groups which may have an interest in the REP proposals;
 - The proposed consultation zones (explained in Section 5);
 - The proposed scope of information to be provided at statutory consultation and any other information that should be provided; and
 - The proposed venues selected for lodging copies of the SoCC alongside other consultation documents and venues for the statutory public exhibitions.

6 Community Consultation Process

6.1 Consultation objectives

6.1.1 The objectives of Cory's community consultation process are:

- To provide consultees with sufficiently detailed information to understand the REP proposal and the potential impacts;
- To provide consultees with an opportunity to influence aspects of the project that are under development and to understand which elements of the project are fixed and the reasons why;
- Clearly signpost the different ways in which consultees can comment on the proposals; and
- Start a meaningful dialogue with the community that can continue through the submission and examination phase of the consenting process.

6.1.2 The DCLG 2008 Act pre-application guidance states that consultation should take place at a sufficiently early stage to allow consultees a real opportunity to influence the proposal.

6.1.3 Taking this into account Cory propose to undertake a two-stage consultation process with the local community. Cory has made the decision to undertake informal non-statutory consultation to provide the local community with an early opportunity to influence the REP proposal and the consultation process.

6.1.4 An overview of the proposed activities and the scope of information to be consulted on at non-statutory (Stage one) and statutory (Stage two) consultation is outlined in this section. The proposed community consultation timetable is set out below.

Table 6.1 REP community consultation key dates

Date	Consultation activity
May 2018	Leaflet distributed to residents, businesses and community groups in the consultation zone
21 st May 2018	SoCC published and lodged in local venues for public inspection
22 nd May 2018	09.00– 13.00: Non-statutory public exhibition 1
23 rd May 2018	16.00 – 20.00: Non-statutory public exhibition 2
24 th May 2018	09.00 – 13.00: Non-statutory public exhibition 3
25 th May 2018	11.00 – 15.00: Non-statutory public exhibition 4
18 th June 2018	Statutory consultation period starts

Date	Consultation activity
18 th June 2018	Consultation materials lodged in local venues
6 th July 2018	09.00 – 13.00: Statutory public exhibition 1
	16.00 – 20.00: Statutory public exhibition 2
7 th July 2018	09.00 – 13.00: Statutory public exhibition 3
	15.00 – 18.00: Statutory public exhibition 4
10 th July 2018	16.00 – 20.00: Statutory public exhibition 5
12 th July 2018	09.00 – 13.00: Statutory public exhibition 6
	16.00 – 20.00: Statutory public exhibition 7
30 th July 2018	Statutory consultation period closes

6.2 Stage one: Non-statutory consultation

6.2.1 Cory will provide the following information during the non-statutory consultation:

- explain why the Application Site has been selected;
- provide information about Cory's existing operations at the RRRF;
- outline the design parameters of the REP proposal;
- provide information about the different low carbon energy generating technologies to be utilised at REP;
- explain Cory's plans to use the River Thames as a 'Green Highway' for deliveries to and from the REP; and
- provide information about the DCO application process and key dates for further consultation on the REP.

6.2.2 Cory has made the decision to undertake early informal consultation to provide the local community with an opportunity to influence the REP proposal and the consultation process.

6.2.3 Cory will explain which aspects of the proposal require further refinement and will specifically seek people's views on the following:

- A preferred roof option for the facility (stepped, curved or flat);
- Options for where we could route the underground electricity connection;

- The proposed use of the River Thames;
- The proposed approach to traffic and transport management;
- The proposed protection of local air quality; and
- Anything else that matters to you and that you think we need to consider.

6.2.4 Cory intend to undertake the following consultation activities at Stage one to inform the local community about the REP proposals:

- **Public exhibitions:** Cory will host non-statutory public exhibitions at local venues within the consultation zone which will be open for anyone with an interest in REP to attend. Copies of a project brochure setting out a non-technical summary of the REP proposal and a feedback form with questions to capture views on the proposals will be made available in print at the public exhibitions. Electronic copies of both documents will be made available online on the Riverside Energy Park website. Table 6.2 sets out details of the proposed non-statutory public exhibitions.

Table 6.2 Non-statutory public exhibition details

Date	Time	Venue
22 nd May 2018	09.00 – 13.00	The Dartford Bridge Learning & Community Campus, 30 Birdwood Ave, Dartford DA1 5GB
23 rd May 2018	16.00 – 20.00	Belvedere Community Centre, Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA
24 th May 2018	09.00 – 13.00	Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre, Chrome Road, Erith DA8 2E
25 th May 2018	11.00 – 15.00	Belvedere Community Centre, Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA

6.2.5 Information about the REP proposals and the Stage one public exhibitions will be publicised via the following methods:

- **Newsletter:** Cory will mail a newsletter to stakeholders in the consultation zone (explained in Section 6.4 of this document);
- **Website:** the Riverside Energy Park website will be regularly updated with the latest news about REP, provide access to all statutory consultation documents, allow completion of an online questionnaire and provide responses to Frequently Asked Questions that arise during the community consultation;

- **Posters:** posters advertising the non-statutory public exhibitions will be mailed to local councils, councillors, libraries and the public exhibition venues. Additionally, local business owners will be asked to display posters in shop windows;
- **Social media:** reminders of when and where public exhibition are taking place will be publicised via the main Cory twitter account (@CoryEnergy); and
- **Newspaper notices:** Cory will place an advertisement in a local newspaper circulating within the consultation zone to publicise the non-statutory public exhibitions. Details of the proposed newspaper advertisement are provided in the table below:

Table 6.3 Non-statutory public exhibition newspaper advertisement

Publication	Date
The Bexley News Shopper	16 th May 2018

6.3 Stage two: Statutory consultation

- 6.3.1 Cory will undertake a single statutory pre-application consultation period between 18th June 2018 and 30th July 2018 incorporating the requirements of sections 42, 47 and 48 of the 2008 Act across an extended 42-day consultation period.
- 6.3.2 Section 45 of the 2008 Act states that applicants must provide consultees notified under section 42 with a minimum of 28 days to respond to the consultation starting from the day after the receipt of the consultation documents.
- 6.3.3 Consultation responses should be submitted to Cory by 17.00 on 30th July 2018 however Cory will consider consultation responses received after this date wherever possible.
- 6.3.4 Section 1.7.2 of the SoCC outlines what information Cory will present to consultees during the statutory consultation period.
- 6.3.5 Section 1.7.3 of the SoCC identifies specific topics which Cory will invite comments on from the local community during the statutory consultation period.
- 6.3.6 Section 1.7.4 of the SoCC provides details of the proposed locations and times for the statutory public exhibitions.
- 6.3.7 Sections 1.7.6 – 1.7.7 of the SoCC outline the scope of information and documentation which will be made available to attendees at the statutory public exhibitions.

- 6.3.8 Section 1.8.1 of the SoCC outlines the range of communication methods that Cory will use to inform the local community about the REP proposal and the statutory consultation and includes details of proposed inspection venues where members of the public can view the consultation documents (as listed at Section 1.7.7 of the SoCC).
- 6.3.9 Cory will also place an advertisement in a local newspaper circulating within the consultation zone to publicise the statutory public exhibitions. Details of the proposed newspaper advertisement are provided in the table below:

Table 6.4 Statutory public exhibition newspaper advertisement

Publication	Date
The Bexley News Shopper	27 th June 2018

6.4 Defining the consultation zone

- 6.4.1 Section 47 of the 2008 Act states that those ‘*living in the vicinity of the land*’ should be consulted. The DCLG 2008 Act pre-application guidance recognises that applicants are best placed to establish an appropriate area in which to consult the local community and that relevant local authorities should work together with applicants to develop a plan for consultation.

- 6.4.2 The DCLG 2008 Act pre-application guidance advises that the consultation zone should be proportionate to the expected level of impacts resulting from the proposal:

“The aim should be to ensure that consultation is appropriate to the scale and nature of the project and where its impacts will be experienced.” [24]

“Applicants are required to set out in their Statement of Community Consultation how they propose to consult those living in the vicinity of the land. They are encouraged to consider consulting beyond this where they think doing so may provide more information on the impacts of their proposals (e.g. through visual impacts or increased traffic flow).” [56]

“To ensure that consultation is fair to all parties, applicants should be able to demonstrate that the consultation process is proportionate to the impacts of the project in the area that it affects, takes account of the anticipated level of local interest, and takes account of the views of the relevant local authorities.” [77]

- 6.4.3 This Section explains how the proposed consultation zone, shown in Figure 6:1, has been defined for REP taking account of the DCLG 2008 Act pre-application guidance and the potential impacts arising from the different elements of the REP proposal.

Figure 6:1 REP consultation zone



- 6.4.4 The consultation zone has been defined to include those communities closest to the indicative application boundary since they are more likely to be affected by the proposals than the general public. The consultation zone boundary has been defined to include:
- a 2km radius around the REP site; and
 - a 200m buffer either side of the electrical connection route options extended to the north to follow the natural boundary of the River Thames.
- 6.4.5 Appendix A contains a draft version of consultation zone map to be included in the final version of the SoCC which illustrates the proposed public exhibitions venue locations, document inspection locations, the REP site and electrical cable route option variants alongside the consultation zone area.
- 6.4.6 As explained in paragraph 6.4.4, Cory will engage and consult directly with local communities within a 2km radius of the REP site. The proposed consultation zone is proportionate to the potential impacts arising from the construction and operation of the REP which include (but not limited to):
- Temporary and permanent transport impacts on the road and river network from delivery of components for construction;
 - Temporary impacts on air quality from dust and trackout however these impacts should be mitigated to a not significant level and air quality impacts from construction vehicles and vessels;
 - Temporary noise and vibration impacts on the nearest Noise Sensitive Receptors during construction;
 - Temporary visual impacts for users of local public rights of way (PRoW);

- Temporary impacts on terrestrial biodiversity - disturbance to local flora and fauna from soil stripping, habitat loss and construction lighting;
- Temporary impacts on hydrology, flood risk and water resources - potential for sediment discharge and chemical leakage into local water courses;
- Temporary impacts on ground conditions including compaction of soils, potential to release contaminants through soil disturbance and impacts to groundwater due to the potential for chemical spillages;
- Temporary socio-economic impacts both positive and negative including a strain on local services due to influx of construction workers, additional spending and job creation;
- Permanent air quality impacts due to the dispersion of pollutants from the REP stack, anaerobic digestion (AD) and increased vehicle and vessel delivering waste;
- Permanent impacts on townscape and the historic environment from the Stack and massing of the main REP building;
- Permanent noise from the operation of REP and increased vehicle movements;
- Permanent impact on biodiversity from noise from operational plant, dispersion of pollutants from REP Stack and operational lighting;
- Permanent impacts on ground conditions due to the potential for chemical spillages; and
- Permanent socio-economic impact due to the potential for job creation.

6.4.7 As explained in paragraph 6.4.4, Cory will also engage and consult directly with local communities within a 200m buffer either side of the electrical connection route options and up to the boundary of the River Thames to the north. Since the preferred electrical connection route is not likely to be chosen until after the statutory consultation a wide consultation zone has been adopted to provide all communities which could be potentially be affected with an opportunity to comment on the proposals. The proposed consultation zone is proportionate to the potential impacts arising from the construction of the electrical connection which include (but not limited to):

- Temporary impacts on the road network from temporary road closures;
- Temporary air quality impacts from dust and trackout, however these impacts should be mitigated to a not significant level;
- Temporary noise and vibration impacts on the nearest Noise Sensitive Receptors during construction;
- Temporary impact on townscape limited to local residents; and

- Temporary socio-economic impact due to the influx of construction workers.

6.5 Communication methods

6.5.1 Within the consultation zone the following stakeholders will be informed about the REP proposal and sent an invitation to attend public exhibitions by mail:

- Local residents with postal addresses within the consultation boundaries;
- Local businesses with postal addresses within the consultation boundaries;
- Local interest groups which are active within the consultation boundaries; and
- Elected representatives (Councillors, Members of Parliament and Members of the European Parliament) with local constituencies within the consultation boundaries.

6.5.2 Cory recognises that some of the potential impacts from the REP proposal may have the potential to affect communities located beyond the consultation zone. Therefore, in accordance with the DCLG 2008 Act pre-application guidance Cory will publicise the consultation and the REP proposal beyond the consultation zone through local newspaper advertisements, twitter and Riverside Energy Park website updates.

6.6 What we will do with consultation responses

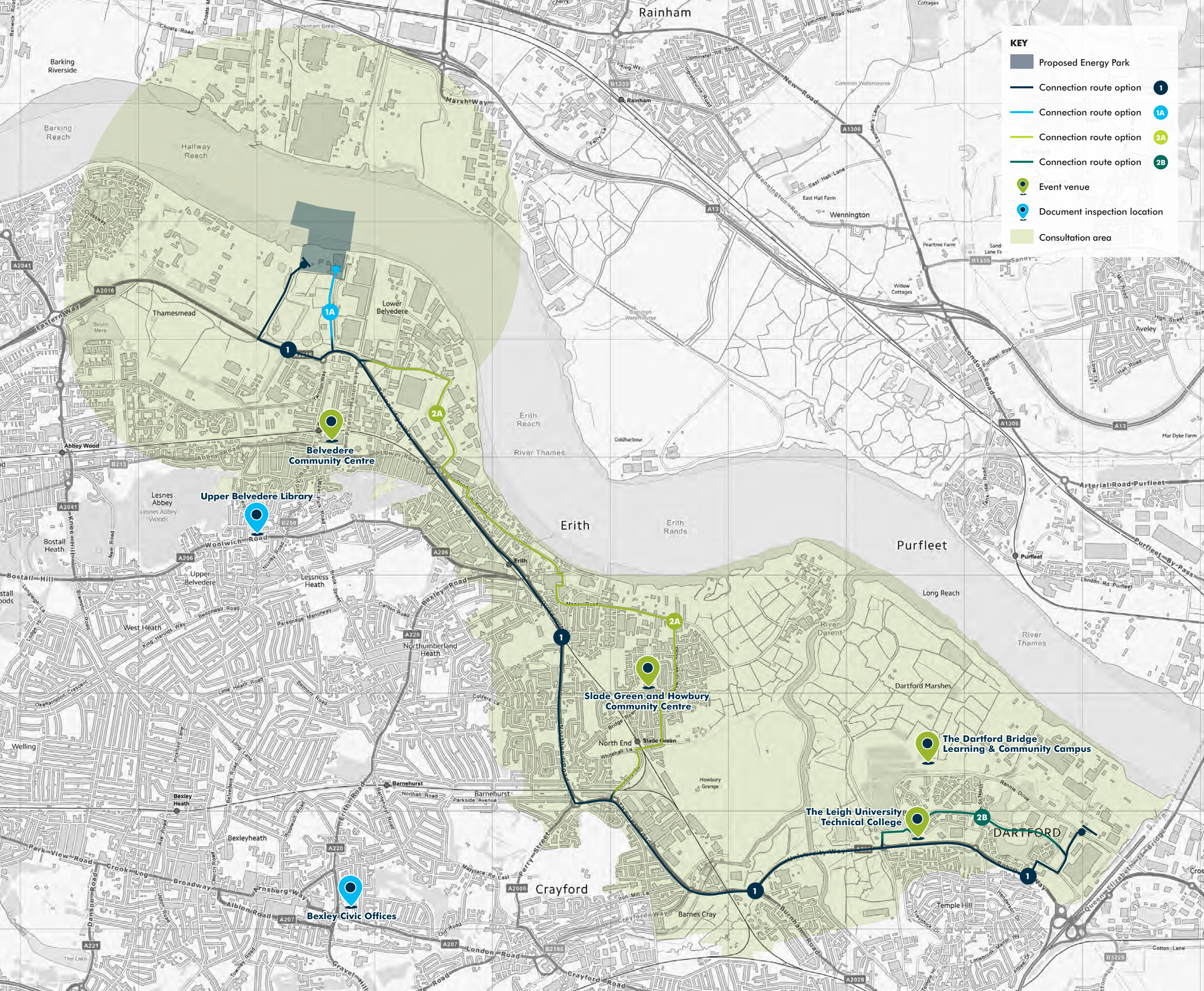
6.6.1 Section 49 of the 2008 Act places a duty on applicants to take account of responses to statutory consultation and publicity.

6.6.2 Cory will record and consider all consultation responses received during the non-statutory and statutory consultation. The Consultation Report, which will be submitted with the REP DCO application will consider and respond to all formal consultation responses. Cory will consider consultation responses received outside of the statutory consultation period wherever possible.

7 Summary

- 7.1.1 This document and the enclosed draft SoCC explain the statutory consultation requirements of the 2008 Act and the pre-application consultation which Cory will undertake with local communities on the REP proposals.
- 7.1.2 This document together with the draft SoCC comprise the 'Consultation Documents' as defined under Section 47(3) and (4) of the 2008 Act.
- 7.1.3 Section 47(6) of the 2008 Act (as amended) requires that the applicant must consult with each local authority within section 43(1) about the content of the SoCC. The relevant authorities who are being consulted on the SoCC include LBB, DBC and KCC.
- 7.1.4 This version of the Consultation Documents takes account of feedback received from the local authorities in February – March 2018 and informal comments received on an earlier version of the draft SoCC document in March 2018.
- 7.1.5 Cory undertook early non-statutory engagement with the relevant local authorities on the community consultation strategy between February and March 2018 and an earlier version of the draft SoCC between in March 2018. Following the receipt of feedback from local authorities Cory has incorporated the following changes in to the community consultation:
- The consultation zone has been extended to incorporate the Bridge masterplan area in Dartford;
 - The Leigh University Technical College has been included as a public exhibition location;
 - KCC and DBC have confirmed that there are no significant hard to reach groups;
 - Resident's groups in surrounding area will be directly contacted about the proposed public exhibitions at request of KCC/DBC to address potential wider transport and road network users; and
 - The Dartford Library has been included as an additional document inspection location.
- 7.1.6 Cory is now seeking formal comments on the content and format of the draft SoCC from local authorities under section 47(2) of the 2008 Act.
- 7.1.7 In accordance with section 47(3) of the 2008 Act local authorities have 28 days in which to respond to this consultation. Therefore, comments must be submitted to Cory by **3rd May 2018** to ensure that they are incorporated in the published version of the SoCC.
- 7.1.8 Comments can be emailed directly to info@riversideenergypark.com.

Appendix A Draft SoCC consultation zone map



KEY

- Proposed Energy Park
- Connection route option 1
- Connection route option 1A
- Connection route option 2A
- Connection route option 2B
- Event venue
- Document inspection location
- Consultation area

Appendix B DCLG 2008 Act Pre-application Guidance Checklist

Reference	Summary of requirement	Relevant Section in this document
The pre-application consultation process		
23	During the pre-application stage, applicants are required to:	
	Produce a Statement of Community Consultation, in consultation with the relevant local authority or authorities.	<p>Cory has consulted with London Borough of Bexley, Dartford Borough Council and Kent County Council on the content of the SoCC. During February-March 2018, Cory issued a draft SoCC to the relevant local authorities for informal comments and aims to issue an updated draft SoCC to the relevant local authorities for statutory consultation in April 2018.</p> <p>See Section 5 of the SoCC Explanatory Statement.</p>
	Make the Statement of Community Consultation available for inspection by the public, as required by section 47 of the Planning Act and Regulations.	<p>The SoCC will be available in local venues for inspection by 21st May 2018.</p> <p>See Table 1.3 in Section 1.8 of the SoCC for details of local venue locations.</p>
	Publicise the proposed application in accordance with Regulations.	Cory will prepare and publish a Section 48 Notice in the manner prescribed by the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009.
	Set a deadline for consultation responses of not less than 28 days from the day after receipt/last publication.	<p>Consultation responses should be submitted to Cory by 17.00 on 30th July.</p> <p>See Section 1.12.1 of the SoCC.</p>

Reference	Summary of requirement	Relevant Section in this document
	Have regard to relevant responses to publicity and consultation.	Section 1.10.1 of the SoCC explains how Cory will have regard to all relevant consultation comments received as required by section 49 of the 2008 Act.
24	Applicants and the relevant local authorities, should as far as possible work together to develop plans for consultation. The aim should be to ensure that consultation is appropriate to the scale and nature of the Proposed Development and where its impacts will be experienced.	<p>Cory consulted with London Borough of Bexley, Dartford Borough Council and Kent County Council at various stages to ensure that the consultation process was designed with the specific requirements of the local community. This included statutory consultation in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act on the content of the SoCC (April 2018), as well as non-statutory engagement (February 2018).</p> <p>See Section 5 of the SoCC Explanatory Statement.</p>
25	Consultation should be thorough, effective and proportionate.	<p>Cory propose to consult thoroughly on the application through a two-stage consultation process.</p> <p>See Section 5 of the SoCC Explanatory Statement.</p>
	Larger, more complex applications are likely to need to go beyond the statutory minimum timescales laid down in the Planning Act to ensure enough time for consultees to understand project proposals and formulate a response.	<p>Cory propose to undertake a single statutory pre-application consultation period incorporating the requirements of sections 42, 47 and 48 of the 2008 Act which will run over 42 days between 18 June and 30 July 2018 thereby exceeding the minimum timescales in the 2008 Act.</p> <p>See Section 1.7 and 1.8 of the SoCC.</p>

Reference	Summary of requirement	Relevant Section in this document
	Consultation should be sufficiently flexible to respond to the needs and requirements of consultees.	Cory will aim to give advance notice of statutory consultation and also use various communication methods. See Section 1.7 of the SoCC.
Consultation with Local Authorities on the Statement of Community Consultation		
35	The applicant has a duty under section 47 of the Planning Act to prepare a Statement of Community Consultation, and then to conduct its consultation in line with that statement.	Cory produced a SoCC explaining how they consulted with the local community, including residents, businesses, community groups and political representatives about its proposals. See SoCC.
	The applicant must consult on their Statement of Community Consultation with each local authority in whose area the proposed development is situated.	Cory consulted with the London Borough of Bexley, Dartford Borough Council and Kent County Council on their SoCC and has had due regard to any comments received. See Section 5 of the SoCC Explanatory Statement.
36	Even where it is intended that a development would take place within a single local authority area, it is possible that its impacts could be significantly wider than just that local authority's area. Where an applicant decides to consult people living in a wider area who could be affected by the Proposed Development, that intention should be reflected in the Statement of Community Consultation.	Based on initial comments from local authorities on the community consultation proposals the consultation zone will be extended and resident groups in surrounding areas will be directly contacted about the proposed public exhibitions. Cory will incorporate additional comments regarding parties interested in the project from the statutory consultation. Cory will inform local communities beyond the consultation zone about

Reference	Summary of requirement	Relevant Section in this document
		the REP proposals and consultation through local newspaper advertisements, social media and website updates. See Section 1.9 of the SoCC.
37	<p>Prior to submitting their draft Statement of Community Consultation, applicants may wish to seek to resolve any disagreements or clarifications about the public consultation design.</p> <p>An applicant is therefore likely to need to engage in discussions with local authorities over a longer period than the minimum requirements set out in the Act.</p>	<p>Cory undertook early non-statutory engagement with the relevant local authorities on the content of the SoCC and is now seeking formal comments on the content and format of the draft SoCC by 3rd May 2018 as per the requirement of the Planning Act.</p> <p>See Section 5 of the SoCC Explanatory Statement.</p>
40	<p>It is expected that in most cases applicants and local authorities will be able to work closely together and agree on the local consultation process. Where significant differences of opinion persist between the applicant and local authority (or authorities) on how the consultation should take place, the Inspectorate may be able to offer further advice or guidance to either party.</p>	<p>Comments from the early non-statutory engagement with relevant local authorities on the content of the SoCC have informed the community consultation strategy.</p> <p>See Section 5 of the SoCC Explanatory Statement.</p>
42	<p>Where a local authority decides that it does not wish to respond to a consultation request on the Statement of Community Consultation, the applicant should make reasonable efforts to ensure that all affected communities are consulted.</p> <p>Provided that applicants can satisfy themselves that they have made reasonable endeavours to consult with all those who might have a legitimate interest or might be affected by a proposed development, it would be unlikely that their application would be rejected on grounds of inadequate public consultation.</p>	<p>London Borough of Bexley, Kent County Council and Dartford Borough Council were consulted on the SoCC. During early non-statutory engagement Kent County Council and Dartford Borough Council responded to this engagement. Cory has requested comments on the SoCC from these local authorities as part of statutory consultation.</p> <p>See Section 5 of the Explanatory Statement.</p>

Reference	Summary of requirement	Relevant Section in this document
Local communities		
53	Local people have a vital role to play at the pre-application stage. It is therefore critical that stakeholders are engaged with project proposals at an early stage.	<p>The local community will be consulted through two consultation stages (statutory and non-statutory), enabling them to have an influence on the proposals from an early phase and to maximise the opportunities for involvement of the local community.</p> <p>See Section 6.2 and 6.3 of the Explanatory Statement and Section 1.9 of the SoCC.</p>
54	Applicants should use a range of methods and techniques to ensure that different groups have the opportunity to participate and are not disadvantaged in the process	<p>Cory will employ a range of consultation methods. During early non-statutory engagement Dartford Borough Council and Kent County Council confirmed that there are no significant hard to reach groups.</p> <p>See Section 1.8 of the SoCC.</p>
55	<p>Applicants must set out clearly what is being consulted on and make it clear to local communities what is settled and why, and what remains to be decided.</p> <p>Applicants could prepare a short document specifically for local communities, summarising the Proposed Development proposals and outlining the matters on which the view of the local community is sought. Applicants should consider making it available in formats appropriate to the needs of people with disabilities if requested.</p>	<p>During the statutory consultation Cory will provide information on the outline design parameters of the REP proposal, provide preliminary information on environmental impacts and proposed mitigation measures based on the findings from the published PEIR.</p> <p>See Section 1.7 of the SoCC.</p>
56	Applicants are required to set out in their Statement of Community Consultation how they propose to consult those living in the vicinity of the land. They are encouraged to consider consulting beyond this where they	Cory will advertise the statutory consultation beyond the consultation zone to ensure that others with an interest in the

Reference	Summary of requirement	Relevant Section in this document
	think doing so may provide more information on the impacts of their proposals	proposals are aware of the public consultation. See Section 1.9 of the SoCC.
57	The Statement of Community Consultation should act as a framework for the community consultation generally, for example, setting out where details and dates of any events will be published.	The SoCC will list the details of the consultation events and will be made available at the public exhibitions and at local libraries/access points. Additional details will be made available on Cory's website and social media platforms. See Table 1.1 in Section 1.1, Section 1.7 and Section 1.8 of the SoCC.
	The Statement of Community Consultation should be made available online, at any exhibitions or other events held by applicants. It should be placed at appropriate local deposit points (e.g. libraries, council offices).	The SoCC will be made available at the public exhibitions and at document inspection locations. See Section 1.7 and Table 1.3 in Section 1.8 of the SoCC.
58	Applicants are required to publicise their proposed application under section 48 of the Planning Act and the Regulations and set out the detail of what this publicity must entail. Where possible, the first of the two required local newspaper advertisements should coincide approximately with the beginning of the consultation with communities.	In accordance with the requirements of section 48 of the 2008 Act Cory will publicise the REP DCO application to coincide with the statutory pre-application consultation period incorporating the requirements of sections 42 and 47 of the 2008 Act. See Section 5 and 6 of the SoCC Explanatory Statement.
Preliminary Environmental Information		
93	For the pre-application consultation process, applicants are advised to include sufficient preliminary environmental information to enable consultees to develop an informed view of the Proposed Development.	Preliminary Environmental Information will be provided during the statutory consultation. This document will be available to all consultees at the

Reference	Summary of requirement	Relevant Section in this document
	<p>Applicants should be careful not to assume that non-specialist consultees would not be interested in any technical environmental information. It is therefore advisable to ensure access to such information is provided during all consultations.</p> <p>The applicant's Statement of Community Consultation must include a statement about how the applicant intends to consult on preliminary environmental information.</p>	<p>public exhibitions and in document inspection venues.</p> <p>See Section 1.7 of the SoCC.</p>

Appendix H.5 Responses on draft SoCC and the Applicant's responses

Draft Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) consultation responses and how the Applicant had regard to these responses pursuant to Section 47(5) of the Planning Act 2008

Authority	'B' 'C' or 'D' authority	Origin and date of comment	Comment	Regard had by the Applicant
Informal consultation				
DBC	'B' authority	Riverside Energy Park – Project Meeting with DBC and KCC 22 nd February 2018 (Appendix C.14)	DBC highlighted the need to consider impacts on peak time commuters and noted that there is a high travelling employee population as well as local residents.	<p>The Applicant determined the extent of the consultation zone following consideration of the zone of influence from likely significant environmental effects, which included local residents, business and community groups, that could be potentially affected by transport effects arising from Electrical Connection route works.</p> <p>Local residents, businesses and community groups within the consultation zone were informed about the REP proposals and consultation through newsletters mailed to postal addresses, local newspaper advertisements and posters in local venues. The Applicant also informed communities beyond the consultation zone through social media and the Riverside Energy Park website updates, and newspaper publicity (published under section 48 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008)). The Applicant considered this to be a robust approach, which captured those travelling into the Borough as well as local residents, businesses and community groups.</p>

Authority	'B' 'C' or 'D' authority	Origin and date of comment	Comment	Regard had by the Applicant
			DBC suggested a public exhibition venue in the vicinity of The Bridge development in light of the potential effects on the local community (Appendix C.14 of the Consultation Report).	The Applicant agreed to include the Leigh University Technical College within The Bridge development as a public exhibition location for non-statutory public exhibitions. However, because this venue was unavailable on the non-statutory public exhibition dates an alternative venue was used instead, being The Dartford Bridge Learning & Community Campus (Table 3.3 of the Consultation Report). The Applicant included both the Leigh University Technical College and The Dartford Bridge Learning & Community Campus as locations for statutory public exhibitions (Table 7.5 of the Consultation Report).
			DBC confirmed that there are no hard-to-reach groups that required specific attention.	The Applicant noted this confirmation.
			DBC suggested that residents' groups should be contacted about the consultation to reach those that may be affected by transport effects outside of the consultation zone.	Residents groups notified to the Applicant by 'B' authorities were directly contacted about the proposed public exhibitions. The Applicant also informed local communities beyond the consultation zone about the REP proposals and consultation through local newspaper advertisements, social media and Riverside Energy Park website updates.
		Written	Suggestion that a set of documents	The Applicant included Dartford Library as an

Authority	'B' 'C' or 'D' authority	Origin and date of comment	Comment	Regard had by the Applicant
		response (email received 28 th March 2018).	could be made available either at Dartford Council offices or Dartford Central library both located in Dartford Town Centre – a location where Dartford residents living both in the consultation area at The Bridge development and surrounding area are more likely to access than the other locations proposed.	additional SoCC inspection venue (Section 7.3 of the Consultation Report). The Applicant also included Dartford Library as an additional public viewing location for the consultation documents during the section 47 consultation phase.
KCC	'B' authority	Riverside Energy Park – Project Meeting with DBC and KCC 22 nd February 2018 (Appendix C.14).	KCC suggested that the consultation zone should be extended to include the whole of The Bridge development.	The Applicant extended the consultation zone to include the whole of The Bridge development (Figure 2.2 of the Consultation Report).
			KCC confirmed no that there are no hard-to-reach groups that required specific attention.	The Applicant noted this confirmation.
			KCC suggested that residents' groups should be contacted about the consultation to reach those that may be affected by transport effects outside of the consultation zone.	Residents groups notified to the Applicant by 'B' authorities were directly contacted about the proposed public exhibitions. The Applicant also informed local communities beyond the consultation zone about the REP proposals and consultation through local newspaper advertisements, social media and Riverside Energy Park website updates.
		Riverside Energy Park –	KCC queried why the non-statutory exhibition days do not include a	The Applicant had regard to this comment and considered that it did not justify changing the

Authority	'B' 'C' or 'D' authority	Origin and date of comment	Comment	Regard had by the Applicant
		Call with DBC and KCC 24 th April 2018	weekend day.	<p>consultation strategy.</p> <p>The Applicant discussed this matter on a call with KCC (24th April 2018) and issued a response in writing via email (2nd May 2018) explaining that, <i>'a balance had to be struck between dates, venues and timings of exhibitions events. Offering a range of locations and times is important to us, and as such we have ensured a mix of weekend days and evenings for the statutory exhibitions. For the non-statutory exhibitions dates were more restricted at our chosen venues and therefore we do not have a weekend day, however we have included an evening event. It should also be noted that a project website will be launched ahead of the non-statutory exhibition events, providing information on the proposals and forthcoming consultation, and giving an opportunity for the local community to provide feedback outside of the events themselves'</i>.</p>
			KCC pointed out that there is a close time frame between the non-statutory and statutory consultation phases and questioned if the Applicant would have time to take account of non-statutory comments.	<p>The Applicant had regard to this comment and considered that it did not justify changing the consultation strategy.</p> <p>The Applicant discussed this matter on a call with KCC (24th April 2018) and issued a response in writing via email (2nd May 2018)) explaining that, the exhibitions dates had been</p>

Authority	'B' 'C' or 'D' authority	Origin and date of comment	Comment	Regard had by the Applicant
				<p>chosen to 'ensure that the statutory consultation phase would not run too far into the school holidays, but likewise wanted to ensure we had an appropriate level of information was available before going out to the local community for non-statutory consultation. As such the time frame between the proposed non-statutory and statutory consultation is relatively short, however we will take account of any feedback received at the non-statutory stage and consider this ahead of the statutory consultation. We have also been engaging with key prescribed bodies including relevant local authorities, the Environment Agency, Natural England, Historic England and the Port of London Authority to obtain early comment and feedback on various technical aspects of the project, which is also being considered as we progress work on the EIA.'</p> <p>The Applicant had regard to consultation comments received from members of the public and prescribed bodies during the non-statutory consultation phase as evidenced by the changes made to the consultation boards presented at the statutory consultation (Section 8.3 of the Consultation Report and Appendix J.1).</p>

Authority	'B' 'C' or 'D' authority	Origin and date of comment	Comment	Regard had by the Applicant
			KCC requested that the SoCC should make it more explicit that the consultation documents will be available online as well as in the venues.	The Applicant included an amendment to this effect in the final SoCC for publication. Paragraphs 1.7.7 and 1.8.1 of the final SoCC explained that the consultation documents are available online on the Riverside Energy Park website.
Statutory consultation				
DBC	'B' authority	Written response (email received 2 nd May 2018).	Further to the consultation of this Council under section 47 of the Planning Act 2008, the Council has considered the draft SOCC carefully and believes that Cory Environmental Holdings Limited are taking a comprehensive approach to consulting the local community within the Borough of Dartford. The Council supports the approach set out in the draft Statement of Community Consultation for the multi-technology energy generation park in Belvedere including the Electrical Connection Route which runs through the Borough of Dartford and has no comments to make on the draft.	The Applicant noted this comment.

Authority	'B' 'C' or 'D' authority	Origin and date of comment	Comment	Regard had by the Applicant
LBB	'B' authority	Written response (email received 2 nd May 2018).	Clarification is required as to when the posters will be displayed and what information they will contain; in particular, will they refer to the non-statutory exhibitions, the statutory exhibitions, or both?	<p>The Applicant provided LBB with the following clarification:</p> <p><i>"A poster will be displayed for each stage of consultation i.e. one [version] for the non-statutory exhibitions (which is being termed as "Community Consultation" with the public to avoid complicating with reference to "non-statutory") and one for the statutory exhibitions. The poster will include:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• dates, times and venues of exhibition events</i> <i>• an advertisement that Cory are inviting comments on the proposals</i> <i>• contact details including phone number, email and freepost address</i> <i>• a deadline for providing feedback from the consultation by</i> <p><i>The poster for non-statutory exhibitions will be displayed from 15th May 2018. The poster for statutory exhibitions will be displayed from 18th June 2018. For further information we have provided attached an indicative list of the venues we will approach to request a poster is displayed for us if they can accommodate one."</i></p> <p>The Applicant distributed posters to local venues within the consultation zone</p>

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				<p>advertising the non-statutory public exhibitions (Appendix D.8) (Table 3.2 of the Consultation Report).</p> <p>Paragraph 1.8.1 of the SoCC explains that posters advertising the public exhibitions will be displayed in local venues within the consultation zone.</p> <p>The Applicant distributed posters to local venues within the consultation zone advertising the statutory public exhibitions (Appendix I.5) (Table 7.6 of the Consultation Report).</p>
			Confirmation of the start and end dates of when the consultation documents are to be made available in the above venues is also required.	Paragraph 1.7.7 of the published SoCC explains that ' <i>Consultation documents will be available for inspection at the public exhibitions, in local venues and on the Riverside Energy Park website at www.riversideenergypark.com during the statutory consultation period (18th June – 30th July 2018).</i> '
			Clarification is required as to whether the invitations will be for the non-statutory exhibitions, the statutory exhibitions, or both and whether the invitations will be extended out to local schools, community groups and any others	<p>The Applicant provided LBB with the following clarification:</p> <p><i>"Two invitations will be issued. The first will be in the form of a postcard, it will notify people of the community consultation and invite people to the exhibitions in May. The second will be in the form of a more comprehensive leaflet,</i></p>

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			not listed above within the consultation zone.	<p><i>which will notify people of the statutory consultation and invite people to the statutory exhibitions in July. Invitations will be sent to addresses within the consultation zone and will include all residential and non-residential addresses (i.e. local schools, community groups and any others will all receive an invitation)."</i></p> <p>The Applicant distributed a postcard (Appendix D.7) with details of the non-statutory public exhibitions to approximately 23,000 addresses in the consultation zone (Table 3.2 of the Consultation Report).</p> <p>The Applicant distributed an information leaflet in relation to statutory consultation (Appendix I.1), containing an invitation to attend the public exhibitions to approximately 23,000 addresses in the consultation zone (Table 7.6 of the Consultation Report).</p>
			It would also be useful to list the local interest/amenity groups who will be sent invitations so that the Council could advise on any others which may have been missed, if necessary.	<p>The Applicant noted this comment and sent a list of community groups it was engaging with to LBB. In subsequent correspondence LBB recommended that the Applicant also write to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bexley Natural Environment Focus Group • Triform, Belvedere and Slade Green

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				<p>Forum</p> <p>The Applicant included both of the above in any general postal communication to local community or interest groups.</p>
			It is recommended that you pro-actively engage with elected representatives and we invite you to present the proposals to the Council's Places Overview and Scrutiny Committee early in the new municipal year (i.e. June).	<p>The Applicant sent letters to all levels of elected representatives within the consultation zone informing them of the statutory consultation public exhibitions (Table 6.6 of the Consultation Report).</p> <p>The Applicant presented the proposals at the Council's Places Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 16th October 2018 (postponed as the Applicant was unable to attend the original June invitation).</p>
KCC	'C' authority	Written response (email received 3 rd May 2018)	Table 1.1 (pg.4) of the SoCC details the REP community consultation key dates, with dates for the 'non-statutory public exhibition' events beginning in the week of the 21st May 2018. KCC is concerned that there is limited opportunity for the public to engage in the exhibition events, as none of the dates provided fall on the weekend, with only one event taking place on an evening.	<p>The Applicant had regard to this comment and, as previously noted, had already discussed with KCC the justification for the consultation programme during a phone call with DBC and KCC on 24th April 2018 (further details provided in this table above). The Applicant again did not consider that it justified changing the consultation strategy, subject to the outcomes of non-statutory consultation.</p> <p>The Applicant had regard to consultation comments received from members of the public and prescribed bodies during the non-</p>

Authority	'B' 'C' or 'D' authority	Origin and date of comment	Comment	Regard had by the Applicant
				statutory consultation phase as evidenced by the changes made to the consultation boards presented at the statutory consultation (Section 8.3 of the Consultation Report and Appendix J.1).
			The draft SoCC states that the consultation documents will be available for inspection at the public exhibitions and in local venues during the statutory consultation period. KCC recommends that access to the documents should also be made available online to ensure that all interested parties, whether or not they are able to attend the exhibitions, are well informed of the proposal.	The Applicant made the SoCC available online on the Riverside Energy Park website from 6 th June 2018 (See Paragraph 7.3.30 of the Consultation Report). The published SoCC stated where consultation documents would be made available and included a link to the Riverside Energy Park website, which included electronic versions of all consultation documents.
			The formal statutory consultation period starts on the 18th June 2018, only giving 14 working days (taking into account the bank holidays) to consider feedback from the events, consider any refinements to the proposals and produce the final consultation material following the non-statutory consultation. This is a very narrow timeframe and as such, the first round of consultation could be open to criticism, rather than	<p>The Applicant had regard to this comment and, as previously noted, had already discussed with KCC the justification for the consultation programme during a call with DBC and KCC on 24th April 2018. The Applicant did not consider that the comments justified changing the consultation strategy, subject to the outcomes of non-statutory consultation.</p> <p>The Applicant has had regard to consultation comments received from members of the</p>

Authority	'B' 'C' or 'D' authority	Origin and date of comment	Comment	Regard had by the Applicant
			providing an effective 'early opportunity to influence', as stated in the SoCC Explanatory Statement.	public and prescribed bodies during the non-statutory consultation phase as evidenced by the changes made to the consultation boards presented at the statutory consultation (see Section 8.6 of the Consultation Report and Appendix I.4 of the Consultation Report).
Medway Council	'D' authority		I refer to your letter of consultation regarding the above and would inform you that the Council raises no objection to it.	The Applicant noted this comment.
Gravesham Borough Council	'A' authority		<p>On the face of it, therefore, there is likely to be little impact on Gravesham from your Riverside Energy Park. The factor that has slightly changed our view on this, is your recent acquisition of the Thames Ship Repair Service, which is an established shipping maintenance company based in Gravesend.</p> <p>The final SoCC should consider how it consults on components, such as this, which are needed for the NSIP proposal but which are located outside the current consultation zone.</p>	<p>The Applicant had regard to this comment and considered that it did not justify changing the consultation zone.</p> <p>The Applicant sent an email response to Gravesham Borough Council on 22nd May 2018 explaining that the Thames Ship Repair Service yard does not form part of the proposed REP application for a DCO and therefore the shipyard does not need to be considered in determining the consultation zone appropriate for the REP proposals. GBC have since acknowledged this in their section 42 response (see Appendix J.2).</p>
Surrey County	'D' authority		I can confirm that Surrey County Council, in its role as Highway	The Applicant noted this comment.

Authority	'B' 'C' or 'D' authority	Origin and date of comment	Comment	Regard had by the Applicant
Council			Authority, does not have any comments to make on the attached Draft Statement of Community Consultation, for the proposed Riverside Energy Park.	

Appendix H.6 SoCC Compliance Checklist

Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) Compliance Checklist

Last updated: 31.08.2018

Section of SoCC	Required Action	Complete
1.1 Introduction (paragraph 1.1.5)	Responses to the consultation will be taken into account before finalising the proposals and submitting an application for development consent to the Secretary of State.	The section 47 statutory consultation ran from 18th June - 30th July 2018. However, the Applicant continued to accept consultation comments via the website, email and posted feedback forms until 19 th October 2018. These comments have all been taken into account in developing the final proposals that form the application for development consent, as detailed in Paragraphs 9.5.20-9.5.54 of the Consultation Report and Appendix J.4.
1.5 Environmental Information and Potential Impacts (paragraph 1.5.2)	As part of the pre-application consultation, Cory will publish a Preliminary Environmental Information Report ("PEIR").	The PEIR including its technical appendices and a non-technical summary (NTS) of the PEIR were published on the Riverside Energy Park website on 15 th June 2018 in advance of the start of the section 47 statutory consultation on 18 th June 2018. The PEIR including its technical appendices and a non-technical summary (NTS) were also made available at the following local venues: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Upper Belvedere Community Library, Woolwich Road, Upper Belvedere, DA17 5EQ

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> London Borough of Bexley Civic Offices, 2 Watling Street, Bexleyheath, Kent, DA6 7AT <p>Dartford Library, Central Park, Market Street, Dartford, Kent, DA1 1EU</p>
1.5 Environmental Information and Potential Impacts (paragraph 1.5.3)	The PEIR will present the preliminary environmental information collected to date and an initial assessment of the likely significant environmental effects of the proposals.	The PEIR and the PEIR NTS provided the preliminary information collected to date and the results of the preliminary assessment of the likely significant environmental effects of the Proposed Development.
1.5 Environmental Information and Potential Impacts (paragraph 1.5.3)	Cory will submit an Environmental Statement (ES) with the DCO application which will report on the likely significant environmental effects of REP identified in the EIA and the appropriate mitigation measures to be put in place where necessary.	An ES which reports on the likely significant environmental effects of REP identified in the EIA and the appropriate mitigation, has been submitted with the DCO application (Document Reference 6.1).
1.7 What we will consult on (paragraph 1.7.1)	Cory wishes to commence the statutory consultation on 18 th June and finishing on 30 th July 2018 at 17.00. Cory will consider consultation responses received after this date wherever possible.	The section 47 statutory consultation commenced 18 th June and finished on 30 th July 2018. The Applicant continued to consider responses received beyond 30 th July 2018 until 19 th October 2018.
1.7 What we will consult on (paragraph 1.7.2)	Cory will provide information on the outline design parameters of the REP proposal including any refinements made in response to previous consultation feedback, provide preliminary information	The PEIR, PEIR NTS and the statutory consultation leaflet provided information on the outline design parameters of the Proposed Development and any refinements made in response to

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	on environmental impacts and proposed mitigation measures based on the findings from the published PEIR.	previous consultation. The PEIR outlined the embedded mitigation included within the Proposed Development and proposed further mitigation based on the findings of the PEIR.
1.7 What we will consult on (paragraph 1.7.3)	<p>Cory will consider feedback on all aspects of the proposal and will specifically invite comments on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A preferred roof option for the facility (stepped, curved or flat) • Options for where Cory could route the underground electricity connection • Cory's use of the River Thames • Cory's approach to traffic and transport management • Cory's protection of local air quality • Anything else that matters to you and that you think we need to consider. 	<p>The statutory consultation leaflet explained that Cory would welcome views on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“Our proposed use of the River Thames</i> • <i>Our proposed options for our electrical connection route</i> • <i>The social, environmental and economic factors we are taking into account in our design approach (including our preference for a stepped building form, rather than curved or flat)</i> • <i>Our proposed approach to protection of local air quality, traffic and transport management and other environmental information presented in the PEIR.”</i> <p>The feedback form made available at all public exhibition events and online at the Riverside Energy Park website explained</p>

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		<p>that Cory was inviting comments on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>“1. Please tell us your views about our proposals.</i> • <i>2. Please tell us your views on our proposed use of the River Thames.</i> • <i>3. Please tell us your views about our approach to the protection of air quality, traffic and transport management.</i> • <i>4. Do you have any comments on the design of the proposed Energy Park and the factors (social, environmental and economic) that we have taken into account in our preferred design, including our preference for a stepped, rather than curved or flat building form?</i> • <i>5. Do you have any comments on the information presented in our Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)? You can view this at our exhibitions, on this website and at Bexley Civic Offices, Upper Belvedere Library and Dartford Library until 30th July 2018.</i>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Do you have any comments on the different options for the route of the electrical connection? (The options are labelled 1, 1A, 2A and 2B). 7. Please tell us if there is anything else that you want us to consider when analysing our proposals.” <p>The consultation documents were designed to facilitate responses on all the matters set out in the SoCC.</p>
1.7 What we will consult on (paragraph 1.7.4)	<p>Public exhibition events will be held at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre, Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA (9am – 1pm) 6th July 2018: Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) 7th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre (9am – 1pm) 7th July 2018: The Leigh University Technical College (3pm – 6pm) 10th July 2018: Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) 12th July 2018: The Dartford Bridge Learning and Community Campus (9am – 1pm) 	<p>The Riverside Energy Park website and the statutory consultation leaflet explained that the public exhibition events would take place at the following dates and times:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre, Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA (9am – 1pm) 6th July 2018: Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) 7th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre (9am – 1pm) 7th July 2018: The Leigh University Technical College (3pm – 6pm)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10th July 2018: Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) 12th July 2018: The Dartford Bridge Learning and Community Campus (9am – 1pm) 12th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) <p>The Applicant can confirm that all the events listed above took place as stated.</p>
1.7 What we will consult on (paragraph 1.7.5)	In the event that a public exhibition(s) is cancelled or rescheduled, Cory will alert consultees as early as possible by updating the Riverside Energy Park website and the Cory Riverside Energy twitter account.	The public exhibitions took place as advertised between 6 th and 12 th July 2018 as listed above. No public exhibitions had to be cancelled or rescheduled.
1.7 What we will consult on (paragraph 1.7.6)	Cory will provide display boards at the public exhibitions which will provide further details on the different elements of the Proposed Development, design options, transporting waste on the River Thames and indicative timescales.	<p>Exhibition panels providing information on different elements of the proposed development, design options, transporting waste on the River Thames and indicative timescales, were displayed at each public exhibition event held between 6th and 12th July 2018:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre, Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA (9am – 1pm)

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6th July 2018: Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) • 7th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre (9am – 1pm) • 7th July 2018: The Leigh University Technical College (3pm – 6pm) • 10th July 2018: Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) • 12th July 2018: The Dartford Bridge Learning and Community Campus (9am – 1pm) • 12th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) <p>The exhibition panels were also available to view and download on the Riverside Energy Park website (see Appendix I.4 for a copy of the exhibition panels).</p>
1.7 What we will consult on (paragraph 1.7.7)	<p>Consultation documents that will be available for inspection at public exhibitions and in local venues, include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SoCC • PEIR • PEIR NTS • Project Brochure (leaflet) • Section 48 Notice 	<p>Copies of the consultation documents, including all those listed, were available for inspection at the following venues during the section 47 statutory consultation period (18th June - 30th July 2018):</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feedback Form 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upper Belvedere Community Library, Woolwich Road, Upper Belvedere, DA17 5EQ London Borough of Bexley Civic Offices, 2 Watling Street, Bexleyheath, Kent, DA6 7AT Dartford Library, Central Park, Market Street, Dartford, Kent, DA1 1EU <p>Copies of the consultation documents, including all those listed, were also available for inspection at each of the public exhibition events which took place between 6th and 12th July 2018:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre, Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA (9am – 1pm) 6th July 2018: Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) 7th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre (9am – 1pm) 7th July 2018: The Leigh University Technical College (3pm – 6pm) 10th July 2018: Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre (4pm – 8pm)

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12th July 2018: The Dartford Bridge Learning and Community Campus (9am – 1pm) • 12th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre (4pm – 8pm)
1.8 How we will consult (paragraph 1.8.1)	<p>Cory will provide information about the proposals and consultation through a range of methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public exhibitions • Newsletter • Website • Social Media • Posters 	<p><u>Public exhibitions</u></p> <p>Exhibition panels providing information on different elements of the Proposed Development, design options, transporting waste on the River Thames and indicative timescales were displayed at each public exhibition event held between 6th and 12th July 2018:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre, Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA (9am – 1pm) • 6th July 2018: Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) • 7th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre (9am – 1pm) • 7th July 2018: The Leigh University Technical College (3pm – 6pm) • 10th July 2018: Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre (4pm – 8pm)

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12th July 2018: The Dartford Bridge Learning and Community Campus (9am – 1pm) • 12th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) <p>See Appendix I.4 for a copy of the exhibition panels.</p> <p><u>Newsletter</u></p> <p>The statutory consultation leaflet (newsletter) issued to c. 23,000 addresses within the consultation zone and Riverside Energy Park website provided information about the Proposed Development and consultation including details of the public exhibition events.</p> <p>A copy of the newsletter is enclosed in Appendix I.1.</p> <p><u>Website</u></p> <p>The Riverside Energy Park website (https://riversideenergypark.com/) provided access to electronic copies of the consultation documents (including the SoCC (see Appendix H.3), PEIR and its technical appendices, PEIR NTS (see</p>

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		<p>Appendix G.2), newsletter (see Appendix I.1) and Section 48 Notice (see Appendix F.1)). The Riverside Energy Park website has had 1,163 users since 14th May 2018. Copies of all consultation materials including the exhibition panels were available to view on the Riverside Energy Park website and comments could be submitted online.</p> <p><u>Social Media</u></p> <p>Summary of Twitter posts from the Cory Energy account (@Cory Energy):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • link to the Riverside Energy Park website posted on 19th June 2018 • details of public exhibitions posted on 6th July 2018 • link to the Riverside Energy Park website posted on 9th July 2018 • reminder of the consultation end date posted on 24th July 2018 <p>See Appendix I.2 for a copy of the Twitter posts.</p>

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		<p><u>Posters</u></p> <p>Posters advertising the public exhibition events were distributed to 21 local venues on 26th June 2018 in advance of the first public exhibition event on 6th July 2018.</p> <p>See Appendix I.5 for a copy of the posters displayed in local venues advertising the public exhibitions.</p>
1.8 How we will consult (Paragraph 1.8.1 and Table 3.1)	<p>Inspection venues for consultation documents, include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upper Belvedere Community Library, Woolwich Road, Upper Belvedere, DA17 5EQ • London Borough of Bexley Civic Offices, 2 Watling Street, Bexleyheath, Kent, DA6 7AT • Dartford Library, Central Park, Market Street, Dartford, Kent, DA1 1EU 	<p>Copies of the consultation documents were available for inspection at the following venues during the section 47 statutory consultation period (18th June - 30th July 2018):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upper Belvedere Community Library, Woolwich Road, Upper Belvedere, DA17 5EQ • London Borough of Bexley Civic Offices, 2 Watling Street, Bexleyheath, Kent, DA6 7AT • Dartford Library, Central Park, Market Street, Dartford, Kent, DA1 1EU
1.8 How we will consult (Paragraph 1.8.1)	Leaflets will be mailed to stakeholders within the consultation zone to inform the	The statutory consultation leaflet (newsletter) was sent out to all c. 23,000

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	local community about the REP proposals and the community consultation.	addresses within the consultation zone on 15 th June 2018 ahead of the start of the section 47 statutory consultation on 18 th June 2018. The statutory consultation leaflet (newsletter) provided information about the Proposed Development and consultation including details of the public exhibition events. A copy of the newsletter is enclosed in Appendix I.1.
1.8 How we will consult (Paragraph 1.8.1)	The Riverside Energy Park website will be regularly updated with the latest news about REP.	The Riverside Energy Park website was updated with latest news about the Proposed Development on 15 th June 2018, prior to the start of section 47 statutory consultation, on 18 th July 2018, with a reminder of the ongoing section 47 statutory consultation and the addition of Frequently Asked Questions and the Applicant's responses to these on 13 th July 2018. The website was updated again, on 31 st July 2018, to note the section 47 statutory consultation period had closed.
1.8 How we will consult (Paragraph 1.8.1)	The website will provide access to all consultation documents, and allow completion of an online questionnaire.	The Riverside Energy Park website provided access to all consultation documents including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEIR

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEIR technical appendices and figures • PEIR NTS (see Appendix G.2) • SoCC (see Appendix H.3) • Statutory consultation leaflet (newsletter) (see Appendix I.1) • Statutory consultation exhibition panels (see Appendix I.4) • Section 48 Notice (see Appendix F.1) <p>The Riverside Energy Park website also allowed users to submit comments via an online questionnaire.</p>
1.8 How we will consult (Paragraph 1.8.1)	The website will provide responses to Frequently Asked Questions that arise during the consultation.	The Riverside Energy Park website was updated with Frequently Asked Questions and the Applicant's response to these on 13 th July 2018.
1.8 How we will consult (Paragraph 1.8.1)	Details of the consultation including reminders of when and where events are taking place will be publicised via the main Cory Riverside Energy twitter account.	<p>Summary of Twitter posts from the Cory Energy account (@Cory Energy):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • link to the Riverside Energy Park website posted on 19th June 2018 • details of public exhibitions posted on 6th July 2018 • link to the Riverside Energy Park website posted on 9th July 2018 • reminder of the consultation end date posted on 24th July 2018

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		See Appendix I.2 for a copy of the Twitter posts.
1.8 How we will consult (Paragraph 1.8.1)	Posters will advertise the public exhibitions and will be displayed in local venues.	Posters advertising the public exhibition events were distributed to 21 local venues on 26 th June 2018 in advance of the first public exhibition event on 6 th July 2018. A list of all the locations that were sent posters by the Applicant is contained in Appendix I.5.
1.9 Who we will consult with (Paragraph 1.9.1)	<p>Stakeholders within the direct consultation zone, will be sent an invitation to attend public exhibitions and informed about the REP proposal by mail including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local residents with postal addresses within the consultation boundaries • Local businesses with postal addresses within the consultation boundaries • Local interest groups which are active within the consultation boundaries • Elected representatives (Councillors, Members of Parliament and Members of the European Parliament) with 	<p>The statutory consultation leaflet (newsletter), including an invitation to attend the public exhibition events, was sent out to all c. 23,000 addresses within the consultation zone on 15th June 2018 in advance of the first public exhibition event on 6th July 2018. A copy of the newsletter is enclosed in Appendix I.1.</p> <p>A consultation letter including an invitation to attend the public exhibition events was sent to Councillors, Members of Parliament and local interest groups on 15th June 2018 in advance of the first public exhibition event on 6th July 2018. A copy of the letter is enclosed in Appendix I.11.</p> <p>A consultation letter including an invitation to attend the public exhibition</p>

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	constituencies within the consultation boundaries	events was sent out to Members of the European Parliament within the consultation zone on 27 th June 2018 in advance of the first public exhibition event on 6 th July 2018.
1.9 Who we will consult with (Paragraph 1.9.2)	Cory will inform local communities beyond the direct consultation zone about the REP proposals and consultation through local newspaper advertisements, social media updates and website updates.	<p>The Section 48 notice which was published on 13th June 2018 in the Bexley News Shopper, Guardian and London Gazette and again on 20th June in the Bexley News Shopper explained that the public exhibition events would take place at the following dates and times:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre, Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA (9am – 1pm) • 6th July 2018: Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) • 7th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre (9am – 1pm) • 7th July 2018: The Leigh University Technical College (3pm – 6pm) • 10th July 2018: Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) • 12th July 2018: The Dartford Bridge Learning and Community Campus (9am – 1pm)

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12th July 2018: Belvedere Community Centre (4pm – 8pm) <p>A copy of the section 48 notice is enclosed in Appendix F.1.</p> <p>The Riverside Energy Park website contained the above details of the public exhibition events and an overview of the proposals including the timeline of the project.</p> <p>The Riverside Energy Park website was updated with latest news about the Proposed Development on 15th June 2018, prior to the start of section 47 statutory consultation, on 18th July 2018, with a reminder of the ongoing section 47 statutory consultation and the addition of Frequently Asked Questions and the Applicant's responses to these on 13th July 2018. The website was updated again, on 31st July 2018, to note the section 47 statutory consultation period had closed.</p> <p>A link to the Riverside Energy Park website was posted on Twitter from the Cory Energy account (@Cory Energy) on 19th June 2018. Summary of Twitter</p>

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		<p>posts from the Cory Energy account (@Cory Energy):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • link to the Riverside Energy Park website posted on 19th June 2018 • details of public exhibitions posted on 6th July 2018 • link to the Riverside Energy Park website posted on 9th July 2018 • reminder of the consultation end date posted on 24th July 2018 <p>See Appendix I.2 for a copy of the Twitter posts.</p>
1.10 What we will do with consultation responses (Paragraph 1.10.1)	Cory will consider all consultation responses received in refining the proposed development.	The section 47 statutory consultation ran from 18th June - 30th July 2018. However, Cory continued to accept consultation comments via the website, email and posted feedback forms until 19 th October 2018. These comments have all been taken into account in developing the final proposals that form the application for development consent, as detailed in Section 8 of the Consultation Report and Appendices J.1 – J.4.
1.10 What we will do with consultation responses (Paragraph 1.10.1)	Details of all consultation responses will be included in the Consultation Report which will be submitted to PINS as part of the DCO application.	Details of the relevant responses received have been included in Section 9 of the Consultation Report (Document Reference 5.1) which has been submitted as part of the DCO application.

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		<p>Appendices J.1-J.4 set out detailed summaries of all relevant responses received and how the Applicant has had regard to the responses.</p>

Appendix H.7 SoCC Cover Letters / Emails

- H.7i – Draft SoCC for informal comment cover letter (March 2018) issued to host authorities
- H.7ii – Updated Draft SoCC for statutory consultation cover letter (April 2018) issued to host authorities
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H.7i - Draft SoCC for informal comment cover letter (March 2018) issued to host authorities

From: Francesca Rowson
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Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Riverside Energy Park – Statement of Community Consultation
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Sent: 23 March 2018 19:36
To: Claire.Harris@bexley.gov.uk
Cc: [REDACTED];
Devon Christensen
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**H.7ii – Updated Draft SoCC for statutory consultation cover letter (April 2018)
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Cc: [REDACTED]
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**H.7iii – Updated Draft SoCC for informal consultation cover letter (April 2018)
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From: Francesca Rowson
Sent: 09 April 2018 17:59
To: nicola.downes@surreycc.gov.uk
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Riverside Energy Park – Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)
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Cc: [REDACTED]
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Subject: Riverside Energy Park – Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)
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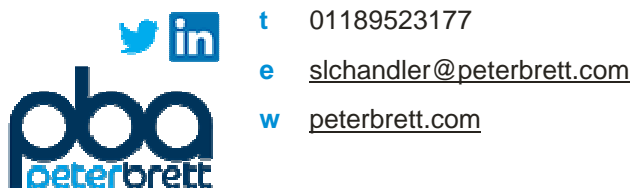
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H.7v – Published SoCC for public inspection cover letter (June 2018) issued to local venues

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Dear Hayley

**Riverside Energy Park, Belvedere, South East London
Proposed Application for Development Consent
Section 47, Planning Act 2008**

Peter Brett Associates LLP (PBA) is acting on behalf of Cory Environmental Holdings Limited (trading as Cory Riverside Energy) (Cory).

Cory intends to submit an application under the Planning Act 2008 for development consent for an integrated energy park, known as Riverside Energy Park, at Norman Road in Belvedere in the London Borough of Bexley and an Electrical Connection to the Littlebrook substation in the Borough of Dartford ('the Proposed Development').

Cory is required under section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 to consult with those living in the vicinity of the land to which the proposed application for the Project relates. The statutory consultation period will run from 18th June until 30th July 2018 (inclusive).

Cory has prepared a Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 which requires applicants to prepare a statement explaining how they will consult with the local community about the proposed application. Cory is also required under section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 to make the SoCC available for inspection by the public.

Cory would therefore be grateful if you could make the enclosed SoCC available for public viewing from no later than the 6th June 2018 until and including 30th July 2018.

Following expiration of the consultation period, we would be grateful if you could dispose of the documents in the normal way.

If you have any questions regarding the contents of this package, please do not hesitate to contact me at this office.

Yours sincerely



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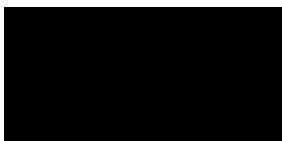
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1 Statement of Community Consultation

1.1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 Cory Environmental Holdings Limited (trading as Cory Riverside Energy) (Cory) is proposing to develop an integrated multi-technology energy generation park in Belvedere, London, to be known as Riverside Energy Park (REP). REP would be developed immediately adjacent to Cory's existing Riverside Resource Recovery Facility (RRRF).
- 1.1.2 Cory intends to apply to the Secretary of State in Q4 2018 for a Development Consent Order ('DCO') under the Planning Act 2008 ('the 2008 Act') to authorise the construction, operation and maintenance of REP.
- 1.1.3 This Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) has been prepared in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 which requires applicants to prepare a statement explaining how they will consult with the local community about the proposed application and carry out pre-application consultation in accordance with this statement.
- 1.1.4 This SoCC therefore explains how Cory will consult with the local community, including residents, businesses, community groups and political representatives about its proposals in accordance with the statutory requirements.
- 1.1.5 This consultation provides an important opportunity for the local community to engage and help shape the proposed development. Responses to the consultation will be taken into account before finalising the proposals and submitting an application for development consent to the Secretary of State.
- 1.1.6 Key consultation dates are outlined in the table below and Table 1.2 provides full details of the public exhibitions.

Table 1.1 REP community consultation key dates

Date	Consultation activity
21 st May 2018	SoCC available in local venues for inspection
May 2018	Leaflets distributed to residents, businesses and community groups
18 th June 2018	Statutory consultation period starts
18 th June 2018	Consultation materials available in local venues for inspection
6 th July 2018	09.00 – 13.00: Public exhibition 1
	16.00 – 20.00: Public exhibition 2

Date	Consultation activity
7 th July 2018	09.00 – 13.00: Public exhibition 3
	15.00 – 18.00: Public exhibition 4
10 th July 2018	16.00 – 20.00: Public exhibition 5
12 th July 2018	09.00 – 13.00: Public exhibition 6
	16.00 – 20.00: Public exhibition 7
30 th July 2018	Statutory consultation period closes

1.2 Cory Riverside Energy Holdings Ltd

1.2.1 Cory Riverside Energy Holdings Ltd is registered in England (company number 5360864) and the registered address is 2 Coldbath Square, London, United Kingdom, EC1R 5HL.

1.2.2 Cory is a leading recycling, energy recovery and resource management company. Cory operates the existing RRRF in Belvedere, adjacent to the project site. RRRF is a key element of London's energy and resource management infrastructure.

1.2.3 Cory is now progressing plans for the REP to maximise the use of its existing infrastructure and land holding, and to further meet the needs for resource recovery and energy generation. Further information on Cory is provided at <http://www.coryenergy.com/>

1.3 Riverside Energy Park

1.3.1 REP would be developed immediately adjacent to Cory's existing RRRF and would complement the operation of the existing facility. It would comprise a range of energy generating technologies that will supply low carbon/renewable electricity to London. The main elements of REP are described below:

- **Energy Recovery Facility:** the ERF would use the same high performing combustion technology as the existing RRRF with the capability to treat commercial and industrial waste and the potential to treat municipal solid waste;
- **Solar Panels:** would be integrated across a wide extent of the roof;
- **Battery Storage:** would supply additional power to the local distribution network at times of peak electrical demand;
- **Anaerobic Digestion Facility:** anaerobic digestion involves the breakdown of biodegradable material in the absence of oxygen. Outputs

from the anaerobic digestion facility could be used as a fuel in the ERF to generate electricity or for use in the agricultural sector as fertilizer;

- **Combined Heat and Power Connection:** incorporate on-site combined heat and power ('CHP') infrastructure with the potential to supply a local heat network to service nearby residential properties in the future;
- **The Electrical Connection Route:** REP would be connected to the National Electrical Transmission System (NETS) via a new 132 kilovolt (kV) distribution network connection and a new substation within the REP site. In consultation with UK Power Networks (UKPN) Cory are considering Electrical Connection Route options to connect to the existing National Grid Littlebrook Power Station substation in Dartford. A single Electrical Connection Route will be confirmed through consultation and included in the application for development consent;
- **Delivery of waste to REP:** the majority of waste will be delivered to REP by barge from Waste Transfer Stations (WTS) along the River Thames using the existing jetty which serves the existing RRRF. The remainder would be delivered by road. The split of road and river deliveries will be determined through further assessment work and details included in the application for development consent; and
- **Removal of by-products from REP:** Incinerator Bottom Ash (IBA) would be transported by river to the existing IBA Facility at the Port of Tilbury for treatment/recycling and then used as secondary aggregate in the construction sector. Air Pollution Control Residues (APCR) would be taken off site by road in sealed containers to be recycled.

1.3.2 Cory forecasts that REP would:

- Generate up to 96 MW of low carbon renewable electricity at peak times, which taken together with the permitted capacity of 72 MW from the existing RRRF is the equivalent of powering c.300,000 homes across London (almost 10% of London's 3.2 m households);
- Divert a further 650,000 tonnes of residual waste away from landfill, which will save the equivalent of 130,000 tonnes of CO2 each year;
- Make use of Cory's existing river-based infrastructure on the River Thames to further reduce road traffic. At present, Cory's use of the Thames as a "Green Highway" currently removes around 100,000 truck journeys from London's roads every year. The new park would allow for a further 80,000 truck journeys to be removed;
- Be capable of supplying up to 30 MW of affordable heat energy to local housing;
- Create a further 175,000 tonnes/year of construction materials from the EfW process for use in building the south-east's homes and infrastructure,

avoiding the need for industry to extract an equivalent tonnage of natural stone; and

- Make a valuable contribution to local employment, with over 100 full-time jobs and apprenticeships set to be created at the energy park and on the river. The construction period is likely to require a workforce in excess of 6,000 people.

1.3.3 Construction is targeted to begin in 2021, and REP is expected to be fully operational by 2024.

1.4 The Planning Process

1.4.1 The electricity generating capacity of REP will be in excess of 50 MW of electricity. As such, it is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under the Planning Act 2008 which may only be authorised by a DCO made by the Secretary of State.

1.4.2 Cory must submit a DCO application to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) who will first decide, on behalf of the Secretary of State, whether to accept the application. If accepted, PINS will appoint an independent inspector or panel of inspectors to examine the application. Following a 6 month examination, the inspector(s) will make a recommendation to the Secretary of State who will then decide whether or not development consent should be granted.

1.4.3 The Secretary of State's decision must be made in accordance with the relevant National Policy Statements (NPSs) which outline the need for energy infrastructure and the issues to be considered. The relevant NPSs are: NPS EN-1 (Overarching Energy Policy), NPS EN-3 (Renewable Energy Infrastructure) and NPS EN-5 (Electricity Networks Infrastructure).

1.5 Environmental Information and Potential Impacts

1.5.1 REP is classified as 'EIA development' for the purpose of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 ('EIA Regulations 2017').

1.5.2 Cory is therefore required to undertake an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the REP proposal. Cory will publish a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) as part of the pre-application consultation and we will be seeking views on this information.

1.5.3 The PEIR will present the preliminary environmental information collected to date and an initial assessment of the likely significant environmental effects of the proposals.

1.5.4 Cory will submit an Environmental Statement (ES) with the DCO application which will report on the likely significant environmental effects of REP identified in the EIA and the appropriate mitigation measures to be put in place where necessary.

1.6 Consultation Objectives

1.6.1 Cory's objectives for the consultation are:

- To provide consultees with sufficiently detailed information to understand the REP proposal and the potential impacts;
- To provide consultees with an opportunity to influence aspects of the project that are under development and to understand which elements of the project are fixed and the reasons why;
- Clearly signpost the different ways in which consultees can comment on the proposals; and
- Start a meaningful dialogue with the community that can continue through the submission and examination phase of the consenting process.

1.7 What we will consult on

1.7.1 The statutory consultation will take place between 18th June and 30th July 2018. Consultation responses should be submitted to Cory by **17.00 on 30th July 2018**. Cory will consider consultation responses received after this date wherever possible.

1.7.2 Cory will provide information on the outline design parameters of the REP proposal including any refinements made in response to previous consultation feedback, provide preliminary information on environmental impacts and proposed mitigation measures based on the findings from the published PEIR.

1.7.3 Cory will welcome and consider feedback on all aspects of the proposal and will specifically invite comments on the following:

- A preferred roof option for the facility (stepped, curved or flat);
- Options for where we could route the underground electricity connection;
- Our use of the River Thames;
- Our approach to traffic and transport management;
- Our protection of local air quality; and
- Anything else that matters to you and that you think we need to consider.

1.7.4 Cory will hold public exhibitions throughout the statutory consultation period at the times and locations set out in Table 1.2 subject to unforeseen circumstances.

Table 1.2 Public exhibition details

Date	Time	Venue
Friday 6 th July 2018	09.00 – 13.00	The Dartford Bridge Learning & Community Campus, 30 Birdwood Ave, Dartford DA1 5GB
Friday 6 th July 2018	16.00 – 20.00	Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre, Chrome Road, Erith DA8 2EL
Saturday 7 th July 2018	09.00 – 13.00	Belvedere Community Centre, Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA
Saturday 7 th July 2018	15.00 – 18.00	The Leigh University Technical College, The Bridge, Brunel Way, Dartford DA1 5TF
Tuesday 10 th July	16.00 – 20.00	Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre, Chrome Road, Erith DA8 2EL
Thursday 12 th July	09.00 – 13.00	The Dartford Bridge Learning & Community Campus, 30 Birdwood Ave, Dartford DA1 5GB
Thursday 12 th July	16.00 – 20.00	Belvedere Community Centre, Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA

- 1.7.5 In the event that a public exhibition(s) is cancelled or rescheduled due to unforeseen circumstances Cory will seek to alert consultees as early as possible by updating the Riverside Energy Park website and the Cory Riverside Energy twitter account.
- 1.7.6 Display boards at the public exhibitions will provide further details on the different elements of the proposed development, design options, transporting waste on the River Thames and indicative timescales. The public exhibitions will be attended by representatives from the REP team who will be available to answer questions on the proposed development and the consultation.
- 1.7.7 Consultation documents will be available for inspection at the public exhibitions and in local venues during the statutory consultation period including:
- SoCC: this document;
 - PEIR: contains an overview of the nature and scale of the proposed development and an initial assessment of the likely significant environmental effects;

- PEIR NTS: a non-technical summary of the information in the PEIR;
- Project brochure: a non-technical summary of the REP proposal;
- Section 48 notice: a copy of the notice published in local and national newspapers advertising Cory's intention to submit a DCO application for the REP proposal as required by section 48 of the 2008 Act; and
- Feedback form: containing questions to capture views on the proposals and consultation available in print and on the Riverside Energy Park website for completion online at www.riversideenergypark.com.

1.8 How we will consult

1.8.1 Cory will provide information about the proposals and the consultation through a range of methods:

- **Public exhibitions:** the public exhibitions will be open for anyone with an interest in REP to attend. Visitors will be able to ask questions to the REP team and will be encouraged to submit comments via a feedback form;
- **Newsletter:** newsletters will be mailed to stakeholders within the consultation zone to inform the local community about the REP proposals and the community consultation;
- **Website:** the Riverside Energy Park website will be regularly updated with the latest news about REP and will provide access to all consultation documents, allow completion of an online questionnaire and provide responses to Frequently Asked Questions that arise during the consultation;
- **Social media:** details of the consultation including reminders of when and where events are taking place will be publicised via the main Cory Riverside Energy twitter account: @CoryEnergy;
- **Posters:** posters advertising the public exhibitions will be displayed in local venues; and
- **Document inspection locations:** the consultation documents, (listed under Section 1.7.7) will be available to view at the following locations throughout the consultation period:

Table 1.3 Inspection venues for consultation documents

Venue name and location	Opening times	
Upper Belvedere Community Library Woolwich Road	Monday	09.30-13.00
	Tuesday	09.30-17.30

Venue name and location	Opening times
Upper Belvedere DA17 5EQ	Wednesday 13.45-17.30 Thursday CLOSED Friday 09.30-17.30 Saturday 09.30-17.30 Sunday CLOSED
London Borough of Bexley Civic Offices 2 Watling Street Bexleyheath Kent DA6 7AT	Monday 09.00-17.00 Tuesday 09.00-17.00 Wednesday 09.00-17.00 Thursday 09.00-17.00 Friday 09.00-17.00 Saturday CLOSED Sunday CLOSED

1.8.2 The opening times provided in Table 1.3 are indicative and subject to the venue's operating procedures.

1.9 Who we will consult with

1.9.1 The consultation process has been designed to engage with those local communities who may be affected by the REP proposals. Within the consultation zone, shown in Figure 1.1 stakeholders will be sent an invitation to attend public exhibitions and informed about the REP proposal by mail including:

- Local residents with postal addresses within the consultation boundaries;
- Local businesses with postal addresses within the consultation boundaries;
- Local interest groups which are active within the consultation boundaries; and
- Elected representatives (Councillors, Members of Parliament and Members of the European Parliament) with constituencies within the consultation boundaries.

1.9.2 Cory will inform local communities beyond the consultation zone about the REP proposals and consultation through local newspaper advertisements, social media updates and website updates.

Figure 1:1 Consultation zone



1.10 What we will do with consultation responses

1.10.1 Cory will consider all consultation responses received in refining the proposed development. Details of all consultation responses will be included in the Consultation Report which will be submitted to PINS as part of the DCO application and will be made public.

1.11 Further details

1.11.1 Further information can be found on the Riverside Energy Park page of the Riverside Energy Park website at: www.riversideenergypark.com.

1.12 Contact details

1.12.1 Consultation responses should be submitted to Cory by **17.00 on 30th July 2018**. Questions and comments on this document, the REP proposals and consultation responses can be submitted to Cory using the details below:

Email: info@riversideenergypark.com

Mail: FREEPOST RIVERSIDE ENERGY PARK

Freephone: 0330 838 4254

H.9 Early Draft SoCC Explanatory Statement

- The early draft SoCC Explanatory Statement was issued to the host authorities on 23rd March 2018 alongside the early draft SoCC.

Riverside Energy Park Belvedere

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1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 Cory Environmental Holdings Limited (trading as Cory Riverside Energy) ('Cory') proposes to develop an integrated multi-technology energy generation park in Belvedere, London, to be known as Riverside Energy Park ('REP').
- 1.1.2 The REP proposal is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project ('NSIP') under the Planning Act 2008 (as amended) ('the 2008 Act'). Cory will therefore need to apply to the Secretary of State ('SoS') for a development consent order ('DCO') to construct and operate the proposal.
- 1.1.3 The planning regime established by the Act 2008 Act places significant importance on pre-application consultation. Cory proposed to undertake a single statutory pre-application consultation period between 18 June and 30 July 2018 incorporating the requirements of sections 42, 47 and 48 of the PA 2008. Section 2 of this report sets out the requirements of the relevant legislation.
- 1.1.4 The Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') (enclosed with this document) explains to the local community how Cory will consult with them on the REP proposals as required under section 47(1) of the 2008 Act. The SoCC provides details of statutory consultation with the local community only.
- 1.1.5 This SoCC Explanatory Statement outlines the statutory consultation requirements of the 2008 Act; explains the pre-application consultation which Cory will undertake with local communities including non-statutory and statutory consultation activities; and provides details of consultation with local authorities on the SoCC as required by section 47(2) of the 2008 Act. This Statement is structured as follows:
 - Section 2 outlines the relevant legislation and policy;
 - Section 3 provides an overview of the current REP proposals and modifications made to the EIA Scoping proposal;
 - Section 4 explains the purpose and content of the SoCC and Section 5 provides details of the consultation on the SoCC;
 - Section 6 outlines the key drivers behind Cory's community consultation process; and
 - Section 7 presents an overview of the refinement of the SoCC to date.
- 1.1.6 This version of the Consultation Document takes account of feedback received from the local authorities in February – March 2018.

Cory is seeking informal views on the content and format of the draft SoCC.

Comments must be submitted to Cory by **17.00 on 29th March 2018** to ensure that they are incorporated in the draft version of the SoCC produced for statutory consultation.

Section 5 of this Statement provides details of the SoCC consultation timetable and explains how to submit your comments to Cory.

2 Legislation and Policy Background

- 2.1.1 This section outlines the statutory requirement to consult with the local community on proposed DCO applications. The requirements are set out in the 2008 Act, The Infrastructure Planning (Environment Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the 'EIA Regulations') and associated guidance.
- 2.1.2 This document has been produced to satisfy section 47 of the 2008 Act (as amended) which sets out the requirement for applicants to consult with the local community on proposed DCO applications as summarised below:

Section 47 Duty to consult local community

(1) The applicant must prepare a statement setting out how the applicant proposes to consult, about the proposed application, people living in the vicinity of the land.

(2) Before preparing the statement, the applicant must consult each local authority that is within section 43(1) about what is to be in the statement.

(3) The deadline for the receipt by the applicant of a local authority's response to consultation under subsection (2) is the end of the period of 28 days that begins with the day after the day on which the local authority receives the consultation documents.

(4) In subsection (3) "the consultation documents" means the documents supplied to the local authority by the applicant for the purpose of consulting the local authority under subsection (2).

(5) In preparing the statement, the applicant must have regard to any response to consultation under subsection (2) that is received by the applicant before the deadline imposed by subsection (3).

(6) Once the applicant has prepared the statement, the applicant must make the statement available for inspection by the public in a way that is reasonably convenient for people living in the vicinity of the land, and

- (a) publish a notice stating where and when the statement can be inspected
- (b) publish the statement in such manner as may be prescribed.

(7) The applicant must carry out consultation in accordance with the proposals set out in the statement.

- 2.1.3 The 2008 Act (as amended) requires that applicants undertake pre-application consultation with a range of stakeholders in addition to the local community. These requirements are summarised below:
- Section 42: the applicant must consult with all those required including prescribed bodies¹, the Marine Management Organisation ('MMO'), the

¹ Set out at Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009

relevant local authorities, the Greater London Authority ('GLA') and relevant landowners or other parties with an interest in the land;

- Section 43(1): A local authority is within this section if the land is in the authority's area;
- Section 46: the applicant must notify the SoS of the proposed development and provide the section 42 consultation material to the SoS;
- Section 47: the applicant must consult with the relevant local authorities (as defined under section 43(1)) on the content of the SoCC, publish a notice in local newspapers, make the SoCC available to the public and consult with the local community in accordance with the published SoCC;
- Section 48: the applicant must publicise the proposed application in the manner prescribed by Regulation 4 of the APFP Regulations;
- Section 49: the applicant must take account of relevant responses received to consultation and publicity; and
- Section 50: the applicant must have regard to any guidance about how to comply with the requirements of Chapter 2.

2.1.4 While this document is concerned with the requirements of section 47 Cory will be undertaking consultation with the local community in parallel with pre-application consultation with stakeholders as required under section 42 of the 2008 Act including prescribed bodies, the MMO, the relevant local authorities, the GLA, landowners and other land interests.

2.1.5 The relevant authorities for the REP proposal for the purpose of Section 43(1) include the London Borough of Bexley ('LBB'), Dartford Borough Council ('DBC') and Kent County Council ('KCC').

Regulation 12 Consultation statement requirements

(1) The consultation statement prepared under section 47(a) (duty to consult local community) must set out—

- (a) whether the development for which the applicant proposes to make an application for an order granting development consent is EIA development; and
- (b) if that development is EIA development, how the applicant intends to publicise and consult on the preliminary environmental information.

2.1.6 Regulation 12 of the EIA Regulations, set out above, requires that the SoCC must explain how preliminary environmental information about the proposed development will be publicised as part of the community consultation.

2.1.7 Cory have taken account of the DCLG (2015) PA 2008 Guidance on the Pre-Application Process (the 'DCLG PA 2008 pre-application guidance') in developing their approach to the community consultation.

3 REP Proposal Overview

3.1.1 This section presents a brief overview of the current REP proposals.

3.2 REP Proposal Overview

3.2.1 REP would be developed immediately adjacent to Cory's existing Riverside Resource Recovery Facility (RRRF) and would complement the operation of the existing facility. It would comprise a range of technologies including; waste energy recovery, waste anaerobic digestion, solar panels and battery storage. The main elements of REP are described below:

- **Energy Recovery Facility (ERF):** to provide thermal treatment of Commercial and Industrial (C&I) waste with the potential for treatment of municipal solid waste (MSW);
- **Solar Photovoltaic Installation:** to be integrated across a wide extent of the roof;
- **Battery Storage:** to supply additional power to the local distribution network at times of peak electrical demand. This facility would be integrated into the main REP building;
- **Anaerobic Digestion Facility:** outputs from the anaerobic digestion facility would be used as a fuel in the ERF to generate electricity or alternatively transferred off-site for use in the agricultural sector as fertilizer;
- **Combined Heat and Power Connection ('CHP'):** REP would be CHP enabled with necessary infrastructure within the REP site included. The heat connection could service nearby residential developments such as the Thamesmead area;
- **The Electrical Connection Route:** REP would be connected to the existing National Electrical Transmission System ('NETS') via a new 132 kilovolt (kV) distribution network connection and a new substation within the REP site. In consultation with UK Power Networks ('UKPN') Cory are currently considering Electrical Connection Route options to connect to the existing National Grid Littlebrook Power Station substation located south east of REP. All Electrical Connection options have been included within the Indicative Application Boundary at this stage. A single Electrical Connection Route will be confirmed through consultation with UKPN and included in the DCO application;
- **Delivery of waste to REP:** the majority of waste will be delivered to REP by barge from Waste Transfer Stations (WTS) along the River Thames, utilising the existing jetty as per the existing RRRF. The remainder would be delivered by road. The proportions of the total to be delivered by road and river will be determined through further assessment work and details included in the DCO application; and

- **Removal of by-products from REP:** Incinerator Bottom Ash (IBA) would be transported by river to the existing IBA Facility at the Port of Tilbury for treatment/recycling, and then onward use as secondary aggregate in the construction sector. Air Pollution Control Residues (APCR) would be taken off site by road in sealed containers to be recycled.

3.2.2 Construction is targeted to begin in 2021, and REP is expected to be fully operational by 2024.

4 The draft SoCC

4.1 Scope of the SoCC

4.1.1 The SoCC is a statutory document produced to satisfy section 47(1) of the 2008 Act. A copy of Cory's draft SoCC is enclosed with this document. The enclosed draft SoCC is intended to provide an informative and comprehensive statement for local communities about how Cory will inform, engage and consult with them.

4.1.2 The content of the draft SoCC has been designed to meet the requirements of the 2008 Act and the EIA Regulations as outlined below:

- Section 1.1: provides an overview of the REP proposals and the statutory community consultation activities that Cory will carry out as required under section 47(1) of the 2008 Act and includes a table setting out key dates for the community consultation including the statutory consultation period;
- Section 1.2: introduces the applicant including company details and an overview of Cory's existing operations at RRRF;
- Section 1.3: provides details on different elements of the REP proposals;
- Section 1.4: outlines the DCO application process as established by the 2008 Act and identifies the issues that would be considered at examination should the REP DCO application be accepted;
- Section 1.5: explains how Cory will publish Preliminary Environmental Information on the proposals in a Preliminary Environmental Information Report ('PEIR') which will be made available as part of the statutory consultation with the local community to satisfy regulation 12 of the EIA Regulations;
- Section 1.6: outlines Cory's objectives for the statutory consultation with the local community;
- Section 1.7: explains the information that will be made available during the statutory consultation and includes a table setting out the proposed date, time and location of statutory public exhibitions;
- Section 1.8: explains the methods that Cory will use to inform and engage local communities about the REP proposals during the statutory consultation and provides information about where the consultation documents can be inspected by the members of the public;
- Section 1.9: explains who Cory will target as part of the statutory consultation with the local community;
- Section 1.10: explains how Cory will have regard to all relevant consultation comments received as required by section 49 of the 2008 Act;

- Section 1.11: provides the Riverside Energy Park website address where further details and regular updates on the REP proposals can be found; and
 - Section 1.13: provides contact details for members of the community to contact Cory about the consultation and the REP proposal including an email address, free post address and free phone telephone number.
- 4.1.3 In parallel with this community consultation Cory will undertake pre-application consultation with stakeholders as required under section 42 of the 2008 Act including prescribed bodies, the MMO, the relevant local authorities, the GLA, landowners and other land interests.

4.2 Publication of the SoCC and SoCC notices

- 4.2.1 Section 47(6) of the 2008 Act (as amended) requires the applicant to publish a notice stating where and when the SoCC can be inspected by people living in the vicinity of the land.
- 4.2.2 The SoCC will be lodged in local venues for inspection by members of the community from 21st May 2018. The table below sets out the proposed locations for lodging paper copies of the SoCC alongside the other consultation documents.

Table 4.1 local venues for the SoCC

Venue	Opening times	
Upper Belvedere Community Library Woolwich Road Upper Belvedere DA17 5EQ	Monday	09.30-13.00
	Tuesday	09.30-17.30
	Wednesday	13.45-17.30
	Thursday	CLOSED
	Friday	09.30-17.30
	Saturday	09.30-17.30
	Sunday	CLOSED
London Borough of Bexley Civic Offices 2 Watling Street Bexleyheath Kent DA6 7AT	Monday	09.00-17.00
	Tuesday	09.00-17.00
	Wednesday	09.00-17.00
	Thursday	09.00-17.00
	Friday	09.00-17.00
	Saturday	CLOSED
	Sunday	CLOSED

- 4.2.3 Paper copies of the SoCC will be made available at the statutory public exhibitions and an electronic copy of the SoCC will be made available on the

Riverside Energy Park website for members of the public to view and download.

- 4.2.4 Cory proposes to publish a SoCC notice, explaining that the SoCC can be viewed by members of the local community in The Bexley News Shopper on 16th May 2018.

5 Consultation on the SoCC

- 5.1.1 Section 47(6) of the 2008 Act (as amended) requires that the applicant must consult with each local authority within section 43(1) about the content of the SoCC,
- 5.1.2 The relevant authorities for the REP proposal who are being consulted on the SoCC include LBB, DBC and KCC. The table below sets out the timetable for the SoCC preparation:

Table 5.1 SoCC timetable

Date	Milestone
23 rd March 2018	Draft SoCC issued to relevant local authorities for informal comment
29 th March 2018	Deadline for submission of informal comments to Cory on the draft SoCC
5 th April 2018	Draft SoCC issued to relevant local authorities for statutory consultation
3 rd May 2018	Deadline for submission of statutory consultation comments to Cory on the draft SoCC and SoCC consultation document
7 th May 2018	Issue newsletter invite to local community to non-statutory and statutory consultation
16 th May 2018	SoCC notice to be published in local newspaper
21 st May 2018	SoCC lodged in local venues for public inspection

- 5.1.3 Cory undertook early non-statutory engagement with the relevant local authorities on the content on an earlier version of the draft SoCC in February 2018. Following the receipt of feedback from local authorities Cory have incorporated the following changes in to the community consultation:
- The consultation zone has been extended to incorporate the Bridge masterplan area in Dartford;
 - The Leigh University Technical College has been included as a public exhibition location;
 - KCC and DBC have confirmed that there are no significant hard to reach groups; and

- Resident's groups in surrounding area will be directly contacted about the proposed public exhibitions at request of KCC/DBC to address potential wider transport and road network users.
- 5.1.4 Cory is seeking informal views on the content and format of the draft SoCC from local authorities.
- 5.1.5 Comments must be submitted to Cory by **17.00 on 29th March 2018** to ensure that they are incorporated in the draft version of the SoCC produced for statutory consultation. Comments should be emailed directly to info@riversideenergypark.com.
- 5.1.6 The SoCC is intended to provide an informative and comprehensive statement for local communities about how Cory will consult and engage with them on the REP proposal as part of the wider pre-application consultation process. Bearing this in mind Cory would be grateful for your views on the following elements of the SoCC:
- Contact details for identified 'hard to reach' groups within LBB;
 - Contact details for any local interest groups which may have an interest in the REP proposals;
 - The proposed consultation zones (explained in Section 5);
 - The proposed scope of information to be provided at statutory consultation and any other information that should be provided; and
 - The proposed venues selected for lodging copies of the SoCC alongside other consultation documents and venues for the statutory public exhibitions.

6 Community Consultation Process

6.1 Consultation objectives

6.1.1 The objectives of Cory's community consultation process are:

- To provide consultees with sufficiently detailed information to understand the REP proposal and the potential impacts;
- To provide consultees with an opportunity to influence aspects of the project that are under development and to understand which elements of the project are fixed and the reasons why;
- Clearly signpost the different ways in which consultees can comment on the proposals; and
- Start a meaningful dialogue with the community that can continue through the submission and examination phase of the consenting process.

6.1.2 The DCLG PA 2008 pre-application guidance states that consultation should take place at a sufficiently early stage to allow consultees a real opportunity to influence the proposal.

6.1.3 Taking this into account Cory propose to undertake a two-stage consultation process with the local community. Cory have made the decision to undertake informal non-statutory consultation to provide the local community with an early opportunity to influence the REP proposal and the consultation process.

6.1.4 An overview of the proposed activities and the scope of information to be consulted on at non-statutory (Stage one) and statutory (Stage two) consultation is outlined in this section. The proposed community consultation timetable is set out below.

Table 6.1 REP community consultation key dates

Date	Consultation activity
26 th April 2018	SoCC published
May 2018	Leaflet distributed to residents, businesses and community groups in the consultation zone
21 st May 2018	SoCC lodged in local venues for public inspection
22 nd May 2018	09.00– 13.00: Non-statutory public exhibition 1
23 rd May 2018	16.00 – 20.00: Non-statutory public exhibition 2
24 th May 2018	09.00 – 13.00: Non-statutory public exhibition 3
25 th May 2018	11.00 – 15.00: Non-statutory public exhibition 4

Date	Consultation activity
18 th June 2018	Statutory consultation period starts
18 th June 2018	Consultation materials lodged in local venues
6 th July 2018	09.00 – 13.00: Statutory public exhibition 1
	16.00 – 20.00: Statutory public exhibition 2
7 th July 2018	09.00 – 13.00: Statutory public exhibition 3
	15.00 – 18.00: Statutory public exhibition 4
10 th July 2018	16.00 – 20.00: Statutory public exhibition 5
12 th July 2018	09.00 – 13.00: Statutory public exhibition 6
	16.00 – 20.00: Statutory public exhibition 7
30 th July 2018	Statutory consultation period closes

6.2 Stage one: Non-statutory consultation

6.2.1 Cory will provide the following information during the non-statutory consultation:

- explain why the Application Site has been selected;
- provide information about Cory's existing operations at the RRRF;
- outline the design parameters of the REP proposal;
- provide information about the different low carbon energy generating technologies to be utilised at REP;
- explain Cory's plans to use the River Thames as a 'Green Highway' for deliveries to and from the REP; and
- provide information about the DCO application process and key dates for further consultation on the REP.

6.2.2 Cory have made the decision to undertake early informal consultation to provide the local community with an opportunity to influence the REP proposal and the consultation process.

6.2.3 Cory will explain which aspects of the proposal require further refinement and will specifically seek people's views on the following:

- A preferred roof option for the facility (stepped, curved or flat);

- Options for where we could route the underground electricity connection;
- Our use of the River Thames;
- Our approach to traffic and transport management;
- Our protection of local air quality; and
- Anything else that matters to you and that you think we need to consider.

6.2.4 Cory intend to undertake the following consultation activities at Stage one to inform the local community about the REP proposals:

- **Public exhibitions:** Cory will host non-statutory public exhibitions at local venues within the consultation zone which will be open for anyone with an interest in REP to attend. Copies of a project brochure setting out a non-technical summary of the REP proposal and a feedback form with questions to capture views on the proposals will be made available in print at the public exhibitions. Electronic copies of both documents will be made available online on the Riverside Energy Park website. Table 6.1 sets out details of the proposed non-statutory public exhibitions.

Table 6.2 Non-statutory public exhibition details

Date	Time	Venue
22 nd May 2018	09.00 – 13.00	The Dartford Bridge Learning & Community Campus, 30 Birdwood Ave, Dartford DA1 5GB
23 rd May 2018	16.00 – 20.00	Belvedere Community Centre, Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA
24 th May 2018	09.00 – 13.00	Slade Green and Howbury Community Centre, Chrome Road, Erith DA8 2E
25 th May 2018	11.00 – 15.00	Belvedere Community Centre, Mitchell Close, Belvedere DA17 6AA

6.2.5 Information about the REP proposals and the Stage one public exhibitions will be publicised via the following methods:

- **Newsletter:** Cory will mail a newsletter to stakeholders in the consultation zone (explained in Section 6.4 of this document);
- **Website:** the Riverside Energy Park website will be regularly updated with the latest news about REP, provide access to all statutory consultation documents, allow completion of an online questionnaire and provide responses to Frequently Asked Questions that arise during the community consultation.

- **Posters:** posters advertising the non-statutory public exhibitions will be mailed to local councils, councillors, libraries and the public exhibition venues. Additionally, local business owners will be asked to display posters in shop windows.
- **Social media:** reminders of when and where public exhibition are taking place will be publicised via the main Cory twitter account (@CoryEnergy); and
- **Newspaper notices:** Cory will place an advertisement in a local newspaper circulating within the consultation zone to publicise the non-statutory public exhibitions. Details of the proposed newspaper advertisement are provided in the table below:

Table 6.3 Non-statutory public exhibition newspaper advertisement

Publication	Date
The Bexley News Shopper	16 th May 2018

6.3 Stage two: Statutory consultation

- 6.3.1 Cory will undertake a single statutory pre-application consultation period between 18th June 2018 and 30th July 2018 incorporating the requirements of sections 42, 47 and 48 of the PA 2008 across an extended 42-day consultation period.
- 6.3.2 Section 45 of the 2008 Act states that applicants must provide consultees notified under section 42 with a minimum of 28 days to respond to the consultation starting from the day after the receipt of the consultation documents.
- 6.3.3 Consultation responses should be submitted to Cory by **17.00 on 30th July 2018** however Cory will consider consultation responses received after this date wherever possible.
- 6.3.4 Section 1.7.2 of the SoCC outlines what information Cory will present to consultees during the statutory consultation period.
- 6.3.5 Section 1.7.3 of the SoCC identifies specific topics which Cory will invite comments on from the local community during the statutory consultation period.
- 6.3.6 Section 1.7.4 of the SoCC provides details of the proposed locations and times for the statutory public exhibitions.
- 6.3.7 Sections 1.7.5 – 1.7. 7 of the SoCC outline the scope of information and documentation which will be made available to attendee at the statutory public exhibitions.

- 6.3.8 Section 1.8.1 of the SoCC outlines the range of communication methods that Cory will use to inform the local community about the REP proposal and the statutory consultation and includes details of proposed inspection venues where members of the public can view the consultation documents (as listed at Section 1.7.7 of the SoCC).
- 6.3.9 Cory will also place an advertisement in a local newspaper circulating within the consultation zone to publicise the statutory public exhibitions. Details of the proposed newspaper advertisement are provided in the table below:

Table 6.4 Statutory public exhibition newspaper advertisement

Publication	Date
The Bexley News Shopper	27 th June 2018

6.4 Defining the consultation zone

- 6.4.1 Section 47 of the 2008 Act states that those ‘*living in the vicinity of the land*’ should be consulted. The DCLG PA 2008 pre-application guidance recognises that applicants are best placed to establish an appropriate area in which to consult the local community and that relevant local authorities should work together with applicants to develop a plan for consultation.

- 6.4.2 The DCLG PA 2008 pre-application guidance advises that the consultation zone should be proportionate to the expected level of impacts resulting from the proposal:

“The aim should be to ensure that consultation is appropriate to the scale and nature of the project and where its impacts will be experienced.” [24]

“Applicants are required to set out in their Statement of Community Consultation how they propose to consult those living in the vicinity of the land. They are encouraged to consider consulting beyond this where they think doing so may provide more information on the impacts of their proposals (e.g. through visual impacts or increased traffic flow).” [56]

“To ensure that consultation is fair to all parties, applicants should be able to demonstrate that the consultation process is proportionate to the impacts of the project in the area that it affects, takes account of the anticipated level of local interest, and takes account of the views of the relevant local authorities.” [77]

- 6.4.3 This Section explains how the proposed consultation zone, shown in Figure 6:1, has been defined for REP taking account of the DCLG PA 2008 pre-application guidance and the potential impacts arising from the different elements of the REP proposal.

Figure 6:1 REP consultation zone



- 6.4.4 The consultation zone has been defined to include those communities closest to the indicative application boundary since they are more likely to be affected by the proposals than the general public. The consultation zone boundary has been defined to include:
- a 2km radius around the REP site; and
 - a 200m buffer either side of the electrical connection route options extended to the north to follow the natural boundary of the River Thames.
- 6.4.5 Figure 6.2 is provided for indicative purposes only. Appendix A contains a draft version of consultation zone map to be included in the final version of the SoCC which illustrates the proposed public exhibitions venue locations, document inspection locations, the REP site and electrical cable route option variants alongside the consultation zone area.
- 6.4.6 As explained in paragraph 6.4.4, Cory will engage and consult directly with local communities within a 2km radius of the REP site. The proposed consultation zone is proportionate to the potential impacts arising from the construction and operation of the REP which include (but not limited to):
- Temporary and permanent transport impacts on the road and river network from delivery of components for construction;
 - Temporary impacts on air quality from dust and trackout however these impacts should be mitigated to a not significant level and air quality impacts from construction vehicles and vessels;

- Temporary noise and vibration impacts on the nearest Noise Sensitive Receptors during construction;
- Temporary visual impacts for users of local public rights of way (PRoW);
- Temporary impacts on terrestrial biodiversity - disturbance to local flora and fauna from soil stripping, habitat loss and construction lighting;
- Temporary impacts on hydrology, flood risk and water resources - potential for sediment discharge and chemical leakage into local water courses;
- Temporary impacts on ground conditions including compaction of soils, potential to release contaminants through soil disturbance and impacts to groundwater due to the potential for chemical spillages;
- Temporary socio-economic impacts both positive and negative including a strain on local services due to influx of construction workers, additional spending and job creation;
- Permanent air quality impacts due to the dispersion of pollutants from the REP stack, anaerobic digestion (AD) and increased vehicle and vessel delivering waste;
- Permanent impacts on townscape and the historic environment from the Stack and massing of the main REP building;
- Permanent noise from the operation of REP and increased vehicle movements;
- Permanent impact on biodiversity from noise from operational plant, dispersion of pollutants from REP Stack and operational lighting;
- Permanent impacts on ground conditions due to the potential for chemical spillages; and
- Permanent socio-economic impact due to the potential for job creation.

6.4.7 As explained in paragraph 6.4.4, Cory will also engage and consult directly with local communities within a 200m buffer either side of the electrical connection route options and up to the boundary of the River Thames to the north. Since the preferred electrical connection route is not likely to be chosen until after the statutory consultation a wide consultation zone has been adopted to provide all communities which could be potentially be affected with an opportunity to comment on the proposals. The proposed consultation zone is proportionate to the potential impacts arising from the construction of the electrical connection which include (but not limited to):

- Temporary impacts on the road network from temporary road closures;
- Temporary air quality impacts from dust and trackout, however these impacts should be mitigated to a not significant level;

- Temporary noise and vibration impacts on the nearest Noise Sensitive Receptors during construction;
- Temporary impact on townscape limited to local residents; and
- Temporary socio-economic impact due to the influx of construction workers.

6.5 Communication methods

6.5.1 Within the consultation zone the following stakeholders will be informed about the REP proposal and sent an invitation to attend public exhibitions by mail:

- Local residents with postal addresses within the consultation boundaries;
- Local businesses with postal addresses within the consultation boundaries;
- Local interest groups which are active within the consultation boundaries; and
- Elected representatives (Councillors, Members of Parliament and Members of the European Parliament) with local constituencies within the consultation boundaries.

6.5.2 Cory recognise that some of the potential impacts from the REP proposal may have the potential to affect communities located beyond the consultation zone. Therefore, in accordance with the DCLG PA 2008 pre-application guidance Cory will publicise the consultation and the REP proposal beyond the consultation zone through local newspaper advertisements, twitter and Riverside Energy Park website updates.

6.6 What we will do with consultation responses

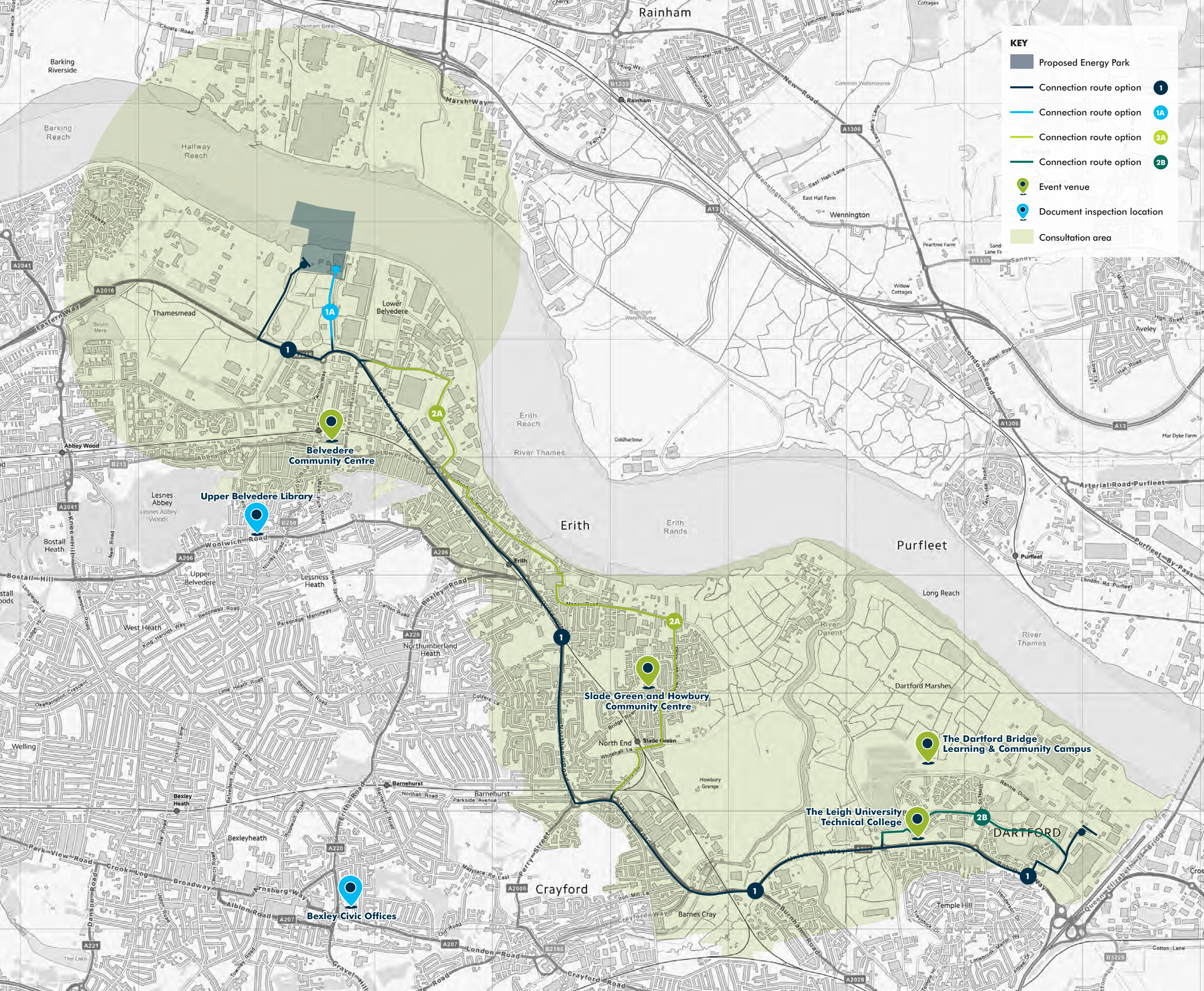
6.6.1 Section 49 of the 2008 Act places a duty on applicants to take account of responses to statutory consultation and publicity.

6.6.2 Cory will record and consider all consultation responses received during the non-statutory and statutory consultation. The Consultation Report, which will be submitted with the REP DCO application will consider and respond to all formal consultation responses. Cory will consider consultation responses received outside of the statutory consultation period wherever possible.

7 Summary

- 7.1.1 This document and the enclosed draft SoCC explain the statutory consultation requirements of the 2008 Act and the pre-application consultation which Cory will undertake with local communities on the REP proposals.
- 7.1.2 This document together with the draft SoCC comprise the 'Consultation Documents' as defined under Section 47(3) and (4) of the 2008 Act.
- 7.1.3 Section 47(6) of the 2008 Act (as amended) requires that the applicant must consult with each local authority within section 43(1) about the content of the SoCC. The relevant authorities who are being consulted on the SoCC include LBB, DBC and KCC.
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Appendix A Draft SoCC consultation zone map



KEY

- Proposed Energy Park
- Connection route option 1
- Connection route option 1A
- Connection route option 2A
- Connection route option 2B
- Event venue
- Document inspection location
- Consultation area