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1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 This Consultation Report (Document Ref. 5.1) has been prepared on behalf of SSE Slough Multifuel Limited (‘the Applicant'). It forms part of the application (the 'Application') for a Development Consent Order (a 'DCO'), that has been submitted to the Secretary of State (the 'SoS') for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, under Section 37 of 'The Planning Act 2008' (the 'PA 2008').

1.1.2 The Applicant is seeking development consent for the extension of the consented Slough Multifuel Facility (the ‘Consented Development’), an energy from waste electricity generating station, on land at the Slough Trading Estate, Slough (the ‘Site’).

1.1.3 A DCO is required for the extension (the ‘Proposed Project’) as it falls within the definitions and thresholds for a ‘Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project’ (a ‘NSIP’) under Sections 14(1)(a) and 15(1)(2)(a) and (c) of the PA 2008, being the extension of an onshore electricity generating station in England, which when extended will have a capacity of more than 50 megawatts (‘MW’).

1.1.4 The nationally significant infrastructure planning regime under the PA 2008 has an emphasis on pre-application consultation and publicity. Government guidance[1] explains this is designed to ensure a more transparent and efficient examination process. In this way the planning of major infrastructure is a ‘front-loaded’ process whereby the applicant’s proposals are the subject of statutory consultation and engagement before making an application.

1.1.5 Prior to the submission of an application for a DCO, the promoter must carry out the consultation and publicity activities prescribed by Sections 42, 46, 47 and 48 of the PA 2008, and associated provisions of ‘The Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure Regulations 2009’ (the ‘APFP Regulations') (as amended) and ‘The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017’ (the ‘EIA Regulations') and have regard to government guidance[2]. This includes consulting with the local community and certain prescribed persons and bodies (prescribed by regulations, such as local authorities and technical consultees and affected and potentially affected land interests).

1.1.6 Section 37 of the PA 2008 requires an application for a DCO to be accompanied by a 'consultation report' explaining how the promoter has complied with the statutory, regulatory and policy requirements. The report must also set out (in accordance with Section 49) how the applicant has had regard to the responses received to the consultation. This document is the consultation report for the purposes of Section 37.

1.1.7 This Consultation Report has been prepared in accordance with Section 37 of the PA 2008 and Government guidance and the Planning Inspectorate’s (‘PINS’) advice[3] and provides information in respect of the Applicant’s staged pre-application consultation on

[1] Planning Act 2008: guidance on the pre-application process, DCLG March 2015: paragraph 6 [https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/418009/150326_Pre-Application_Guidance.pdf]
[2] Planning Act 2008: guidance on the pre-application process, DCLG March 2015
[3] Advice note fourteen: Compiling the consultation report (April 2012) version 2, The Planning Inspectorate

the Proposed Project and the analysis of the comments and feedback that has been received to the pre-application consultation.

1.2 The pre-application consultation process

1.2.1 A staged approach was taken to pre-application consultation on the Proposed Project. This involved two main stages of consultation as follows:

- Stage 1 (Non-statutory) Consultation – to introduce the Proposed Project and seek comments/feedback on the early proposals.
- Stage 2 (Statutory) Consultation – providing more detailed information on the Proposed Project and preliminary environmental information ahead of the submission of the DCO Application.

1.2.2 Table 1.1 below provides a summary of the pre-application consultation on the Proposed Project.

Table 1.1: Summary of the Applicant's pre-application consultation process

STAGE	OVERVIEW OF CONSULTATION	TIMESCALES
EIA Scoping	Submission of a request for an EIA Scoping Opinion to the SoS and receipt of EIA Scoping Opinion.	November – December 2021
Stage 1 Consultation (non-statutory)	Non-statutory consultation with the local community and key stakeholders within the vicinity of the Proposed Project.	15 November to 17 December 2021
Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC')	Statutory consultation with the host local authority, Slough Borough Council ('SBC').	22 February to 22 March 2022
Stage 2 Consultation (statutory pursuant to Sections 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47 and 48 of the PA 2008)	Section 42 'Duty to consult': consultation with prescribed consultees, host and other relevant local authorities, potentially affected land ownership interests and non-prescribed consultees.	5 May to 17 June 2022

1.2.3 The key stages of the pre-application process are summarised below.

1.3 Stakeholder Engagement Strategy

1.3.1 A Stakeholder Engagement Strategy ('SES') was developed early in the pre-application process (Autumn 2021) to provide a framework for pre-application consultation on the Proposed Project, in particular, the Stage 1 (Non-statutory) Consultation.

1.3.2 The SES set out the proposed approach to pre-application consultation, including the objectives of the consultation; when this would take place; what would be consulted upon; who would be consulted (including the proposed extent of an inner and outer Public Consultation Zone (or 'PCZ')). The Strategy also set out the proposed methods to be employed for the pre-application consultation and how comments would be recorded, analysed and reported.

1.3.3 The PCZ defined in the SES featured an Inner Consultation Zone ('ICZ') extending around the immediate Trading Estate and local residences to the north of the Proposed Project Site. An Outer Consultation Radius ('OCZ') was also applied to the wider area of residential areas to the north, east and west of the Site, a zone based on the consultation radius used for the original 2014 planning application (submitted under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990) for the Consented Development. The ICZ was considered to represent the areas where the greatest interest would be received from the local community in terms of their capacity to be affected by the Proposed Project, while the OCZ represented a wider catchment of residential addresses and ensured that those previously addresses consulted previously with regard to the Consented Development, were consulted once again for this extension.

1.3.4 The SES was developed further and updated following the Stage 1 Consultation and formed the basis for the preparation of the Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') ahead of the Stage 2 (Statutory) Consultation.

1.3.5 Further detail is provided at Section 5 of this Report.

1.4 Stage 1 Consultation

1.4.1 The Stage 1 Consultation was used to:

- inform local stakeholders on the proposed DCO Application, its purpose and timescales;
- inform stakeholders of the rationale behind the proposed DCO Application, what it means for the plant and any potential impacts of the extension; and
- allow local stakeholders to provide their comments and ask questions on the proposals.

1.4.2 People were consulted in a number of ways, including through a newsletter (sent to residential and business addresses within the ICZ), newspaper notices (including newspapers circulating across the OCZ) and Local Liaison Group meetings. In addition, a Project Website was promoted which contained details on the Proposed Project along with information on how to submit comments.

1.4.3 A total of two completed comments forms were received in relation to the Stage 1 Consultation.

1.4.4 Further detail is provided in Sections 6 and 7, including details of the responses received.

1.5 Statement of Community Consultation

1.5.1 The Applicant prepared, consulted upon and published a SoCC setting out how they proposed to consult on the Proposed Project including with people living within the vicinity of the Site. The preparation of the SoCC was informed by the SES and reused its OCZ as the sole Public Consultation Zone for the purposes of the Stage 2 'statutory' Consultation.

1.5.2 The Applicant consulted the host local authority (Slough Borough Council or 'SBC') on a draft of the SoCC on a non-statutory basis in February 2022. No comments were received. The Applicant then undertook statutory consultation with SBC on an updated draft of the SoCC on 22 February 2022, allowing a period of 28 days (until 22 March 2022) for the host local authority to return comments. SBC confirmed they had no comments to make on the document, via email on 23 March 2022.

1.5.3 The SoCC detailed numerous methods by which the Applicant proposed to consult the local community, including exhibition events, a virtual exhibition, online webinars, newsletters, a project website and freephone.

1.5.4 A SoCC Notice was published in the Slough Observer on 1 April 2022. The SoCC Notice confirmed that the SoCC could be viewed free of charge on the project website, it also explained how hard copies of the SoCC or a USB device containing it could be requested.

1.5.5 Further information on the preparation of and consultation on the SoCC is provided in Section 8 of this Report.

1.6 Stage 2 Consultation: Identifying Consultees

1.6.1 Section 42 consultees were identified by reference to Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations, which lists all prescribed persons and other bodies and the circumstances when they must be consulted about a proposed application for a DCO. In reviewing Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations, the Applicant had regard to PINS Advice Note 3 'EIA consultation and notification' (August 2017), which provides advice and guidance on the identification of prescribed persons. Where there was any uncertainty or doubt as whether or not to include a person, the Applicant took a precautionary approach and included that person on the list of those to be consulted.

1.6.2 The Applicant also reviewed and took account of the list of consultation bodies at Appendix 1 of the EIA Scoping Opinion issued by PINS on 23 December 2021, which followed a request under EIA Regulation for an EIA Scoping Opinion dated 17 November 2021.

1.6.3 Relevant local authorities to consult were identified by reference to Section 42 of the PA 2008.

1.6.4 In addition, the land referencing company employed by the Applicant undertook diligent inquiries, including issuing 'Request for Information' ('RFI') letters and forms to identify statutory undertakers with apparatus and/or interests in land and also other persons with land interests within or adjoining the proposed Site Boundary to be used for the purposes of the consultation.

1.6.5 The Applicant also identified and took the decision to consult a number of 'non-prescribed persons' who, although there was no statutory duty to consult, it was considered may be interested in the Proposed Project.

1.6.6 The Applicant's approach to identifying consultees for the Stage 2 Consultation is set out in detail at Section 9.

1.7 Stage 2 Consultation: Section 42 'Duty to Consult'

1.7.1 The Stage 2 Consultation in accordance with Section 42 on the Proposed Project ran from 5 May 2022 to 17 June 2022. The Applicant consulted the Section 42 consultees and non-prescribed persons identified at Section 9 of this Report.

1.7.2 The Stage 2 Consultation was used to consult on the Applicant's more developed proposals, including:

- a more detailed look at the works associated with the Proposed Project, including a 3D model of the physical extension works proposed;
- the findings of the Environmental Impact Assessment ('EIA') work undertaken at that stage, presented in the form of a Preliminary Environmental Information ('PEI') Report; and
- an update on the anticipated submission date for the DCO Application and key milestones for the Proposed Project going forward.

1.7.3 The Section 42 consultees and non-prescribed persons were consulted by letter sent by Royal Mail First Class, accompanied by a USB that had the consultation documents, including a Site Boundary Plan, a Preliminary Environmental Information ('PEI') Report and its Non-Technical Summary and a Section 48 Notice (see below and Section 13 of

this Report). Letters were also emailed where email addresses were available. Notices were also placed around the Site Boundary to make people aware of the Stage 2 Consultation.

1.7.4 A total of 14 responses were received from the Section 42 and non-prescribed consultees either prior to or following the close of the Stage 2 Consultation. The majority of responses were from Section 42 consultees.

1.7.5 Further detail is provided in Section 10, including an analysis of the responses received and how the Applicant has had regard to those responses.

1.8 Stage 2 Consultation: Section 46 'Duty to Notify Secretary of State of Proposed Application'

1.8.1 The Applicant notified PINS of their intention to commence the Stage 2 Section 42 consultation on 4 May 2022. PINS were provided with the same information as was to be sent to the Section 42 and non-prescribed consultees. The notification of PINS took place before the consultation commenced on 5 May 2022. PINS formally acknowledged receipt of the Applicant's Section 46 notification on 16 May 2022.

1.8.2 The Applicant therefore complied with Section 46 of the PA 2008 in respect of the Stage 2 Section 42 consultation. Further detail is provided at Section 11.

1.9 Stage 2 Consultation: Section 47 'Duty to Consult Local Community'

1.9.1 The Stage 2 Consultation in accordance with Section 47 on the Proposed Project ran from 5 May to 17 June 2022. The consultation was undertaken in accordance with the published SoCC and involved consulting the local community across the Public Consultation Area (a newsletter was sent to over 6,000 residential and business addresses in the PCZ) in addition to local political representatives. As confirmed above, in relation to the Stage 2 Section 42 consultation, the consultation was used to consult on the Applicant's more detailed proposals.

1.9.2 A number of methods were used to consult people:

- Newsletters issued to all residential and business addressed within the PCZ.
- Newspaper Notices in a local and national newspaper.
- Posters erected at various locations around the PCZ.
- Two exhibition events held at the SSE Slough Multifuel Project office in Stirling Road, on the Slough Trading Estate (advertised using the Newsletters).
- Live webinars that people could join via computer or phone.
- A virtual consultation room on the Project Website, replicating a consultation event for those unable to attend the physical events held.
- Project Website.
- Freephone number manned during working hours.

1.9.3 People were able to submit comments and feedback in a number of ways, including by the Freephone number, email, post (using a Freepost address), hard copy or online using the 'SmartSurvey' Comments Form via the Project Website.

1.9.4 A total of 3 people attended the two exhibition events held during May 2022 and 14 Comments Forms were received during the Stage 2 Consultation.

1.9.5 Further detail is provided in Sections 12, including an analysis of the responses received and how the Applicant has had regard to those responses. Table 12.1 in Section 12 sets

out how the Section 47 Stage 2 consultation undertaken complied with the published SoCC.

1.10 Stage 2 Consultation: Section 48 'Duty to Publicise'

1.10.1 Early in the Stage 2 Consultation the Applicants published a Section 48 Notice for one week in The Telegraph (a national newspaper), the London Gazette and for two consecutive weeks in a local newspaper (the Slough Observer) circulating within the vicinity of the Site and beyond. The Section 48 Notice provided the information required by APFP Regulation 4 and clearly stated the deadline (17 June 2022) for the submission of comments and feedback.

1.10.2 Details of the newspapers and other publications used for the Section 48 Notice and the publication dates are provided in **Table 1.2** below.

Table 1.2: Newspapers and Publications used for the Section 48 Notice

Newspaper	Dates
The Telegraph	5 May 2022
London Gazette	5 May 2022
Slough Observer	6 and 13 May 2022

1.10.3 The Applicant therefore complied with Section 48 of the PA 2008.

1.10.4 EIA Regulation 13 places a requirement on applicants, where a DCO application is for EIA development, to, at the same time as publishing the Section 48 notice, send a copy to the relevant consultation bodies (the 'EIA consultation bodies') as defined by the EIA Regulations. This was done at the start of the Stage 2 Consultation. The letters that were sent to Section 42 consultees, who were also EIA consultation bodies, included the Section 48 Notice.

1.10.5 Further detail is provided at Section 13 of this Report.

1.11 Section 49 'Duty to take account of responses to Consultation

1.11.1 Section 49 of the PA 2008 requires applicants to have regard to any relevant responses received to the consultation and publicity carried out in accordance with Sections 42, 47 and 48 of the PA 2008.

1.11.2 A relevant response for the purposes of Section 49 is a response received by an applicant before the deadlines set in relation to the Section 42, 47 and 48 consultation and publicity. Notwithstanding this, the Applicant considered any responses received after the stated deadlines and gave them equal weight to those received before the deadlines.

1.11.3 The themes/topics and issues raised by the local community in response to the Stage 2 Consultation were, for the most part, centred on impacts to air quality and transport. Several of the responses received raised issues which would have been relevant to the Consented Development, as opposed to the Proposed Project. Issues raised by the Section 42 consultees and non-prescribed persons tended to comprise references to standard guidance and the scope of the environmental and other assessments being carried out to support the Application.

1.11.4 The approach taken by the Applicant to comments received to the Stage 2 Section 47 Consultation from the local community has been to review and provide a response to each one, on the basis that only a handful of the 14 comments forms received provided substantive comments or queries. The responses provided at Section 12 of this report

also confirm if any changes were made to the Proposed Project/Application and/or if there is the relevant Application Document Ref. No for each one.

1.11.5 The tables at Section 13 provide a summary of the consultation responses and details how the Applicant has had regard to these.

1.12 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Consultation

1.12.1 The Applicants carried out the following EIA consultation activities:

- Notifying PINS of their intention to carry out an EIA; applying to PINS for a Scoping Opinion as to the topics to be covered by the EIA.
- Consultation with technical consultees regard the preparation of the PEI Report.
- Notifying EIA consultation bodies in accordance with EIA Regulation 13 (sending them a copy of the Section 48 Notice).
- Consultation with technical consultees on the draft chapters of the Environmental Statement ('ES').

1.12.2 Further detail is provided at Section 14.

1.13 Next Steps

1.13.1 The Applicant is committed to continued engagement with the local community, host local authority and key stakeholders following the submission of the Proposed DCO Application, as well as throughout the construction and operation of the Proposed Project, should the DCO be made by the SoS.

1.13.2 The Applicant will issue updates on the Proposed Project and the Proposed DCO Application process via the Project Website and local liaison group.

1.13.3 In addition to the above, there are statutory notification and publicity requirements pursuant to Section 56 of the PA 2008 that the Applicant will need to fulfil following acceptance of the Application for examination by the SoS. This will provide an opportunity for people to register as an interested party in the DCO application process and be involved in the examination of the Application.

2.0 INTRODUCTION

2.1 Overview

2.1.1 This Consultation Report (Document Ref. 5.1) has been prepared on behalf of SSE Slough Multifuel Limited (the 'Applicant'). It forms part of the application (the 'Application') for a Development Consent Order (a 'DCO'), that has been submitted to the Secretary of State (the 'SoS') for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ('BEIS'), under Section 37 of 'The Planning Act 2008' (the 'PA 2008').

2.1.2 The Applicant is seeking development consent for the extension of the consented Slough Multifuel Facility (the 'Consented Development'), an energy from waste electricity generating station, on land at the Slough Trading Estate, Slough (the 'Site').

2.1.3 A DCO is required for the extension (the 'Proposed Project') as it falls within the definitions and thresholds for a 'Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project' (a 'NSIP') under Sections 14(1)(a) and 15(1)(2)(a) and (c) of the PA 2008, being the extension of an onshore electricity generating station in England, which when extended will have a capacity of more than 50 megawatts ('MW').

2.2 The Applicant

2.2.1 The Applicant, SSE Slough Multifuel Limited ('SMF') is a 50:50 joint venture between SSE Thermal and Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners ('CIP').

2.2.2 SSE Thermal, part of the FTSE-listed SSE plc, is a leading developer, owner and operator of flexible generation, energy-from-waste, and energy storage assets, with over 600 direct employees across the UK and Ireland. SSE Thermal's vision is to become the leading provider of flexible thermal energy in a net-zero world. SSE Generation Limited was granted planning permission in June 2017 to construct the Consented Development at the Site. SSE currently operates the existing Slough Heat and Power Plant at the Slough Trading Estate through a company called Slough Heat and Power Limited.

2.2.3 CIP was founded in 2012 and is a fund management company specialising in offering tailor made investment in energy infrastructure assets globally, in particular within the renewable energy sector. CIP is a renewable market pioneer with involvement in some of the World's largest offshore wind projects and other major energy infrastructure projects in North-Western Europe, North America, and Asia Pacific. CIP has extensive biomass and energy from waste experience in the UK.

2.3 The Proposed Project Site

2.3.1 The Proposed Project Site (the 'Site') lies entirely within the administrative boundary of Slough Borough Council, a unitary authority, and is located either side of Edinburgh Avenue within the Slough Trading Estate (National Grid Reference SU 953 814) approximately 2.5 kilometres north west of Slough Town Centre.

2.3.2 The Site extends to approximately 2.8 hectares in area and was acquired by SSE in 2008. It forms part of the original Slough Heat and Power Plant site.

2.3.3 The Consented Development was originally consented in June 2017 under 'The Town and Country Planning Act 1990' (the 'TCPA') (under Planning Permission Refs. P/00987/051 (being a Section 73 variation of P/00987/024 and P/00987/035) and P/00987/025, P/00987/052 and P/19876/000). Construction of the Consented Development at the Site is well advanced and is currently expected to be completed by Quarter 4 2024.

2.3.4 A more detailed description of the Site and its surroundings is provided at Chapter 4 'Existing Site Conditions' of the Environmental Statement ('ES') Volume I (Document Ref. 6.2).

2.4 The Proposed Project

2.4.1 The Proposed Project is an extension of the Consented Development comprising the carrying out of the following physical works (Work No. 1 at Schedule 1 'Authorised Development' of the draft DCO, Document Ref. 2.1) to increase the efficiency and gross installed capacity of the generating station from just under 50MW to circa 60MW:

- a boiler primary air preheating system comprising heat exchanger bundles, pipework, valves, pipe supports, thermal insulation, instrumentation, cabling and containment;
- a boiler secondary air preheating system comprising heat exchanger bundles, pipework, valves, pipe supports, thermal insulation, instrumentation, cabling and containment; and
- mechanical modifications to the actuated stream turbine inlet control valve to allow steam capacity to be increased.

2.4.2 The physical works comprised in the extension are 'engineering operations' and therefore 'development' for the purposes of Section 31 of the PA 2008.

2.4.3 As is set out more fully in the Explanatory Memorandum (Document Ref. 2.2), it is only the extension which is the NSIP pursuant to Sections 14(1)(a) and 15(1) of the PA 2008, and the development forming part of the extension (being the Authorised Development) which requires development consent pursuant to Section 31 of the PA 2008. The Consented Development is consented and being constructed pursuant to the TCPA. It is not an NSIP, nor does it form part of one.

2.4.4 Separately, the extended generating station requires an ancillary authorisation to 'operate' at over 50MW pursuant to Section 36 of 'The Electricity Act 1989', and this is included within the DCO. This is further explained within the Explanatory Memorandum.

2.4.5 The Proposed Project also includes associated development within the meaning of Section 115(2) of the PA 2008, including temporary construction laydown areas, contractor facilities, vehicle parking and cycle storage facilities.

2.4.6 The Proposed Project will not increase the throughput of waste, vehicle movements, emissions or operating hours at the Slough Multifuel Facility, and will not alter the scale or external appearance of the consented buildings and structures.

2.4.7 A more detailed description of the Proposed Project is provided at Schedule 1 'Authorised Development' of the draft DCO and Chapter 2 'Proposed Project' of ES Volume I (Document Ref. 6.2) and the area within which the physical works are to occur is denoted by the hatched area on the Work Plan (Document Ref. 4.3).

2.5 The Purpose and Structure of this Document

2.5.1 Section 37(3)(c) of the PA 2008 requires an application for a DCO to be accompanied by a 'consultation report'. Section 37(7) confirms that a consultation report means a report giving details of:

- what has been done by the applicant to comply with Sections 42 ('Duty to consult'), 47 ('Duty to consult local community') and 48 ('Duty to publicise') of the PA 2008;
- any 'relevant responses' to the consultation under Sections 42, 47 and 48; and
- the account taken by the applicant of any relevant responses as required by Section 49 ('Duty to take account of responses to consultation and publicity') in developing the application from proposed to final form.

2.5.2 A 'relevant response' is defined by Section 49(3) as:

- a response from a person consulted under Section 42 that is received by the applicant before the deadline imposed by Section 45 ('Timetable for consultation under section 42') in that person's case;
- a response to consultation under Section 47 that is received by the applicant before any applicable deadline imposed in accordance with the statement prepared under Section 47 (the 'Statement of Community Consultation'); and
- a response to publicity under Section 48 that is received by the applicant before the deadline imposed in accordance with Section 48 in relation to that publicity.

2.5.3 This Consultation Report describes the approach taken in respect of the pre-application consultation for the Proposed Project, including the methods employed. It sets out what was done for the pre-application consultation, including the statutory consultation required by the PA 2008 and related regulations.

Table 2.1: Consultation Report Structure

SECTION	TITLE	OVERVIEW
Section 2	Legislative Context, Relevant Guidance and Compliance	Provides a summary of the legislative requirements of the PA 2008 and relevant regulations (including APFP Regulations and the '2009 EIA Regulations) relating to pre-application consultation and includes a 'checklist' based upon PINS Advice Note 14 setting out how the Applicant's pre-application consultation has complied with those requirements. The checklist is intended to provide PINS with a 'quick guide' as to how the Applicant has complied with the legislative requirements for pre-application consultation and where this is referenced within the Consultation Report.
Section 3	SSE's Approach to consultation	Describes the Applicant's approach to the pre-application consultation on the Proposed Project.
Section 4	Initial Consultation and Engagement	Describes the initial 'non-statutory' consultation and engagement carried out by the Applicant prior to the commencement of its formal consultation process (the Stage 1 and 2 Consultation). This included initial consultation and engagement with the host local authorities, local political representatives and key technical consultees to inform them of the Proposed Project.
Section 5	Statement of Community Consultation: Preparation and Consultation	Describes the approach taken by the Applicant to the preparation of the Statement of Community Consultation (the 'SoCC') as required by Section 47 of the PA 2008 and the consultation that took place with the relevant local authorities in relation to the preparation of the document and how the Applicant took account of the responses to the consultation in finalising the SoCC.

SECTION	TITLE	OVERVIEW
Section 6	Stage 1 Consultation	Describes the Stage 1 Consultation ('non-statutory') consultation that was undertaken by the Applicant to introduce the Proposed Project and the options being considered to the local community, the relevant local authorities, technical consultees and potentially affected land owners, amongst others.
Section 7	Stage 2 Consultation: Identifying Consultees	Explains how the Applicant identified those persons whom there was a statutory duty to consult in accordance with Sections 42, 43 and 44 of the PA 2008 for its Stage 2 ('statutory') Consultation (the 'Section 42 Consultees') and confirms who was consulted. It also lists other persons there was no statutory duty to consult but who SSE considered should be consulted as they may be interested in the Proposed Project (the 'Non-prescribed Consultees').
Section 8	Stage 2 Consultation: Section 47 'Duty to consult local community'	Describes the Section 47 consultation that SSE carried out with the local community during its Stage 2 Consultation to provide more detailed information on the Proposed Project as well as the opportunity for local people to comment upon it; the responses received to the consultation and how the consultation carried out complied with the published SoCC.
Section 9	Stage 2 Consultation: Section 46 'Duty to notify Secretary of State of proposed application'	Sets out how the Applicant notified the SoS of the start of the Section 42 consultation in accordance with Section 46 of the PA 2008 in advance of starting that consultation.
Section 10	Stage 2 Consultation: Section 42 'Duty to consult'	Sets out how the Applicant consulted the Section 42 Consultees, including prescribed persons, relevant local authorities (Section 43) and land ownership interests and potentially affected interest (Section 44) as well as the Non-prescribed Consultees; the response received to the consultation and how the consultation carried out complied with Section 42.
Section 11	Stage 2: Section 48 'Duty to publicise'	Explains how the Applicant publicised the Proposed Project in accordance with Section 48 of the PA 2008, including the newspapers and other publications that the Section 48 Notice was published in.

SECTION	TITLE	OVERVIEW
Section 12	Section 49 'Duty to take account of responses to consultation and publicity'	Sets out how the Applicant has had regard to the responses received to the Stage 1 and Stage 2 Consultation.
Section 13	EIA Related Consultation	Provides a brief summary of the EIA related consultation carried out by the Applicant in accordance with the 2009 EIA Regulations in order facilitate the EIA process and the preparation of the Environmental Statement ('ES') for the Proposed Project.
Section 14	Other consultation and engagement	Provides a summary of other consultation and engagement not covered by the above stages that has taken place during the pre-application stage.
Section 15	Next Steps	Sets out how the Applicant intends to continue to engage with consultees following the submission of the Application and during the examination process.

2.5.4 The appendices to the Consultation Report have been numbered so as to correspond with the relevant section of the report where they are first referred to. For example, the appendices that are first referred to in Section 7 are numbered as Appendix 7.1, 7.2, 7.3 and so on. This makes clear which section of the Consultation Report the appendices relate to.

2.5.5 Consultation responses received from members of the public and signing in sheets from the public exhibitions held have not been included within the Consultation Report as these contain personal information. However, the Applicant can make these available to The Planning Inspectorate ('PINS') if required.

2.5.6 As confirmed above, PINS Advice Note 14 'Compiling the consultation report' provides guidance on the structure and content of consultation reports. **Table 2.2 (below)** identifies how the structure and content of this Consultation Report complies with this guidance and where the information is provided.

Table 2.2 – Structure of the Consultation Report in relation to Advice Note 14

SECTION OF ADVICE NOTE 14	RECOMMENDATION FROM ADVICE NOTE 14	WHERE ADDRESSED IN CONSULTATION REPORT
Explanatory Text	A quick reference guide to the pre-application stage should be provided near the start of the report in bullet point form, summarising all consultation activity in chronological order. This section should define the whole pre-application consultation and explain	Table 1.1 in the 'Summary' to the Consultation Report provides a quick reference guide to the pre-application consultation carried out by the Applicant. This summarises all the key consultation stages in chronological order where possible.

SECTION OF ADVICE NOTE 14	RECOMMENDATION FROM ADVICE NOTE 14	WHERE ADDRESSED IN CONSULTATION REPORT
	the relationship between any informal consultation that may have taken place and statutory consultation carried out under the PA 2008.	The Summary (paragraphs) also explain the relationship between the Stage 1 (non-statutory) and Stage 2 (statutory) Consultation.
Consultation with prescribed consultees	The applicant should include a full list of the prescribed consultees as part of the report. If the list varies in any way from Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations this should be robust justified. A short description of how Section 43 of the PA 2008 has been applied to identify relevant local authorities should be included. This could be supported by a map showing the site and identifying the boundaries of the relevant authorities. Those with an interest in the land consulted under Section 44 should be identified as a distinct element of the wider Section 42 consultation.	Section 42(a) - Such persons as may be prescribed: A list of such persons as may be prescribed (the 'prescribed persons') consulted at Stage 2 is provided at Appendix 8.1. The tables confirm when the prescribed persons were consulted. Section 42(b) - each local authority that is within Section 43: The approach taken to identifying relevant local authorities is described in Section 7. The local authority boundaries are shown in Appendix 7.3 and each authority and its category (A, B, C or D) is listed in Table 7.1 of Section 7. Section 42(d) - each person who is within one or more of the categories set out in Section 44: A list of those parties consulted pursuant to Section 44 (the 'Section 44 persons') is provided at Appendix 8.3.
Statement of Community Consultation	It would be helpful to provide a summary of the rationale behind the SoCC methodology to assist the	The preparation of, consultation on and publication of the SoCC is covered at Section 5.

SECTION OF ADVICE NOTE 14	RECOMMENDATION FROM ADVICE NOTE 14	WHERE ADDRESSED IN CONSULTATION REPORT
	SoS's understanding of the community consultation and provide a context for considering how the consultation was undertaken and how the SoCC has been complied with. Evidence should be submitted as part of the report that shows which local authorities were consulted about the content of the draft SoCC; what the authorities' comments were; confirmation that they were given 28 days to provide their comments and a description of how the applicant had regard to the authorities' comments. Copies of the published SoCC as it appeared in the local press should be provided along with confirmation of which local newspapers it was published in and when. Where there were any inconsistencies with the SoCC, for example where additional activities took place that were not included in the SoCC, then this should be clearly explained and justified. The SoCC process is usually best dealt with as a discrete section within the report.	A summary of the rationale behind the SoCC methodology and the definition of the public consultation zones for the Section 47 local community consultation is provided at Section 5. Figure 5.1 shows the geographical extent of the public consultation zones relative to the Site. Copies of the correspondence sent to the relevant local authorities consulting them on the draft SoCC pursuant to Section 47 and providing 28 days for the receipt of comments are provided at Appendix 7.2. No comments were received to the initial round of non-statutory consultation on the draft SoCC, therefore no response or change was made to the draft SoCC. Appendix 7.2 shows the 'no comment' response received to the statutory consultation carried out on draft SoCC. Consequently no further changes to the SoCC were necessary. The SoCC Notice was published in the Slough Observer on 1 April 2022. Copies of the SoCC Notice as published are provided at Appendix 7.5. The Stage 2 Consultation was undertaken in accordance with the published SoCC.

SECTION OF ADVICE NOTE 14	RECOMMENDATION FROM ADVICE NOTE 14	WHERE ADDRESSED IN CONSULTATION REPORT
Statutory publicity (Section 48)	A copy of the Section 48 notice as it appeared in the local and national newspapers, together with a description of where the notice was published and confirmation of the time period given for responses should be included within the report. Applicants should provide confirmation that the Section 48 notice was sent to the prescribed consultees at the same time the notice was published. Section 48 publicity is best dealt as a separate section within the report.	A separate section has been provided on Section 48 publicity at Section 12. Section 12 provides information on where the Section 48 Notice was published, the dates of publication (Table 12.1 and 12.2) and also the time period given for responses. An example copy of the Section 48 Notice is provided at Appendix 12.1 with copies of the Section 48 Notice as published at Appendix 11.2.
Non-statutory 'informal' consultation	Any consultation not carried out under the provisions of the PA 2008 should be clearly indicated and identified separately in the report from the statutory consultation.	Section 6 describes the Stage 1 Consultation used to introduce the Proposed Project and the options being considered to the local community, the relevant local authorities, technical consultees and potentially affected land owners, amongst others, in in advance of the Stage 2 Consultation.
EIA Regulations consultation	Consultation undertaken as part of the EIA regime is separate to that required under the PA 2008. Applicants may wish to draw attention to consultation responses received under the EIA process, but any reference to this consultation should be kept separate from the statutory consultation carried out under the provisions of the PA 2008.	EIA related consultation, including that in relation to scoping, the development of the Preliminary Environmental Information Report ('PEI Report') for the Stage 2 Consultation, compliance with EIA Regulation 11 and dialogue relating to the preparation of the Environmental Statement ('ES') is summarised in a separate section (Section 14).

SECTION OF ADVICE NOTE 14	RECOMMENDATION FROM ADVICE NOTE 14	WHERE ADDRESSED IN CONSULTATION REPORT
Summary of responses	A list of the individual responses received should be provided and categorised in an appropriate way. We advise that applicants group responses under the three strands of consultation as follows: Section 42 prescribed consultees (including S.43 and S.44) Section 47 community consultees Section 48 responses to statutory publicity. The list should also make further distinction within those categories by sorting response according to whether they contain comments which have led to changes to matters such as siting, route, design, form or scale of the scheme itself, or to mitigation or compensatory measures proposed, or have led to no change. A summary of responses by appropriate category together with a clear explanation of the reason responses have led to no change should also be included, including where responses have been received after the deadline set by the applicant. It is important that where areas of disagreement have not be resolved, the reasons why are set out clearly in the summary.	Section 13 (Tables 13.1 and 13.2) provide a summary of the responses received to the consultations grouped under Sections 42 and 47; how the Applicant has taken account of those responses; and whether the responses have led to changes to the Proposed Project and Application. The responses received to the Section 47 consultation can be made available. No responses were received to the Section 48 publicity.
Phased approach	Where a phased approach to consultation was	The Applicant undertook multiple stages of

SECTION OF ADVICE NOTE 14	RECOMMENDATION FROM ADVICE NOTE 14	WHERE ADDRESSED IN CONSULTATION REPORT
	undertaken then this can be reflected in the structure of the report and in the summary of responses.	consultation (non-statutory and statutory). This Consultation Report is structured chronologically to set out each stage and the results/responses received.
Request for responses	It is important that the consultation report is clear and that the SoS can quickly identify whether applicants have met all statutory requirements. The applicant may be asked to provide a copy of all consultation responses that have been received.	Table 2.2 in Section 2 provides a quick reference as to how the Applicant has met all of the statutory requirements relating to pre-application consultation. This includes evidence of compliance and where this is referenced and contained within the Consultation Report. Copies of the consultation responses all consultees including Section 42 Consultees are provided within Appendices 9.3. The consultation responses received from members of the public can be made available to the PINS.
Data Protection	Applicants should ensure the consultation report complies with the Data Protection Act 1998 and addresses and other contact information are treated appropriately.	The contact information (telephone numbers and email addresses) of consultees have been omitted.

3.0 LEGISLATIVE CONTEXT, RELEVANT GUIDANCE AND COMPLIANCE

3.1.1 This section provides a summary of the legislative context for NSIPs, including the legislative requirements and relevant guidance relating to pre-application consultation and publicity.

3.2 Overview of the DCO regime

3.2.1 The Proposed Project, comprising an extension to an onshore generating station, which when extended will have a capacity of more than 50 MW, falls within the definition of a NSIP under Sections 14(1)(a) and 15(2) of the PA 2008. It is, therefore, necessary (as specified in Section 31 of the PA 2008) for the Applicant to apply to the SoS (via the PINS) for a DCO.

3.2.2 PINS is responsible for examining the application and making a recommendation to the relevant SoS, in this case for BEIS, who then takes the decision as to whether a DCO should be made authorising the project. A DCO can also include a range of other consents and licences and powers of compulsory acquisition.

3.2.3 Under the DCO regime, the primary policy framework for examining and determining applications is provided by National Policy Statements ('NPSs'). Section 5 of the PA 2008 allows the SoS to designate NPSs setting out national policy in relation to the types of NSIPs listed at Section 14 of the PA 2008.

3.2.4 Where a relevant NPS has been designated, Section 104 requires the SoS to determine applications for NSIPs in accordance with the relevant NPSs unless this would:

- lead to the UK being in breach of its international obligations;
- be in breach of any statutory duty that applies to the SoS;
- be unlawful;
- result in the adverse impacts of the development outweighing the benefits; or
- be contrary to regulations about how decisions are to be taken.

3.2.5 In making decisions on NSIPs, the PA 2008 (Section 104) also states that the SoS must have regard to any 'local impact report' submitted by a relevant local authority, any relevant matters prescribed in regulations and any other matters that the SoS thinks are both 'important and relevant'.

3.2.6 In July 2011 the SoS designated a number of NPSs relating to nationally significant energy infrastructure. These include an 'Overarching' NPS which sets out the Government's policy for the delivery of major energy infrastructure and five NPSs relating to specific types of energy projects. These are to be read in conjunction with the overarching NPS, where they are relevant to an application.

3.2.7 The NPSs that are considered to be of direct relevance to the Proposed Project are as follows:

- NPS EN1 - Overarching Energy;
- NPS EN2 - Fossil Fuel Electricity Generating Infrastructure;
- NPS EN4 - Gas Supply Infrastructure and Gas and Oil Pipelines; and
- NPS EN5 - Electricity Networks.

3.2.8 Part 3 of EN-1 'The Need for New Nationally Significant Energy Infrastructure Projects' defines and sets out the need that exists for nationally significant energy infrastructure.

Notably, paragraph 3.1.3 stresses that the SoS should assess applications for DCOs for the types of infrastructure covered by the energy NPSs on the basis that the Government has demonstrated that there is a need for those types of infrastructure and that the scale and urgency of that need is as described for each of them. Paragraph 3.1.4 continues by stating that the SoS should give substantial weight to the contribution that all projects would make toward satisfying this need when considering applications under the PA 2008.

3.2.9 Draft revised NPSs for energy infrastructure were published for consultation in September 2021. As yet, no date has been set for the designation of the draft energy NPSs. While the review of energy NPSs is undertaken, the current suite of NPSs remains relevant Government policy and have effect for the purposes of the PA 2008.[4] They therefore continue to provide a proper basis on which PINS can examine, and the SoS can make decisions on, applications for energy NSIPs.

3.2.10 The above NPSs and the need for the Proposed Project are considered in greater detail within the Planning Statement (Application Document Reference: 5.2).

3.3 Legislative requirements for pre-application consultation and publicity

3.3.1 The legislative framework and the requirements relating to pre-application consultation and publicity for NSIPs are set out within the following:

- The PA 2008;
- The Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure Regulations 2009 ('the APFP Regulations') (as amended); and
- The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 ('the EIA Regulations').

3.3.2 The particular legislative requirements for applicants to follow in relation to pre-application consultation and publicity are summarised in Table 3.1 below.

Table 3.1: Requirements for pre-application consultation & publicity

Section of PA 2008/relevant regulation	Legislative requirement
Section 37: Applications for orders granting development consent	Section 37(3) requires that any application for a DCO must be accompanied by a consultation report, which provides details of what has been done to comply with Sections 42, 47 and 48, any relevant responses received to consultation and the account taken of those responses.
Section 47: Duty to consult local community	Applicants must prepare a Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') explaining how they intend to consult the people living within the vicinity of the land to which the Proposed Project relates about the proposed application. Before preparing the SoCC the applicant must consult the relevant local authorities about what is to be included within it, provide a period for comments of at least 28 days starting with the day after the day the SoCC is received, and have regard to any comments received before the deadline.

[4] See paragraph 1.6.1 of EN-1; EN-2 and EN-4 and paragraph 1.5.1 of EN-5.

Section of PA 2008/relevant regulation	Legislative requirement
	Owing to changes made in 2020 to the Infrastructure Planning (Publication and Notification of Applications etc,) (Amendment) Regulations 2020, ('the 2020 Regulations') applicants no longer need to place paper (hard) copies of the SoCC on deposit (for inspection by the public) at locations within the vicinity of the Proposed Project, but instead make the SoCC available for inspection online. Evidence that this has been done, for example a screen shot of the relevant webpage, should be provided in the consultation report. Applicants must publish a SoCC Notice in a newspaper circulating newspaper within the vicinity of the Proposed Project for at least one week. Where it is not possible to place the SoCC notice in a printed newspaper, then a screen shot of the notice as it was published in an online newspaper publication (including the full website address and relevant telephone number for enquiries as required by the 2020 Regulations) should be provided. The Section 47 consultation must be carried out in accordance with the SoCC. Where there are any inconsistences between the SoCC and the consultation carried out this should be clearly explained and justified in the consultation report.
Section 42: Duty to consult	Applicants must consult the following about the proposed application for at least 28 days starting with the day after the day the consultation documents are received (Section 45): *Section 42(a) such persons as may be prescribed;* *Section 42(aa) the Marine Management Organisation, in any case where the Proposed Project would affect, or would be likely to affect, any of the areas specified in subsection (2) (being waters in or adjacent to England up to the seaward limits of the territorial sea);* *Section 42(b) each local authority that is within Section 43;* *Section 42 (c) 'the Greater London Authority if the land is in Greater London; and* *Section 42(d) each person who is within one or more of the categories set out in Section 44 (i.e. affected and potentially affected land owners, including occupiers, tenants, lessees and other affected persons).*

Section of PA 2008/relevant regulation	Legislative requirement
Section 46: Duty to notify Secretary of State of proposed application	Applicants must notify the SoS of the start of the Section 42 consultation and provide the SoS with the same information as the applicant intends to send to the Section 42 consultees either at the same time as or before commencing the Section 42 consultation.
Section 48: Duty to publicise	Applicants must publicise the proposed application in the prescribed manner (by a Section 48 Notice), in accordance with APFP Regulation 4(2), once in a national newspaper, once in the London Gazette, once in the Lloyds List and appropriate fishing journal where offshore development is involved, and for two consecutive weeks in one or more local newspapers circulating in the vicinity of the land to which the Proposed Project relates. The deadline for the receipt of responses stated in the Section 48 Notice must not be less than 28 days following the date when the notice is last published. The Section 48 Notice must include the following (APFP Regulation 4(3)): *the name and address of the applicant;* *a statement that the applicant intends to make an application for development consent to the Secretary of State;* *a statement as to whether the application is EIA development;* *a summary of the main proposals, specifying the location or route of the Proposed Project;* *a statement that the documents, plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Proposed Project are available for inspection free of charge at the places (including at least one address in the vicinity of the Proposed Project) and times set out in the notice;* *the latest date on which those documents, plans and maps will be available for inspection;* *whether a charge will be made for copies of any of the documents, plans or maps and the amount of any charge;* *details of how to respond to the publicity; and* *a deadline for receipt of those responses by the applicant, being not less than 28 days following the date when the notice is last published.*

Section of PA 2008/relevant regulation	Legislative requirement
	APFP Regulation 4(3) was amended by the 2020 Regulations to remove the requirement for applicants to place paper (hard) copies of the relevant documents, plans and maps on deposit. Instead, there is now a requirement for the documents, plans and maps to be made available for inspection free of charge on a website maintained by or on behalf of the applicant and the notice must provide the following information: *the address of the website where the documents, plans and maps may be inspected;* *the place on the website where the documents, plans and maps may be inspected;* *a telephone number which can be used to contact the applicant for enquiries in relation to the documents, plans and maps;*
EIA Regulation 13: Pre-application publicity under Section 48 (duty to publicise)	Where the proposed application is for EIA development, the applicant must, at the same time as publishing notice of the proposed application under Section 48(1), send a copy of the Section 48 Notice to all the consultation bodies ('consultation bodies' means for the purposes of the EIA Regulations a body prescribed under Section 42(1)(a)) and listed in column 1 of the table set out in Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations where the circumstances set out in Schedule 2 are satisfied in respect of that body), 'such persons as may be prescribed', each local authority within Section 43 'Local authorities for the purposes of Section 42(1)(b)' and any person notified to the applicant by the Planning Inspectorate in accordance with EIA Regulation 11(1)(c)).
Section 49: Duty to take account of responses to consultation and publicity	The applicant must have regard to any 'relevant responses' received to the Section 42, 47 and 48 consultation and publicity. A 'relevant response' means a response received to the Section 42, 47 and 48 consultation and publicity before any deadline imposed in accordance with the relevant section of the PA 2008.
Section 50: Guidance about pre-application procedure	The applicant must have regard to any pre application procedural guidance issued under this section by the Secretary of State. The principal pre application guidance is 'Planning Act 2008: guidance on the pre-application process' (Department for Communities and Local Government, March 2015). This provides advice on a wide range of pre application activities. In addition, guidance was issued by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government on 22 July 2020 (updated on 31 December 2020) on pre-application procedures in the context of

Section of PA 2008/relevant regulation	Legislative requirement
	the coronavirus pandemic[5]. This guidance provides suggestions on website design and methods of providing copies of documentation. It also provides guidance on satisfying the requirement to make the SoCC available for inspection, by providing it online (via a project specific website) and via hard copies on request. These are described further under 'Relevant guidance' below.

3.4 Relevant guidance

3.4.1 Relevant guidance relating to pre-application consultation and publicity is provided by the following documents:

- Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG): Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process (March 2015).
- Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG): Guidance on procedural requirements for major infrastructure projects (22 July 2020, updated 31 December 2020).
- Slough Borough Council: Statement of Community Involvement (Adopted December 2006)

3.4.2 In addition, the Planning Inspectorate publishes a series of advice notes setting out recommendations for applicants, consultees, the public and others about a range of process matters including:

- The Planning Inspectorate Advice Note Two: The role of local authorities in the development consent process (Published February 2015, version 1).
- The Planning Inspectorate Advice Note Three: EIA consultation and notification (Republished August 2017, version 7).
- The Planning Inspectorate Advice Note Four: Section 52 (Republished March 2017, version 6).
- The Planning Inspectorate Advice Note Eight: Overview of the nationally significant infrastructure planning process for members of the public and others (Published February 2017).
- The Planning Inspectorate Advice Note Eleven: Working with public bodies in the infrastructure planning process (Republished November 2017, version 4).
- The Planning Inspectorate Advice Note Fourteen: Compiling the consultation report (Republished April 2021, version 3).

[5] https://www.gov.uk/guidance/guidance-on-procedural-requirements-for-major-infrastructure-projects

3.5 Legislative compliance

3.5.1 The 'checklist' in Table 3.2 below sets out how the Applicant's pre-application consultation and publicity has complied with the legislative requirements of the PA 2008 (and related regulation) relating to pre-application consultation. This 'compliance' exercise has been carried out against the PINS 'Section 55 Application Acceptance Checklist' and the acceptance criteria that are relevant to pre-application consultation.

Table 3.2: Compliance with PINS Section 55 'Application Acceptance Checklist'

Acceptance Checklist Criteria	Evidence of Compliance	Where addressed in the Consultation Report
Section 42: Duty to consult **Did the Applicant consult the following about the proposed application?**		
Did the applicant before carrying out the s42 consultation either (a) request the Secretary of State to adopt a screening opinion in respect of the development to which the application relates, or (b) notify the Secretary of State in writing that it proposed to provide an environmental statement in respect of that development?	The Applicant notified the SoS under the 2017 EIA Regulations – Regulation 8(1)(b) 'Notification of Intention to Provide an Environmental Statement' and Regulation 10(1) 'Request for a Scoping Opinion' on 17 November 2021. The S42 consultation commenced on 5 May 2022.	Section 14
Have any adequacy of consultation representations been received from "A", "B", "C" and "D" authorities; and if so do they confirm that the applicant has complied with the duties under s42, s47 and s48?	These will be provided by the relevant local authorities to PINS.	n/a
Section 42: Duty to consult **Did the Applicant consult the following about the proposed application?**		
Section 42(1)(a) persons prescribed?	Yes – persons as prescribed were consulted by letter. A table of the persons is provided within the Consultation Report (Document Ref. 5.1) at Appendix 8.1.	Section 8
Section 42(1)(aa) the Marine Management Organisation if involving offshore development	No – the Marine Management Organisation were no consulted as the Proposed Project does not involve offshore development.	n/a

Acceptance Checklist Criteria	Evidence of Compliance	Where addressed in the Consultation Report
Section 42(1)(b) each local authority within Section 43	Yes – each local authority within Section 43 was consulted by letter sent by Royal Mail First Class post on 3 May 2022. The letter was accompanied by a USB drive (and download link) containing the consultation documents and stated a deadline for the receipt of consultation responses. The local authorities consulted were Slough Borough Council, Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead, Surrey County Council, Spelthorne Borough Council, London Borough of Hillingdon, Buckinghamshire Council and South Bucks District Council.	Section 8
Section 42(1)(c) the Greater London Authority (if in Greater London)	The Greater London Authority was not consulted as the Proposed Project site does not involve land within Greater London.	n/a
Section 42(1)(d) each person in one or more of the Section 44 categories: Category 1 - owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of land Category 2 - person interested in the land or has the power to sell and convey the land or release the land Category 3 - person entitled to make a relevant claim	Yes – Section 44 persons were consulted by letter sent by Royal Mail First Class post on 3 May 2022 accompanied by a USB device containing the consultation documents and stating a deadline for the receipt of consultation responses. The Applicant also erected site notices at the Site and were checked and maintained during the consultation period.	A full list of those parties consulted pursuant to Section 44 is provided at Appendix 8.3 and an example of the Section 42 consultation letter is provided at Appendix 9.1. An example Site Notice is included at Appendix 8.4.
Section 45: Timetable for s42 consultation		
Did the Applicant notify Section 42 consultees of the	Yes – each of the letters issued to the Section 42 consultees clearly stated a	Section 9 and Appendix 9.1 (example Section 42 letters).

Acceptance Checklist Criteria	Evidence of Compliance	Where addressed in the Consultation Report
deadline for receipt of consultation responses?	deadline for the receipt of consultation responses. Each of the letters was issued on the 3 May 2022 and provided a deadline for comments of no later than 17 June 2022, therefore allowing in excess of 28 days to provide comments.	
Section 46: Duty to notify Secretary of State of proposed Application		
Did the Applicant supply information to notify the Planning Inspectorate of the proposed application; and if so, was the information supplied to the Planning Inspectorate on or before the date it was sent to the s42 consultees? Was this done on or before commencing consultation under s42?	Yes – the Applicant notified the SoS of the Application before the start of the Section 42 Consultation by email on 4 May 2022. The email contained a secure file transfer link to the consultation documents that were issued to the section 42 consultees. A day earlier on 3 May 2022, letters had been issued via Royal Mail to Section 42 Consultees.	Appendix 9.1 (example Section 42 consultation letters); and Section 10 and Appendix 10.1 (section 46 notification letter) and Appendix 10.2 (PINS acknowledgement).
Section 47: Duty to consult local community		
Did the Applicant prepare a draft SoCC on how it intended to consult people living in the vicinity of the land?	Yes – a draft SoCC was produced. The SoCC set out a number of proposed consultation methods including the following; exhibition events, setting up a project website, sending out newsletters, writing to local political representatives, publishing notices in newspapers, placing posters in the local areas, hosting a virtual consultation event/room (via the project website), hosting a number of webinars, providing a manned freephone service and providing hard copy consultation PEI Report materials on request.	Section 7 and Appendix 7.3 (copy of the SoCC).

Acceptance Checklist Criteria	Evidence of Compliance	Where addressed in the Consultation Report
Was the deadline for receipt of responses 28 days beginning with the day after the day that 'B' and (where applicable) 'C' authorities received the consultation documents?	Yes – Slough Borough Council were consulted on the content of the draft SoCC via email on 22 February 2022 (statutory consultation) and were requested to provide response by 22 March 2022. The formal response was received by SBC on 23 March 2022, confirming no comment.	Section 7, Appendix 7.1 and 7.2 (The Applicant's SoCC correspondence).
Has the Applicant had regard to any responses received when preparing the SoCC?	No comments were received in response to the formal or informal consultations on the draft SoCC.	Section 7
Has the SoCC been made available for inspection in a way that is reasonably convenient for people living in the vicinity of the land which states where and when the SoCC can be inspected.	Yes – the SoCC Notice was published in the Slough Observer on 1 April 2022. The SoCC Notice provided information regarding the project website where the SoCC could be viewed. The notice also stated that hard copies of the SoCC or a USB device containing the SoCC could be requested free of the charge by email or telephone.	Section 7 states the newspaper and date of the SoCC Notice publication. Appendix 7.5 (SoCC Notice)
Has the Applicant carried out the consultation in accordance with the SoCC?	Yes – the commitments set out in the SoCC have been fulfilled as set out in Section 11 and 12 of the Consultation Report (Document Ref. 5.1) and summarised as follows: The consultation activities and methods set out in the SoCC at Section 3.0 have taken place, as documented in Section 11 of this Report. A newsletter was sent to all residents and businesses within the Consultation Zone advising them of the consultation period, how to access the exhibition events, online virtual exhibition, the dates and times of the virtual	Section 11

Acceptance Checklist Criteria	Evidence of Compliance	Where addressed in the Consultation Report
	webinars, freephone number, how consultation materials can be accessed and the deadline for submitting comments. Local political representatives, including local MPs and ward councillors were also contacted via email with the same information. The Applicant published notices in a local newspaper (the Slough Observer) as proposed in the SoCC, circulating within and beyond the Consultation Zone advertising the Section 47 local community consultation and public exhibitions. Posters were erected at various location around the Public Consultation Zone, providing information on the consultation. The Applicant hosted two webinars and provided details of how and when to access them on the Project Website. The Applicant hosted an online virtual consultation portal which simulated the typical information found at a physical consultation event, the event included information boards and an online Comments Form. The Applicant hosted two in person exhibition events on 18th and 25th May 2022 at SSE Slough Multifuel Project Offices located at 683/5 Stirling Road, Edinburgh Avenue, Slough, SL1 4ST.	

Acceptance Checklist Criteria	Evidence of Compliance	Where addressed in the Consultation Report
	A manned freephone number was operated for the duration of the consultation period. The Project Website was updated ahead of community consultations on both the home page and the dedicated consultation page. All consultation materials (including the PEI Report) could be accessed and downloaded via the website. A 'Comments Form' was made available during the consultation for people to use to submit comments and feedback. The Comments Form was incorporated within the newsletter send out to the Consultation Zone and was also available to complete during exhibition events or online at the Virtual Exhibition and also on the Project Website. In addition, people were able to request hard copies of the Comments Form by email, post or telephone. The comments and feedback received during consultation have been carefully recorded and taken into account by the Applicant in developing the Proposed Project. The Applicant offered to provide copies of consultation materials and documents in either hard copy or electronic form (via USB) by request. No requests were received.	
Section 48: Duty to publicise the proposed application		
Did the Applicant publish a notice (APFP Regulation 4(2)) for:	Yes – a Section 48 Notice was published for two successive weeks in the	Table 11.1 in Section 11 and Appendix 11.2 (copies of the Section 48 Notices as

Acceptance Checklist Criteria	Evidence of Compliance	Where addressed in the Consultation Report
At least two successive weeks in one or more local newspapers circulating within the vicinity of the land? Once in a national newspaper? Once in the London Gazette and is the land is in Scotland, the Edinburgh Gazette? Where the Proposed Project relates to offshore development- once in the Lloyds List; and once in the appropriate fishing trade journal.	Slough Observer, a local newspaper circulating within the vicinity of the Site, on 6 May 2022 and 13 July 2022, once in a national newspaper (the Telegraph) on 5 May 2022, and the London Gazette on 5 May 2022.	published in the relevant newspapers and publications).
Did the notice include (APFP Regulation 4(3)): The name and address of the applicant. A statement that the applicant intends to make an application for development consent to the SoS. A statement as to whether the application is EIA development. A summary of the main proposals, specifying the location or route of the Proposed Project. A statement that the documents, plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Proposed Project area available for inspection free of charge at the places (including at least one address in the vicinity of the Proposed Project) and times set out in the notice? The latest date on which those documents, plans and maps will be available for inspection (being a date not earlier than 28 days following the date when the notice is last published). Whether a charge will be made for copies of any of the	Yes – all Section 48 Notices included: the name and address of the Applicant; a statement that the Applicant intend to make an application for a DCO; statement that the Proposed Project is EIA development or that an EIA is being undertaken; a summary of the Proposed Project, including its location; the s48 Notice provided details on how the documents, plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Proposed Project could be accessed both online or via hard copy on request through contacting the provided consultation freephone number or email address. The temporary suspensions imposed by the Government's coronavirus regulations in 2020 were made permanent on 31 December 2020 as part of	Section 12, Appendix 11.1 (copies of the Section 48 Notices as published in the relevant newspapers and publications).

Acceptance Checklist Criteria	Evidence of Compliance	Where addressed in the Consultation Report
documents, plan or maps and the amount of any charge. Details of how to respond to the publicity. A deadline for receipt of those responses by the applicant, being not less than 28 days following the date when the notice is last published.	the 2020 Regulations. Therefore, the Applicant did not make physical documentation available for inspection at Stage 2. However, the Applicant did provide information on how hard copies and USBs containing the documents could be obtained, on request. The Section 48 notice also provided the charge that would be made for hard copies of the consultation documents and advised of the amount of the charges; the latest date on which the consultation documents could be viewed online, which was on or after the last date for consultation responses; and details were provided of how to respond to the publicity. This included the Proposed Project website, email and freepost addresses and a telephone number and each notice stated a deadline for the receipt of responses, being in excess of 28 days and running from the date when the Section 48 notice was last published.	
Has a copy of the Section 48 Notice been sent to the EIA consultation bodies and to any person notified to the applicant in accordance with EIA Regulation 9(1)(c) (EIA Regulation 11)	Yes – a copy of the Section 48 Notice was sent to the EIA consultation bodies at the same time as the Section 42 letters. This is explained at Section 14. The Applicant has not been notified of any EIA Regulation 11(1)(c) bodies by PINS and	Section 14, Appendix 12.1 (example 48 Notices) and Appendix 14.3 (schedule of EIA consultation bodies notified).

Acceptance Checklist Criteria	Evidence of Compliance	Where addressed in the Consultation Report
	therefore none were consulted	
Section 49: Duty to take account of responses to consultation and publicity		
Has the applicant had regard to any relevant responses to the Sections 42 and 47 consultation and the Section 48 publicity?	Yes – all responses received to the Consultation have been considered by the Applicant. notwithstanding that Section 49 does not oblige the Applicant to take these into account. Regard to Section 49 'Duty to take account of responses to consultation and publicity' is identified in Section 13.	Section 13, Tables 13.1, and 13.2.
Guidance about pre-application procedure		
To what extent has the applicant had regard to DCLG guidance, The Planning Act 2008; Guidance on pre-application consultation?	The Applicant has complied with the requirements of the PA 2008 (and related regulation) as confirmed above. In formulating their consultation approach and strategy and undertaking its pre-application consultation and publicity the Applicant have also taken account of the DCLG guidance on pre-application consultation.	Table 3.1 demonstrates that the Applicant have fully complied with the pre-application consultation requirements of the PA 2008, while Table 3.2 demonstrates that the Applicant has fully complied with PINS application acceptance criteria relating to consultation. In addition, Table 2.2 sets out how the Applicant have complied with the advice relating to compiling and preparing consultation reports provided by PINS Advice Note 14. Section 3.4 lists the Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG), PINS and other guidance that the Applicant have had regard to in formulating its consultation proposals and carrying out the DCO Consultation.

3.5.2 Table 3.2 demonstrates that the Applicant has complied with the pre-application consultation and publicity requirements of the PA 2008.

4.0 THE APPLICANT'S APPROACH TO CONSULTATION

4.1.1 Following the decision to progress the Proposed Project, the Applicant set about developing a pre-application consultation strategy (the 'Stakeholder Engagement Strategy'). The purpose of developing the Stakeholder Engagement Strategy ('SES') was to provide a framework for the Applicant's proposed pre-application consultation, including the stages of consultation, the areas and people to be consulted and the consultation activities and methods to be employed.

4.1.2 In preparing the SES, the Applicant recognised the need for the pre-application consultation to be meaningful, to provide clear and concise information on the Proposed Project and ultimately, provide the local community and other consultees with the opportunity to consider the emerging proposals and provide comments and feedback.

4.1.3 The SES prepared by the Applicant was later used as the basis for the preparation of the draft SoCC.

4.2 Consultation objectives

4.2.1 At the outset, the Applicant set a number of objectives for the pre-application consultation on the Proposed Project:

- introduce and raise awareness of the Proposed Project and provide the local community and other stakeholders with the opportunity to understand and comment on the proposals at different stages;
- provide clear and concise information on the proposals;
- provide a range of means by which people could engage with the pre-application process and provide comments and feedback on the proposals;
- ensure that comments and feedback are accurately captured and recorded; and
- show how comments and feedback have been taken into account in finalising the proposals and the DCO Application.

4.2.2 The above objectives were to be achieved by:

- developing a Consultation Engagement Strategy early in the pre-application process to provide a framework to guide the pre-application consultation, including the areas and people to be consulted and the consultation activities and methods to be employed.
- adopting a staged approach to the pre-application consultation to introduce the Proposed Project and to allow people to consider and comment on the early proposals and to provide the opportunity to review and provide feedback on more developed proposals later in the pre-application process.
- Deploying and carrying out a range of consultation activities and methods to publicise the proposals and received comments and feedback, including a website; letters; newsletters; newspaper adverts and notices; and posters on public notice boards; physical and virtual consultation events (for Stage 2); a freephone line; freepost; dedicated email address; and hard copy and online feedback and comments forms, amongst others.
- Adopting and open and flexible approach to pre-application consultation by keeping under review the need for additional or further consultation prior to the submission of the DCO Application

4.3 Consultation best practice advice and guidance

4.3.1 In preparing the SES and SoCC, the Applicant had regard to the advice and guidance listed in Paragraph 2.4.1 of this document.

4.4 Staged approach

4.4.1 The Applicant took the decision to adopt a two-stage approach to its pre-application consultation. This was to include a stage of non-statutory consultation (the Stage 1 Consultation) and a stage of statutory consultation (the Stage 2 Consultation), the latter in accordance with the requirements of the PA 2008.

4.4.2 **Stage 1 (Non-Statutory) Consultation** (15 November – 17 December 2021). This consultation was used to:

- update local stakeholders on the Proposed DCO Application, its purpose and timescales;
- inform stakeholders of the rationale behind the DCO Application, what it means for the plant and any potential impacts of the extension; and
- allow local stakeholders to provide their comments and ask questions on the proposals.

4.4.3 The methods undertaken for the Stage 1 Consultation are described in more detail at Section 6 of the Consultation Report with the responses to the Stage 1 Consultation set out in Section 6.7.

4.4.4 **Stage 2 (Statutory) Consultation** (5 May – 17 June 2022). This was statutory consultation undertaken in accordance with the PA 2008, notably Section 42, 46, 47 (in the case of Section 47 in accordance with the published SoCC) and 48 (and related regulations). It was used to provide information on the more developed proposals, including:

- a more detailed look at the works associated with the Proposed Project, including a 3D model of the physical extension works proposed;
- the findings of the Environmental Impact Assessment ('EIA') work undertaken at that stage, presented in the form of a Preliminary Environmental Information ('PEI') Report; and
- an update on the anticipated submission date for the DCO Application and key milestones for the Proposed Project going forward.

4.4.5 What was done for the Stage 2 Consultation is described in more detail at Sections 9 to 11 of the Consultation Report with how regard has been had to the responses to the consultation set out in Section 12.

4.5 Adapting to COVID-19

4.5.1 The Stage 1 Consultation was held in Quarter 4 ('Q4') 2021 at the same time as home working and social distancing advisory measures were reintroduced by the UK Government due to the Omicron variant. In the Applicant's Stakeholder Engagement Strategy it was noted that the prospect of holding any face to face events would be kept under review and dependant on Government advice, restrictions and precautions at that time. Due to the increasing severity of the situation nationally at the time of Q4 2021, the Applicant decided against any face to face information events during the Stage 1 Consultation. The Applicant still provided numerous virtual and postal consultation methods in order to provide information to people safely, these are set out in more detail at Section 5 and 6 of this Consultation Report.

4.5.2 Face to face events were reintroduced and undertaken for the Stage 2 Consultation during May 2022, once the Government restrictions had been eased and it was safe to do so.

5.0 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY

5.1 Background to preparation of the Stakeholder Engagement Strategy

5.1.1 The Stakeholder Engagement Strategy ('SES') was developed early in the pre-application process (between September and October 2021) to provide an internal framework for the Applicant's consultation on the Proposed Project, in particular, the Stage 1 (non-statutory) Consultation that was proposed to take place in Q4 2021.

5.1.2 The SES set out the proposed approach to pre-application consultation, including the objectives of the consultation; when this would take place; what would be consulted upon; who would be consulted (including the proposed extent of the Consultation Area). The Strategy also set out the proposed methods to be employed for the pre-application consultation and how comments would be recorded, analysed and reported.

5.2 Definition of the Consultation Zones at Stage 1

5.2.1 Integral to the Applicant's SES was the definition of an appropriate consultation zone. The primary purpose of defining a consultation zone was to ensure that the geographical extent of the local community consultation would be adequate given that Section 47 of the PA 2008 requires applicants to consult *"people living in the vicinity of the land"* of a proposed application for a DCO. However, the term 'in the vicinity of' is not defined by the PA 2008.

5.2.2 The DCLG guidance on pre-application consultation ('Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process - January 2013') provides some guidance as to the extent of consultation areas for community consultation at paragraph 25. It indicates that where a Proposed Project would affect people living within the "wider area" (e.g. through visual or other environmental effects) they should be consulted. Furthermore, at paragraph 39 of the guidance when referring to the requirement to consult those living in the vicinity of the land, it states that applicants 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)".

5.2.3 In view of the above, the consultation zone defined by the Applicant established a two radius (inner and outer) approach in the SES for the Stage 1 Consultation. The Inner Consultation Zone ('ICZ') (shown in purple at Figure 5.1) encompassed the immediate Slough Trading Estate and neighbouring residential areas to the north and west as far as Burnham Lane and Lower Britwell Road to the west, Long Furlong Drive to the north and Farnham Road to the east, totalling approximately 5,000 business and residential addresses. Whereas an additional Outer Consultation Zone ('OCZ') (shown in pink at Figure 5.1) included further surrounding residential areas of Britwell and residences in the vicinity of Burnham Park and Kennedy Park and was based on the consultation zone used for the original Slough Multifuel planning application in 2014. The SES noted that all residences within the ICZ would receive a direct letter notifying them of the Stage 1 Consultation, whereas the OCZ would still be within the reach of local newspaper publishing notices associated with the consultation.

5.2.4 The extent of the Stage 1 Consultation Zones is shown on Figure 3-1 below:

Figure 5.1: Stage 1 Consultation Zones



5.3 Consultation methods

5.3.1 Table 5-1 sets out the methods of consultation that were proposed in the SES.

Table 5.1: Consultation methods proposed in the SES

CONSULTATION METHOD	DETAILS
Project website	A website/webpage ([redacted]) for publishing updates and information on the Proposed Project, including details of the virtual consultation and consultation materials (e.g. project newsletters, question and answer sheets, Comments Forms and public exhibition boards) and also details of how to submit comments and the deadline for these. The SoCC was also uploaded to the Project Website during Q2 2022.
Elected members briefings	Briefings of local political representatives (e.g. county, district and parish councillors).
Letter/ newsletters	Letters/newsletters issued to the people living within the ICZ to advise them of the Stage 1 Consultation and materials along with how to make comments and the deadline for these. Letters were sent to both the ICZ and OCZ for the Stage 2 (Statutory) Consultation.
Newspaper adverts/ notices	Publication of notices in local and (as appropriate) national newspapers and other publications to publicise the stages of consultation, the consultation events, how to submit comments and the deadline for these
Site notices/ posters	Erection of notices at the Site boundary where they could be viewed by the public, in addition to posters on public notice

CONSULTATION METHOD	DETAILS
	boards (e.g. council offices and libraries) within the consultation zones in order to publicise the stages of consultation, the consultation events, how to submit comments and the deadline for these.
Public Exhibitions	Public exhibitions (kept under review due to COVID-19 associated UK Government restriction) to provide an opportunity for the local community (and others) to view the consultation documents and materials and speak to the representatives of the Applicant and members of the technical team.
Virtual Exhibitions	Virtual consultation webpages at both stages of consultation in order to increase reach to the local community where many may still not feel comfortable with physical events due to Covid-19. Virtual events still give the local community an opportunity to view the consultation documents and ask questions/submit feedback to the Applicant and its the technical team in lieu of an in person event.

5.4 Recording, analysing and responding to consultation

5.4.1 The SES confirmed that the responses received to the two stages of consultation would be recorded by the Applicant and that it would then review these and take account of the comments made as appropriate.

5.4.2 The SES also confirmed that consultation undertaken, the responses received to it and how these had been taken into account would be documented within a consultation report that would form part of the DCO Application.

5.4.3 A copy of the SES is provided at **Appendix 5.1**.

6.0 STAGE 1 CONSULTATION

6.1.1 The Stage 1 Consultation on the Proposed Project was carried out by SSE from 15 November 2021 to 17 December 2021 (32 days). The main aims of this initial stage were to update the local community on the project, raise their awareness of it and give the opportunity for them to provide initial comments. In accordance with the SES, key stakeholders were consulted including SEGRO (the owners of the majority of the Slough Trading Estate), SBC (the local authority), selected technical consultees (such as the Environment Agency ('EA')) and local political representatives.

6.2 Who was consulted

6.2.1 The following were consulted:

- The existing Slough Multifuel Liaison Group made up of (SEGRO representatives, the local authority, local political representatives, including, the MP for Slough, parish and ward councillors;
- Neighbouring Slough Trading Estate businesses who attended a quarterly Slough Multifuel local liaison meeting;
- Local residents and businesses located within the consultation zones;
- Technical consultees (e.g. the EA, SBC Highways and SBC Environmental Health etc.); and
- Other potentially affected statutory undertakers, such as Thames Water.

6.2.2 A list of those consulted, aside from members of the local community (for privacy reasons), is included as part of the SES at **Appendix 5.1**.

6.3 How were they consulted

6.3.1 The local community was consulted via newspaper advertisements, posters, and the project website. Specific details can be found under the relevant headings below. Due to the restrictions imposed by the COVID 19 ('coronavirus') pandemic traditional in-person forms of consultation such as public exhibitions were kept under review but eventually ruled out for the Stage 1 Consultation.

Newspaper Advertisements

6.3.2 Newspaper advertisement published on 11 November 2021 in the Slough Observer, a local newspaper covering the consultation zones and surrounding area. The advert contained a brief outline of the project and information about the ongoing Stage 1 Consultation, including addresses for the project website and virtual public exhibition and timescales (included at **Appendix 6.1**).

6.3.3 The newspaper notices ensured that the Stage 1 Consultation was publicised to people living and working within the wider area – beyond the ICZ.

Posters

6.3.4 Posters or public notices were displayed at locations around the Proposed Project Site. The posters contained a brief outline of the Proposed Project and information about the ongoing Stage 1 Consultation, including addresses for the project website and virtual public exhibition. The same document was used as both the newspaper notice and poster, which can be viewed at **Appendix 6.1**.

Newsletter

6.3.5 A Community Update Newsletter was distributed to approximately 2500 business and residential addresses within the ICZ in the days leading up to the start of the Stage 1 Consultation on 15 November 2021. The newsletter provided a general update on the construction works taking place at the Site, before introducing the proposed DCO application, Stage 1 Consultation and means by which people could find out more and leave feedback. The newsletter can be viewed at **Appendix 6.2**.

Project Website

6.3.6 The newsletters, a frequently asked questions ('FAQs') document, EIA Scoping Report and other Stage 1 Consultation information was on the Project Website (and remained available thereafter). Details of the Project Website were included on all communications materials issued and local liaison group meetings.

6.4 What were they consulted on/ what information was provided

6.4.1 Those consulted via newsletter were provided with an introduction to the Applicant, the Proposed Project, and the consultation process. The newsletter and other consultation materials contained a link to the project website and the virtual public exhibition. The website featured consultation materials including:

- The Project Newsletter;
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) Document;
- EIA Scoping Report;
- Site location plan; and
- Newspaper advert.

6.4.2 All of the consultation documents and materials were made available on the Project Website. The Stage 1 Consultation documents are provided at **Appendix 6.1 – 6.3**.

6.5 How could feedback be provided/ deadline for comments

6.5.1 The consultation documents and materials (e.g. newsletter, newspaper notice and Project Website etc) informed people that comments and feedback could be provided by visiting the project website and completing the comments form. A copy of the Comments Form used for the Stage 1 Consultation is provided at **Appendix 6.4**.

6.5.2 The consultation documents and materials clearly stated that the deadline for the receipt of Comments Form submissions was 17 December 2021, therefore providing people with a period of 32 days to provide comments and feedback, more than the statutory minimum period required by the PA 2008 and related regulations.

6.6 Response to the consultation

6.6.1 The Comments Form allowed respondents to enter their personal information, such as name and email address, before being given the opportunity to provide any comments in the form of feedback or questions to the Project Team.

6.6.2 A total of 2 responses were received during the Stage 1 Consultation period. Both of these responses, and the Applicant response issued in return are provided below at Table 6.1.

Table 6.1 – Summary of comments received at the Stage 1 Consultation

No.	Comment Received	Applicant Response
1	*I received your newsletter today about the multi fuel*	*Applicant response - sent on 15/12/2021*

	project, and it was the first that I've heard of it. Many thx for the information. *I live close by to the see plant, SL2 1RW.* *1. You've mentioned that the proposed changes from 50mw capacity to 60mw capacity initially don't seem to impact any air quality changes. Can I check that the plant itself, when commissioned, won't change the air quality from what it is today?* *2. Can I check the noise pollution on commissioning the plant won't change levels that are present today? Additionally will adding 10mw increase change the noise pollution?* *I received your newsletter today about the multi fuel project, and it was the first that I've heard of it. Many thx for the information.* *I live close by to the see plant, sl21rw.*	*Good afternoon,* *Many thanks again for contacting us as part of our consultation process. Please find below a response to your questions which I hope you will find helpful. If you have any further questions, please do contact me.* ***Q1. You've mentioned that the proposed changes from 50mw capacity to 60mw capacity initially don't seem to impact any air quality changes. Can I check that the plant itself, when commissioned, won't change the air quality from what it is today?*** *The air quality assessment for the consented 50MW facility was approved by Slough Borough Council and the Environment Agency in 2017 and showed there would be a negligible change in the local air quality at most locations and for most pollutants. None of the air quality limits set by the Government for the protection of human health were predicted to be exceeded, and therefore no adverse health effects would be expected (associated with the existing air quality conditions or when adding on the consented Slough Multifuel facility emissions).* *The air quality emissions will be remodelled and presented in a Preliminary Environmental Information Report, which we are required to share with stakeholders such as Slough BC and the Environment Agency, as well as the local community – which we anticipate will take place in Spring 2022. Following feedback this will then be updated as part of the submission to the Planning Inspectorate and will include an assessment of any changes to local air quality and lower regulatory emissions limits that will need to be met. We have already submitted our planned scope of works for the modelling to the Planning Inspectorate, who will in turn share it with the Environment Agency and Slough BC.* ***2. Can I check the noise pollution on commissioning the plant won't change levels that are present today? Additionally will adding 10mw increase change the noise pollution?*** *The Slough Heat and Power (SHP) site is currently limited through planning conditions set by Slough BC to not exceed 60 decibels (dB(A)) at a height of 1.2m and a distance of 3.6m from the building facades to protect local amenity. The consented Slough Multifuel Facility and its planned Extension (to 60MW) will comply with this requirement and we do not seek to change this. The 2014 Environmental Impact*

		Assessment demonstrated at worst, a minor adverse effect on noise levels. *The Environmental Impact Assessment for the Extension Project to achieve 60MW will remodel the noise emissions using design data for the plant now under construction. It is expected that the Extension will not increase the noise levels relative to the consented Multifuel scheme, but this will be checked and demonstrated in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report which will be available to review during the statutory consultation, anticipated to take place in Spring 2022.*
2	Many thanks for the update newsletter and the news regarding your intention to apply for consent to increase the output to generate up to 60MW of electricity. I had a quick look at the website and couldn't easily spot the comments form but I'm hoping this email will suffice. I'm sure that you are aware that Burnham Beeches is an SAC and therefore there is a need to carry out a Habitats Regulations Assessment when applying for planning applications that have the potential to have a negative impact on the protected features of the SAC. The main potential problem with the application is likely to be air quality and therefore we will require more information regarding the impacts of the proposed increase in output on air quality and how this might impact on Burnham Beeches. We have a long history of working with SSE over these issues in the past so this is just a reminder that further information will be required. I look forward to hearing more about your project in the future.	Many thanks for your email and for reaching out to our team. We have produced an EIA Scoping Report which was recently shared with the Planning Inspectorate, who should have hopefully now distributed this to you and other stakeholders for feedback. It is also available on their website at: https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010129/EN010129-000009-EN010129 Slough Multifuel Extension Scoping Report.pdf We understand your interest in Burnham Beeches and its importance. At this stage our team is expecting that the Extension project will show an improvement in air quality emissions from the SHP site relative to the consented 50MW scheme, but this needs to be tested through modelling. This is because the previous modelling was based on maximum allowed emission limits by law, rather than known emissions. Since this date, the regulatory limits have reduced so the facility will not be able to emit the emissions that were modelled and consented in 2014. We also now have guaranteed maximum emissions from a vendor / supplier that we can model, rather than needing to model the maximum allowed limits. We intend to share the air quality impact assessment as part of the Preliminary Environmental Information report during Statutory Consultation in Spring 2022, and we would be happy to share this with you in advance of this formal process. This will include a HRA screening assessment and full assessment if either are required, although clearly if there is an improvement on the consented scheme, this may not be necessary. Do feel free to contact us again if you have any further queries.

6.7 Analysis of comments and feedback

6.7.1 Table 6.1 illustrate one response from a nearby local resident and one from the City of London (who manage the Burnham Beaches Special Area of Conservation ('SAC')). The responses raised queries relating to the following topics:

- Air Quality impacts derived from the Consented Development;
- Noise pollution impacts derived from the Proposed Project and Consented Development; and
- Potential impacts to Burnham Beeches SAC.

6.7.2 The queries received via the two comments forms were responded to by the Applicant with the relevant information either available at the time with regard to the Proposed Project, or historic information relating to assessments undertaken in relation to the Consented Development.

7.0 STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY CONSULTATION: PREPARATION AND CONSULTATION

7.1.1 This section of the Consultation Report sets out the approach that was taken to the preparation of the Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC'), the statutory consultation that took place with the relevant local authorities, SBC on the draft SoCC in accordance with Section 47(2), the feedback received, and the changes made to the SoCC prior to its publication pursuant to Section 47(6). As confirmed in Section 5 of this Report, the preparation of the SoCC was informed by the SES that had been prepared early in the pre-application process prior to the Stage 1 Consultation.

7.2 Legislative requirements

7.2.1 Section 47 of the PA 2008 places a duty on applicants for a DCO to consult the 'local community'. Subsection (1) requires the applicant to prepare a SoCC setting out how it proposes to consult people living within the vicinity of the land to which the application relates.

7.2.2 Subsection (2) goes on to state that in preparing the SoCC, the applicant must consult each local authority that is within Section 43(1) about what is to be in the statement. Section 43(1) states that a local authority is within this section if the land (to which the application relates) is in the authority's area. The Site lies within the administrative area of SBC. As such, the Applicant was required to consult SBC (the host local authority) on the preparation of its SoCC.

7.2.3 Under subsection (3) the applicant must provide the Section 43(1) authorities with a period of 28 days (beginning with the day after the authority receives the draft SoCC) to respond to the consultation, while subsection (5) requires the applicant to have regard to any response received before this deadline. The applicant must then make the SoCC available for inspection by the public and publish a notice in a newspaper circulating within the vicinity of the land to which the application relates, stating where and when the SoCC can be inspected (subsection (6)). Subsection (7) requires the consultation to be carried out in accordance with the proposals set out in the SoCC.

7.3 Background to the preparation of the SoCC

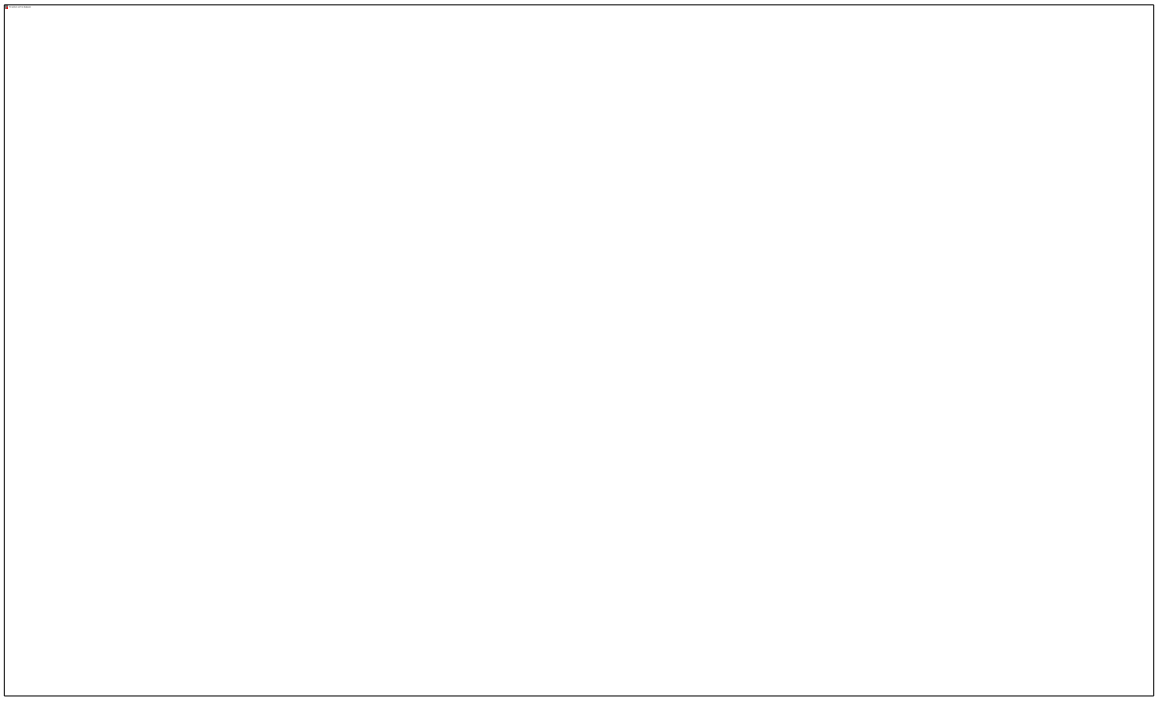
7.3.1 Section 47 requires the applicant to consult people "living within the vicinity" of the land to which the application relates. As confirmed earlier, it does not, however, define by what is meant by 'vicinity'. To ensure as wider reach as possible in the vicinity of the Site, the draft SoCC adopted the Outer Consultation Zone previously defined in the SES as its only public consultation zone ('PCZ') for the Stage 2 Consultation. The PCZ is explained in more detail below.

7.3.2 The draft SoCC set out a range of methods that it was proposed would be used to consult the local community. These included providing updates on a project website; public exhibitions; webinars notices in local newspapers; displaying notices and posters throughout the PCZ; distributing letters to households and businesses within the PCZ; providing USB sticks with access to the consultation documents; and engaging with the existing local community liaison group and local political representatives.

7.4 SoCC Public Consultation Zone

7.4.1 Ahead of the Stage 2 Consultation, the Applicant adopted the previously used OCZ from the SES as the one PCZ for the daft SoCC. The SoCC PCZ used for the Stage 2 Consultation is shown below at Figure 8.1.

Figure 8.1: Stage 2 Consultation Zone



7.5 Statutory consultation on the draft SoCC

7.5.1 Prior to Statutory Consultation on the draft SoCC, the Applicant issued an initial draft SoCC to SBC on 11 February 2022 which summarised the consultation methods used at Stage 1. Initial comments were requested back by 17 February 2022, no comments were received from SBC on the initial draft SoCC. A copy of the email issued to SBC on 11 February 2022 can be found in **Appendix 7.1**.

7.5.2 On 22 February 2022 the draft SoCC was submitted to SBC for statutory consultation in accordance with Section 47(2). The deadline set for comments was 22 March 2022. SBC responded on 23 March 2022 confirming that they had no comments to add on the draft SoCC. A copy of the email sent and received from SBC is included at **Appendix 7.2**.

7.5.3 A copy of the SoCC as finalised following confirmation from SBC, is included at **Appendix 7.3**.

7.6 Publication of the SoCC Notice and final SoCC

7.6.1 The SoCC was finalised following completion of the statutory time period given to SBC. On the basis that no comments were received from SBC, no changes were made to the draft.

7.6.2 The SoCC notice was subsequently published in in the Slough Observer on 1 April 2022.

7.6.3 Owing to the changes made by the 2020 Regulations, the Applicant was not required to make a physical copy of the SoCC available for inspection by the public. Section 47(6) of the PA 2008 still requires that the applicant makes the SoCC available for inspection by the public in a way that is reasonably convenient for people living in the vicinity of the land. The SoCC notice published in the Slough Observer made the reader aware that the SoCC could be inspected free of charge on the Project Website. The SoCC notice also made provision for those who might not be able to access the Project Website, through the methods set out below.

7.6.4 In accordance with Section 47(6) a copy of the SoCC was made available for inspection on the Project website: [redacted].

7.6.5 A hard copy or a USB device containing the SoCC could also be made available by contacting one of the following means:

a) By email to thermalenquiries@sse.com or;

b) The project telephone number: 020 7489 4830

7.6.6 The SoCC Notice template is provided at **Appendix 7.4** and a copy of the SoCC Notice as it appeared in the Slough Observer is provided at **Appendix 7.5**.

8.0 STAGE 2 CONSULTATION: IDENTIFYING CONSULTEES

8.1.1 This section explains how the Applicant identified those persons listed at Section 42 of the PA 2008 (the Section 42 Consultees) with whom there was a statutory duty to consult and confirms who was consulted. It also lists those other persons that there was no statutory duty to consult but who the Applicant considered should be consulted as they may be interested in the Proposed Project (the 'Non-prescribed consultees').

8.2 Section 42 'Duty to consult'

8.2.1 Section 42 of the PA 2008 states that the applicant must consult the following (the 'Section 42 Consultees') about a proposed application for a DCO:

- Section 42(a) - such persons as may be prescribed.
- Section 42(aa) - the Marine Management Organisation, in any case where the project would affect, or would be likely to affect, any of the areas specified in subsection (e.g. tidal or offshore areas).
- Section 42(b) - each local authority that is within Section 43.
- Section 42(c) - the Greater London Authority if the land is in Greater London. This is not relevant to the Proposed Project and is therefore not considered further in this section.
- Section 42(d) - each person who is within one or more of the categories set out in Section 44.

8.3 Section 42(a) - Such persons as may be prescribed

8.3.1 'Such persons as may be prescribed' (hereafter referred to as 'prescribed consultees') were identified by reference to Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations, which lists all prescribed consultees and the circumstances when they must be consulted about a proposed application for a DCO.

8.3.2 In addition, the Applicant has had regard to PINS Advice Note 3 'EIA consultation and notification' (July 2013), which provides advice and guidance on the identification of prescribed consultees. In identifying those to consult, the Applicant applied the 'Circumstances Test' set out in Annex 1 of Advice Note 3. Where there was any uncertainty or doubt as whether or not to include a consultee, the Applicant erred on the side of caution and included that consultee on the list of those to be consulted.

8.3.3 In identifying prescribed consultees, the Applicant also reviewed bodies notified by PINS under EIA Regulation 9(1)(a) in connection with its EIA scoping consultation

8.3.4 The table at **Appendix 8.1** lists all of the prescribed consultees from Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations and statutory undertakers, it also identifies those that were consulted pursuant to Section 42 and the date on which they were consulted.

8.3.5 Schedule 1 of the APFP Regulations refers to the need to consult 'relevant statutory undertakers' where applications are likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers. Statutory undertakers were identified with reference to Annex 1 of PINS Advice Note 3. In addition, SSE's land agents, Ardent, were instructed to identify statutory undertakers who may have apparatus and/or land interests either within or adjoining the Site.

8.4 Section 42(b) – Each local authority that is within Section 43

8.4.1 The relevant local authorities to consult were identified by applying Section 43, subsections (1), (2) and (2A).

8.4.2 Section 43(1) confirms that a local authority is within Section 43 if the land (to which the application relates) is in that authority's area.

8.4.3 Section 43(2) goes on to state that a local authority (the 'A' authority) is within the section if:

a) the land is in the area of another authority (the 'B' authority);

b) 'B' is a unitary council or a lower tier district council; and

c) any part of the boundary of 'A's' area is also part of the boundary of B's area.

8.4.4 Subsection (2A) states that if the land is within the area of an upper-tier county council (a 'C' authority), a local authority (a 'D' authority) is within the section if:

a) 'D' is not a lower-tier district council; and

b) any part of the boundary of 'D's' area is also part of the boundary of 'C's' area.

8.4.5 The relevant local authorities for the purposes of Section 43 and the Proposed Project are set out in Table 7.1 along with the dates on which they were consulted.

Table 7.1: Local Authorities within Section 43

AUTHORITY	CATEGORY OF AUTHORITY	DATE CONSULTED
Slough Borough Council	B	3 May 2022
Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead	A	3 May 2022
Surrey County Council	A	3 May 2022
Spelthorne Borough Council	A	3 May 2022
London Borough of Hillingdon	A	3 May 2022
Buckinghamshire Council	A	3 May 2022
South Bucks District Council	A	3 May 2022

8.4.6 Maps showing the boundaries of the above local authorities relative to the location of the Site are provided at **Appendix 8.2**.

8.5 Section 42(d) - Each person in one or more of the categories set out in Section 44

8.5.1 Section 44 defines the categories of persons to be consulted for the purposes of Section 42(d). These are as follows:

a) Category 1 - an owner, lessee, tenant (whatever the tenancy period) or occupier of the land.

b) Category 2 - a person interested in the land, or who has the power to sell and convey the land, or to release the land.

c) Category 3 - if the applicant thinks that, if the DCO were to be made and fully implemented, the person would or might be entitled (a) as a result of the implementing of the order, (b) as a result of the order having been implemented, or (c) as a result of use of the land once the order has been implemented, to make a relevant claim.

8.5.2 A 'relevant claim' is defined by Section 44(6) as meaning:

a) a claim under Section 10 of the Compulsory Purchase Act 1965 (compensation where satisfaction not made for the taking, or injurious affection, of land subject to compulsory purchase);

b) a claim under Part 1 of the Land Compensation Act 1973 (compensation for depreciation of land value by physical factors cause by use of public works); and

c) a claim under Section 152(3) of the PA 2008 (compensation in case where no right to claim in nuisance).

8.5.3 Section 44 places a duty on the applicant to make 'diligent inquiry' as to the identification of Category 1, 2, or 3 persons (the 'Section 44 persons'). The term 'diligent enquiry' is not defined for the purposes of the PA 2008. It sets a threshold of enquiry to allow the termination of that enquiry when reasonable and recognised avenues of research have been exhausted. The methods employed by the Applicant's land agent to seek to ensure that all Section 44 persons were identified and consulted included: searches at the Land Registry; searches for registered correspondence to the address (where appropriate); site visits; discussions with known owners/occupiers and discussions with the environmental consultants (who were conducting site visits for surveys); liaison with SSE personnel with knowledge of the Site and local area; review of legal title reports relating to the Applicant's land ownership; the issue of 'requests for information' and confirmation schedules to potentially affected land owners/occupiers (including statutory undertakers); and Companies House and electoral roll searches. After making diligent inquiry, the Applicant did not identify any Category 3 persons as defined by Section 57(4) of the PA 2008.

8.5.4 It should be noted that no areas of land were identified by the Applicant's land reference to be missing landownership information, therefore no 'unknown landowner' notices were considered to be required.

8.5.5 The list of Section 44 persons for Stage 2 Consultation is included at **Appendix 8.3**.

8.6 Non-prescribed consultees

8.6.1 As confirmed above, the Applicant took the decision to consult a number of Non-prescribed Consultees, who although there was no statutory duty to consult, it was considered may be interested in the Proposed Project. These Non-prescribed Consultees were consulted in the days prior to the start of the Section 42 Consultation on 3 May 2022. The non-prescribed consultees were consulted in the same manner and provided with the same information as the Section 42 consultees.

8.6.2 The Non-prescribed consultees who were consulted are listed in the table at **Appendix 8.5**.

8.7 Section 47 'Duty to consult local community'

8.7.1 Section 47 of the PA 2008 places a duty on the applicant to consult the local community, that is, the people living within the vicinity of the land to which the application for a DCO relates. The Applicant's approach to consulting the local community is set out in Sections 7 and 11 of the Consultation Report and in the published SoCC at **Appendix 7.3.**

8.8 Section 48 'Duty to publicise'

8.8.1 Section 48 of the PA 2008 places a duty on applicants to publicise a proposed application for a DCO in the 'prescribed manner' as set out in APFP Regulation 4.

8.8.2 The Section 48 publicity undertaken by the Applicant is described in Section 12 of the Report.

8.8.3 No responses were received as a result of the Section 48 publicity.

9.0 STAGE 2 CONSULTATION: SECTION 42 DUTY TO CONSULT

9.1.1 This section sets out the consultation carried out as part of the Stage 2 Consultation in accordance with Section 42 'Duty to consult' of the PA 2008. The Stage 2 Consultation took place from 5 May 2022 to 17 June 2022 (43 days).

9.1.2 At the same time as consulting persons under Section 42, the Applicant also consulted a number of other persons who, while there was no statutory duty to consult them, it was considered may be interested in the Proposed Project. These consultees, referred to as 'Non-prescribed consultees', were consulted in the same manner and provided with access to the same information as the Section 42 consultees.

9.1.3 The remainder of this section deals with Section 42 consultation carried out as part the Stage 2 Consultation only.

9.2 Who was consulted

9.2.1 The Section 42 consultation involved the Applicant consulting the 'prescribed persons' (described in Section 8 and listed in Appendix 8.1), the relevant local authorities under Section 43 (listed at Section 8, Table 8.1) and persons/land ownership interests ('Section 48 parties') falling within Categories 1, 2 and 3 of Section 44 (Section 8 and **Appendix 8.3**). These consultees are collectively referred to as the 'Section 42 Consultees'.

9.2.2 Consistent with the Applicant's objective to consult widely on the Proposed Project, as confirmed above, a number of Non-prescribed Consultees (listed at **Appendix 8.5**) were also consulted. These Non-prescribed Consultees included persons identified prior to the statutory consultation on the Proposed Project that it was considered appropriate to consult as they may be interested in the Proposed Project.

9.2.3 In total, approximately 130 prescribed persons, relevant local authorities, relevant statutory undertakers, land ownership interests and non-prescribed consultees were consulted. In some cases, where consultees had multiple addresses, they were sent more than one copy of the consultation documents.

9.3 How were they consulted

9.3.1 The consultees (both prescribed and non-prescribed) were sent a consultation letter by Royal Mail First Class. Letters were sent to all Section 42 Consultees and Non-prescribed consultees on 3 May 2022. The letters were also sent by email (where email addresses were available) to local political representatives, including ward councillors.

9.3.2 The letters explained why each consultee was being consulted, provided background information on the Proposed Project, summarised its main components and how entities could submit comments and the deadline for doing so (example letters are included at **Appendix 9.1**).

9.4 What were the consulted upon/ what information was provided

9.4.1 The letters sent to the statutory consultees were accompanied by a USB containing the following consultation documents:

- the PEI Report and Non-technical Summary setting out the findings of the environmental assessments of the Proposed Project that has been carried at that date.;
- site location plan;
- plan showing the extent of the Proposed Project site outlined in red; and

- copy of the notice that was published pursuant to section 48 'Duty to publicise' of the PA 2008.

9.5 How could feedback be provided/ deadline for comments

9.5.1 The consultation letters advised of a variety of ways in which consultees could respond, as follows:

- Post: freepost to Slough Multifuel
- E-mail: thermalenquiries@sse.com;
- Website: [redacted]
- Online via the Virtual Exhibition Website; or
- Providing feedback at the public exhibitions

9.5.2 The letters sent clearly stated that the deadline for the receipt of responses was 17 June 2022, therefore providing people with 43 days to respond in excess of 28 days required by Section 45.

9.6 Response to the consultation

9.6.1 A total of 14 separate consultees responded to the Section 42 consultation. Of the responses received, two raised specific comments on the Proposed Project or requested further information, with the remainder either confirming that the consultee had no comments and/or stating no objections. It could be said that the majority of Section 42 responses did not raise any questions or queries with regard to the Proposed Project or the Stage 2 Consultation materials and generally referred the Applicant to standard guidance available for their respective subject.

9.6.2 The responses received to the consultation (with personal information redacted) are provided at **Appendix 9.2**. Where necessary, the Applicant acknowledged responses.

9.6.3 A summary of the issues raised by consultees is provided in Table 12.2 in Section 12 (and is therefore not repeated here), along with information on how the Applicant has had regard to these.

9.7 Compliance with Section 42

9.7.1 The Applicant considers that the Stage 2 (Section 42) Consultation undertaken has complied with the requirements of the PA 2008.

10.0 STAGE 2 CONSULTATION: SECTION 46 'DUTY TO NOTIFY SECRETARY OF STATE OF PROPOSED APPLICATION'

10.1.1 Section 46 of the PA 2008 places a duty on the applicant for a DCO to notify the SoS of the Section 42 consultation that it is to carry out. The applicant must comply with this requirement either before or at the same time as commencing the Section 42 consultation. In doing so, the applicant must send to the SoS the same information that is to be provided to the Section 42 consultees.

10.1.2 The Applicant commenced the Section 42 consultation (as part of the Stage 2 Consultation) on 5 May 2022 (letters were sent to the Section 42 Consultees (including Non-prescribed Consultees) on 3 May 2022. In accordance with Section 46, PINS was notified of the start of the Section 42 consultation on 4 May 2022, prior to the start of the consultation on 5 May 2022.

10.1.3 PINS was notified by email and letter dated 4 May 2022. The letter contained a fileshare link which contained the consultation documents that were to be sent to the Section 42 Consultees (and Non-prescribed Consultees). A copy of the Section 46 Notification is provided at **Appendix 10.1**.

10.1.4 The PINS acknowledged receipt of the Section 46 notification by email on 16 May 2022. A copy of the PINS acknowledgement is provided at **Appendix 10.2**.

10.1.5 The Applicant therefore complied with Section 46 of the PA 2008 for this section of the Consultation.

11.0 STAGE 2 CONSULTATION: SECTION 47 'DUTY TO CONSULT LOCAL COMMUNITY

11.1.1 This section sets out the local community consultation carried out as part of the Stage 2 Consultation in accordance with Section 47 'Duty to consult local community' of the PA 2008. This consultation was undertaken in accordance with the approach and methods set out in the final SoCC. The compliance of the consultation with the SoCC is considered further below.

11.1.2 The Stage 2 Consultation took place from 5 May until 17 June 2022. The primary purpose of the consultation was to seek views on and update the local community on the progress that had been made on the Proposed Project, including additional information that had been produced since the Stage 1 Consultation. The Stage 2 Consultation constituted the Applicant's statutory consultation pursuant to Section 47.

11.2 Who was consulted

11.2.1 A consultation newsletter was sent to approximately 6,500 residents and businesses within the PCZ. The letter drop was carried out by a specialist delivery company. The letter was also sent to local political representatives. For more detail on how people were consulted, please see 'How were they consulted?' below.

11.2.2 A number of adverts were also placed in local newspapers advertising the consultation. These newspapers are circulated across (and beyond) the PCZ to ensure the local community are made aware of the consultation. A number of other methods were employed to advertise the consultation. These are explained further below.

11.3 How were they consulted

11.3.1 The consultation was communicated as follows (dates on which these occurred are covered below):

Newsletters

11.3.2 Newsletters were sent to all addresses (residential and business) within the PCZ (as defined in Section 3). The newsletters were 6 pages long and provided a summary of much of the information that could be found on the exhibition boards for the physical and virtual exhibitions. The newsletter came in a package that included a freepost envelope, a Comments Form and an outline of the potential timescales for the DCO Application. A proof of the newsletter along with photographs of the full package included with it are included at **Appendix 11.1**.

Newspaper notices

11.3.3 Quarter page newspaper notices were published in the Telegraph (a national newspaper) on 4 May 2022, the Slough Observer (a local newspaper circulating in the vicinity of the Site) on 6 and 13 May 2022 and the London Gazette on 5 May 2022. The newspaper notices which provided information about the Proposed Project and details of how the public could find out more about the project and consultation events. Copies of the newspaper notices as published are provided at **Appendix 11.2**.

Project website

11.3.4 A dedicated Stage 2 Consultation section was created on the Project Website, including a highlighted bulletin at the top of the page notifying visitors of the consultation and to scroll down to access the related documents. The update provided easy and clear way to links to consultation materials, and an alternative means to view all of the consultation documentation from the physical exhibition events, virtual exhibition or online webinars.

The website contained information regarding consultation timescales, with links to the Comments Form where users could submit their comments on the proposals.

11.3.5 Visitors were also able to view and download the Stage 2 Consultation newsletter, PEI Report and PEI Report Non-Technical Summary (NTS). The Project Website and information listed here can be accessed via the following link: [redacted]

Public Exhibition

11.3.6 Following the easing of COVID-19 restrictions (which limited the Stage 1 consultation to virtual activities), two public exhibition events were held on 18th May (15:00 – 19:00) and 25th May (10:00 – 14:00) as part of the Stage 2 Consultation. Both exhibition events were held at SSE Slough Multifuel's Project offices at 683/5 Stirling Road which lies adjacent to the Proposed Project Site and Edinburgh Avenue, on the Slough Trading Estate. Details of the two events were advertised on the Project Website and in the Stage 2 Consultation newsletter (posted to over 6,000 addresses in the PCZ).

Virtual Public Exhibition

11.3.7 In addition to in-person consultation events, a Virtual Exhibition Room was set up which was designed to simulate the layout and information that would be presented at the physical exhibitions for those unable to attend. The Virtual Exhibition allowed users to explore and look around the room by dragging their curser in any direction and selecting yellow icons next to information boards, videos, and other signposts. All information contained in the Virtual Exhibition room was displayed on the user's browser via embedded PDFs, which could also be downloaded/printed. A screenshot of the Virtual exhibition landing page is contained at **Appendix 11.3** and an archived version of the Site itself can be found at the following link: [redacted]

Online webinars

11.3.8 Two online webinars were hosted on 1 and 7 June 2022 via an open link to Microsoft Teams (opening in browser for those without this program installed) without the need for pre-booking and the link remained open to late arrivals. The webinars could also be access via a dial in code for phones, details of which were posted on the Project Website in the week prior to each one. Each webinar would consist of a prepared presentation on the Slough Multifuel Project, delivered by members of the Project Team, which was followed by an opportunity for attendees to ask questions and/or provide comments. The webinar presentation is provided at **Appendix 11.4**.

Notices

11.3.9 Section 48 notices along with site location plans were erected at nine locations around the Site boundary on 5 May 2022 and monitored weekly thereafter until the close of the Stage 2 Consultation. This was done alongside notices displayed as part of land referencing efforts to identify the owners of unregistered land. Photos of the Section 48 notices and site location plans in situ along with a map of the locations at which they were displayed are included at **Appendix 11.5.**

Posters

11.3.10 Community notices were also placed up in a number of locations across the PCZ on 5 May 2022:

11.3.11 The locations of each community notice are shown on a plan and on photographs provided at **Appendix 11.6.**

11.4 What were they consulted upon/what information was provided

11.4.1 The local community and local political representatives were provided with more detailed information on the Proposed Project (relative to that provided at the Stage 1 Consultation). The information included exhibition boards, the PEI Report and an outlined the indicative timescales for submission of the DCO application.

11.4.2 Copies of the exhibition boards are provided at **Appendix 11.7**. The full PEI Report can be viewed at: [redacted]

11.5 How could feedback be provided/deadline for comments

11.5.1 The consultation materials advised the local community that feedback on the Proposed Project could be provided by the following means:

Post: freepost to Slough Multifuel;

E-mail: thermalenquiries@sse.com;

Website: [redacted] or

Providing feedback at the public exhibitions.

11.5.2 The consultation materials clearly stated that the deadline for the receipt of responses was 17 June 2022, therefore providing people with a period of longer than 28 days from the start of the consultation to respond.

11.6 Response to the Stage 2 Consultation

11.6.1 Over the Stage 2 Consultation period and its two public exhibition events, a total of 14 comments forms were received, 9 hardcopy comments forms received via the FreePost, one hardcopy form from the exhibition events and four digital forms via the SmartSurvey link. The comments form asked five questions. The responses received to these questions are detailed below.

11.7 Question 1 – Where did you find this Comments Form?

11.7.1 Question 1 asked respondents to confirm where they found the Comments Form. All respondents answered this question. An equal number of respondents (7) received the Comments Forms with the Newsletter or through other consultation methods. One respondent answered both the Newsletter and the Project Website. Table 11.1 below provides a breakdown of how respondents received the Comments Forms – please note that a total of 15 responses were received from 14 Comments Forms.

11.7.2 Of the seven respondents who answered 'other', two respondents received the Comments Form through the post (one respondent answered 'through the door'), one respondent found the form via a Liaison Group and the remaining four respondents did not specify.

Table 11.1: Where did you find this Comments Form

NEWSLETTER	VIRTUAL EXHIBITION	PROJECT WEBSITE	OTHER
7	0	1	7

11.8 Question 2 - Which of our consultation methods have you used?

11.8.1 Question 2 asked which of our consultation methods they used. The most popular consultation method selected was newsletters posted to addresses (36%), followed by an

equal number of respondents who used the Project Website and the Freepost address (25%) and one respondent used the public exhibition.

11.8.2 Respondents were encouraged to tick all answers that applied however no one selected more than one method. Furthermore, two respondents did not respond. Table 11.2 below provides a breakdown of the responses to Question 2.

Table 11.2: Where did you find this Comments Form

NEWS LETTER	PUBLIC EXHIBITION	PROJECT WEBSITE	USED THE FREEPHONE TELEPHONE LINE	VIRTUAL EXHIBITION	CONSULTATION EMAIL ADDRESS	WEBINAR	USED THE FREEPOST ADDRESS
5	1	3	0	0	0	0	3

11.9 Question 3 - Are you satisfied with the consultation methods that have been used and were you able to find the information you wanted?

11.9.1 Question 3 asked respondents if they were satisfied with the consultation methods we used and if they were able to find all the information they wanted. Of the 14 respondents who completed this question on their Comments Forms, 11 answered 'Yes' and 2 answered 'No.' One respondent who did not respond yes or no stated "This is the first I have heard of it."

11.9.2 Of the 'Yes' and 'No' answers, both sets of respondents provided additional commentary. There were no recurring themes in the 'yes' answers although one respondent who received the consultation form via the post said that it contained all the essential information. One respondent who answered Question 3 with a 'yes', that they were satisfied, also included the following note:

"Although I first found out about this via the leaflet you sent by post, I think it contains all the essential information."

11.9.3 Of the two respondents who answered 'no', one provided additional commentary, stating that the consultation process will be secondary to business objectives and will not influence the development proposal. The same respondent identified the adverse effects of the scheme on visual amenity which would be more appropriate in Question 4. This distribution of responses to Question 3 are set out in Table 11.3 below.

Table 11.3: Are you satisfied with the consultation methods that have been used and were you able to find the information you wanted?

RESPONSE	NUMBER OF RESPONSES
Yes	11
No	2
Other	1

11.10 Question 4 - Please provide any other comments you have on the Project and this consultation below.

11.10.1 Question 4 gave respondents an opportunity to provide any further comments or questions about the Project or consultation. A total of seven responses (50%) were received, identifying different issues. Overall, a total of three responses contained positive comments, eight contained negative concerns and seven neutral themes (primarily comprised of requests for clarification) were received.

11.10.2 The responses to Question 4 have been categorised into Positive topics/themes, shown in Table 11.4, Negative topics/themes in Table 11.5 and neutral topics/ themes in Table 11.6. Table 11.7 provides a list of positive, neutral, and negative example questions received.

Table 11.4: Positive Comment Topics/Themes received about the Project and Consultation

POSITIVE TOPICS/THEMES	NUMBER OF RESPONSES
The consultation was adequate	2
Reduction of landfill waste	1

Table 11.5: Negative Comment Topics/Themes received about the Project and Consultation

NEGATIVE TOPICS/THEMES	NUMBER OF RESPONSES
Air Quality impacts/ emissions and pollution	5
Odour impacts	1
Noise	1
Construction and operational traffic impacts	1

Table 11.6: Neutral Comment Topics/Themes received about the Project

OTHER TOPICS/THEMES	NUMBER OF RESPONSES
Impact on energy prices	2
Request for clarification on traffic movements	2
Request for clarification on emissions management	1
Request for community benefits	1
Impact on property values	1

Table 11.7: Examples of Positive, Negative and Neutral Comments/ Questions Received

	EXAMPLE QUESTION/ COMMENTS
Positive	*"…the consultation was adequate"* *"It's good that it will reduce waste going to landfill"*

Neutral	*"1.A map of the area which will be most affected by emission of odour in an accident is essential."* *"3.How will the operation affect the local traffic?"* *"4.Are the staff living locally or will they add extra burdon on the roads surrounding the plant and the estate in general."* *"Is the plant creating additional pollution to the area? If come from waste I can guess that the energy comes from burning the residual after some treatment, correct? How is the pollution generated for the burn of this waste managed? Also if it is after generate gas coming form aerobic/anaerobic processes in the decomposition of the waste. How is this gas stored and then burned? How is the security buffer in case of explosion or gas leak?"* *"will the cost of processing the by-products affect energy price?"* *Additionally is there any benefit that comes for our communities like cheaper gas/electricity for our homes?* *"is there any benefit that comes for our communities like cheaper gas/electricity for our homes?*
Negative	*"I have concerns over the ability of SSE to control Carbon Dioxide from the Plant."* *"The additional CO2 release is leading to acid rain as evidenced by the deterioration of hortaron [mortar on[sic]] local house rooves."* *"however on important consideration is that combustion releases greenhouse gases and it would be best if they weren't released straight to the atmosphere."* *"I have an issue with noise and the amount of dirt and dust from the site."* *"deliveries during peak time are nuisance."*

11.11 Question 5 -If you would like us to provide you with updates on the Project

11.11.1 Question 5 asked respondents if they would like to be provided with further updates on the project. Ten respondents (71%) answered 'yes' and four respondents (29%) did not respond.

Table 11.8: Answers received to Question 5

RESPONSES	NUMBER OF RESPONSES
Yes	10

No response	4

11.12 Compliance with the SoCC

11.12.1 The Stage 2 (Section 47) Consultation followed the consultation methods and proposals set out in the published SoCC. The compliance of the consultation with the SoCC is confirmed in Section 2 at **Table 2.2**, which sets out how the commitments within the SoCC have been fulfilled.

12.0 STAGE 2 CONSULTATION: SECTION 48 'DUTY TO PUBLICISE'

12.1.1 Section 48 'Duty to publicise' of the PA 2008 requires applicants to publicise a proposed application for a DCO in the 'prescribed manner'. The prescribed manner is set out in APFP Regulation 4 'Publicising a proposed application'.

a) for at least two successive weeks in one or more local newspapers circulating in the vicinity in which the Proposed Project would be situated;

b) once in a national newspaper;

c) once in the London Gazette, and, if land in Scotland is affected, the Edinburgh Gazette; and

d) where the proposed application relates to offshore development –

i. once in Lloyd's List; and

ii. once in an appropriate fishing trade journal

12.1.2 APFP Regulation 4(3) goes on to state what the notice must include which includes statements that the applicant intends to make an application for development, whether that application is EIA development, a summary of the main proposals, details of where and when the documents can be inspected free of charge, and how to respond to publicity and by which date. The 2020 Regulations amended APFP Regulations so as to remove the requirement for hard copy consultation documents to be deposited at an inspection location. The 2020 Regulations were then made permanent on 31 December 2020. The Applicant's Stage 2 Section 48 Notice therefore did not provide details of an inspection location whereby hard copy consultation documents could be viewed.

12.1.3 Pursuant to APFP Regulation 4(2) (as amended), the Section 48 Notice for the Proposed Project was published in the Slough Observer on the 6 and 13 June 2022, The Telegraph (a national newspaper) on 5 May 2022 and in the London Gazette on 5 May 2022.

12.1.4 The Section 48 Notice stated that comments must be received by 17 June 2022.

12.1.5 A copy of the Section 48 Notice is provided at **Appendix 12.1** and details of the newspapers that it was published in and the relevant dates are set out in Table 12.1 below.

Table 12.1: Newspapers used for Section 48 Notice

NEWSPAPER	DATES
Slough Observer	6 and 13 May 2022
The Telegraph	5 May 2022
London Gazette	5 May 2022

12.1.6 Copies of the Section 48 Notice as published in the newspapers are provided at **Appendix 11.2.**

12.1.7 No consultation responses were received as a result of the publication of the Section 48 Notice.

12.1.8 EIA Regulation 13 places a requirement on applicants, where an application is for EIA development, to, at the same time as publishing the Section 48 notice, send a copy of that notice to the relevant consultation bodies and any person notified to them by the PINS in accordance with EIA Regulation 11(1)(c). During the Section 42 Consultation the Applicant maintained a list of ordinary Section 42 consultees and those who were also relevant consultation bodies or notified by the Planning Inspectorate in accordance with

EIA Regulation 11(1)(c). Those in the latter category were sent a Section 48 notice enclosed with the S42 letter.

12.1.9 EIA Regulation 13 places a requirement on applicants, where a DCO application is for EIA development, to, at the same time as publishing the Section 48 Notice, send a copy of that notice to the relevant consultation bodies (the 'EIA consultation bodies') and any person notified to them by PINS in accordance with EIA Regulation 11(1)(c). A list of the EIA consultation bodies who were sent a copy of the Section 48 Notice and the date when they were sent this is provided at **Appendix 8.1.** A sample copy of the letter sent is provided at **Appendix 9.1**. No bodies were notified to the Applicant by PINS under EIA Regulation 11(1)(c).

12.1.10 The Applicant therefore complied with Section 48 of the PA 2008.

13.0 SECTION 49 'DUTY TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF RESPONSES TO CONSULTATION AND PUBLICITY'

13.1.1 Section 49 'Duty to take account of responses to consultation and publicity' requires applicants to have regard to any 'relevant responses' received to the statutory consultation and publicity carried out in accordance with Sections 42, 47 and 48 of the PA 2008. A relevant response is one received by the Applicant before the deadlines set in relation to the statutory consultation and publicity. As such, there is no statutory duty for applicants to take account of responses received after the relevant deadlines.

13.1.2 Despite the fact that the PA 2008 does not require applicants to take account of responses received after the deadlines set for consultation, the Applicant has taken account of any responses received after the close of the Stage 1 and Stage 2 Consultation. Furthermore, while there is no statutory duty for applicants to have regard to any non-statutory consultation carried out, the Applicant has treated the responses received to the Stage 1 Consultation in the same manner as those received to the Stage 2 Consultation.

13.1.3 The approach taken by the Applicant to respond to consultee responses received to the Stage 2 Consultation is to reproduce each response raised by each consultee and provide an Applicant response to each (overleaf). The Applicant's responses to the Stage 2 Section 47 consultation are set out in **Table 13.1.**

13.1.4 The Applicant's responses to the Stage 2 Section 42 consultation are set out in Table **13.2**.

13.1.5 The Applicant has complied with Section 49 of the PA 2008.

Table 13.1: Stage 2 Section 47 Community Consultee Responses

NO.	CONSULTEE COMMENT	APPLICANT RESPONSE	CHANGE(S) MADE TO THE PROPOSED PROJECT
1	*"Whilst the consultation was adequate, I have concerns over the ability of SSE to control Carbon Dioxide from the Plant.* *1) The additional CO2 release is leading to acid rain as evidenced by the deterioration of hortaron (sic) local house rooves.* *2) Last summer there was a strong odour from the burning of wood-chip which required all house windows to be closed during hot weather, including night-time.* *3) If the project goes ahead, stringent measures need to be in the place on gases or odours released by SSE."*	1) The Consented Development (Slough Multifuel) is currently under construction has been doing so for over a year, therefore there is no connection between any acid rainfall and the either consented or Proposed Development. 2) As above, the Consented Development is under construction and therefore is not connected to any odour emissions experienced during summer 2021. 3) The Proposed Development will not increase the emissions of CO2 at Slough Multifuel. An existing Environmental Permit control emissions and ensures compliance from the Applicant (as the operator of the Consented/Proposed Development).	No change. Please refer to Chapter 8 (Air Quality) of the submitted Environmental Statement (Document Ref. 6.0).
2	*"One important consideration is that combustion releases greenhouse gases and it would be best if they weren't released straight to the atmosphere - will the cost of processing the by-products affect energy price?"*	The Proposed Development will not lead to any increase the emissions of greenhouse gases associated with Slough Multifuel.	No change. Please refer to Chapter 8 (Air Quality) of the submitted Environmental Statement (Document Ref. 6.0).
3	*"1.A map of the area which will be most affected by emission of odour in an accident is essential.* *2.More air quality monitoring stations are needed.* *3.How will the operation affect the local traffic?* *4.Are the staff living locality or will they add extra burden on the roads surrounding the plant and the estate in general.* *5.What precaution should the population living in the vicinity take in an event of odour or drop in air quality?"*	1) & 2) On the basis that the Proposed Development will not lead to any increases in odour or greenhouse gas emissions, it is not considered that further assessment or monitoring of air quality is required, please refer to Chapter 8 (Air Quality) of the submitted Environmental Statement (Document Ref. 6.0). With regard to operational emissions, Chapter 8 concludes that: *"The Proposed Project does not introduce any new emissions nor change the exhaust gas parameters compared to the future baseline scenario and therefore the impact of the Proposed Project at all receptors is* ***no change*** *to long and short term concentrations at all human health and ecological receptors".* The Applicant will comply with the requirements and stipulations set by the Environmental Permit. 3) The Proposed Development will not lead to any increase in operational traffic at the Site. 4) The Proposed Development will not involve the recruitment of any additional members of operational staff above that which was required to run the Consented Development. 5) As clarified above, it is not considered that there will be any change to air quality or odour as a consequence of the Proposed Development.	No change. Please refer to Chapters 7 (Transport and Access) and 8 (Air Quality) of the submitted Environmental Statement (Document Ref. 6.0).
4	*"Main concern is air quality and impacts on Burnham Beeches.* *Satisfied that SAC process has been followed."*	The impact of the Proposed Development upon the Burnham Beeches Special Area of Conservation ('SAC') is considered as part of the Chapter 10 (Ecology) of the submitted Environmental Statement (Document Ref. 6.0). On the basis that the Proposed Development would not result in any increase to emissions, and that the only aspect of external works is the addition of a short section of above ground	No change. Please refer to Chapter 8 (Air Quality) of the submitted Environmental Statement (Document Ref. 6.0).

		pipeline, it is not considered that there would be any impact to the Burnham Beeches SAC resulting from the Proposed Development.	
5	*"I have an issue with noise and the amount of dirt and dust from the site.* *Can you consider doing street cleaning expanding beyond your site. Also deliveries during peak time are nuisance*	The Proposed Development does not require any increase to the operational vehicle movements permitted under the Consented Development, nor would the Proposed Development result in any increases to odour emissions. More generally it should be noted that the Site is currently undergoing construction of the Consented Development (set for completion by Q4 2022), any complaints in relations to dirt or dust associated with the Consented Development construction should be directed to thermalenquires@sse.com.	No change.
6	*"Is the plant creating additional pollution to the area? if come from waste I can guess that the energy comes from burning the residual after some treatment, correct? how is the pollution generated for the burn of this waste managed? Also if it is after generate gas coming form aerobic/anaerobic processes in the decomposition of the waste. how is this gas stored and then burned? How is the security buffer in case of explosion or gas leak?* *From the other side obviously the impact view is huge as a owner the price for this will decrease the prices of our properties? are there any project planned to add value to the area? Creation of green areas around reforestation of the areas surrounding to hide the chimneys and create a buffer for pollution and in case of something goes wrong?* *Additionally is there any benefit that comes for our communities like cheaper gas/electricity for our homes? or by the other hand we just have the negative impacts of having around a this project.* *After the notification I have started a consultation door by door with my neighbours which also are concerned about this. So it would be much appreciated if you clarify the aspects before and any other you thing would be interesting for our peace of mind, if not we will continue to speak with the council and have more information about how can this affect us."*	The Proposed Development will not lead to any increases in odour or greenhouse gas emissions above that which is permitted under the Consented Development and existing Environmental Permit. Please refer to Chapter 8 (Air Quality) of the submitted Environmental Statement (Document Ref. 6.0) for further information. The pre-treated waste is combusted within each boiler with the flue gas then cleaned before release from the stack. Releases from the stack are continuously monitored to ensure compliance with the strict emission limits and reported to the Environment Agency. There is no gas storage required in this process. The only aspect of external works associated with the Proposed Development would be the addition of a short section of above ground pipeline, not visible to adjacent or surrounding properties. The landscape and visual impact associated with the Consented Development (currently under construction) was assessed as part of the the original planning application (P/00987/024) to Slough Borough Council in 2014. The electricity generated will be exported to provide an alternative to electricity generated from fossil fuels and provides continuous export rather than the intermittent output seen from some renewables. Heat will also be made available to the existing network on the Trading Estate. Increasing the efficiency of the plant by means of the Proposed Development allows the plant to export more electricity through combustion of the same amount of fuel.	No change.

Table 13.2 – Stage 2 Section 42 (including non-prescribed persons) Consultation Responses

NO.	CONSULTEE	DATE OF RESPONSE	CONSULTEE COMMENT	APPLICANT RESPONSE/REGARD HAD TO CONSULTATION RESPONSE	CHANGE(S) MADE TO THE PROPOSED PROJECT	RELEVANT DOCUMENT REFERENCE
1	Berkshire Fire and Rescue	16 May 2022	*"At this stage there is no duty placed upon the Fire Authority under the aforementioned legislation to make any comment relative to your application.* *Any structural fire precautions and all means of escape provision will have to satisfy Building Regulation requirement. These matters are administered by the local authority Building Control or approved inspectors, who you are advised to contact in this regard.*	Comments noted by the Applicant.	No change.	n/a

			Please note that the weight limits for RBFRS fire appliances is 16 tonnes for fire engines and 26 tonnes for three axle aerial appliance. Access and water supplies requirements must meet or exceed The Building Regulations 2010 Approved Document B- B5 standards. *Please be advised that any comments made by the Fire and Rescue Service in this letter must not be taken as formal approval."*			
2	Cadent	9 June 2022	***Summary of response:*** Cadent require appropriate protections for retained apparatus including compliance with relevant standards for works proposed within close proximity of its apparatus. *"Cadent have identified the following apparatus within the redline boundary or within the vicinity of the proposed works:* ▪ *High Pressure (above 2 bar) Gas Pipelines and associated equipment* ▪ *Medium Pressure mains and associated equipment* ▪ *Low Pressure mains and associated equipment* *Cadent notes that it has existing easements for these pipelines which prevents the erection of permanent / temporary buildings/structures, change to existing ground levels or storage of materials etc within the easement strip.* *The response also provides guidance on matters relating to diversions, protective provisions, pipeline crossings and service crossing."*	Comments noted by the Applicant.	No change.	n/a
3	Canal and River Trust	30 May 2022	*"The Trust has reviewed the proposals and on the basis that they appear unlikely to have any impact on our waterway we have no comment to make at this time. If the proposals become significantly altered, we ask that you re-consult us in order that we can re-consider this position."*	Comments noted by the Applicant.	No change.	n/a
4	Eclipse Power	10 May 2022	*"We can confirm we do not have anything in this area at present."*	Acknowledged.	No change.	n/a
5	Environment Agency	11 May 2022	*"I have passed your enquiry to our Sustainable Places team for the relevant area and they will be in touch with you shortly.* *The Freedom of Information Act and Environmental Information Regulations state that a public authority must respond to requests for information within 20 working days, but we aim to respond to all enquiries as quickly as we can.* *However due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic affecting staff and resources we may take longer than the 20 working days to reply. We will aim to provide an answer as soon as we can."*	The Applicant acknowledges the holding response and notes that no further response was received from the Environment Agency. A follow up was sent to request any such response.	No change.	n/a
6	Health and Safety Executive	10 June 2022	*"According to HSE's records the proposed project does not lie within any consultation zones of major accident hazards sites or major accident hazard pipelines.*	The Applicant confirms that the Proposed Project does not require any change or increase in the handling of dangerous substances.	No change.	n/a

			The report provided is non-technical and does not provide sufficient detail to establish whether dangerous substances are handled in quantities that would require HSC although they do state from a Major hazards view point there is not change. *No change from previous advice provided."* The HSE confirmed that they had no comments to make regarding explosives sites or electrical safety.			
7	National Highways	21 June 2022	Summary of response: The National Highways response reviews the PEI Report with regard to Construction Staff, Construction Vehicles and Operational Impact. The National Highways response concludes that: *"Based on the information provided in the PEI Transport Assessment it is considered that once operational the Project Extension will have no impact on the SRN above that of the previously Consented Development.* *Overall, whilst no impact assessment on the SRN has been performed, we are content that for the Project Extension as detailed in the PEI Transport Statement that impact assessments are not required considering the low number of trips during construction and no change once operational. We have no comment on the assumptions and total number of trips anticipated during the construction phase, with the predicted numbers based on the Consented Development assumptions and ongoing requirements of the CTMP.* *If any changes to the proposed construction staff / HGV trips occur as part of any ongoing Environmental Impact Assessment development then these and any potential impact on the SRN will be evaluated at that time. If any changes in trip calculations do occur we would be open to engagement in terms of review and detailing the scope for any subsequent assessment, if required, to determine any potential impacts on the SRN prior to the submission of the Development Consent Order."*	Comments noted by the Applicant.	No change.	Environmental Statement Chapter 7: Transport and Access (Document Ref. 6.0)
8	NATS	18 May 2022	*"We refer to the Stage 2 Consultation for the Slough Multifuel Extension Project. NATS anticipates no impact from the proposed changes to the scheme and has no comments to make on the application."*	Comments noted by the Applicant.	No change.	n/a
9	Natural England	14 June 2022	*"Natural England has no comments to make on this application.* *Natural England has not assessed this application for impacts on protected species. Natural England has published Standing Advice which you can use to assess impacts on protected species or you may wish to consult your own ecology services for advice.*	Comments noted by the Applicant.	No change.	Environmental Statement Chapter 10: Ecology (Document Ref. 6.0)

			Natural England and the Forestry Commission have also published standing advice on ancient woodland and veteran trees which you can use to assess any impacts on ancient woodland. *We recommend referring to our SSSI Impact Risk Zones (available on Magic and as a downloadable dataset) prior to consultation with Natural England. Further guidance on when to consult Natural England on planning and development proposals is available on gov.uk at https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-planning-authorities-get-environmental-advice"*			
10	Network Rail	7 June 2022	*"Network Rail have no objections in principle to the above proposals.* *Any works on this land will need to be undertaken following engagement with Asset Protection to determine the interface with Network Rail assets, buried or otherwise and by entering into a Basis Asset Protection Agreement, if required, with a minimum of 3months notice before works start. Initially the outside party should contact assetprotectionwestern@networkrail.co.uk"*	Comments noted by the Applicant.	No change.	n/a
11	Royal Mail	28 June 2022	The Royal Mail response quotes the PIE Report with regard to construction movements: ***Construction Stage:*** *"Temporary off-site car park located on Whitby Road will be used for staff during the 2 months construction period. Shuttle buses will operate between the off-site car parking facility and the site drop-off point to the rear of Building 689 Stirling Road.* *Estimated a total of 20 Heavy Good Vehicles (HGV) will be required over the 2 month period, resulting in an average of 1 additional HGV vehicle (2no. 2-way movements) per day. HGV deliveries to be managed through the future Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) to avoid morning and afternoon peak hours wherever practical.* *Due to the low number of additional staff cars and HGVs, the overall impact of construction is considered to be negligible. Furthermore, considering the impact of the construction traffic will only be for two months, there will only be a short-term impact.* *Therefore, due to low traffic generation, not considered necessary to undertake traffic surveys.* *As the information outlined in the consultation documents only provides estimates of the additional vehicular trips generated with no supporting evidence, there remains insufficient detail available in relation to the scheme to assess any potential impact to Royal Mail's assets.*	The Applicant notes that there is an existing Construction Traffic Management Plan ('CTMP') for the Consented Development which sets out and governs any vehicle movements for the ongoing construction. The Proposed Project will conform with the stipulations of the approved CTMP. It should also be noted that no additional road closures are anticipated beyond those required to construct the consented development. Given the scope of works associated with the Proposed Project (the addition of a short section of above ground pipeline), it is not considered necessary to require a new CTMP or amendment to the existing CTMP.	No change.	Environmental Statement Chapter 7: Transport and Access (Document Ref. 6.0)

			In order to protect Royal Mail's position, we respectfully request that wording is added to the future CTMP to secure the following mitigations: *1. the CTMP includes specific requirements that during the construction phase Royal Mail is notified by SSE Slough Multifuel or its contractors at least one month in advance on any proposed road closures / diversions / alternative access arrangements, hours of working,* *2. where road closures / diversions are proposed, SSE Slough Multifuel or its contractors liaise with Royal Mail at least one month in advance to identify and make available alternative highway routes for operational use, where possible, and* *3. the CTMP includes a mechanism that informs Royal Mail about works affecting the local highways network (with particular regard to Royal Mail's distribution facilities near the DCO application boundary as identified above).”*			
12	Transport for London	19 May 2022	*“TFL have no comments to make on the current application and that we do not need to be consulted on future consultations related to the project.”*	Comments noted by the Applicant.	No change.	n/a
13	Thames Water	25 May 2022	*“Thames Water confirm they have no objection to the Proposed Project with regard to clean water or waste water capacity.* *Thames Water notes that foul water sewers and two surface water sewers are located in the proposed site boundary, which would require protection and a buildover agreement, diversion or application for them to be diverted as appropriate..* *Thames Water Property confirm that TWUL have a leasehold interest within the vicinity of the Site but see no material impact on the proposals on this interest and therefore have no concerns/objections to the proposal.”*	Comments noted by the Applicant.	No change.	n/a
14	UK Power Networks	11 May 2022	*“We have received documentation relating to the above, please be aware that UK Power Networks Ltd does not cover this area.* *Please send any documentation relating to the above to ‘Scottish & Southern Electricity Networks’ who are the ‘Distribution Network Operator’ for that area.”*	Comments noted by the Applicant.	No change.	n/a

14.0 EIA RELATED CONSULTATION

14.1.1 This section provides a brief summary of the EIA consultation that has taken place during the pre-application process. This is covered in more detail within the Environmental Statement ('ES') itself (Application Document Refs. 6.1 - 6.4).

14.2 The EIA Regulations

14.2.1 The 2017 EIA Regulations came into force on 16 May 2017, replacing the 2009 EIA Regulations.

14.3 EIA Notification and Scoping - EIA Regulations 6(1) and 8(1)

14.3.1 At an early stage in the pre-application process the Applicant identified that the Proposed Project would be EIA development and that it would therefore be necessary to notify the Planning Inspectorate of its intention to provide an ES and also to obtain a 'Scoping Opinion' with regard to the scope and coverage of that ES.

14.3.2 On 17 November 2021, the Applicant submitted the EIA Scoping Report to the Planning Inspectorate. The Scoping Report was accompanied by a letter providing formal notification under Regulation 8(1)b of the 2017 EIA Regulations of the Applicant's intention to undertake an EIA for the Proposed Project and to produce an ES Documenting the findings of this. The Scoping Report also formally requested a Scoping Opinion pursuant to EIA Regulation 10. Following receipt of the EIA Scoping Report, the Planning Inspectorate (on behalf of the SoS) consulted the relevant consultation bodies in accordance with EIA Regulation 10(6). A Scoping Opinion was issued by the Planning Inspectorate on 22 December 2021. This was accompanied by the responses received from the relevant consultation bodies. The Scoping Opinion confirmed that the SoS was broadly satisfied with the suggested approach and topics covered by the EIA but drew the Applicant's attention to a number of general points as well as points made in respect of specific topic areas. The Applicant has also had regard to late scoping responses.

14.4 Approach to Preparation and Publication of Preliminary Environmental Information

14.4.1 PEI is defined in the 2017 EIA Regulations as "information … which (a) has been compiled by the applicant; and (b) is reasonably required for consultation bodies to develop an informed view of the likely significant environmental effects of the development (and of any associated development)". The EIA Scoping Opinion provided by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the SoS (and the comments received from the scoping consultees) was used to inform the Applicant's preparation of a PEI Report. The preparation of the PEI Report was also informed by further dialogue between the Applicant's environmental consultants and the host local authorities and key technical consultees.

14.4.2 The finalised PEI Report was issued for the Stage 2 Consultation by the Applicant and effectively represented a draft ES. A copy of the Non-Technical Summary ('NTS') provided a concise description of the EIA process and the assessment methodology to date and summary of environmental effects.

14.5 EIA Regulation 13 Notification

14.5.1 As described in section 12, in accordance with EIA Regulation 13 'Pre-application publicity under Section 48 ('Duty to publicise'), the relevant 'consultation bodies' were sent a copy of the Section 48 Notice and accompanying letter by the Applicant (SSE Slough Multifuel Limited) during the Stage 2 Consultation.

14.5.2 Example copies of the letters and notices sent by the Applicant in accordance with EIA Regulation 13 at Stage 2 Consultation are provided at **Appendix 9.1**. Similarly, schedules detailing the EIA consultation bodies who were notified are provided at **Appendix 14.1**.

14.6 Preparation and Finalisation of the ES

14.6.1 Following the Stage 2 Consultation, the Applicant's environmental consultants continued to with the finalisation of the ES to be submitted as part of the DCO application and taking into consideration feedback issued during the consultation phase.

14.6.2 Each of the ES topic chapters (Chapter 7 'transport and Access', Chapter 8 'Air Quality'; 9 'Noise and Vibration'; 10 'Ecology'; 11 ''Climate'; 12 'Other Issues'; 12 'Other issues') includes a table summarising the consultation that has taken place with consultees.

15.0 NEXT STEPS

15.1.1 The Applicant is committed to continued engagement with the local community, host local authority, and key stakeholders following the submission of the Application.

15.1.2 It is intended that the Applicant will continue to issue updates on the Proposed Project through the Project Website, Local Liaison Group and press releases. Regular contact will be maintained with Slough Borough Council and with other key stakeholders.

15.1.3 In addition to the above, there are statutory notification and publicity requirements pursuant to Section 56 of the PA 2008 that the Applicant will need to fulfil following acceptance of the Application for examination by the SoS. This will provide a further opportunity for interested parties to make comments, which will continue during the examination period. The Applicant is likely to adopt a similar approach to electronic and postal service as that carried out during Stage 2. This will provide a further opportunity for interested parties to make comments, which will continue during the examination period.

APPENDIX 5.1 – STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY

Slough Multifuel Project Stakeholder Engagement Strategy

Autumn 2021

1. Background

The Slough Multifuel Project is an energy from waste project located on the Slough Trading Estate in Slough.

The project is being advanced by SSE Slough Multifuel Limited, a 50:50 joint venture between SSE Thermal and Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP).

Construction of the Slough Multifuel Project is being undertaken by Hitachi Zosen Inova (HZI), a specialist engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) contractor. Following completion of the demolition works and enabling works, the main construction work began in May 2021 and is expected to be completed in early 2024.

The Slough Multifuel Project will use pre-processed waste derived fuel (WDF) to generate electricity that can be exported to the electricity grid network. Once complete, the new Multifuel Plant will also provide steam to the SHP heat networks, which provide steam and hot water to neighbouring businesses on the Slough Trading Estate.

2. Project Location

The Slough Multifuel Project is located on land at the Slough Trading Estate, 342 Edinburgh Avenue, Slough. SL1 4TU



The Slough Trading Estate is Europe's largest trading estate in single ownership. It is home to many of the World's most successful companies including Mars, Telefonica O2, UK Mail and Lanes Group the estate has developed a reputation as a world class location for business. The Estate is mainly owned and managed by SEGRO, Europe's leading provider of Flexible Business Space.

3. Development Consent Order application

The existing planning permission for the Project, granted by Slough Borough Council in May 2017, allows the Multifuel Plant to generate up to 50 megawatts (MW) of electricity. We are now seeking to increase the efficiency of the Plant so that it can generate up to 60 MW of electricity.

In order to increase the efficiency of the Multifuel Plant some works will be required to the boilers and steam turbine. For the most part, these works will be internal and there is not expected to be any change to the visual appearance of size of the Plant from that which was approved by the planning permission in May 2017. The increase in efficiency and generating capacity will not require any increase in the hourly throughput of WDF within the Multifuel Plant or in the number of approved deliveries to the Plant.

Because we want to increase the generating capacity of the Multifuel Plant to more than 50MW we need to obtain development consent under Section 31 of the Planning Act 2008 from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy. Development consent is granted in the form of a Development Consent Order (DCO). The application for development consent will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate who will administer the process on behalf of the Secretary of State.

Before an application for development consent can be submitted it is necessary to engage and consult with the local community, the local council and neighbouring councils and bodies such as the Environment Agency. The application needs to include a Consultation Report setting out how the comments received have been taken into account.

The final decision on whether to grant a DCO is made by the Secretary of State. You can find out more about the DCO process on the Planning Inspectorate website: https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/application-process/the-process

We anticipate submitting our DCO application to the Planning Inspectorate towards the end of 2022. A decision on the application would be made by the Secretary of State in early 2024. In the meantime, construction of the Multifuel Plant, as approved by the May 2017 planning permission, will continue. The Plant is expected to be completed and enter commercial operation later in 2024.

4. Consultation Stages

As part of a DCO process, we intend to carry out two stages of consultation with the local community and other stakeholders.

Stage 1 will be non-statutory consultation to inform the local community of other stakeholders of our proposals and will take place in Autumn 2021.

Stage 2 will be statutory consultation in line with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008 and will take place in Spring 2022. The Stage 2 consultation will provide more detailed information on our proposals including the preliminary findings of the environmental assessment work undertaken.

Further information on the consultation methods that will be employed during Stage 1 and Stage 2 is provided below. We will employ slightly different consultation methods in the inner and outer consultation zone. Around 5000 properties and businesses within the inner consultation zone will receive a direct newsletter and this is the same area that was consulted directly as part of the original planning application. The outer consultation zone is related to the environmental assessment work and those that areas that will be assessed in

order to determine if there will be any environmental impacts in this area. Both the inner and outer zone will be consulted via newspaper advertising.

5. Aims of the consultation

- To update local stakeholders on the DCO application, it's purpose and timescales
- To inform them of the rationale behind this application, what it means for the plant and any potential impacts of the change
- To allow local stakeholders to provide their comments and ask questions on the proposals

6. Key Stakeholders

There are several key stakeholders that we will need to consider during the stakeholder engagement process:

1) SEGRO
2) Businesses on the Slough Trading Estate, particularly those closest to the site
3) Local political representatives
4) Local residents

7.1 SEGRO

SEGRO, owners of the majority of the Slough Trading Estate in which the Slough Multifuel project is located.

Lizzie Humphreys – External Communications Manager
[redacted]

Yin Bowers – Property Administrator
[redacted]

Ivana Archibald – Administrator, Property Management
[redacted]

Carol Rix – Senior Asset Manager
[redacted]

Dan Holford – Head of Construction

[redacted]

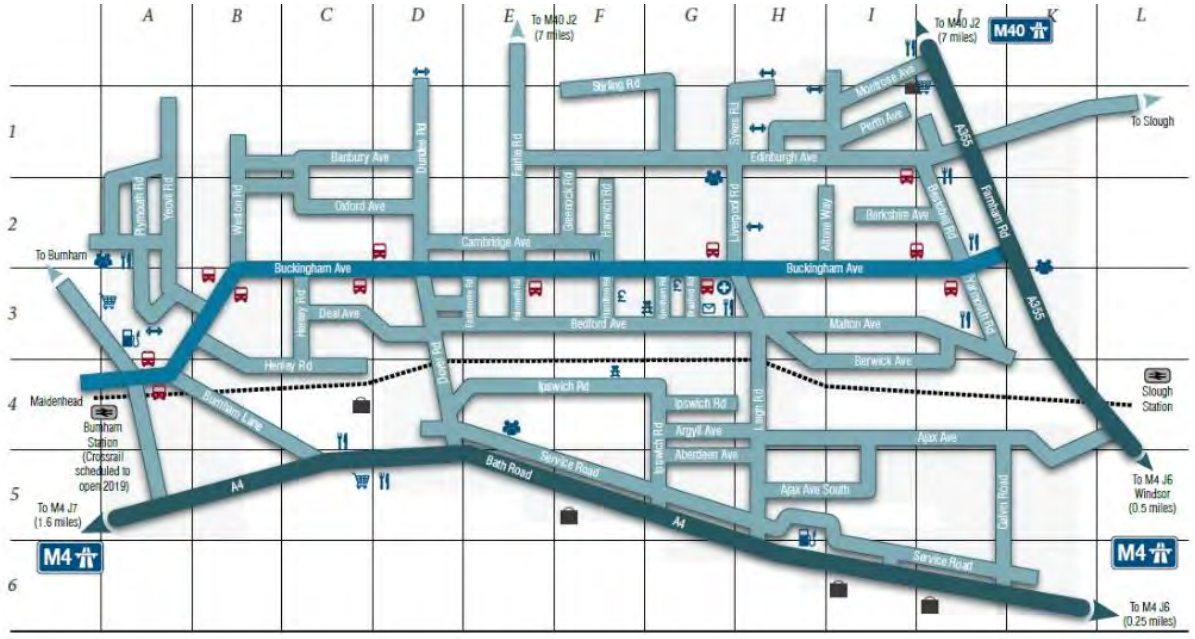
Method of Communications

SSE has an existing relationship with members of the SEGRO team. SSE Thermal meet with the wider SEGRO team on a quarterly basis to ensure they are informed and up to date on the Multifuel construction project. Key members of the SEGRO team also attend an interim meeting, which take place approximately six weekly, and have most recently included a site walk round.

SEGRO are aware of the intention to submit a DCO application, but they will appreciate being kept informed and would like to receive a final copy of all of the information that we circulate to businesses on the trading estate.

7.2 Businesses on the Slough Trading Estate

The Slough Trading Estate is home to over 300 businesses and has reached a land-rental capacity of over 98%, illustrating how busy and sought-after this area is.



SSE Thermal and CIP currently hold a quarterly meeting with the businesses located in closest proximity to the site. A list of these businesses is below

These are businesses, close to the site who may be impacted by the works, and include:

- SEGRO
- Stirling Road Data Centre
- Lanes Group Ltd
- Sovrin Plastics
- Toyota Material Handling UK Ltd.
- Alpha Scientific
- Data Select
- Mars
- Fullers
- Cyrus 1
- Equinix
- Zenium
- FedEx
- All Print Supplies

SSE Thermal and CIP can contact all of the businesses on the Trading Estate via SEGRO's mailing list.

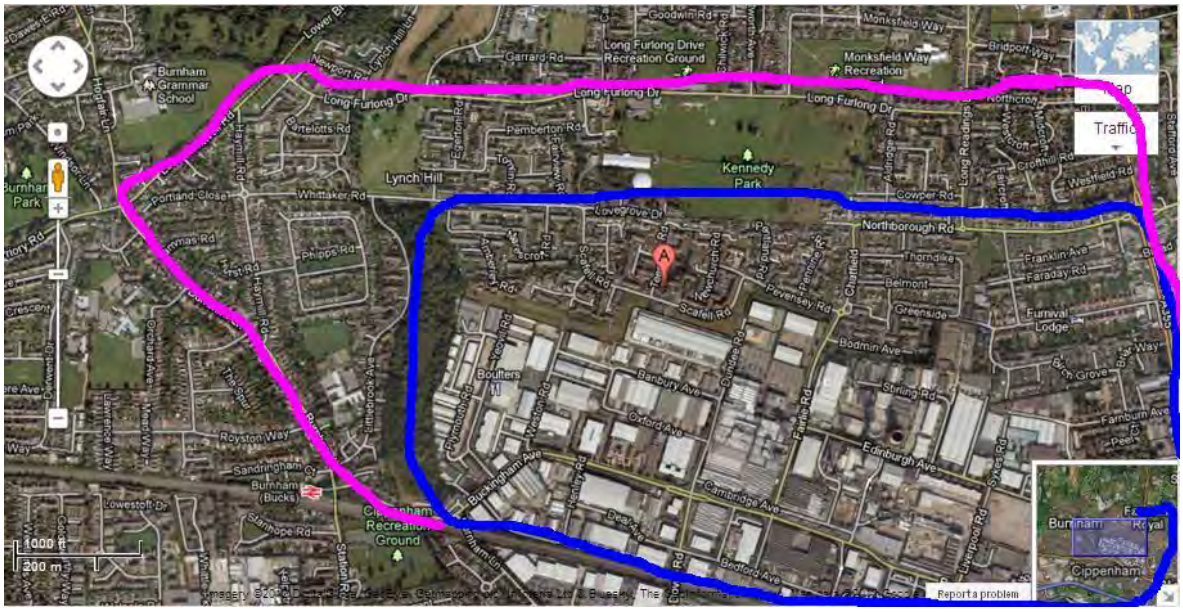
7.3 Local Political Representatives

SSE Thermal CIP liaise regularly with local political representatives via the Slough Multifuel Liaison Group, a group which also meets on a quarterly basis. The political representatives that are invited to attend that group are listed below:

- MP of Slough Borough Council, Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi
- Farnham Ward Council
- Haymill and Lynch Hill Ward Council
- Britwell and Northborough Ward Council
- Cippenham Green Ward Council
- Baylis and Stoke Ward Council
- Britwell Parish Council

7.4 Local residents

There are around 5000 residential properties in the inner consultation zone that we will engage with as part of this consultation process.



7.5 The Existing Liaison Group

Due to the ongoing construction project, as well as the local political stakeholders listed above, the following groups are also represented on the Slough Multifuel Liaison Group, which meets quarterly.

- Thames Water
- Slough Borough Council - Planning Officer
- Slough Borough Council - Environmental Health
- Slough Borough Council – Highways
- Environment Agency
- City of London – representing Burnham Beeches

8. Consultation methods

Stage 1 – Autumn 2021

It is proposed that the initial stage of stakeholder engagement will begin on Monday 15 November 2021 and run for 32 days, until Friday 17 December 2021. The main aims of this initial stage are to inform local stakeholders of the project, raise their awareness of it and give the opportunity for them to provide initial comments.

The key communications tools that we will use at this stage include:

- **Newsletter -** This will be posted out to around 2500 residential properties in close proximity to the site and in the inner consultation zone as described above. These are the same properties that were contacted as part of the initial planning application and so it was considered important that the same properties are contacted again for this planning extension.

- **Newspaper advert –** A quarter page advert will be placed in the main run of the Slough Observer w/c 15 November in order to inform local people about the planning extension, provide details of how they can find out more and how to submit comments and questions

- **Project website -** The project webpage (link below) will be used throughout the project and kept up to date. Copies of all correspondence, such as newsletters and press releases etc. will be uploaded for public consumption.
[redacted]

- **A comments form –** A comments for will be made available on the project website where people can give details of how they found out about the project, any comments that they wish to make known to the project team and have the opportunity to ask questions.

- **Freepost address** – provided for people to return comments/feedback forms by post and to submit comments by post.

- **Email address** – provided for people to submit comments, ask questions or request information.

- **Freephone telephone number** – provided for people to leave comments, ask questions or request information.

Stage 2 (Spring 2022)

No dates have been set for this stage of stakeholder engagement yet but it is anticipated that this would take place in the spring, potentially around the start of Q2 2022. Similar methods of communication would be used as at stage one, with the addition of webinar/ drop in events. More information is below:

- **Webinar** – At least one online webinar session will be held for people to access virtually, lasting around one hour. At the webinar, members of the Project Team will provide a presentation on the Project and gave the opportunity for people to speak to and ask questions of the Project Team. Details of the webinars will be provided on the Project Website and publicised through the update newsletter and newspaper

adverts.

- **Virtual Consultation –** A virtual consultation will be produced to allow people to access project information, additional documents and provide feedback and comments via an online platform.

- **Face to face drop-in session** – The project team would anticipate holding at least two physical (face-to-face) public drop-in session will be held within a local building within close proximity to the Site. This will be dependent on Government advice at the site around Covid restrictions, precautions and measures in place at the time.

- **Newsletter -** This will be posted out to around 2500 residential properties in close proximity to the site. These are the same properties that were contacted as part of the initial planning application and so it was considered important that the same properties are contacted again for this planning extension.

- **Newspaper advert and notice –** A quarter page advert will be placed in the main run of the Slough Observer in order to inform local people about the planning extension, provide details of how they can find out more and how to submit comments and questions. A Section 48 notice will be placed in the public notice section of a local newspaper for two consecutive weeks. The same Section 48 notice will also appear in National newspaper and in the London Gazette for one week.

- **Project website -** The project webpage (link below) will be used throughout the project and kept up to date. Copies of all correspondence, such as newsletters and press releases etc. will be uploaded for public consumption.
[redacted]

- **A comments form –** A comments for will be made available on the project website where people can give details of how they found out about the project, any comments that they wish to make known to the project team and have the opportunity to ask questions.

- **Posters –** Posters informing people of the planning extension provide details of how they can find out more and how to submit comments and questions will be placed in public locations in the local area

- **Freepost address** – provided for people to return comments/feedback forms by post and to submit comments by post.

- **Email address** – provided for people to submit comments, ask questions or request information.

- **Freephone telephone number** – provided for people to leave comments, ask questions or request information.

9. DCO Key Milestones

The stakeholder engagement timescales are closely linked to the DCO application process, a summary of which is detailed below:

(Correct as of October 2021, subject to change)

- **EIA scoping** – beginning Nov 21 to mid-Dec 21

- **Stage 1 consultation** – broadly align with scoping (beginning Nov 21 to mid-Dec 21) – should be ok as could be newsletter based and more focused on the local community

- **SoCC, preparation of PEIR, Stage 2 consultation materials etc**. – mid-Dec 21 to end Mar-22

- **Stage 2 consultation** – beginning Apr 22 to mid-May 22

- **Finalise application** – mid-May 22 to end Sept 22

- **Submission** – beginning Oct 22

- **Pre-exam** – beginning Oct 22 to end Jan 23

- **Examination** – beginning of Feb 23 to end Jul 23

- **Recommendation** – beginning of Aug 23 to end Oct 23

- **Decision** – beginning of Nov 23 to end Jan 24

- **JR** – end Jan 24 to mid-Mar 24

10. Contact Details

SSE Thermal Project Liaison Manager for the project is Jayne Collings. Contact details below:

Jayne Collings
[redacted]

Jayne works part time (Monday to Wednesday) and so in her absence, Helen Sanders will be the communications contact. Details below:

Helen Sanders
[redacted]

The SSE Group media team can be contacted 24 hours a day via the Media line on 0345 076 0530 or media@sse.com (e-mail available in working hours only)

Project website: [redacted]

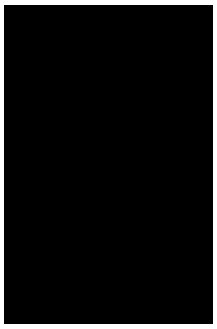
Jayne Collings will take the lead on the DCO stakeholder engagement activities. She is however expecting to go on maternity leave in January 2022 and so this role will transfer to another SSE colleague in due course.

Appendix A - Local Political stakeholders and representatives

The site sits within the Slough Borough Council Local Authority. The Chief Executive is Josie Wragg. The Leader of the Council is Cllr James Swindlehurst.

Last election: 13th December 2019

Member of Parliament



The MP for the area is Mr Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi. He is part of the Labour Party and became a member in June 2017.

Contact details:
House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA

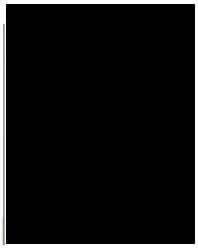
Ward Councillors

The Slough Trading Estate sits within the **Haymill and Lynch** and **Farnham** wards.

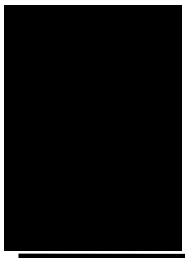
The Slough site is located within the Farnham Ward. The councillors representing **Farnham Ward** are:



Councillor Maroof Mohammad
St Martins Place
51 Bath Road
Slough
Berkshire
SL1 3UF

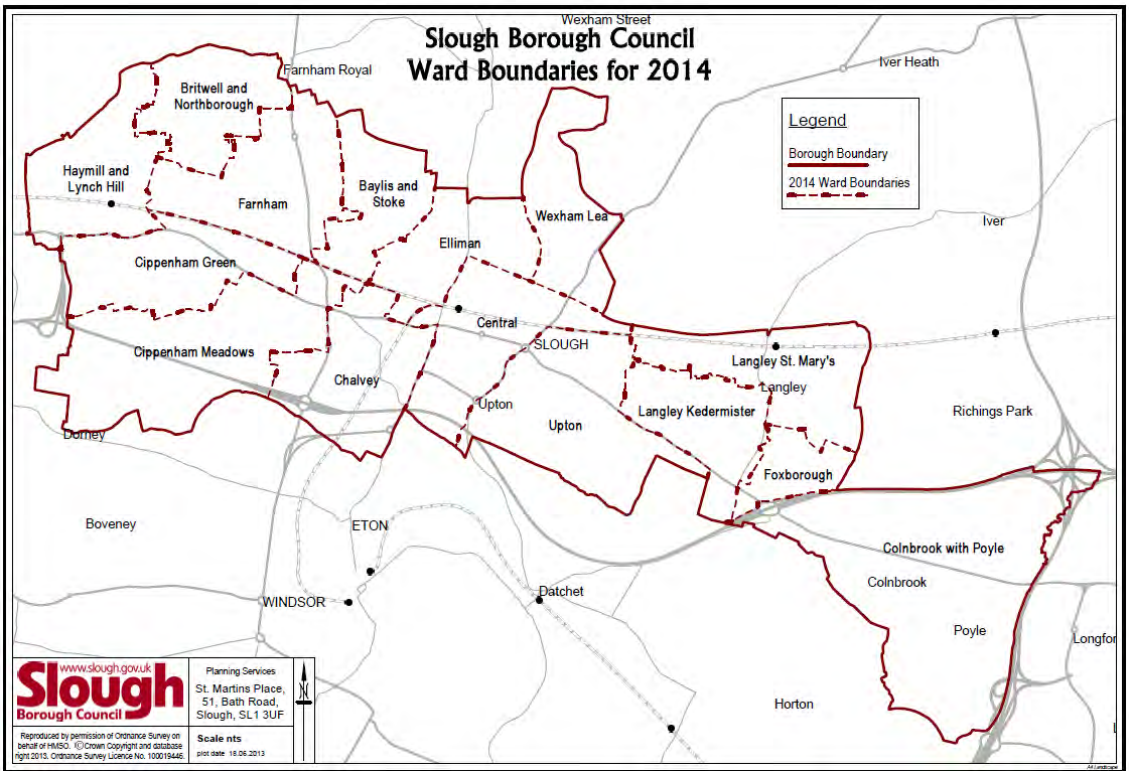


Councillor Waqas Sabah
St Martins Place
51 Bath Road
Slough
Berkshire
SL1 3UF



Councillor Mohammed Rasib
St Martins Place
51 Bath Road
Slough
Berkshire
SL1 3UF

All three councillors are part of the Labour party.



Surrounding Ward Councillors

Ward Council areas surrounding Farnham include:

- Haymill and Lynch Hill
- Britwell and Northborough
- Cippenham Green
- Baylis and Stoke

Haymill and Lynch

[redacted]

Councillor Paul Kelly
Conservative
St Martins Place
51 Bath Road
Slough
Berkshire
SL1 3UF
[redacted]

[redacted]

Councillor Wayne Strutton
Conservative
168 Derwent Drive
Priory
Slough
Berkshire
SL1 6HP
[redacted]

[redacted]

Councillor Anna Wright
Conservative
108 Bowyer Drive
Cippenham
Slough
Berkshire
SL1 5EQ
[redacted]

Britwell and Northborough

[redacted]

Councillor Pavitar K. Mann
Labour
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[redacted]

Councillor Robert Anderson
Labour
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Britwell
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Cippenham Green

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Councillor Roger Davis
Labour
12 Moreton Way
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Councillor Nora Holledge
Labour
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Councillor James C. Swindlehurst
Labour
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Baylis and Stoke

[redacted]

Councillor Mohammed Nazir
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Councillor Fiza A Matloob
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Councillor Sunyia Sarfraz
Labour
St Martins Place
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Berkshire
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[redacted]

Britwell Parish Council

There are three Parish Councils within the Slough Borough Council area. The one that is relevant to this site is Britwell Parish Council.

Chair
Councillor Pavitar K. Mann
[redacted]

Vice-Chair
Councillor Preston Brooker
[redacted]

Locum Parish Clerk
Jonathan Holder
Address - Britwell Parish Hall, Long Furlong Drive, Britwell, Slough, Berkshire, SL2 2PH
[redacted]

The Parish Council has its own website **-** [redacted]

Further to the elections on 2 May 2019, three new Councillors have been elected, with the Council changing from a Britwell Party majority (5:2) to a Labour Party majority (4:3) Council.

The three new Councillors are all members of the Labour Party - Preston Brooker, Shirley Brooker and Pavitar Mann. The fourth Labour Councillor, who was re-elected, is Rob Anderson.

The three Britwell Party councillors re-elected were John Finn, Paula Murphy and Sean Wright.

APPENDIX 6.1 – STAGE 1 COMMUNITY UPDATE NEWSLETTER

SLOUGH MULTIFUEL PROJECT

Community Update | November 2021

Introduction

SSE Slough Multifuel Limited, a joint venture between SSE and Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP) is constructing a new Multifuel Plant at the Slough Heat and Power (SHP) site on the Slough Trading Estate.

The construction work is being undertaken by the Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contractor Hitachi Zosen Inova (HZI). Following completion of the demolition works and enabling works, the main construction work began in May 2021 and is expected to be completed in early 2024

The Slough Multifuel Project will use pre-processed waste derived fuel (WDF) to generate electricity that can be exported to the electricity grid network. Once complete, the new Multifuel Plant will also provide steam to the SHP heat networks, which provide steam and hot water to neighbouring businesses on the Slough Trading Estate.

Update continued.

The application for development consent will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate who will administer the process on behalf of the Secretary of State.

Before an application for development consent can be submitted it is necessary to engage and consult with the local community, the local council and neighbouring councils and bodies such as the Environment Agency. The application needs to include a Consultation Report setting out how the comments received have been taken into account. The final decision on whether to grant a DCO is made by the Secretary of State. You can find out more about the DCO process on the Planning Inspectorate website

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/application-process/the-process

What does this mean for local people and businesses?

In order to increase the efficiency of the Multifuel Plant some works will be required to the boilers and steam turbine. For the most part, these works will be internal and there is not expected to be any change to the visual appearance or size of the Plant from that which was approved by the planning permission in May 2017.

The increase in efficiency and generating capacity will not require any increase in the hourly throughput of WDF-



The Slough Multifuel project currently under construction – image taken in October 2021

Update

The existing planning permission for the Project, granted by Slough Borough Council in May 2017, allows the Multifuel Plant to generate up to 50 megawatts (MW) of electricity. We are now seeking to increase the efficiency of the Plant so that it can generate up to 60 MW of electricity.

Because we want to increase the generating capacity of the Multifuel Plant to more than 50 MW we need to obtain development consent from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy. Development consent is granted in the form of a Development Consent Order (DCO).

within the Multifuel Plant or in the number of approved deliveries to the Plant.

The proposed works and changes to the Plant will be fully assessed, however initial modelling work has indicated that there will be no material change in air quality impacts or other environmental effects. The full findings of those assessments will be reported in an Environmental Statement that will form part of the DCO application submitted to the Planning Inspectorate.

SLOUGH MULTIFUEL PROJECT



An image of what the completed Multifuel plant will look like

What happens next?

Following this community update we will undertake further environmental assessment work and prepare a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR). The PEIR and other information will be made available as part of a further stage of engagement and consultation with the local community and other stakeholders, which will take place in Spring 2022. Details of this and how to get involved will be publicised in a variety of ways in advance.

We anticipate submitting our DCO application to the Planning Inspectorate towards the end of 2022. A decision on the application would be made by the Secretary of State in early 2024. In the meantime, construction of the Multifuel Plant, as approved by the May 2017 planning permission, will continue. The Plant is expected to be completed and enter commercial operation later in 2024.



The Slough Multifuel project currently under construction – image taken in October 2021

Have your say

As part of the DCO process we would welcome your feedback on our proposals to increase the efficiency of the Multifuel Plant. To get involved and to find out more information, please visit our website

[redacted]

A Comments Form is available on the website.

Please provide comments by Friday 17 December 2021 at 5pm.

There are also other ways to contact us and be involved, please:

Phone on 0800 335 7003 and leave a message – if you would like us to call you back, please include your name and number as part of your message

Send an email to thermalenquiries@sse.com

Use our Freepost address – send to 'Freepost Slough Multifuel'

More information

For more information on the project, construction activities at the site or to provide feedback on these proposals, please visit:

[redacted]

APPENDIX 6.2 – STAGE 1 FAQS DOCUMENT

Slough Multifuel Project – Community Update – Increase in Electrical Capacity

Frequently Asked Questions

What are you seeking consent to do?

The existing planning permission for the Project, granted by Slough Borough Council in May 2017, allows the Multifuel Plant ('the Plant') to generate up to 50 megawatts ('MW') of electricity. We are now seeking to increase the output of the Plant so that it can generate up to 60 MW of electricity.

Why are you looking to increase the electrical capacity?

Since the planning permission was granted in May 2017, the technology used in these types of multifuel plants has evolved, making them more efficient. This increase in efficiency does not require any increase in the hourly throughput of waste derived fuel within the Multifuel Plant or in the number of approved deliveries to the Plant, but has the benefit of resulting in increased electrical capacity.

I live near to the Trading Estate, how will this affect me?

In order to increase the efficiency of the Multifuel Plant some works will be required to the boilers and steam turbine. For the most part, these works will be internal and there is not expected to be any material change to the visual appearance or size of the Plant from that which was approved by the planning permission in May 2017. It is intended that these works will be undertaken, following grant of consent, in parallel with the current construction works so would not result in a longer construction programme. The works are expected to take around 8 weeks.

How long is the construction programme?

The main construction works began at the site in May 2021 and are expected to be completed in early 2024.

What will be the environmental impacts of the increase in generation capacity?

The proposed works and changes to the Plant will be fully assessed, however, initial modelling work has indicated that there will be no material change in air quality impacts or other environmental effects. The full findings of those assessments will be reported in an Environmental Statement ('ES').

Who will decide whether to grant this 'extension' application?

Because we want to increase the generating capacity of the Multifuel Plant to more than 50 MW, we need to obtain development consent, which is granted in the form of a Development Consent Order ('DCO'). The DCO application will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate who will administer the process on behalf of the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, who will make the final decision on whether to grant the DCO.

How long will this process take?

We anticipate submitting our DCO application to the Planning Inspectorate towards the end of 2022. A decision on the application would be made by the Secretary of State in the first half of 2024.

I want to give feedback on the proposals, how do I do this?

As part of the DCO process we would welcome your feedback on our proposals to increase the efficiency of the Slough Multifuel Plant. To get involved and to find out more information, please visit our website [redacted]

A Comments Form is available on the website.

Please provide comments by **5pm on Friday 17 December 2021**.

There are also other ways to contact us and be involved, please:

- Freephone 0800 335 7003 and leave a message – if you would like us to call you back, please include your name and number as part of your message
- Send an email to thermalenquiries@sse.com
- Use our Freepost address – send to 'Freepost Slough Multifuel'

Will there be another opportunity for me to share my views on the plans?

Following this community update we will undertake further environmental assessment work and prepare a Preliminary Environmental Information Report ('PEIR'). The PEIR and other information will be made available as part of a further stage of engagement and consultation with the local community and other stakeholders, which is expected to take place in Spring 2022. Details of this and how to get involved will be publicised in a variety of ways in advance.

I have a question about the ongoing construction of the plant, where can I direct this?

Please contact the Stakeholder Engagement Manager for the Project using the contact details below:

Jayne Collings
[redacted]

APPENDIX 6.3 – STAGE 1 NEWSPAPER NOTICE

SLOUGH **MULTIFUEL PROJECT** COMMUNITY UPDATE

Invitation to provide views on proposed change to existing application



SSE Slough Multifuel Limited, a joint venture between SSE and Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP) is constructing a new Multifuel Plant at the Slough Heat and Power (SHP) site on the Slough Trading Estate.

The existing planning permission for the Project, granted by Slough Borough Council in May 2017, allows the Multifuel Plant to generate up to 50 megawatts (MW) of electricity. We are now seeking to increase the efficiency of the Plant so that it can generate up to 60 MW of electricity.

Because we want to increase the generating capacity of the Multifuel Plant to more than 50 MW we need to obtain a Development Consent Order (DCO) from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy.

Have your say

As part of the DCO process we would welcome your feedback on our proposals to increase the efficiency of the Multifuel Plant.

To get involved and to find out more information, please visit our website

[redacted]

A Comments Form is available on the website.

Please provide all comments by:
Friday 17 December 2021 at 5pm.

SLOUGH MULTIFUEL PROJECT

Plug pulled on festive switch-on

By James Bagley



Xmas Lights light the High Street. Slough Christmas Lights Switch On. Picture by Mike Swift

A LITTLE Christmas joy won't be coming to Slough in the form of a big lights switch on this year as the council confirms it has "no plans" to do so due to Covid.

Last year, all local authorities cancelled their annual Christmas lights switch-on events out of fears of spreading the coronavirus.

But thanks to the vaccine roll-out, most councils – such as the neighbouring Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead – have organised events for residents to see the lights switch-on in their respective decorated high street.

However, Slough Borough Council said it will not be organising such an event this year due to Covid-19 – but will still be providing Xmas lights in the High Street, Farnham Road, and Harrow Market in Langley.

A spokesperson for the council denied they cancelled the event due to the gargantuan financial situation the local authority is in.

Having heard the Christmas lights switch-on won't go ahead, local radio station Asian Star Radio approached the council and offered to pick up the core costs as a "gesture" and thought their experience in event management will relieve pressure on the council.

Speaking to the Local Democracy Reporting Service, the station's managing director Ray Siddique said they wanted to spread "Christmas cheer in the town" given the toll the pandemic has had in Slough over past months.

It also had the backing of Slough's MP, the Mayor, and some councillors.

But he said the event is now a "no-go" after the council told them it was "too short notice" to hold the event on November 25 as they will have to apply to do the event and attend safety advisory group meetings – which take a long time to sort out.

Mr Siddique said: "It was just a gesture to see what we could do for the citizens of Slough for Christmas. Nothing more, nothing less.

"We were going to put the money in and it's not like we're going to make any profit from it.

"It's not something we're feeling angry at towards the council, but the council don't feel that it's not enough time and, at the end of the day, due to the Covid situation they don't want us to pursue."

He added they will not be pursuing this any further unless the council wants to "play ball".

SLOUGH **MULTIFUEL PROJECT**
COMMUNITY UPDATE

Invitation to provide views on proposed change to existing planning consent



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Have your say

As part of the DCO process we would welcome your feedback on our proposals to increase the efficiency of the Multifuel Plant.

To get involved and to find out more information, please visit our website [redacted]

A Comments Form is available on the website.

Please provide all comments by:
Friday 17 December 2021 at 5pm.

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APPENDIX 6.4 – STAGE 1 COMMENTS

Slough Multifuel Community Update

Comments Form

Thank you for taking the time to read our community update information associated with the Slough Multifuel Project. To help us record your views about our proposals to increase the electrical generation capacity of the Multifuel Plant from 50 megawatts (MW) to 60 MW, and to improve the effectiveness of the way we communicate with our stakeholders, we would be grateful if you could complete this comments form.

1. **Where did you hear about the proposals? (Please tick or circle)**

a) Community Update Newsletter
b) Website
c) Newspaper advert
d) Other

2. **Where would you like to see more information about the proposals going forward? (Please tick or circle)**

a) Newsletter posted to my address
b) In local newspapers
c) On social media
d) Other (Please specify)
……

3. **Please provide any thoughts or comments that you have about the proposals?**

4. **Is there anything specific that you would like to see more information on in future communications about the proposals?**

5. **Do you have any comments to make related to the ongoing construction of the Multifuel Plant?**

If you would like us to provide you with updates on our proposals please circle your preferred method and provide the relevant contact details in the box below.

a) Phone b) E-mail

Privacy Notice

What personal data will we collect?

You may provide us with the following categories of personal data:

- *Name*
- *Email address*
- *Postal address*
- *Telephone number*

How will we use your personal data?

We will use your personal data for the following purposes:

- *to record accurately and analyse any questions you raise or feedback you have provided;*
- *to report on our consultation and notification, detailing what issues have been raised and how we have responded to that feedback;*
- *to personalise communications with individuals we are required to contact as part of future consultation or communications; and*
- *to deliver documents you have requested from us.*

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APPENDIX 7.1 – INITIAL DRAFT SOCC EMAILS

From: [redacted]
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Bcc:
Subject: Slough Multifuel DCO - Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)
Date: 11 February 2022 16:31:12
Attachments: Slough Multifuel DCO - SoCC - DRAFT.docx
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Good afternoon James,

Please find attached, the draft Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') for the Slough Multifuel DCO application.

As discussed, please take this as an informal opportunity to comment on the initial draft document in advance of the statutory 28-day consultation (under Section 47(2) of the Planning Act 2008). Please could you return any initial comments on the document by 17th February.

We envisage that the formal consultation with SBC on the draft SoCC will commence from 18th February.

Kind regards,

Rob

Rob Booth
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Associate

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Subject:	Slough Multifuel Project - The Planning Act 2008 - Section 47(2) consultation on draft Statement of Community Consultation
Date:	22 February 2022 09:50:00
Attachments:	image001.png 220222 - Slough Multifuel - SoCC Letter - FINAL.pdf Slough Multifuel - Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) - DRAFT.pdf

Good morning James,

On behalf of SSE Slough Multifuel Limited (the 'Applicant') please find attached a letter consulting Slough Borough Council on the draft Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') for the Slough Multifuel Project. A copy of the draft SoCC is also attached.

The Applicant would request that any comments on the draft SoCC are submitted by 22 March 2022.

Kind regards,

Rob
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From: [redacted]
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Subject: RE: Slough Multifuel Project - The Planning Act 2008 - Section 47(2) consultation on draft Statement of Community Consultation
Date: 23 March 2022 09:37:25
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image004.jpg
image005.png
MyCouncil.png

Dear Rob,

In the absence of comments from my colleagues within Slough Borough Council which I have not seen, I do not have any comments on the draft SoCC.

Kind regards,

James Guthrie
Senior Planning Officer
Planning & Transport
Slough Borough Council
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25 Windsor Road
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SL1 2EL

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From: Rob Booth [redacted]
Sent: 22 March 2022 17:16
To: Guthrie James [redacted]
Cc: Geoff Bullock [redacted]
Subject: RE: Slough Multifuel Project - The Planning Act 2008 - Section 47(2) consultation on draft Statement of Community Consultation

Good afternoon James,

Further to our previous emails, can you confirm if SBC have any comments to make on the draft SoCC?

Kind regards,

Rob
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From: Guthrie James [redacted]
Sent: 21 March 2022 10:36
To: Rob Booth [redacted]
Cc: Geoff Bullock [redacted]
Subject: RE: Slough Multifuel Project - The Planning Act 2008 - Section 47(2) consultation on draft Statement of Community Consultation

Hi Rob,

I have sent a reminder that comments should be provided by tomorrow – I assume there has been no response, as I have not had any.

I will let you know tomorrow

Kind regards,

James Guthrie
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APPENDIX 7.3 – FINAL SOCC

SSE Slough Multifuel Ltd.

The Slough Multifuel Project

Planning Inspectorate Ref: EN010129

Slough Multifuel Extension Project

Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)

The Planning Act 2008, Section 47

The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017, Regulation 12

SSE Slough Multifuel Limited

Date: February 2022

SSE Slough Multifuel Ltd.

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GLOSSARY

Abbreviation	Description
AGI	Above Ground Installation
BEIS	Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (government department)
CCGT	Combined Cycle Gas Turbine
COVID-19	Coronavirus Disease 2019
DCLG	Department for Communities and Local Government
DCO	Development Consent Order
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
MHCLG	Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government
MWe	Megawatts electrical
SBC	Slough Borough Council
NTS	Non-Technical Summary
PA 2008	Planning Act 2008
PCC	Power and Carbon Capture
PEIR	Preliminary Environmental Impact Report
PINS	Planning Inspectorate
plc	Public limited company
Q1/Q2/Q3/Q4	Quarter 1/2/3/4 (of a year)
SCI	Statement of Community Involvement
SoCC	Statement of Community Consultation
SoS	Secretary of State
TCPA	Town and Country Planning Act 1990

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 SSE Slough Multifuel Limited ('the Applicant') is proposing works to increase the efficiency and output of a generating station which was originally consented in June 2017 under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 ('TCPA') regime with capacity up to 50 megawatts ('MW') (Planning Ref. P/00987/024 and P/00987/025) ("Slough Multifuel"), to achieve up to 60MW electrical output ('MWe') ('the Proposed Development').

1.2 The Proposed Development will be located within the administrative boundary of Slough Borough Council (SBC).

1.3 The Proposed Development will increase the electrical output of the consented Slough Multifuel power station to in excess of 50 megawatts ('MWe'). It is therefore considered a nationally significant infrastructure project under sections 14(1)(a) and 15(2) of the PA 2008 as an extension of an onshore generating station in England, which (when extended) would have a capacity of more than 50MW. As such, the Applicant will require a Development Consent Order ('DCO') under the PA 2008 to permit the extension to the consented Slough Multifuel.

1.4 A DCO is a type of legislation known as a Statutory Instrument which contains the powers (including planning permission) needed to develop the power station and any associated development needed to operate it. Consequently, instead of a planning application to SBC, the Applicant must apply to the Planning Inspectorate ('PINS') for a DCO. PINS will carry out an examination of the application on behalf of the Secretary of State, who will then make the final decision on the application.

1.5 This SoCC sets out how the Applicant will consult with people living in the vicinity of the Proposed Development as required by section 47 of the PA 2008. It explains how the Applicant will consult the local community, community groups, local businesses, as well as others who work in or use the area. The SoCC has been prepared with reference to guidance[1] published by the Department for Communities and Local Government (the predecessor to the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government (MHCLG), as well the PINS advice notes and SBC's Statement of Community Involvement. The Applicant has consulted SBC about this SoCC in accordance with section 47 of the PA 2008.

1.6 Under the DCO application process, pre-application consultation by the Applicant is the main opportunity for the local community to be engaged with and help shape the proposal for the Proposed Development. It is therefore important that those consulted let the Applicant know if they have any comments or information about any part of the proposals during this consultation process prior to the submission of the application for a DCO.

[1] Planning Act 2008: guidance on the pre-application process, 2015. Retrieved from: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-the-pre-application-process-for-major-infrastructure-projects

2.0 GENERAL APPROACH TO CONSULTATION

2.1 Before applying for a DCO, the Applicant must carry out consultation and publicity activities required by Sections 42 to 50 of Planning Act 2008 (‘PA 2008’) and associated regulations and have regard to government guidance.

2.2 The Applicant generally adopts a two-stage approach to its pre-application consultation on major projects. Accordingly, a stage of non-statutory consultation (the 'Stage 1 Consultation') was undertaken in November/ December 2021. This has influenced the development of the proposals, which will be described in the Consultation Report to be included with the DCO application. The Stage 1 consultation has also informed the approach to statutory consultation (the 'Stage 2 Consultation'), which is summarised in section 6 of this SoCC.

About SSE Slough Multifuel Limited

2.3 The Applicant is part of the FTSE-listed SSE plc, one of the UK’s largest and broadest-based energy companies, and the country’s leading generator of renewable energy. Over the last 20 years, the SSE Group has invested over £20 billion to deliver industry-leading offshore wind, onshore wind, Combined Cycle Gas Turbine (‘CCGT’), energy from-waste, biomass, energy networks and gas storage projects.

2.4 In April 2020, the Applicant entered into an agreement with Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP) to develop the Slough Multifuel facility as a 50:50 joint venture. Construction of Slough Multifuel, which commenced on 4 January 2021, is being undertaken by specialist EPC contractor HZI pursuant to a section 73 decision notice (Planning Ref. P/00987/035 dated 3 March 2020). On 1 February 2022, a further section 73 was granted (Planning Ref. P/00987/051) to permit minor changes to the approved plans. Construction is expected to take approximately three and a half years. Relevant experience as an operator and employer in the area has informed this SoCC.

3.0 THE SLOUGH MULTIFUEL ENERGY-FROM-WASTE MULTIFUEL POWER STATION PROJECT

3.1 The Proposed Development involves increased gross generation from 50MWe (pursuant to the consented Slough Multifuel facility) to 60MWe. This will be achieved through mechanical modification of the consented Slough Multifuel facility and provision of systems including:

- heat exchanger bundles (internal to the existing consented scheme building envelope);
- external and internal above ground pipework and valves;
- pipe supports (external and internal);
- thermal insulation (internal works);
- instrumentation (internal to the existing consented scheme building envelope);
- cabling and containment (internal); and
- mechanical modifications to the steam turbine inlet control system (internal works).

3.2 The increase in efficiency and generating capacity will not require any increase in the hourly throughput of waste derived fuel ('WDF') or in the number of approved deliveries to the facility. The consented building envelope and architecture of the consented scheme, currently under construction, will remain unchanged.

3.3 The Proposed Development will not require any new or additional underground or overhead cabling associated with electricity export over and above those required for the consented scheme. Electricity generated by the Proposed Development will be exported via a consented below ground connection to Slough South substation, which is located within the wider SHP site, under permitted development rights on the SHP site. Construction of the Proposed Development will be undertaken within and in parallel with the existing TCPA consented programme; it is not expected that there would be any change to the existing construction duration.

Environmental Impact Assessment

3.4 The Applicant is preparing a number of environmental documents and undertaking assessments and impact studies that provide information on the likely significant environmental effects of the Proposed Development.

3.5 The Proposed Development is subject to Environmental Impact Assessment ('EIA'); therefore, this information will ultimately be combined into an EIA Report that will form part of the DCO application. The scope of the EIA will be based on the Planning Inspectorate's 'Scoping Opinion' for the scheme which is available to view at: https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/south-east/slough-multifuel-project/

3.6 During the Stage 2 Consultation, the Applicant will make available environmental information that will enable the local community and consultees to understand the initial findings of our assessments of likely significant environmental effects, how these have influenced design development and our approach to mitigating or avoiding significant effects. The Applicant will publish this in a Preliminary Environmental Information Report ('PEIR') available as an electronic document on our project website, or in hard copy on request (chargeable). A shorter 'Non-Technical Summary' document will also be available electronically, or in hard copy on request (non-chargeable).

DCO Application and Examination Process

3.7 During the pre-application period it is the Applicant who is responsible for carrying out stakeholder and community consultation. Government guidance recognises the benefits of early involvement of local communities, local authorities, statutory consultees and other stakeholders[2]:

- *"helping the applicant identify and resolve issues at the earliest stage, which can reduce the overall risk to the project further down the line as it becomes more difficult to make changes once an application has been submitted;*
- *enabling members of the public to influence proposed projects, feedback on potential options, and encouraging the community to help shape the proposal to maximise local benefits and minimise any downsides;*
- *helping local people understand the potential nature and local impact of the proposed project, with the potential to dispel misapprehensions at an early stage;*
- *enabling applicants to obtain important information about the economic, social and environmental impacts of a scheme from consultees, which can help rule out unsuitable options;*
- *enabling potential mitigating measures to be considered and, if appropriate, built into the project before an application is submitted; and*

[2] Department for Communities and Local Government, "Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process", (March 2015): paragraph 18

- *identifying ways in which the project could, without significant costs to promoters, support wider strategic or local objectives."*

3.8 The Planning Inspectorate ('PINS') is the government agency responsible for examining DCO applications on behalf of the relevant Secretary of State ('SoS'), in this case the SoS for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy ('BEIS'). The Applicant currently intends to submit an application for a DCO to PINS in Q4 2022.

3.9 If PINS determine that the application should be 'accepted' then PINS will make preparations for a public examination, which would likely be held in for a period of up to six months. Following the completion of the examination process will then recommend to the SoS whether or not the application should be approved. **Figure 2** illustrates the six key steps of the application process for DCOs.

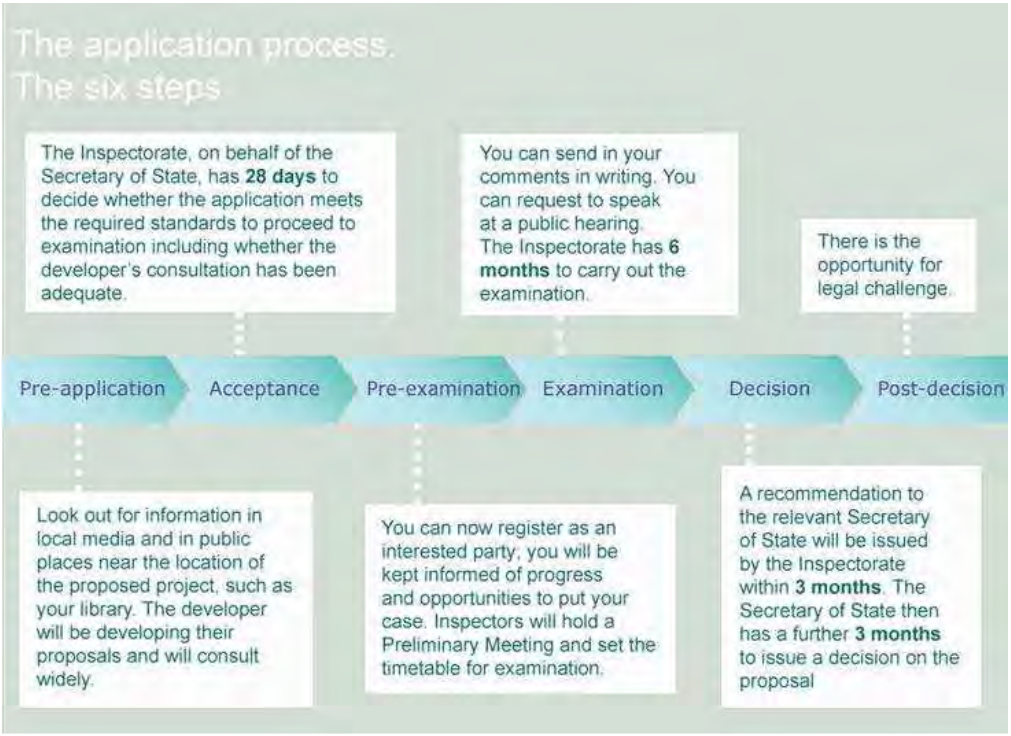


Figure 1 - Key steps in the DCO application process. © Planning Inspectorate

3.10 In deciding whether or not to approve the application, the SoS will have regard to the relevant National Policy Statements and draft National Policy Statements that are in the process of being reviewed ('NPSs'), which set out the need for new energy infrastructure and the issues to be considered in determining such applications. These can be viewed at: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-policy-statements-for-energy-infrastructure and Planning for new energy infrastructure: review of energy National Policy Statements - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

4.0 CONSULTATION OBJECTIVES

Overarching objectives

4.1 The Applicant seeks to achieve the following through its pre-application consultation exercises:

- To raise awareness of the Proposed Development and provide the local community and other stakeholders with the opportunity to understand and comment on the proposals at different stages.
- To provide clear and concise information on the Proposed development.
- To provide a range of means by which people can engage with the Proposed Development and provide comments and feedback.
- To ensure that comments and feedback are accurately captured and recorded.
- To show how comments and feedback have been taken account of in finalising the DCO application.

Consultation Stages

4.2 A two-stage consultation process is being undertaken as follows, comprising a non-statutory stage then a statutory stage, an approach that is recognised in the guidance[3].

Stage 1 - Informal Consultation - This was undertaken from 15 November to 17 December 2021. The main aims of this initial stage were to inform local stakeholders of the project, raise their awareness of it and give the opportunity for them to provide initial comments. The key communication tools that we used at this stage included a newsletter, a newspaper advert providing details of how to submit comments, the project website, a comments form, and both a freepost address and an email address, as well as a freephone telephone number.

Stage 2 - Formal (Statutory) Consultation – The Applicant intends to carry out its Stage 2 consultation during Q2 2022 for approximately 4 weeks (which is in line with other comparable projects and considered appropriate given the nature of the Proposed Development). The current intention is to carry this out primarily during May 2022. The consultation period will be clearly publicised in advance (see section 6 for further detail). The consultation will be conducted in accordance with this SoCC, and in accordance with the requirements of the PA 2008.

Who will we consult?

4.3 The Applicant intends to consult all people, businesses, community organisations, local authorities, and political representatives in the vicinity of the Proposed Development.

[3] Department for Communities and Local Government, "Planning Act 2008: Guidance on the pre-application process", (March 2015): paragraph 70

4.4 A Consultation Zone, totalling approximately 5,000 business and residential addresses, was used to consult in respect of the planning permission for Slough Multifuel and for the Stage 1 Consultation. Given the nature of the Proposed Development, it is considered appropriate to adopt the same Consultation Zone again for the Stage 2 statutory consultation.

4.5 The Applicant is also looking to engage with people beyond the Consultation Zone through other methods such as a project website, webinars and public information notices. Figure 4.1 below depicts the Consultation Zone (in yellow), encompassing the Slough Trading Estate and the surrounding residential areas to the north and west of the Proposed Development Site. The Proposed Development Site is depicted by the red pin in Figure 4.1. The relevant prescribed consultees and bodies (including technical and regulatory bodies), statutory undertakers, and local authorities, and those persons with an interest in the land required for the project will also be consulted. The consultation is not limited to these groups, and notices will be placed in the local and national press inviting views.[4]

Figure 4.1 - Consultation Zone



[4] In accordance with Sections 42, 47 and 48 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended)

5.0 HOW WE WILL CONSULT

5.1.1 The Applicant intends for the consultation to be transparent, inclusive and accessible to those living in the vicinity of the Proposed Development. Throughout the pre-application consultation period, there will be opportunities for the local community to discuss and comment regarding the Proposed Development.

5.2 Subject to future restrictions due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Applicant will use a mix of in-person and virtual consultation methods and events, to ensure maximum flexibility for the groups being consulted. The consultation activities and methods for Stage 2 are set out below at Section 6 of this SoCC. This approach will ensure that members of the community and local stakeholders will have ample opportunity to comment on the Proposed Development and that they have a line of communication with the project team. We appreciate that some of these methods are digital platforms, and as such, will make every effort to offer alternative options for those without digital access to respond to the proposal and receive feedback. This broad range of consultation methods will ensure that hard to reach groups will be consulted. If anyone is unable to access the information for any reason, the Applicant will work directly with that person to find a solution and provide access to the information.

5.3 The **consultation documents** that will be made available during the Stage 2 Consultation will include:

- The published Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC');
- A community newsletter;
- The Preliminary Environmental Information Report ('PEIR') and its Non-Technical Summary ('NTS'); and
- Plans showing the location of the Proposed Development.

6.0 STAGE 2 CONSULTATION ACTIVITIES AND METHODS

INFORMATION

6.1 The Applicant will provide information about the Proposed Development and details of the dates and consultation events through a range of methods which are noted below.

Newsletter

6.2 The Applicant will deliver a newsletter which will explain the Proposed Development to all properties within the Consultation Zone. The newsletter will detail sources of further information and an invitation to participate in the consultation with details of how to access information, ask questions and make responses. The newsletter will include a freepost survey response form. Additionally, the newsletter will be sent to those on the mailing list compiled from the Stage 1 responses (either electronically or by post depending on the details they provided).

Newspaper advertisements

6.3 Statutory notices (both SoCC notices and S48 notices) will be placed in a local newspaper, the Slough Observer and will give details about how to access the consultation opportunities. The S48 notice will also be advertised in a national newspaper along with the London Gazette.

Posters

6.4 Public posters advertising the consultation with details of how to participate will be displayed in local venues and locations within the consultation area.

USB Sticks

6.5 The temporary suspensions imposed by the Government's coronavirus regulations in 2020 were made permanent on 31 December 2020 as part of the Infrastructure Planning (Publication and Notification of Applications etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (the 2020 Regulations). Therefore, the Applicant does not intend to make physical documentation available for inspection at Stage 2. However, the Applicant will provide a free USB stick containing the consultation documents, or a free of charge paper copy of the consultation documents (except the PEIR itself, papers copies of which will be chargeable), on request.

ENGAGEMENT

6.6 The Applicant intends to use a range of engagement opportunities to facilitate dialogue for those who wish to understand more about the Proposed Development. The intended means of engagement are noted below.

Exhibitions

6.7 Marking a positive change from the necessity of a virtual approach in Stage 1 and if Coronavirus restrictions allow, the Applicant intends to offer 2-3 physical drop in

exhibitions at local venues. The Applicant will display exhibition boards and supporting documents and factsheets will be available. A privacy notice will be displayed in the exhibition and accessibility needs will be considered in the development of the exhibition. This will provide members of the community with the opportunity to meet with the project team and ask questions.

Webinars

6.8 The Applicant intends to offer 2-3 webinars (i.e., web-based presentations with Q&A sessions) during the consultation period, covering pertinent topics for approximately 20 minutes with a 10-minute Q&A session at the end. These will be delivered by members of the project team. Dates will be advertised in advance and are likely to be at the beginning of the consultation period to allow plenty of time for feedback to be submitted. The applicant will consider requests for further webinars in light of circumstances at the time.

Web presence

6.9 The project website [redacted] will be used as an accessible method for engaging with the consultation for people who may have difficulty in attending any of the events in person, as well as being a resource for all the consultation documentation associated with the Proposed Development. The website will be kept updated and will include a privacy notice.

6.10 An email address will also be available to raise queries regarding the Proposed Development – thermalenquiries@sse.com.

Telephone

6.11 The freephone telephone number (voicemail based) will be available to receive queries/information requests, in line with the latest regulations.

Briefing local political representatives

6.12 Local political representatives (such as MPs, ward councillors and parish councillors) will be kept informed via the existing Local Liaison Group meetings. The liaison group comprises local councillors, local MPs, members of SBC and community representatives. In addition, this group will be kept informed through direct e-mails and the option to request a one-to-one meeting with the Project Team if requested. Face-to-face meetings can be offered if practical with virtual options remaining fully accessible also.

Briefing local businesses

6.13 The Local Liaison Group, comprising SEGRO and businesses within Slough Trading Estate, was informed of the plans for the Proposed Development at a meeting in September 2021, and will be informed directly via e-mail at the start of the consultation period. A further meeting is intended to take place in May 2022 to provide an update regarding the DCO.

6.14 Interim meetings are held six-weekly with SEGRO representatives, who are kept informed regarding the Proposed Development as part of these meetings.

Statutory Consultees and Prescribed Persons

6.15 Consultation under s42 PA 2008 will also be undertaken in parallel with the community consultation.

APPENDIX 7.4 – SOCC NOTICE TEMPLATE VERSION

THE SLOUGH MULTIFUEL EXTENSION PROJECT

The Planning Act 2008 - Section 47(6)(a) 'Notice publicising the statement of community consultation'

Notice is hereby given that SSE Slough Multifuel Limited (the 'Applicant'), intends to submit an application to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for development consent under Section 37 'Applications for orders granting development consent' of The Planning Act 2008 (the 'PA 2008'), to authorise the works to increase the efficiency and electrical output of the consented Slough Multifuel Facility generating station from its permitted capacity of up to 50 megawatts (MW), originally consented on 2nd June 2017 under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 ('the Consented Development'), to up to 60MW electrical output, known as the 'Slough Multifuel Extension Project' or the 'Project'. The Project is located on land either side of Edinburgh Avenue, Slough Trading Estate, Slough, SL1 4TU.

As the Project would increase the capacity of the Slough Multifuel Facility generating station to more than 50MW, it requires development consent (granted in the form of a Development Consent Order (a 'DCO')) pursuant to Sections 31, 14(1)(a) and 15 of the PA 2008.

The Project includes different and additional technology within the buildings being constructed for the Consented Development that can achieve a higher electrical output from the same fuel throughput, along with some limited external works (an external above ground pipe run on a consented pipe rack alongside other consented pipes). The Project also involves the mechanical modification of the Consented Development and provision of additional systems including:

- heat exchanger bundles (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- external and internal above ground pipework and valves;
- pipe supports (external and internal);
- thermal insulation (external and internal works);
- instrumentation (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- cabling and containment (internal); and
- mechanical modifications to the steam turbine inlet control system (internal works).

The Applicant has a duty to consult the local community about the Project under Section 47 of the PA 2008. Section 47(1) requires an applicant for development consent to prepare a statement (a 'Statement of Community Consultation' or 'SoCC') setting out how they propose to consult people living within the vicinity of the land to which their proposals relate. Section 47(7) requires the applicant to carry out the consultation in accordance with the proposals set out within the SoCC.

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment ('EIA') development for the purposes of 'The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017'. The Applicant is therefore required to carry out an EIA of the Project and to submit an Environmental Statement with the DCO application, assessing the likely significant effects arising from the Project on the environment.

Environmental information that the Applicant currently has will be made available during the consultation on Project in the form of a Preliminary Environmental Information ('PEI') Report. There will be an opportunity to view and comment upon the PEI Report during the consultation, and details of this are included in the SoCC.

Section 47(6) requires an applicant for development consent to make the SoCC available for inspection by the public in a way that is reasonably convenient for people living in the vicinity of the land to which the project relates. In accordance with Section 47(6) this notice confirms below when and how a copy of the SoCC, that has been prepared by the Applicant, can be inspected.

The SoCC may be inspected free of charge from **1 April 2022** on the Project Website: [redacted]

If you are unable to access the Project Website, please email: **thermalenquiries@sse.com** or telephone: **020 7489 4830** to request a copy of the SoCC. Any details you provide to us via email or telephone will be subject to our Privacy Notice: [redacted] You will be offered a hard copy of the SoCC or a USB stick containing the SoCC, which will be supplied and posted to you free of charge.

Should you have any questions about the SoCC, the consultation or the Project please visit the Project Website or contact the Applicant using the above details.

SSE Slough Multifuel Limited

1 April 2022

APPENDIX 7.5: SOCC NOTICE AS PUBLISHED

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Around Noon (London) Limited of 762A/763A Henley Road, Slough Trading Estate, SL1 4JW, Slough, Berkshire is applying for a licence to use 762A/763A Henley Road, Slough Trading Estate, SL1 4JW, Slough, Berkshire as an operating centre for 3 goods vehicles and 0 trailers.

Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds LS9 6NF, stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's Office.

Goods Vehicle Operator's Licence

Daniel Goldman, Robert Goldman and Diane Goldman trading as SMG Metals of 4/4a Accommodation Road, London NW11 8ED is applying to change an existing license as follows. To keep an extra 1 goods vehicles at the operating centre at Wilton Farm, Marlow Road, Little Marlow SL7 3RR.

Owners or occupiers of land (including builders) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds, LS9 6NF, stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's office.

Goods Vehicle Operator's Licence

William Emerson Ltd of Downy Fields, Hodge Lane, Hatchet Lane, Winkfield, Windsor, Berks SL4 2DT is applying to change an existing licence as follows. To keep 1 extra goods vehicle and 0 trailers at the operating centre Downy Fields, Hodge Lane, Hatchet Lane, Winkfield, Windsor, Berks SL4 2DT.

Owners and occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representation to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds, LS9 6NF, stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's office.

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Planning Notices

SLOUGH MULTIFUEL PROJECT

THE SLOUGH MULTIFUEL EXTENSION PROJECT
The Planning Act 2008 - Section 47(6)(a)
'Notice publicising the statement of community consultation'

Notice is hereby given that SSE Slough Multifuel Limited (the 'Applicant'), intends to submit an application to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for development consent under Section 37 'Applications for orders granting development consent' of The Planning Act 2008 (the 'PA 2008'), to authorise the works to increase the efficiency and electrical output of the consented Slough Multifuel Facility generating station from its permitted capacity of up to 50 megawatts (MW), originally consented on 2nd June 2017 under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 ('the Consented Development'), to up to 60MW electrical output, known as the 'Slough Multifuel Extension Project' or the 'Project'. The Project is located on land either side of Edinburgh Avenue, Slough Trading Estate, Slough, SL1 4TU.

As the Project would increase the capacity of the Slough Multifuel Facility generating station to more than 50MW, it requires development consent (granted in the form of a Development Consent Order (a 'DCO')) pursuant to Sections 31, 14(1)(a) and 15 of the PA 2008.

The Project includes different and additional technology within the buildings being constructed for the Consented Development that can achieve a higher electrical output from the same fuel throughput, along with some limited external works (an external above ground pipe run on a consented pipe rack alongside other consented pipes). The Project also involves the mechanical modification of the Consented Development and provision of additional systems including:

- heat exchanger bundles (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- external and internal above ground pipework and valves;
- pipe supports (external and internal);
- thermal insulation (external and internal works);
- instrumentation (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- cabling and containment (internal); and
- mechanical modifications to the steam turbine inlet control system (internal works).

The Applicant has a duty to consult the local community about the Project under Section 47 of the PA 2008. Section 47(1) requires an applicant for development consent to prepare a statement (a 'Statement of Community Consultation' or 'SoCC') setting out how they propose to consult people living within the vicinity of the land to which their proposals relate. Section 47(7) requires the applicant to carry out the consultation in accordance with the proposals set out within the SoCC.

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment ('EIA') development for the purposes of 'The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017'. The Applicant is therefore required to carry out an EIA of the Project and to submit an Environmental Statement with the DCO application, assessing the likely significant effects arising from the Project on the environment. Environmental information that the Applicant currently has will be made available during the consultation on Project in the form of a Preliminary Environmental Information ('PEI') Report. There will be an opportunity to view and comment upon the PEI Report during the consultation, and details of this are included in the SoCC.

Section 47(6) requires an applicant for development consent to make the SoCC available for inspection by the public in a way that is reasonably convenient for people living in the vicinity of the land to which the project relates. In accordance with Section 47(6) this notice confirms below when and how a copy of the SoCC, that has been prepared by the Applicant, can be inspected.

The SoCC ma e ins ected free of char e from **1 A ril 2022** on the Pro ect Website: [redacted]

If you are unable to access the Project Website, please email: **thermalenquiries@sse.com** or telephone: **020 7489 4830** to request a copy of the SoCC. Any details you provide to us via email or telephone will be subject to our Privacy Notice: www.sse.com/privacy-notice/. You will be offered a hard copy of the SoCC or a USB stick containing the SoCC, which will be supplied and posted to you free of charge.

Should you have any questions about the SoCC, the consultation or the Project please visit the Project Website or contact the Applicant using the above details.

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APPENDIX 8.1 – LIST OF PRESCRIBED CONSULTEES AND OTHER CONSULTEES

Appendix 8.1 – Prescribed Consultees and Statutory Undertakers

Table 1 – Prescribed Persons Table

No.	Consultee	Address	Date Consulted
1a	The Health and Safety Executive	Mr Dave Adams (MHPD) NSIP Consultations Building 2.2 Redgrave Court Merton Road Bootle Merseyside L20 7HS	3 May 2022
1b	The Health and Safety Executive	The Chief Executive Health and Safety Executive Redgrave Court Merton Road Bootle Merseyside L20 7HS	3 May 2022
2	The National Health Service Commissioning Board and the relevant Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)	The Chief Executive NHS England PO Box 16738 Redditch B97 9PT	3 May 2022
3	The National Health Service Commissioning Board and the relevant Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)	The Chief Executive Frimley CCG Aldershot Centre for Health Hospital Hill Aldershot GU11 1AY	3 May 2022
4a	Natural England (Head Office)	The Chief Executive Natural England Foss House Kings Pool 1-2 Peasholme Green York YO1 7PX	3 May 2022
4b	Natural England	Area 5A, Nobel House 17 Smith Square London SW1P 3JR	3 May 2022
5a	The Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England	The Company Secretary Historic England The Engine House Fire Fly Avenue Swindon Wiltshire England SN2 2EH	3 May 2022

5b	The Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England	The Company Secretary Historic England 4th Floor Cannon Bridge House 25 Dowgate Hill London EC4R 2YA	3 May 2022
6	The relevant fire and rescue authority	The Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service Pincents Kiln Industrial Park, Newsham Court, Calcot, Reading RG31 7SD	3 May 2022
7	The relevant police and crime commissioner	The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley The Farmhouse Thames Valley Police Headquarters Oxford Road, Kidlington Oxon, OX5 2NX	3 May 2022
8	The Environment Agency	The Chief Executive Environment Agency Head Office Horizon House Bristol BS1 5AH	3 May 2022
9	The Environment Agency	National Customer Contact Centre PO Box 544 Rotherham S60 1BY	3 May 2022
10	The Joint Nature Conservation Committee	The Chief Executive Joint Nature Conservation Committee Monkstone House City Road Peterborough PE1 1JY	3 May 2022
11	The Civil Aviation Authority	The Company Secretary Civil Aviation Authority Aviation House Beehive Ring Road Crawley West Sussex England RH6 0YR	3 May 2022
12	The Secretary of State for Transport	The Secretary of State for Transport The Department for Transport Great Minster House 33 Horseferry Road London SW1P 4DR	3 May 2022
13	The relevant Highways Authority	Slough Borough Council Highways Observatory House, 25 Windsor Rd, Slough SL1 2EL	3 May 2022
14	Transport for London	Transport for London 9th Floor	3 May 2022

		5 Endeavour Square London E20 1JN	
15	The relevant strategic highways company	The Company Secretary, Highways England Company Ltd Bridge House 1 Walnut Tree Close Guildford GU1 4LZ	3 May 2022
16	The British Waterways Board	The Chief Executive Canal & River Trust Head Office First Floor North Station House 500 Elder Gate Milton Keynes MK9 1BB.	3 May 2022
17	Public Health England, an executive agency of the Department of Health	The Chief Executive Public information access office Public Health England Wellington House 133-155 Waterloo Road London SE1 8UG United Kingdom	3 May 2022
18	Public Health England, an executive agency of the Department of Health	Environmental Hazards and Emergencies Department Centre for Radiation, Chemical and Environmental Hazards (CRCE) Seaton House City Link London Road Nottingham NG2 4LA	3 May 2022
19	The Crown Estate Commissioners	The Chief Executive The Crown Estate 1 St James's Market London SW1 4AH	3 May 2022
20	The Forestry Commission	The Chief Executive The Forestry Commission. 620 Bristol Business Park Coldharbour Lane Bristol BS16 1EJ United Kingdom	3 May 2022
21	The Secretary of State for Defence	The Secretary of State for Defence The Ministry of Defence Whitehall London SW1A 2HB	3 May 2022
22	The Secretary of State for Defence	Mr Michael Billings Assistant Safeguarding Officer	3 May 2022

		Safeguarding Department Statutory & Offshore Defence Infrastructure Organisation Kingston Road Sutton Coldfield West Midlands B75 7RL	
23	The Canal and River Trust	The Chief Executive The Canal and River Trust First Floor North Station House 500 Elder Gate Milton Keynes MK9 1BB	3 May 2022

Table 2 - Relevant Statutory Undertakers – Section 42(1)(a)

No.	Consultee	Address	Date	Date Consulted
1	The relevant Clinical Commissioning Group	NHS Frimley Clinical Commissioning Group	Frimley CCG Aldershot Centre for Health Hospital Hill Aldershot GU11 1AY	3 May 2022
2	The National Health Service Commissioning Board	NHS England	PO Box 16738 Redditch B97 9PT	3 May 2022
3	The relevant NHS Foundation Trust	South Central Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust	South Central Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust North Wing, Southern House Sparrowgrove Otterbourne Hampshire SO21 2RU	3 May 2022
4	Railways	Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd	Network Rail One Eversholt Street London NW1 2DN	3 May 2022
5		Highways England Historical Railways Estate	National Highways National Traffic Operations Centre 3 Ridgeway Quinton Business Park Birmingham B32 1AF	3 May 2022
6	Road Transport	Transport for London	Transport for London 5 Endeavour Square London E20 1JN	3 May 2022
7	Canal Or Inland	The Canal and River Trust	National Waterways Museum Ellesmere Port South Pier Road	3 May 2022

	Navigation Authorities		Ellesmere Port Cheshire CH65 4FW	
8	Civil Aviation Authority	Civil Aviation Authority	Aviation House Beehive Ringroad Crawley West Sussex RH6 0YR	3 May 2022
9	Civil Aviation Authority	Civil Aviation Authority	Civil Aviation Authority Canary Wharf London E14 4HD	3 May 2022
10	The relevant Environment Agency	The Environment Agency	2 Marsham St London SW1P 4DF	3 May 2022
11	The relevant water and sewage undertaker	Thames Water	Clearwater Court Vastern Road Reading RG1 8DB	3 May 2022
12		Thames Water Commercial Services	Clearwater Court Vastern Road Reading RG1 8DB	3 May 2022
13	The relevant Environment Agency	The Environment Agency	2 Marsham St London SW1P 4DF	3 May 2022
14	The relevant water and sewage undertaker	Thames Water	Clearwater Court Vastern Road Reading RG1 8DB	3 May 2022
15		Thames Water Commercial Services	Clearwater Court Vastern Road Reading RG1 8DB	3 May 2022
16	The relevant public gas transporter	Cadent Gas Limited	Brick Kiln Street - Hinckley Leicestershire LE10 0NA	3 May 2022
17		Last Mile Gas Ltd	Last Mile Asset Management Limited Fenick House Lister Way Hamilton International Technology Park Glasgow G72 0FT	3 May 2022
18		Energy Assets Pipelines Limited	Ship Canal House 98 King Street Manchester M2 4WU	3 May 2022
19		ES Pipelines Ltd	ESP Utilities Group Ltd Bluebird House	3 May 2022

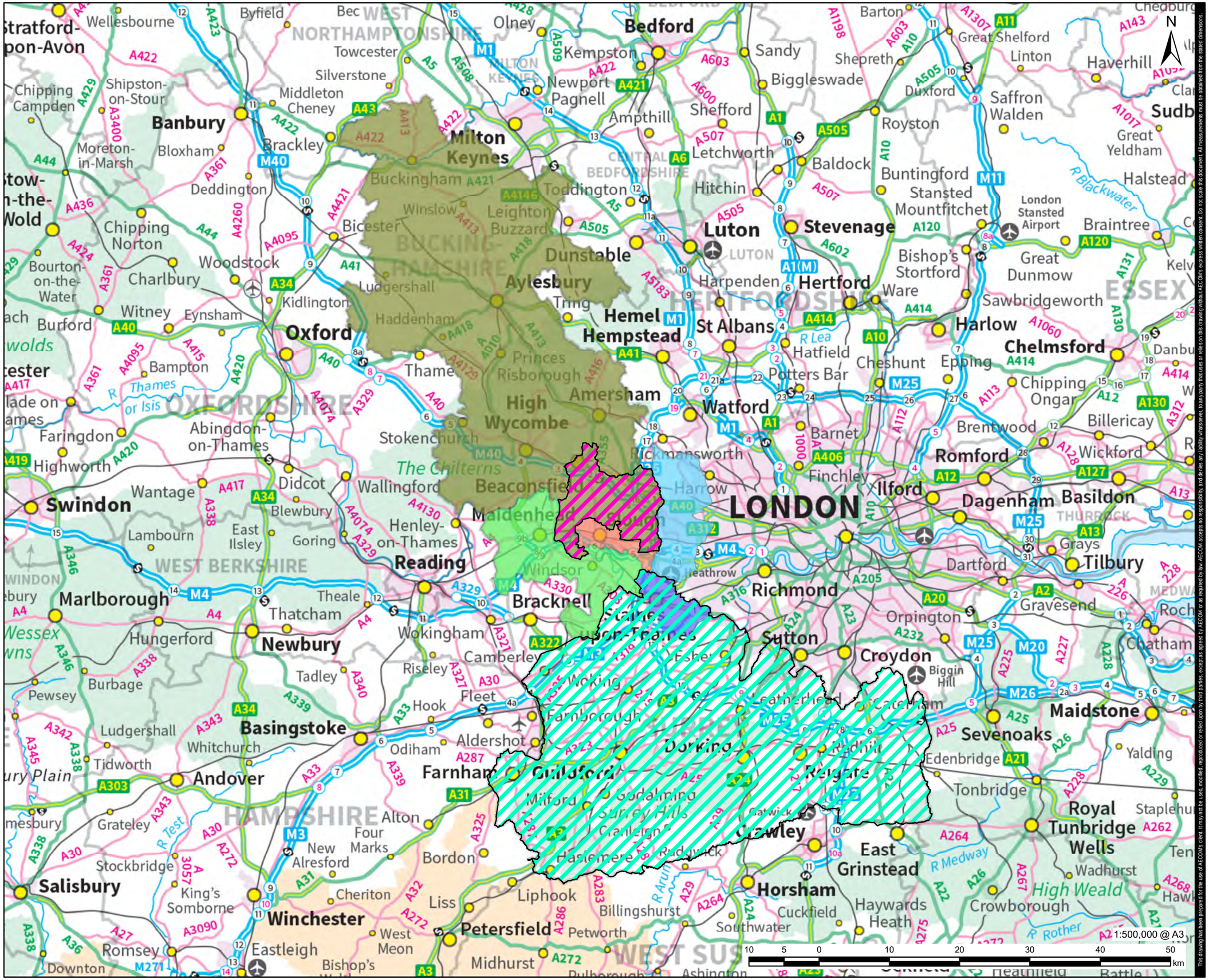
			Mole Business Park Leatherhead Surrey KT22 7BA	
20		ESP Networks Ltd	ESP Utilities Group Ltd Bluebird House Mole Business Park Leatherhead Surrey KT22 7BA	3 May 2022
21		ESP Pipelines Ltd	ESP Utilities Group Ltd Bluebird House Mole Business Park Leatherhead Surrey KT22 7BA	3 May 2022
22		ESP Connections Ltd	ESP Utilities Group Ltd Bluebird House Mole Business Park Leatherhead Surrey KT22 7BA	3 May 2022
23		Fulcrum Pipelines Limited	Fulcrum 2 Europa View Sheffield Business Park Sheffield S9 1XH	3 May 2022
24		Harlaxton Gas Networks Limited	Toll Bar Road Marston Grantham Lincs NG32 2HT	3 May 2022
25		GTC Pipelines Limited	Synergy House Woolpit Business Park Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 9UP	3 May 2022
26		Independent Pipelines Limited	Synergy House Windmill Avenue Woolpit Bury St. Edmunds IP30 9UP	3 May 2022
27		Indigo Pipelines Limited	15 Diddenham Court Lambwood Hill Grazeley Reading RG7 1JQ	3 May 2022
28		Leep Gas Networks Limited	Leep Holdings (Utilities) Ltd The Greenhouse Media City Uk	3 May 2022

			Salford M50 2EQ	
29		Murphy Gas Networks limited	Murphy Gas Networks Limited Hawks Green Lane Cannock Staffordshire WS11 7LH	3 May 2022
29		Quadrant Pipelines Limited	Synergy House Woolpit Business Park Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 9UP	3 May 2022
30		Squire Energy Limited	55 High St Epsom KT19 8DH	3 May 2022
31		National Grid Gas Plc	1 - 3 Strand London WC2N 5EH	3 May 2022
32		Scotland Gas Networks Plc	St Lawrence House Horley RH6 9HJ	3 May 2022
34	The relevant electricity generator with CPO Powers	SSE Enterprise Utilities	One Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
35		SSE Enterprise Utilities	Inveralmond House 200 Dunkeld Road Perth PH1 3AQ	3 May 2022
36	The relevant electricity distributor with CPO Powers	Eclipse Power Network Limited	Office Park 25 Osier Way Olney MK46 5FP	3 May 2022
37		Energy Assets Networks Limited	Ship Canal House 98 King Street Manchester M2 4WU	3 May 2022
38		ESP Electricity Limited	ESP Utilities Group Ltd Bluebird House Mole Business Park Leatherhead Surrey KT22 7BA	3 May 2022
39		Forbury Assets Limited	43 The Forbury Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
40		Fulcrum Electricity Assets Limited	Fulcrum 2 Europa View Sheffield Business Park Sheffield S9 1XH	3 May 2022

41		Harlaxton Energy Networks Limited	Toll Bar Road Marston 4Grantham Lincs NG32 2HT	3 May 2022
42		Independent Power Networks Limited	Synergy House Windmill Avenue Woolpit Bury St. Edmunds IP30 9UP	3 May 2022
43		Indigo Power Limited	15 Diddenham Court Lambwood Hill Grazeley Reading RG7 1JQ	3 May 2022
44		Last Mile Electricity Ltd	Last Mile Asset Management Limited Fenick House Lister Way Hamilton International Technology Park Glasgow G72 0FT	3 May 2022
45		Leep Electricity Networks Limited	Leep Holdings (Utilities) Ltd The Greenhouse Media City Uk Salford M50 2EQ	3 May 2022
46		Murphy Power Distribution Limited	Murphy Gas Networks Limited Hawks Green Lane Cannock Staffordshire WS11 7LH	3 May 2022
47		The Electricity Network Company Limited	Synergy House Windmill Avenue Woolpit Bury St. Edmunds IP30 9UP	3 May 2022
48		UK Power Distribution Limited	6500 Daresbury Park, Warrington, Cheshire WA4 4GE	3 May 2022
49		Utility Assets Limited	53 High St Cheveley Newmarket CB8 9DQ	3 May 2022
50		Vattenfall Networks Limited	70 St Mary Axe London EC3A 8BE	3 May 2022
51		UK Power Networks Limited	Newington House 237 Southwark Bridge Road	3 May 2022

			Waterloo London SE1 6NP	
52	The relevant electricity transmitter with CPO Powers	National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc	1 - 3 Strand London WC2N 5EH	3 May 2022
53		National Grid Electricity System Operator	1 - 3 Strand London WC2N 5EH	3 May 2022

APPENDIX 8.2 – MAP SHOWING LPA BOUNDARIES


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Finchley
Barnet
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Billericay
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APPENDIX 8.3 – LIST OF S.44 PERSONS

Appendix 8.3 – s.44 Persons Consulted

No.	Consultee	Date Consulted
1	EU Networks Fiber UK Limited 5 Churchill Place London E14 5HU	3 May 2022
2	Neos Networks Limited Inveralmond House 200 Dunkeld Road Perth PH1 3AQ	3 May 2022
3	Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks Inveralmond House 200 Dunkeld Road Perth PH1 3AQ	3 May 2022
4	SSE Utility Solutions Limited No.1 Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
5	Slough Heat & Power Limited No.1 Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
6	SSE Enterprise Limited No.1 Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
7	Thames Water Limied Clearwater Court Vastern Road Reading RG1 8DB	3 May 2022
8	British Telecommunications PLC 1 Braham Street London E1 8EE	3 May 2022
9	Slough Trading Estate Limited 1 New Burlington Place London W1S 2HR	3 May 2022
10	Intertrust Corporate Trustee (Jersey) Limited 44 Esplanade St. Helier Jersey JE4 9WG	3 May 2022

11	Intertrust Trustee 2 (Jersey) Limited 44 Esplanade St. Helier Jersey JE4 9WG	3 May 2022
12	Fibre Power (Slough) Limited No.1 Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
13	Slough Utility Services Limited No.1 Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
14	Slough Electricity Contracts Limited No.1 Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
15	Lanes Group Plc 17 Parkside Lane Parkside Industrial Estate Leeds LS11 5TD	3 May 2022
16	Cadent Gas Limited Ashbrook Court Prologis Park Central Boulevard Coventry CV7 8PE	3 May 2022
17	On Tower UK 1 Limited 4th Floor 2 Blagrave Street Reading RG1 1AZ	3 May 2022
18	Southern Electric Power Distribution Plc No.1 Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
19	Sovrin Plastics Limited 705 Stirling Road Slough SL1 4ST	3 May 2022
20	Equinix Hyperscale 1 (Ld13) Limited Masters House 107 Hammersmith Road London W14 0QH	3 May 2022

21	Equinix (UK) Limited Masters House 107 Hammersmith Road London W14 0QH	3 May 2022
22	SSE Slough Multifuel Limited No.1 Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
23	Slough Trading Estate Limited 1 New Burlington Place London W1S 2HR	3 May 2022
24	Intertrust Corporate Trustee (Jersey) Limited 44 Esplanade St. Helier Jersey JE4 9WG	3 May 2022
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31	Southern Electric Power Distribution Plc No.1 Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
32	SSE Slough Multifuel Limited No.1 Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
33	National Grid Gas PLC 1-3 Strand London WC2N 5EH	3 May 2022
34	Slough Borough Council Observatory House 25 Windsor Road Slough SL1 2EL	3 May 2022

APPENDIX 8.4 – EXAMPLES OF SITE NOTICE

THE SLOUGH MULTIFUEL EXTENSION PROJECT

The Planning Act 2008 - Section 48 'Duty to publicise'

The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2008 - Regulation 4

The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 - Regulation 13

Notice of proposed application for a Development Consent Order for the Slough Multifuel Extension Project

The Application

1. Notice is hereby given that SSE Slough Multifuel Limited (the 'Applicant'), whose registered office is No.1 Forbury Place, 43 Forbury Road, Reading, RG1 3JH, is intending to submit an application (the 'Proposed Application') to the Secretary of State (the 'SoS') for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order ('DCO') under Section 37 'Applications for orders granting development consent' of the Planning Act 2008 (the 'PA 2008'), to authorise the construction of the Slough Multifuel Extension Project and the ongoing operation of the Consented Development (defined below) at the increased capacity of over 50 megawatts (the 'Project').

2. The Project comprises works to increase the efficiency and output of an energy from waste electricity generating station with capacity up to 50 megawatts (MW), which was originally consented in June 2017 under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 ('TCPA') regime (planning permission refs. P/00987/024 and P/00987/025) (the 'Consented Development'), to achieve up to 60MW peak electrical output (MWe). As the electrical output would exceed 50MW the Project requires development consent (granted in the form of a DCO) pursuant to Sections 31, 14(1)(a) and 15 of the PA 2008.

The Project

3. The Project comprises land either of Edinburgh Avenue, Slough, SL1 4TU (located a grid reference 495372, 181446) (the 'Site'). The Site is located within the Slough Heat and Power site and encompasses the site of the Consented Development. All elements of the Project are within the administrative boundary of Slough Borough Council. In total the Site extends 2.8 hectares.

3.1 Plans are available within the 'Consultation Documents' (see further below) showing the extent of the Site.

3.2 The Slough Multifuel Extension Project involves the mechanical modification of the Consented Development and provision of additional systems including:

- heat exchanger bundles (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- external and internal above ground pipework and valves;
- pipe supports (external and internal);

- thermal insulation (external and internal works);
- instrumentation (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- cabling and containment (internal); and
- mechanical modifications to the steam turbine inlet control system (internal works).

3.3 The increase in efficiency and generating capacity will not require any increase in the hourly throughput of Waste Derived Fuel (WDF) or the number of approved deliveries to the facility.

3.4 The consented building structures and architecture, currently under construction, will remain unchanged.

Environmental Impact Assessment

4. The Applicant has notified the SoS in writing under Regulation 8(1)(b) of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017(the 'EIA Regulations') that they intend to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of the Project. The Project is therefore 'EIA development' for the purposes of the EIA Regulations and an ES will form part of the Proposed Application.

5. Information so far compiled about the Project's environmental impacts is contained in a Preliminary Environmental Information ('PEI') Report and summarised in a Non-Technical Summary to the PEI Report.

Consultation Documents

6. The PEI Report and other documents relating to the Project, including plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Project (the 'Consultation Documents'), are available to download and view free of charge from the Project Website: [redacted] until 17 June 2022. The documents will be available under the 'Stage 2 Consultation' tab on the Project Website (link above).

7. If you are unable to access the Project Website please telephone: Freephone 0800 335 7003 and leave a message or email: thermalenquiries@sse.com and you will be offered a paper copy of the Consultation Documents free of charge (with the exception of the PEI Report which will be charged at a maximum of £100) or a USB containing the Consultation Documents free of charge. Please allow a week for receipt of the Consultation Documents.

7.1 Any details you provide to us via telephone or email will be subject to our Privacy Notice: [redacted]

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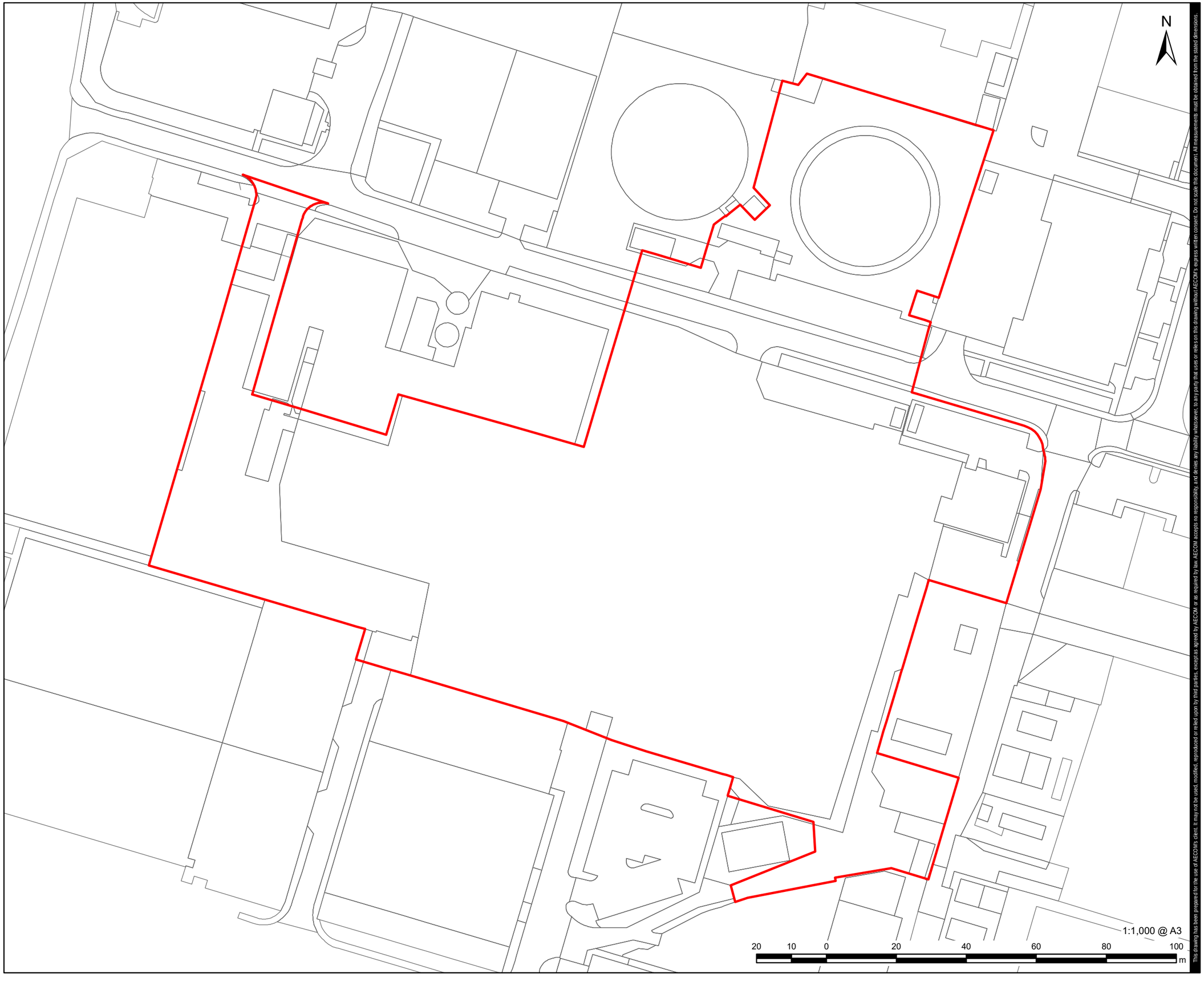
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SSE Slough Multifuel Limited

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Proposed Project Site Boundary

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FOR INFORMATION

PROJECT NUMBER

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APPENDIX 8.5 – LIST OF NON-PRESCRIBED CONSULTEES

Appendix 8.5 – Non Prescribed Persons Consulted

No.	Consultee	Address	Date Consulted
1	SEGRO plc	SEGRO, 258 Bath Road, Slough SL1 4DX	3 May 2022
2	SEGRO PlC (Head Office)	1 New Burlington Place, London W1S 2HR. UK Registered No. 167591 Place of Registration: England and Wales	3 May 2022
3	City of London Corporation (owner of the SAC Burnham Beeches)	City of London Corporation Guildhall, PO Box 270 London EC2P 2EJ 020 7332 1710	3 May 2022
4	Crossrail and First GWR	Crosstail, Operational Property Division, Transport for London (Commercial Development), 5th Floor East Wing, 55 Broadway, London SW1H 0BD	3 May 2022
5	Sport England	1st Floor 21 Bloomsbury Street London WC1B 3HF	3 May 2022
6	Britwell Parish Council	The Clerk, Britwell Parish Council, Community Centre, Long Furlong Drive, Slough. SL2 2PH	3 May 2022
7	Ofcom	Ofcom Riverside House 2a Southwark Bridge Road London SE1 9HA	3 May 2022
8	Slough Heat and Power (SHP)	One Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
9	Thames Water	Clearwater Court, Vastern Road, Reading RG1 8DB.	3 May 2022

APPENDIX 9.1 – EXAMPLE S.42 LETTER (BOTH VERSIONS)

Date: 3 May 2022
Our Ref: 15432

«Addressee»
«Address»

6 New Bridge Street
London EC4V 6AB
T: 020 7489 0213
F: 020 7248 4743
E: info@dwdllp.com
W: [redacted]

Also by email to: «Also_by_email_to»

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The Applicant has identified a number of persons and organisations, which it is required to consult for the purposes of Section 42 of the PA 2008. It has been determined that you or your organisation is, or may be, a 'prescribed person' for the purposes of Section 42. The Applicant therefore wishes to seek your views on their proposals.

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Jack Withington
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APPENDIX 9.2 – S.42 RESPONSES RECEIVED (REDACTED)

[redacted]

DWD Property planning
[redacted]
Email:thermalenquiries@sse.com

Your Ref: 15432
Our Ref: SS/10112
Ask for: [redacted]
Date: 16 May 2022

Dear Sir,

THE SLOUGH MULTIFUEL EXTENSION PROJECT- LAND EITHER SIDE OF EDINBURGH AVENUE, SLOUGH, SL1 4TU,

Further to your letter dated 3 May 2022 which you have forwarded, it is noted that your application to develop the above sites has been made under the Town and Country Planning Acts.

At this stage there is no duty placed upon the Fire Authority under the aforementioned legislation to make any comment relative to your application.

Any structural fire precautions and all means of escape provision will have to satisfy Building Regulation requirement. These matters are administered by the local authority Building Control or approved inspectors, who you are advised to contact in this regard.

Please note that the weight limits for RBFRS fire appliances is 16 tonnes for fire engines and 26 tonnes for three axle aerial appliance. Access and water supplies requirements must meet or exceed The Building Regulations 2010 Approved Document B- B5 standards.

Please be advised that any comments made by the Fire and Rescue Service in this letter must not be taken as formal approval.

Yours faithfully

[redacted]

POSITIVE ABOUT DISABLED PEOPLE

[redacted]

Date: 09 June 2022

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Submitted via email to: thermalenquiries@sse.com

Cadent
Your Gas Network

SSE Slough Multifuel

Statutory consultation under section 42 of the Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedures) Regulations 2009 (the APFP Regulations)

I refer to your letter dated 6th May 2022 regarding the above proposed DCO. Cadent has reviewed the consultation documents and has the following comments:

In respect of existing Cadent infrastructure, Cadent will require appropriate protection for retained apparatus including compliance with relevant standards for works proposed within close proximity of its apparatus,

Cadent Infrastructure within or in close proximity to the development

Cadent has identified the following apparatus within the redline boundary or within the vicinity of the proposed works:

- High Pressure (above 2 bar) Gas Pipelines and associated equipment
- Medium Pressure mains and associated equipment
- Low Pressure mains and associated equipment

Note: No liability of any kind whatsoever is accepted by Cadent Gas Limited or their agents, servants or contractors for any error or omission.

Please note that Cadent has existing easements for these pipelines which prevents the erection of permanent / temporary buildings/structures, change to existing ground levels or storage of materials etc within the easement strip.

Diversions:

Where diversions of apparatus are required to facilitate the scheme, Cadent will require adequate notice and discussions should be started at the earliest opportunity. Please be aware that diversions for high pressure apparatus can take in excess of two years to plan and procure materials.

Where diversions of apparatus are required to facilitate the scheme, Cadent will require the party requesting the diversion works to obtain any necessary planning permissions and other consents to enable the diversion works to be carried out. Details of these consents should be agreed in writing with Cadent before any applications are made. Cadent would ordinarily require a minimum of C4/Conceptual Design study to have been carried out to establish an appropriate diversion route ahead of any application being made.

Adequate land rights must be granted to Cadent (e.g. following the exercise of compulsory powers to acquire such rights included within the DCO) to enable works to proceed, to Cadent's satisfaction. Cadent's approval to the land rights powers included in the DCO prior to submission is strongly recommended to avoid later substantive objection to the DCO. Land rights will be required to be obtained prior to construction and commissioning of any diverted apparatus, in order to avoid any delays to the project's timescales. A diversion agreement may be required addressing responsibility for works, timescales, expenses and indemnity.

[redacted]

Protection/Protective Provisions:

Where the Promoter intends to acquire land, extinguish rights, or interfere with any of Cadent's apparatus, Cadent will require appropriate protection for retained apparatus and further discussion on the impact to its apparatus and rights including adequate Protective Provisions. Operations within Cadent's existing easement strips are not permitted without approval and will necessitate a Deed of Consent being put in place. Any proposals for work in the vicinity for Cadent's existing apparatus will require approval by Plant Protection under the Protective Provisions and early discussions are advised.

Key Considerations:

- Cadent has a Deed of Grant of Easement for each pipeline, which prevents the erection of permanent / temporary buildings/structures, change to existing ground levels or storage of materials etc within the easement strip.

- Please be aware that written permission is required before any works commence within the Cadent easement strip and a Crossing Agreement may be required if any apparatus needs to cross the Cadent easement strip

- The below guidance is not exhaustive and all works in the vicinity of Cadent's asset shall be subject to review and approval from Cadent's plant protection team in advance of commencement of works on site.

General Notes on Pipeline Safety:

- You should be aware of the Health and Safety Executives guidance document HS(G) 47 "Avoiding Danger from Underground Services", and Cadent's specification for Safe Working in the Vicinity of Cadent High Pressure gas pipelines and associated installations - requirements for third parties GD/SP/SSW22. Digsafe leaflet Excavating Safely - Avoiding injury when working near gas pipes. There will be additional requirements dictated by Cadent's plant protection team.

- Cadent will also need to ensure that our pipelines remain accessible thorughout and after completion of the works .

- The actual depth and position must be confirmed on site by trial hole investigation under the supervision of a Cadent representative. Ground cover above our pipelines should not be reduced or increased.

- If any excavations are planned within 3 metres of Cadent High Pressure Pipeline or, within 10 metres of an AGI (Above Ground Installation), or if any embankment or dredging works are proposed then the actual position and depth of the pipeline must be established on site in the presence of a Cadent representative. A safe working method agreed prior to any work taking place in order to minimise the risk of damage and ensure the final depth of cover does not affect the integrity of the pipeline.

- Below are some examples of work types that have specific restrictions when being undertaken in the vicinity of gas assets therefore consultation with Cadent's Plant Protection team is essential:

    - Demolition
    - Blasting
    - Piling and boring
    - Deep mining
    - Surface mineral extraction
    - Landfliing
    - Trenchless Techniques (e.g. HDD, pipe splitting, tunnelling etc.)
    - Wind turbine installation
    - Solar farm installation

[redacted]

- Tree planting schemes

Pipeline Crossings:

- Where existing roads cannot be used, construction traffic should ONLY cross the pipeline at agreed locations.
- The pipeline shall be protected, at the crossing points, by temporary rafts constructed at ground level. The third party shall review ground conditions, vehicle types and crossing frequencies to determine the type and construction of the raft required.
- The type of raft shall be agreed with Cadent prior to installation.
- No protective measures including the installation of concrete slab protection shall be installed over or near to the Cadent pipeline without the prior permission of Cadent.
- Cadent will need to agree the material, the dimensions and method of installation of the proposed protective measure.
- The method of installation shall be confirmed through the submission of a formal written method statement from the contractor to Cadent.
- A Cadent representative shall monitor any works within close proximity to the pipeline.

New Service Crossing:

- New services may cross the pipeline at perpendicular angle to the pipeline i.e. 90 degrees.
- Where a new service is to cross over the pipeline a clearance distance of 0.6 metres between the crown of the pipeline and underside of the service should be maintained. If this cannot be achieved the service shall cross below the pipeline with a clearance distance of 0.6 metres.
- A new service should not be laid parallel within an easement strip
- A Cadent representative shall approve and supervise any new service crossing of a pipeline.
- An exposed pipeline should be suitable supported and removed prior to backfilling
- An exposed pipeline should be protected by matting and suitable timber cladding
- For pipe construction involving deep excavation (<1.5m) in the vicinity of grey iron mains, the model consultative procedure will apply therefore an integrity assessment must be conducted to confirm if diversion is required

Yours Faithfully

[redacted]

[redacted]

Guidance

To download a copy of the HSE Guidance HS(G)47, please use the following link:

[redacted]

Dial Before You Dig Pipelines Guidance:

[redacted]

Essential Guidance document:

[redacted]

Excavating Safely in the vicinity of gas pipes guidance (Credit card):

[redacted]

Copies of all the Guidance Documents can also be downloaded from the Cadent website:

[redacted]

Specification for Safe Working in the Vicinity of Cadent Assets:

[redacted]

Tree Planting Guidance:

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Subject: FW: Stage 2 consultation
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From: [redacted]
Sent: 30 May 2022 11:36
To: [redacted]
Subject: FW: Stage 2 consultation

From [redacted]
Sent: 24 May 2022 11:11
To: [redacted]
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Stage 2 consultation

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The Trust has reviewed the proposals and on the basis that they appear unlikely to have any impact on our waterway we have no comment to make at this time. If the proposals become significantly altered, we ask that you re-consult us in order that we can re-consider this position.

Kind regards

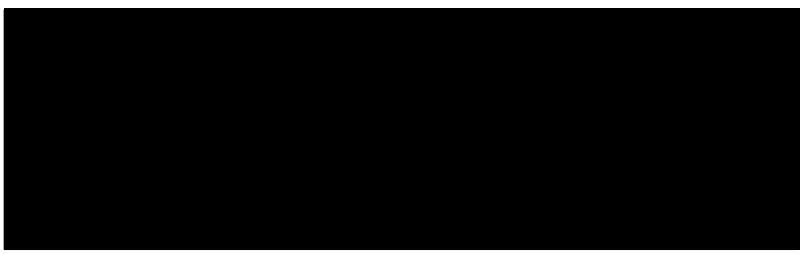
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From: [redacted]
Sent: 10 May 2022 11:08
To: [redacted]
Subject: [redacted]

Good Morning,

We can confirm we do not have anything in this area at present. SL1 4TU

Going forward please send all Asset serches by email to [redacted]

Thank you for your email.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any queries

[redacted]

[redacted]



[redacted]



From: [redacted]
Sent: 11 May 2022 16:41
To: [redacted]
Subject: FW: 220511/AC46 Slough Multifuel extension project- comes with a memory USB stick

Dear Customer,

I have passed your enquiry to our Sustainable Places team for the relevant area and they will be in touch with you shortly.

The Freedom of Information Act and Environmental Information Regulations state that a public authority must respond to requests for information within 20 working days, but we aim to respond to all enquiries as quickly as we can.

However due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic affecting staff and resources we may take longer than the 20 working days to reply. We will aim to provide an answer as soon as we can.

You can find more information about our service commitment by clicking on the link below:

[redacted]

Should you wish to contact the Sustainable Places team directly, please use the contact details below. Please quote your Enquiry Reference 220511/AC46 in any correspondence with us regarding this matter.

[redacted]

Kind regards,

[redacted]

[redacted]

Sent: 05 May 2022 11:27
To: [redacted]
Subject: FW: Slough Multifuel extension project- comes with a memory USB stick

Good morning team

Please see the attachment, received by post.

Kind regards

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10 June 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

Section 42 Planning Act 2008: Statutory Consultation – The Slough Multifuel Extension Project

Thank you for your letter of the 3 May 2022 regarding the proposed The Slough Multifuel Extension Project.

HSE's land use planning advice

Will the proposed development fall within any of HSE's consultation distances?

According to HSE's records the proposed project does not lie within any consultation zones of major accident hazards sites or major accident hazard pipelines.

The report provided is non-technical and does not provide sufficient detail to establish whether dangerous substances are handled in quantities that would require HSC although they do state from a Major hazards view point there is not change.

No change from previous advice provided.

Explosives sites

HSE has no comment to make as there are no licensed explosives sites in the vicinity.

Electrical Safety

No comment from a planning perspective.

During this time, please send any further communication on this project directly to the HSE's designated e-mail account for NSIP applications at [redacted]. We are currently unable to accept hard copies, as our offices have limited access.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]

From: [redacted] on behalf of [redacted]
To:
Subject: FW: FORMAL RESPONSE: #16787 Consultation The Slough Multifuel Extension Project Land either side of Edinburgh Avenue Slough Trading Estate SL1 4TU
Date: 21 June 2022 09:10:06

From: [redacted]
Sent: 15 June 2022 12:57
To [redacted]
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FORMAL RESPONSE: #16787 Consultation The Slough Multifuel Extension Project Land either side of Edinburgh Avenue Slough Trading Estate SL1 4TU

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For the attention of: DWD Property and Planning

Your Reference: [redacted]

Our reference: [redacted]

Location: The Slough Multifuel Extension Project, Land either side of Edinburgh Avenue Slough Trading Estate SL1 4TU

Proposal: The extension of a multifuel combined heat and power (CHP) electricity generating station from up to 50 megawatts (MW) gross output to up to 60 MW gross output.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you for your letter dated 3 May 2002, consulting National Highways, in accordance with Section 42 'Duty to Consult' of the Planning Act 2008 & Regulation 13 'Pre-Application publicity under Section 48 (Duty to Publicise)' of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017, in regard to the proposed extension to The Slough Multifuel Project, Land either side of Edinburgh Avenue Slough Trading Estate SL1 4TU.

National Highways has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the strategic road network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such National Highways works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective

stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.

We will therefore be concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact the safe and efficient operation of the SRN, in this case the M4 including Junction 6 which lies approximately 3 km from the site under review.

We note that the project requires the development of an Environmental Impact Assessment and therefore one will be prepared assessing likely significant impacts from the project on the environment. Data has already been compiled and is provided in the Preliminary Environmental Information (PEI) and Non-Technical Summary (NTS) consultation documents which we have reviewed.

In terms of impact assessment this has been split into three separate areas of consideration; Construction Staff; Construction Vehicles and Operational Impact.

Construction Staff
The Consented Development Transport Assessment assumed that one third of staff (167) will arrive/depart during the peak hours to represent a shift changeover, however demolition and construction shift changeovers will be scheduled to avoid the weekday peak hours (07:30 to 09:30 and 16:30 to18:30) to avoid the worst affected hours.

The Project Extension is anticipated to require an additional 20 construction staff/day over a two-month installation period. Paragraph 5.2.2 of the Transport Statement (Appendix 7A of the PEI) makes reference to the construction traffic management plan (CTMP) submitted by SSE for the discharge of the pre-commencement planning conditions for the Consented Development, and it is anticipated that the measures in the CTMP will cover the Project Extension due to the similar nature of the works. The CTMP states that staff will not be allowed to park at the Site or on public roads and streets around the Site. Therefore, staff are required to park at an off-site car park which has 128 car parking spaces located on Whitby Road (circa 1.6km / 1 mile from the Site). The off-site parking is proposed to be temporary during the construction period (42 months) of the Consented Development and if required the duration would be extended to include the Project Extension.

The Consented Development CTMP states that ‘it is predicted that 75% of workers will travel to site by car and that car-sharing with three persons per car shall be planned. The CTMP also outlines ‘car sharing will be contractually required within subcontractor agreements. A permit system, managed by the Principal Contractor’s Travel Co-ordinator, will be put in place and only cars with this permit shall be given entry to the parking facilities’. Shuttle buses will operate between the off-site car parking facility and the site drop-off point to the rear of Building 689 Stirling Road. The CTMP forecasts that ‘a maximum of 5 to 8 minibuses with a capacity of 10 to 15 persons, or up to 3 buses with a capacity of 50 to 70 persons will wait at the drop-off point at the same time’.

Using the same assumptions the 20 members of staff will require an additional 1-2 shuttle buses to the Site and five car parking spaces at the off-site car park. As the construction of the Project Extension is anticipated to occur after the peak construction period of the Consented Development, there will not be an increase

in the maximum number of minibuses travelling to the Site and parking available for the additional staff.

Using the car sharing assumption for the Project Extension will result in five additional cars travelling to / from the off-site car park per day for two months. This additional traffic, not of all which may use the surrounding network at peak times, is considered not to result in a significant impact on the SRN and we are in agreement with conclusions as detailed in Paragraph 6.1.3 of the PEI Transport Statement, in that the impact of the construction staff travel for the Project Extension on the highway network is anticipated to be negligible.

Construction Vehicles
The Consented Development is anticipated to have during peak demolition/construction approximately 500 two-way light vehicle movements per day and approximately 30 HGV movements. The Consented Development Transport Assessment assumed that based on operating hours that 10% of the HGV traffic for the site would arrive/depart in each of the peak hours, which equates to approximately 3 HGV movements per peak.

The construction of the Project Extension is anticipated to require around 20 HGV deliveries over the two-month period (an average <1 HGV arrival per day). This additional HGV traffic, which may not use the surrounding network at peak times, is considered not to result in a significant impact on the SRN and we are in agreement with conclusions as detailed in Paragraph 6.1.2 of the PEI Transport Statement, in that the impact of the HGV's required for construction for the Project Extension on the highway network is considered to be negligible.

Operational Impact
Paragraph 5.2.6 of the PEI Transport Statement states that once the Project Extension is operational, the fuel tonnage and waste output will not increase and therefore there will be no change to the number of deliveries or departures as a result of the Proposed Extension. Furthermore, Paragraph 6.2.1 of the PEI Transport Statement goes on to specify that the Section 106 Deed of Variation for the Consented Development (dated 17th November 2020) limits the total number of HGV movements to 100,000 per year. Also, there will be no change to staff numbers during the operational phase, and therefore there will be no impact on transport and access during the operational phase.

Based on the information provided in the PEI Transport Assessment it is considered that once operational the Project Extension will have no impact on the SRN above that of the previously Consented Development.

Overall, whilst no impact assessment on the SRN has been performed, we are content that for the Project Extension as detailed in the PEI Transport Statement that impact assessments are not required considering the low number of trips during construction and no change once operational. We have no comment on the assumptions and total number of trips anticipated during the construction phase, with the predicted numbers based on the Consented Development assumptions and ongoing requirements of the CTMP.

If any changes to the proposed construction staff / HGV trips occur as part of any

ongoing Environmental Impact Assessment development then these and any potential impact on the SRN will be evaluated at that time. If any changes in trip calculations do occur we would be open to engagement in terms of review and detailing the scope for any subsequent assessment, if required, to determine any potential impacts on the SRN prior to the submission of the Development Consent Order.

Please send any future consultations to our team's inbox: [redacted] and also note our registered office address in the signature strip below. Please do not send any future correspondence to the National Traffic Operation Centre at Quinton as misdirected post can be delayed or lost before it reaches correct recipient.

I hope this is helpful.

Regards

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Hi all,

Please see response to S42 from National Highways.

Many thanks,

[redacted]

From [redacted]
Sent: 17 May 2022 09:32
To: [redacted]
Subject: FW: The Slough Multifuel Project - Land Either Side of Edinburgh Avenue Slough Trading Estate SL1 4TU

From: [redacted]
Sent: 13 May 2022 12:17
To: [redacted]
Cc: info@dwdllp.com
Subject: [EXTERNAL] The Slough Multifuel Project - Land Either Side of Edinburgh Avenue Slough Trading Estate SL1 4TU

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Dear Sirs,

Thank you for letter to National Highways dated 3 May (attached for reference).

National Highways is responsible for the trunk road network in England. Edinburgh Avenue has now been de trunked so is no longer part of the trunk road network.

By virtue of Section 265 of the Highways Act 1980, the de-trunking order has transferred ownership of the highway and the subsoil of the Edinburgh Avenue to the local highway authority (LHA). This means that ownership vests in the LHA even though National Highways remains the registered owner. The transfer of registered proprietorship is just an administrative exercise that has not yet been undertaken.

Ownership, maintenance and responsibility for the operation of this road transferred to the LHA when the road was de trunked.

I recommend that you contact Slough Borough Council’s highways department who will be able to deal with your query.

Kind regards

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Date: 23 May 2022 18:02:58
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From: [redacted]
Sent: 23 May 2022 17:55
To: [redacted]
Subject: FW: Slough Multifuel Extension Project [SG32435]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 18 May 2022 15:06
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: Slough Multifuel Extension Project [SG32435]

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Our Ref: SG32435

Dear Sir/Madam

We refer to the Stage 2 Consultation for the Slough Multifuel Extension Project. NATS anticipates no impact from the proposed changes to the scheme and has no comments to make on the application.

Please update the contact details you have for NATS as per the information below, and note our preference to receive consultation/requests electronically.

Regards

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Just sending on this response for Slough [redacted]

Thanks

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Slough Multifuel Extension Project

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Your ref: Slough Multifuel Extension Project
Our ref: 392461

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Slough Multifuel Extension Project

Natural England has no comments to make on this application.

Natural England has not assessed this application for impacts on protected species. Natural England has published Standing Advice which you can use to assess impacts on protected species or you may wish to consult your own ecology services for advice.

Natural England and the Forestry Commission have also published standing advice on ancient woodland and veteran trees which you can use to assess any impacts on ancient woodland.

We recommend referring to our SSSI Impact Risk Zones (available on Magic and as a downloadable dataset) prior to consultation with Natural England. Further guidance on when to consult Natural England on planning and development proposals is available on gov.uk at https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-planning-authorities-get-environmental-advice

Yours faithfully





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For further information on the Pre-submission Screening Service see here

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Date: 07 June 2022 10:24:19
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Below response from Network Rail.

Thanks,

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 07 June 2022 09:26
To: Thermal Enquiries <ThermalEnquiries@sse.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 1542 - The Sough Mutifuel Extension Project

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Date: 6 June 2022

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (as amended)

APPLICATION NO: 1542
PROPOSAL: The Sough Mutifuel Extension Project
LOCATION: Land Either Side of Edinburgh Avenue, Slough Trading Estate, SL1 4TU

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your email dated **3 May 2022** together with the opportunity to comment on this proposal.

Network Rail have no objections in principle to the above proposals.

Any works on this land will need to be undertaken following engagement with Asset Protection to determine the interface with Network Rail assets, buried or otherwise and by entering into a Basis Asset Protection Agreement, if required, with a minimum of 3months notice before works start. Initially the outside party should contact [redacted]

Yours Sincerely,

[redacted]

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Proposed DCO Application by SSE Slough Multifuel Ltd for Slough Multifuel Project

Royal Mail Group Limited's response to Stage 2 section 42 consultation

Introduction

Together with the main proposed Slough Multifuel CHP scheme (for which planning permission has been granted and is under construction), the proposed Slough Multifuel Extension scheme has been identified as having potential to affect Royal Mail operational interests due to the potential for construction phase traffic impact on the highway network.

Royal Mail wishes to submit this section 42 consultation response which supersedes the previous holding statement dated 15 December 2021.

Royal Mail – relevant information

Under section 35 of the Postal Services Act 2011, Royal Mail has been designated by Ofcom as a provider of the Universal Postal Service. Royal Mail is the only such provider in the United Kingdom. The Act provides that Ofcom's primary regulatory duty is to secure the provision of the Universal Postal Service. Ofcom discharges this duty by imposing regulatory conditions on Royal Mail, requiring it to provide the Universal Postal Service.

The Act includes a set of minimum standards for Universal Service Providers, which Ofcom must secure. The conditions imposed by Ofcom reflect those standards. There is, in effect, a statutory obligation on Royal Mail to provide at least one collection from letterboxes and post offices six days a week and one delivery of letters to all 29 million homes and businesses in the UK six days a week (five days a week for parcels). Royal Mail must also provide a range of "end to end" services meeting users' needs, e.g. First Class, Second Class, Special Delivery by 1pm, International and Redirections services.

Royal Mail is under some of the highest specification performance obligations for quality of service in Europe. Its performance of the Universal Service Provider obligations is in the public interest and this should not be affected detrimentally by any statutorily authorised project.

The Government imposes financial penalties on Royal Mail if its Universal Service Obligation service delivery targets are not met. These penalties relate to time targets for:

- collections,
- clearance through plant, and
- delivery.

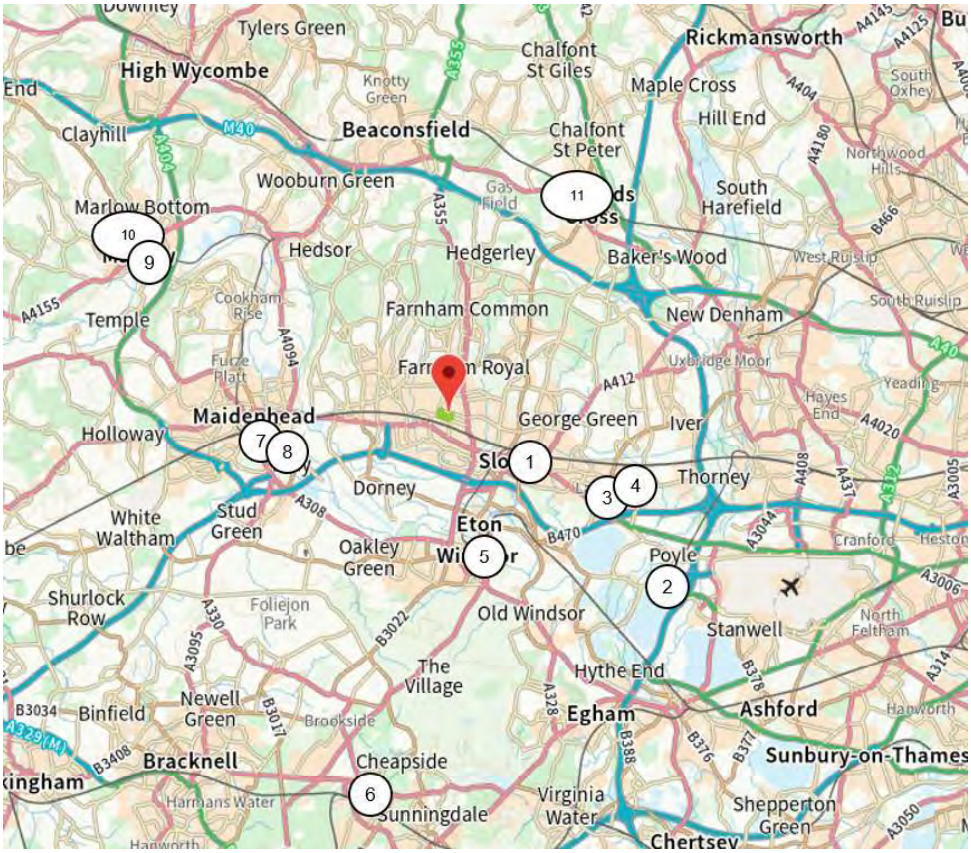
Royal Mail's postal sorting and delivery operations rely heavily on road communications. Royal Mail's ability to provide efficient mail collection, sorting and delivery to the public is sensitive to changes in the capacity of the highway network.

Royal Mail is a major road user nationally. Disruption to the highway network and traffic delays can have direct consequences on Royal Mail's operations, its ability to meet the Universal Service Obligation and comply with the regulatory regime for postal services thereby presenting a significant risk to Royal Mail's business.

Royal Mail position

Royal Mail and its advisor BNP Paribas Real Estate have reviewed the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) document dated April 2022.

Royal Mail has an operational property approximately 2 miles from the proposed SSE Slough Multifuel site (Slough DO, SL1 1AA) and a further 10 operational properties located within 10 miles. The below plan has been prepared in relation to Slough Multifuel's site boundary as provided in PEIR Figure 2.1.



Green shaded / Red location point – Slough Multifuel site location

Affected Properties

1. Slough DO, SL1 1AA
2. Slough HUB, SL3 0DG
3. Heathrow WBC HUB/MED, SL3 8AG
4. International Logistics HUB, SL3 8AQ
5. The Queen Elizabeth DO/DMB/RET, SL4 1AA
6. Ascot DO/FPO, SL5 9AA
7. Maidenhead DO, SL6 1AA
8. Maidenhead PAR, SL6 1AY
9. Marlow DO/OFF/RET, SL7 1AA
10. Netdespatch OFF, SL7 1AU
11. Gerrards Cross DO, SL9 8GX

Every day, in exercising its statutory duties Royal Mail vehicles use all of the main roads that may potentially be affected by the proposed Slough Multifuel site. Any periods of road disruption / closure, night or day, on or to the roads immediately connected to Slough Multifuel or the surrounding highway network will have the potential to impact operations and may consequently disrupt Royal Mail's ability to meet its Universal Obligation service delivery targets.

Royal Mail's performance of the Universal Service Provider obligations is in the public interest and should not be affected detrimentally by any statutorily authorised project. Accordingly, Royal Mail seeks to take all reasonable steps to protect its assets and operational interests from any potentially adverse impacts of proposed development.

Objective of Representation and Royal Mail's Position

Royal Mail does not wish to stop or delay Slough Multifuel from coming forward for development. However, Royal Mail does wish to ensure the protection of its future ability to provide an efficient mail sorting and delivering service to the public from and to the above identified operational facilities in accordance with its statutory obligations.

As part of their consultation documents, SSE Slough Multifuel have released a PEIR and accompanying Non-Technical Summary. The PEIR states the following transport and access impacts that will occur during construction, operation, and decommissioning:

Stage	**Work Expected to be Undertaken and their Impact**
Construction	Temporary off-site car park located on Whitby Road will be used for staff during the 2 months construction period. Shuttle buses will operate between the off-site car parking facility and the site drop-off point to the rear of Building 689 Stirling Road. Estimated a total of 20 Heavy Good Vehicles (HGV) will be required over the 2 month period, resulting in an average of 1 additional HGV vehicle (2no. 2-way movements) per day. HGV deliveries to be managed through the future Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) to avoid morning and afternoon peak hours wherever practical. Due to the low number of additional staff cars and HGVs, the overall impact of construction is considered to be negligible. Furthermore, considering the impact of the construction traffic will only be for two months, there will only be a short-term impact. Therefore, due to **low traffic generation, not considered necessary to undertake traffic surveys.**
Operation	No change to the number of deliveries and no change to staff numbers. Therefore, **no impact** on transport and access.
Decommissioning	Any impact should be comparable to, or less than, those for construction activities. Therefore, **any impact considered to be not significant.**

As the information outlined in the consultation documents only provides estimates of the additional vehicular trips generated with no supporting evidence, there remains insufficient detail available in relation to the scheme to assess any potential impact to Royal Mail's assets.

In order to protect Royal Mail's position, we respectfully request that wording is added to the future CTMP to secure the following mitigations:

1. the CTMP includes specific requirements that during the construction phase Royal Mail is notified by SSE Slough Multifuel or its contractors at least one month in advance on any proposed road closures / diversions / alternative access arrangements, hours of working,

2. where road closures / diversions are proposed, SSE Slough Multifuel or its contractors liaise with Royal Mail at least one month in advance to identify and make available alternative highway routes for operational use, where possible, and

3. the CTMP includes a mechanism that informs Royal Mail about works affecting the local highways network (with particular regard to Royal Mail's distribution facilities near the DCO application boundary as identified above).

In the meantime, any further consultation information on this infrastructure proposal and any questions of Royal Mail should be sent to:

[redacted]

This will enable a more detailed response to be formulated.

Please can you confirm receipt of this revised section 42 consultation response by Royal Mail.

[redacted]

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Date: 23 May 2022 18:03:11
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From: [redacted]
Sent: 23 May 2022 17:56
To: [redacted]
Sub FW: Slough multifuel extension project

From: [redacted]
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To [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Slough multifuel extension project

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Thank you for consulting Transport for London (TfL). I can confirm that we have no comments to make on the current application and that we do not need to be consulted on future consultations related to the project

Best wishes
[redacted]

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DWD Property & Planning
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Response via email to: thermalenquiries@sse.com

25 May 2022

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Re: Slough Multifuel Extension Project – Land either side of Edinburgh Avenue, Slough Trading Estate, SL1 4TU

Thank you for consulting Thames Water on the above proposed application.

Having reviewed the information on your website we would like to respond as follows:

Clean Water

- Thames Water would advise that with regard to clean water capacity, we would not have any objections based on the information provided.

Wastewater

- Thames Water would advise that with regard to wastewater capacity, we would not have any objections based on the information provided.

- There are foul water sewers in the proposed site boundary. These sewers appear to be from the buildings within the proposal that have already been demolished. We would expect the developer to protect these, apply for a buildover agreement, divert them or apply for them to be divested as appropriate.

- There are two surface water sewers both transiting the site and may be affected by the proposal. We would expect the developer to protect these, apply for a buildover agreement or divert them as appropriate.

Thames Water Property

- TWUL have a leasehold interest within the vicinity (see attached plan) but can see no material impact of the proposals on this interest and therefore have no concerns/ objections to the proposal.

As this is a variation to the already approved development project, in respect of a marginal increase in the energy output that the multifuel project will be allowed to produce Thames Water can see no reason to object.

How to contact us:
If you would like to discuss our comments further, please contact us at:
[redacted]

Yours faithfully

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 11 May 2022 08:18
To: [redacted]
Subject: Your Ref 15432 - The Slough Multifuel Extension Project Slough SL1 4TU

DWD Property + Planning

To who it concerns

We have received documentation relating to the above, please be aware that UK Power Networks Ltd does not cover this area.

Please send any documentation relating to the above to 'Scottish & Southern Electricity Networks' who are the 'Distribution Network Operator' for that area.

Regards

[redacted]

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National Infrastructure
The Planning Inspectorate
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Bristol, BS1 6PN

FAO: Caroline Hopewell – Case Manager

By email to: **SloughMultifuelProject@planninginspectorate.gov.uk**

Dear Ms Hopewell,

THE SLOUGH MULTIFUEL EXTENSION PROJECT – LAND EITHER SIDE OF EDINBURGH AVENUE, SLOUGH TRADING ESTATE, SL1 4TU

NOTIFICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 46 'DUTY TO NOTIFY SECRETARY OF STATE OF PROPOSED APPLICATION' OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008

I write on behalf of SSE Slough Multifuel Limited (the 'Applicant') in connection with the Slough Multifuel Extension Project (the 'Project').

The Applicant is proposing to submit an application (the 'Proposed Application') seeking development consent pursuant to Section 37 'Applications for orders granting development consent' of the Planning Act 2008 (the 'PA 2008') from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (the 'SoS') for the construction of the Slough Multifuel Extension Project and the ongoing operation of the Consented Development (defined below) at the increased capacity of over 50 megawatts (hereafter referred to as the 'Project') on land either side of Edinburgh Avenue, Slough, SL1 4TU (the 'Site').

The Project comprises works to increase the efficiency and output of an energy from waste electricity generating station with capacity up to 50 megawatts (MW), which was originally consented in June 2017 under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 ('TCPA') (Planning Ref. P/00987/024 and P/00987/025) (the 'Consented Development'), to achieve up to 60MW peak electrical output. As the electrical output would exceed 50MW the Project requires development consent (granted in the form of a Development Consent Order) pursuant to Sections 31, 14(1)(a) and 15 of the PA 2008.

The Site extends 2.81 hectares and lies within the administrative area of Slough Borough Council.

This letter represents the Applicants' notification of the SoS of the Proposed Application pursuant to Section 46 'Duty to notify secretary of state of proposed application' of the PA 2008.

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Section 42 'Duty to consult' of the PA 2008 requires prospective applicants for development consent to consult on their proposed application with those persons specified in the PA 2008 and in regulations made pursuant to the PA 2008. The Applicants will commence consultation pursuant to Section 42 by issuing a letter (the 'Consultation Letter') accompanied by consultation documents (the 'Consultation Documents') to the persons specified in the PA 2008 and in regulations made pursuant to the PA 2008 on or around 5 May 2022.

A notice pursuant to Section 48 'Duty to publicise' of the PA 2008 will be published in the Telegraph, the London Gazette and a local newspaper (The Slough Observer) circulating within the vicinity of the Site on 5 May 2022 and for a second successive week in the local newspaper on 12 May 2022.

In accordance with Regulation 13 'Pre-application publicity under Section 48 (duty to publicise)' of 'The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017' (the 'EIA Regulations'), the Applicants will also send a copy of the Section 48 Notice to the relevant consultation bodies and to any person notified to the Applicants in accordance with EIA Regulation 11(1((c) on or around 5 May 2022.

The deadline stated in the Consultation Letter (and on the Section 48 Notice) for the receipt of comments and representations on the Proposed Application is 5pm on 17 June 2022.

The Consultation Documents that are to be provided to the persons specified in the PA 2008 and in regulations made pursuant to the PA 2008 are contained on the USB device and download link that accompanies their Consultation Letter and include:

- a plan showing the extent of the Project Site edged in red;
- the PEI Report and its Non-Technical Summary; and
- the Section 48 Notice that is being published.

The contents of the USB (listed above), along with example versions of the two versions of the Consultation Letter can be downloaded from the following fileshare link: [redacted]

I look forward to receiving the SoS's acknowledgement of the Applicants' notification of the SoS of the Proposed Application pursuant to Section 46 'Duty to notify secretary of state of proposed application' of the PA 2008. In the meantime, should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact with me ([redacted]) or my colleague Geoff Bullock ([redacted]).

Yours sincerely

[redacted]

Rob Booth
Senior Associate
DWD

APPENDIX 10.2 – PINS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF S.46 NOTIFICATION

From: Slough Multifuel Project
To: [redacted]
Cc: Slough Multifuel Project
Subject: RE: EN010129 - Slough Multifuel Extension Project - Stage 2 Consultation
Date: 16 May 2022 17:16:23
Attachments: image001.png

Good Afternoon Rob,

Apologies for the delay in getting back to you regarding your email.

I have recently taken over from Caroline as the Case Officer for the project and will be your point of contact moving forwards. You are welcome to continue contacting the project mailbox as you have previously.

I can confirm safe receipt of your email and the attachments, thank you for providing the notification letter in accordance with Section 46 of the Planning Act 2008.

Kind regards

Ryan Sedgman

Swyddog NSIP / NSIP Officer
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From: Rob Booth [redacted]
Sent: 16 May 2022 14:00
To: Slough Multifuel Project <SloughMultifuelProject@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>
Cc: Geoff Bullock [redacted] Hopewell, Caroline [redacted]
Subject: RE: EN010129 - Slough Multifuel Extension Project - Stage 2 Consultation

Good afternoon Caroline,

Further to my previous email, I thought I would touch base and check that PINS had received the notification in accordance s.46 from 4th May (below), as I haven't seen any acknowledgement come through.

I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt when possible, as this would be useful for our records.

Kind regards,

Rob

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From: Rob Booth
Sent: 04 May 2022 10:50
To: SloughMultifuelProject@planninginspectorate.gov.uk
Cc: Geoff Bullock [redacted] Hopewell, Caroline [redacted]
Subject: EN010129 - Slough Multifuel Extension Project - Stage 2 Consultation

Dear Caroline,

Please find attached our notification letter in accordance with Section 46 'Duty to Notify the Secretary of State of Proposed Application' of the Planning Act 2008.

The attached letter makes reference to a 'USB device' and download link issued to consultees which contains the following:

- *a plan showing the extent of the Project Site edged in red;*
- *the PEI Report and its Non-Technical Summary; and*
- *the Section 48 Notice that is being published.*

The above listed documentation can be downloaded via secure file transfer system here: [redacted]

For your reference, we also include copies of the Consultation Letters to download from the above file transfer link, which will be sent to the persons specified un the Planning Act 2008 (Section 42 and EIA Regulation 13) in addition to non-prescribed persons.

I look forward to receiving your acknowledgement of the above/attached in due course. In the meantime, do let me know if you require any further information.

Kind regards,

Rob

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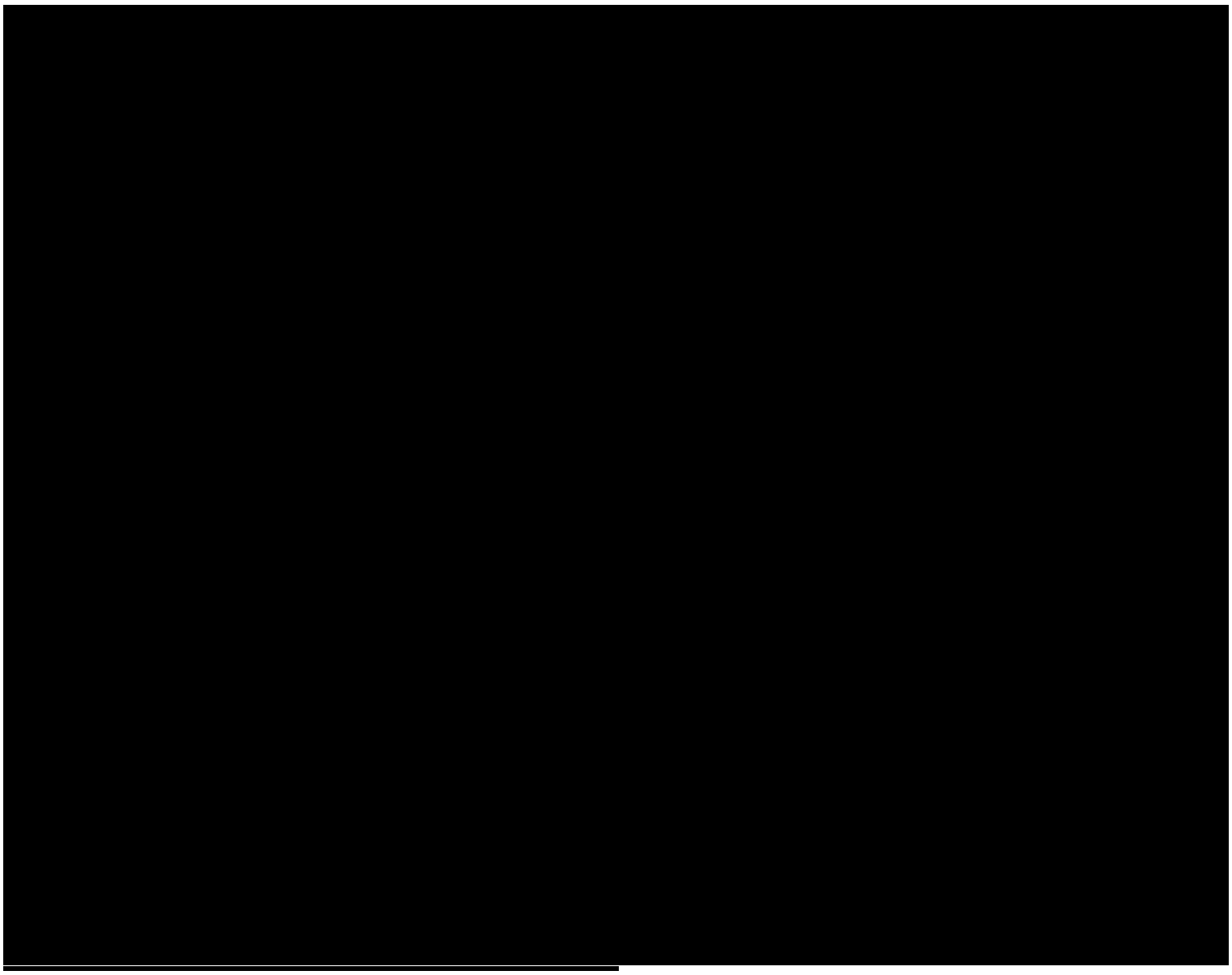
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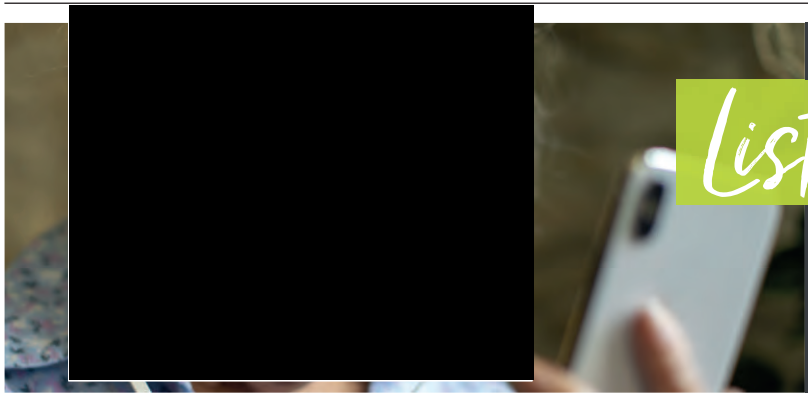


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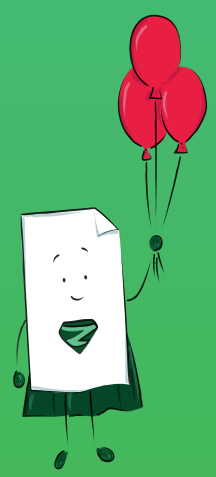
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THE SLOUGH MULTIFUEL EXTENSION PROJECT
The Planning Act 2008 - Section 48 'Duty to publicise'
The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2008 - Regulation 4
The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 - Regulation 13
Notice of proposed application for a Development Consent Order for the Slough Multifuel Extension Project

The Application

1. Notice is hereby given that SSE Slough Multifuel Limited (the 'Applicant'), whose registered office is No.1 Forbury Place, 43 Forbury Road, Reading, RG1 3JH, is intending to submit an application (the 'Proposed Application') to the Secretary of State (the 'SoS') for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order ('DCO') under Section 37 'Applications for orders granting development consent' of the Planning Act 2008 (the 'PA 2008'), to authorise the construction of the Slough Multifuel Extension Project and the ongoing operation of the Consented Development (defined below) at the increased capacity of over 50 megawatts (the 'Project').

2.The Project comprises works to increase the efficiency and output of an energy from waste electricity generating station with capacity up to 50 megawatts (MW), which was originally consented in June 2017 under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 ('TCPA') regime (planning permission refs. P/00987/024 and P/00987/025) (the 'Consented Development'), to achieve up to 60MW peak electrical output (MWe). As the electrical output would exceed 50MW the Project requires development consent (granted in the form of a DCO) pursuant to Sections 31, 14(1)(a) and 15 of the PA 2008.

The Project

3.The Project comprises land either of Edinburgh Avenue, Slough, SL1 4TU (located a grid reference 495372, 181446) (the 'Site'). The Site is located within the Slough Heat and Power site and encompasses the site of the Consented Development. All elements of the Project are within the administrative boundary of Slough Borough Council. In total the Site extends 2.8 hectares.

3.1 Plans are available within the 'Consultation Documents' (see further below) showing the extent of the Site.

3.2 The Slough Multifuel Extension Project involves the mechanical modification of the Consented Development and provision of additional systems including:

- heat exchanger bundles (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- external and internal above ground pipework and valves;
- pipe supports (external and internal);
- thermal insulation (external and internal works);
- instrumentation (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- cabling and containment (internal); and
- mechanical modifications to the steam turbine inlet control system (internal works).

3.3 The increase in efficiency and generating capacity will not require any increase in the hourly throughput of Waste Derived Fuel (WDF) or the number of approved deliveries to the facility.

3.4 The consented building structures and architecture, currently under construction, will remain unchanged.

Environmental Impact Assessment

4. The Applicant has notified the SoS in writing under Regulation 8(1)(b) of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017(the 'EIA Regulations') that they intend to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of the Project. The Project is therefore 'EIA development' for the purposes of the EIA Regulations and an ES will form part of the Proposed Application.

5. Information so far compiled about the Project's environmental impacts is contained in a Preliminary Environmental Information ('PEI') Report and summarised in a Non-Technical Summary to the PEI Report.

Consultation Documents

6. The PEI Report and other documents relating to the Project, including plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Project (the 'Consultation Documents'), are available to download and view free of charge from the Project Website: [redacted] until 17 June 2022. The documents will be available under the 'Stage 2 Consultation' tab on the Project Website (link above).

7. If you are unable to access the Project Website please telephone: Freephone 0800 335 7003 and leave a message or email: thermalenquiries@sse.com and you will be offered a paper copy of the Consultation Documents free of charge (with the exception of the PEI Report which will be charged at a maximum of £100) or a USB containing the Consultation Documents free of charge. Please allow a week for receipt of the Consultation Documents.

7.1 Any details you provide to us via telephone or email will be subject to our Privacy Notice: [redacted]

8. Regulation 4 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended by The Infrastructure Planning (Publication and Notification of Applications etc.) (Coronavirus (Amendment) Regulations 2020) no longer requires that an applicant for development consent makes hard copy consultation documents available for inspection at an address in the vicinity of the relevant project. While the Applicant does not intend to make hard copies of the Consultation Documents available at any local public venue within the vicinity of the Site, the Consultation Documents have been published on the Project Website and paper copies and USBs of the Consultation Documents can be requested using the details provided above.

Responding to this notice

9. If you wish to respond to this notice or make comments or representations in respect of the Project, these should be sent to the Applicant. Please include your name and an address where any correspondence relating to the Project can be sent. Comments and representations may be submitted in the following ways:

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Telephone: Freephone 0800 335 7003 (this is a voicemail-based service and can be called 24 hours. Please leave your name and a telephone number).
Project Website: [redacted]

10. Any comments received will be analysed by the Applicant and any appointed agent of the Applicant, and copies may be made available in due course to the SoS, the Planning Inspectorate and other relevant statutory authorities so that your comments can be noted. For certain parties, those who own an interest in land or are affected by the Project, the Applicant is under a statutory duty to publish names and addresses as part of its DCO application. In respect of other people, we will request that your personal details are not placed on public record and these will be held securely by the Applicant in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulation and used solely in connection with the consultation process and subsequent DCO application and, except as noted above, will not be passed to third parties. Please refer to our Privacy Notice: [redacted]

11. Please note that all comments and representations must be received by the Applicants **no later than 5pm on 17 June 2022.**

12. If you would like any further information in respect of this notice or the Project, please contact the Applicant using one of the contact methods set out above.

SSE Slough Multifuel Limited
May 2022

PLANNING

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL

The Council has made Buckinghamshire Council (Chestnut Road, Beaconsfield) (Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic) Order, 2022 which will temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding, except for access, in Chestnut Road for 16 metres. Alternative route: Cherry Tree Road, North Drive, Wycombe End, Burgess Wood Road South and vice versa. The closure is required whilst a water connection takes place commencing on 09 May 2022 between 08:00 and 17:00. The proposed Order will come into operation on 09 May 2022, as signed, with maximum 18 months duration.
Dated 06 May 2022

The Council has made Buckinghamshire Council (Lake End Road, Burnham in the Parish of Dorney CP) (Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic) Order, 2022 which will temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding, except for access, in Lake End Road for approximately 678m. Alternative route: Village Road, Common Road, Eton Wick Road, Keates Lane, Slough Road, Royal Windsor Way, Windsor Road, Chalvey Road East, Ledgers Road, Montem Lane, Bath Road, Lake End Road and vice versa. The closure is required whilst Installation of permanent bridge joints on new structure over M4 works take place commencing on 9 May 2022. Full road closure from 9-14 May from 09:00-06:00 and then from 16-21 May for the start and end times. 24-hour lights will be present in between. The proposed Order will come into operation on 9 May 2022, as signed, with maximum 18 months duration.
Dated 6 May 2022

The Council has made Buckinghamshire Council (Taplow Road, Burnham in the Parish of Burnham CP) (Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic) Order, 2022 which will temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding, except for access, in Taplow Road for approximately 65m. Alternative route: Taplow Road, Lent Rise Road, Bath Road, Hitcham Road and vice versa. The closure is required whilst Network Rail signage replacement and bridge repair works take place commencing on 23 May 2022. Road will only be closed between 22:00-06:00, road open at all other times. The proposed Order will come into operation on 23 May 2022, as signed, with maximum 18 months duration.
Dated 6 May 2022

The Council has made Buckinghamshire Council (Hitcham Lane, Taplow in the Parish of Taplow CP) (Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic) Order, 2022 which will temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding, except for access, in Hitcham Lane for approximately 60m. Alternative route: Hitcham Road, Boundary Road, Hill Farm Road, Hitcham Lane and vice versa. The closure is required whilst Thames Water new connection works take place commencing on 16 May 2022. Road will remain closed for the duration of the works. The proposed Order will come into operation on 16 May 2022, as signed, with maximum 18 months duration.
Dated 6 May 2022

The Council has made Buckinghamshire Council (Howards Thicket, Gerrards Cross) (Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic) Order, 2022 which will temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding, except for access, in Howards Thicket for 84 metres. Alternative route: Howards Thicket, Fulmer Drive, Howards Wood Drive and vice versa. The closure is required whilst New water connection. Road will be closed during the hours of 08:00-18:00. Road will be open all other hours. take place commencing on 12 May 2022 between 08:00 and 18:00. The proposed Order will come into operation on 12 May 2022, as signed, with maximum 18 months duration.
Dated 06 May 2022

The Council has made Buckinghamshire Council (Hitcham Road, Burnham) (Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic) Order, 2022 which will temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding, except for access, in Hitcham Road for 67 metres. Alternative route: Institute Road, Station Road, Bath Road, Hitcham Road and vice versa. The closure is required whilst repair works to the rail bridge and approaches commencing on 16 May 2022 between 21:00 and 05:00. The proposed Order will come into operation on 16 May 2022, as signed, with maximum 18 months duration.
Dated 06 May 2022

The Council has made Buckinghamshire Council (Marsham Lane, Gerrards Cross) (Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic) Order, 2022 which will temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding, except for access, in Marsham Lane for 72 metres. Alternative route: Oak End Way, Packhorse Road, Station Road and vice versa. The closure is required whilst cabling works on junction box take place commencing on 16 May 2022 between 09:00 and 15:00. The proposed Order will come into operation on 16 May 2022, as signed, with maximum 18 months duration.
Dated 06 May 2022

The Council intends to make Buckinghamshire Council (North Orbital Road, Denham) (Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic) Order, 2022 which will temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding, except for access, in North Orbital Road for 21 metres. Alternative route: North Orbital Road, Tilehouse Way, Denham Green Lane and vice versa. The closure is required whilst Electrical works for a new supply. take place commencing on 16 May 2022 between 07:00 and 17:00. The proposed Order will come into operation on 16 May 2022, as signed, with maximum 18 months duration.
Dated 06 May 2022

The Council intends to make Buckinghamshire Council (Village Road, Denham) (Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic) Order, 2022 which will temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding, except for access, in Village Road for 54 metres. Alternative route: Village Road, Cheapside Lane, Oxford Road, Old Mill Road, Denham Roundabout, A40 J M40/a412/a4020 Roundabout and vice versa. The closure is required whilst a Gas Connection takes place commencing on 16 May 2022 between 08:00 and 16:00. The proposed Order will come into operation on 16 May 2022, as signed, with maximum 18 months duration.
Dated 06 May 2022

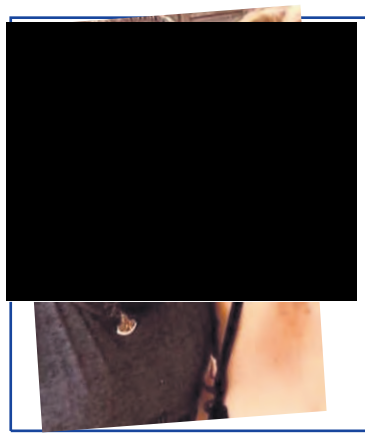
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BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL

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Dated 13 May 2022

The Council has made Buckinghamshire Council (Village Road, Denham) (Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic) Order, 2022 which will temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding, except for access, in Village Road for 54 metres. Alternative route: Village Road, Cheapside Lane, Oxford Road, Old Mill Road, Denham Roundabout, A40 J M40/a412/a4020 Roundabout and vice versa. The closure is required whilst a Gas Connection takes place commencing on 16 May 2022 between 08:00 and 16:00. The proposed Order will come into operation on 16 May 2022, as signed, with maximum 18 months duration.
Dated 13 May 2022

The Council intends to make Buckinghamshire Council (Field Road, Denham) (Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic) Order, 2022 which will temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding, except for access, in Field Road for 291 metres. Alternative route: Field Road, Blacksmiths Lane, Hollybush Lane, and vice versa. The closure is required whilst a pole replacement takes place commencing on 24 May 2022 between 08:00 and 18:00. The proposed Order will come into operation on 24 May 2022, as signed, with maximum 18 months duration.
Dated 13 May 2022

The Council intends to make Buckinghamshire Council (Hedgerley Lane, Gerrards Cross) (Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic) Order, 2022 which will temporarily prohibit any vehicle from proceeding, except for access, in Hedgerley Lane for 330 metres. Alternative route: Village Lane, Hedgerley Hill, Collum Green Road, Windsor Road and vice versa. The closure is required whilst duct is being laid in the verge, taking place commencing on 25 May 2022 between 09:00 and 16:00. The proposed Order will come into operation on 25 May 2022, as signed, with maximum 18 months duration.
Dated 13 May 2022

ALCOHOL & Licensing

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISE LICENCE UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003

Narinder Dhillon applied to Slough Borough Council on 05/04/22 for a licence to use the premises at Premier Brunel Way, Slough Bus Station, Brunel Way, Slough, Berks, SL1 1XN for the sale by retail of alcohol during the hours - 11:00 - 20:00 Monday - Friday and 11:00 - 16:00 Saturday - Sunday. Full details of which can be inspected on the application. The licensing register can be inspected at the address noted below during normal business hours. Any representations by an interested party or responsible authority regarding this application can be made to: Slough Borough Council, Licensing Team, Observatory House, 25 Windsor Road, Slough, SL1 2EL, licensing@slough.gov.uk

Any representations must be made in writing by 02.06.2022 clearly stating the grounds upon which the representation is made relevant to the Licensing Act. It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and is subject to a maximum fine of £5000 on summary conviction.

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SLOUGH MULTIFUEL PROJECT

THE SLOUGH MULTIFUEL EXTENSION PROJECT
The Planning Act 2008 - Section 48 'Duty to publicise'
The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2008 - Regulation 4
The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 - Regulation 13
Notice of proposed application for a Development Consent Order for the Slough Multifuel Extension Project

The Application

1. Notice is hereby given that SSE Slough Multifuel Limited (the 'Applicant'), whose registered office is No.1 Forbury Place, 43 Forbury Road, Reading, RG1 3JH, is intending to submit an application (the 'Proposed Application') to the Secretary of State (the 'SoS') for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order ('DCO') under Section 37 'Applications for orders granting development consent' of the Planning Act 2008 (the 'PA 2008'), to authorise the construction of the Slough Multifuel Extension Project and the ongoing operation of the Consented Development (defined below) at the increased capacity of over 50 megawatts (the 'Project').

2.The Project comprises works to increase the efficiency and output of an energy from waste electricity generating station with capacity up to 50 megawatts (MW), which was originally consented in June 2017 under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 ('TCPA') regime (planning permission refs. P/00987/024 and P/00987/025) (the 'Consented Development'), to achieve up to 60MW peak electrical output (MWe). As the electrical output would exceed 50MW the Project requires development consent (granted in the form of a DCO) pursuant to Sections 31, 14(1)(a) and 15 of the PA 2008.

The Project

3.The Project comprises land either of Edinburgh Avenue, Slough, SL1 4TU (located a grid reference 495372, 181446) (the 'Site'). The Site is located within the Slough Heat and Power site and encompasses the site of the Consented Development. All elements of the Project are within the administrative boundary of Slough Borough Council. In total the Site extends 2.8 hectares.

3.1 Plans are available within the 'Consultation Documents' (see further below) showing the extent of the Site.

3.2 The Slough Multifuel Extension Project involves the mechanical modification of the Consented Development and provision of additional systems including:

- heat exchanger bundles (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- external and internal above ground pipework and valves;
- pipe supports (external and internal);
- thermal insulation (external and internal works);
- instrumentation (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- cabling and containment (internal); and
- mechanical modifications to the steam turbine inlet control system (internal works).

3.3 The increase in efficiency and generating capacity will not require any increase in the hourly throughput of Waste Derived Fuel (WDF) or the number of approved deliveries to the facility.

3.4 The consented building structures and architecture, currently under construction, will remain unchanged.

Environmental Impact Assessment

4. The Applicant has notified the SoS in writing under Regulation 8(1)(b) of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017(the 'EIA Regulations') that they intend to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of the Project. The Project is therefore 'EIA development' for the purposes of the EIA Regulations and an ES will form part of the Proposed Application.

5. Information so far compiled about the Project's environmental impacts is contained in a Preliminary Environmental Information ('PEI') Report and summarised in a Non-Technical Summary to the PEI Report.

Consultation Documents

6. The PEI Report and other documents relating to the Project, including plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Project (the 'Consultation Documents'), are available to download and view free of charge from the Project Website: [redacted] until 17 June 2022. The documents will be available under the 'Stage 2 Consultation' tab on the Project Website (link above).

7. If you are unable to access the Project Website please telephone: Freephone 0800 335 7003 and leave a message or email: thermalenquiries@sse.com and you will be offered a paper copy of the Consultation Documents free of charge (with the exception of the PEI Report which will be charged at a maximum of £100) or a USB containing the Consultation Documents free of charge. Please allow a week for receipt of the Consultation Documents.

7.1 Any details you provide to us via telephone or email will be subject to our Privacy Notice: [redacted]

8. Regulation 4 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended by The Infrastructure Planning (Publication and Notification of Applications etc.) (Coronavirus (Amendment) Regulations 2020) no longer requires that an applicant for development consent makes hard copy consultation documents available for inspection at an address in the vicinity of the relevant project. While the Applicant does not intend to make hard copies of the Consultation Documents available at any local public venue within the vicinity of the Site, the Consultation Documents have been published on the Project Website and paper copies and USBs of the Consultation Documents can be requested using the details provided above.

Responding to this notice

9. If you wish to respond to this notice or make comments or representations in respect of the Project, these should be sent to the Applicant. Please include your name and an address where any correspondence relating to the Project can be sent. Comments and representations may be submitted in the following ways:

Email: thermalenquiries@sse.com
Post: FREEPOST SLOUGH MULTIFUEL
Telephone: Freephone 0800 335 7003 (this is a voicemail-based service and can be called 24 hours. Please leave your name and a telephone number).
Project Website [redacted]

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WINDSOR CASTLE
May 4th
The Rt Hon Boris Johnson, MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury), had an audience of The Queen this evening.

The Duke of Cambridge, on behalf of Her Majesty, held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace this morning.

The Princess Royal, on behalf of The Queen, held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace this afternoon.

Her Majesty was represented by The Princess Royal at the Memorial Service for the Lord Vestey (Permanent Lord in Waiting and formerly Master of the Horse) and the Lady Vestey which was held at St Paul's Church, Knightsbridge, London SW1, this morning.

CLARENCE HOUSE
May 4th
The Prince of Wales this morning visited BigKid Foundation, Dexter Adventure Playground, 6 Montego Close, London SE24, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Greater London (Sir Kenneth Olisa).

His Royal Highness, Duke of Cornwall subsequently visited Lambeth County Court, Cleaver Street, Kennington Road, London SE11.

The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall this afternoon visited Tintagel House, 92 Albert Embankment, London SE1.

His Royal Highness later received representatives from the Integrated Medicine Alliance.

The Prince of Wales afterwards held a Meeting at Clarence House with leaders from the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges.

His Royal Highness this evening held a Reception at St James's Palace for Community Pharmacists.

The Duchess of Cornwall, also representing The Prince of Wales, was present at the Memorial Service for the Lord and Lady Vestey which was held at St Paul's Church, Knightsbridge, London SW1, this morning.

Her Royal Highness, Royal Colonel, 4th Battalion Ranger Regiment, this afternoon received Lieutenant Colonel Michael Devenish upon assuming his appointment as Commanding Officer.

KENSINGTON PALACE
May 4th
The Duchess of Cambridge, Joint Patron, the Royal Foundation of The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, this afternoon held an Early Years Meeting.

Her Royal Highness, on behalf of The Queen, later presented The Queen Elizabeth II Award for British Design at the Design Museum, 224-238 Kensington High Street, London W8.

ST JAMES'S PALACE
May 4th
The Countess of Wessex, also representing The Earl of Wessex, was present at the Memorial Service for the Lord and Lady Vestey which was held at St Paul's Church, Knightsbridge, London SW1, this morning.

Her Royal Highness, Honorary President, Linking Environment And Farming, this afternoon visited a Demonstration School Farm at Ragley Hall, Alcester, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Warwickshire (Mr Timothy Cox).

The Countess of Wessex, Honorary President, this evening attended a Dinner at Ragley Hall to celebrate the Thirtieth Anniversary of Linking Environment And Farming.

ST JAMES'S PALACE
May 4th
The Princess Royal, Royal Bencher, the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple, this evening attended Choral Evensong in Temple Church, Temple, London EC4, and subsequently opened the renovated Treasury Building, Crown Office Row, Inner Temple, London EC4.

For more details about the Royal Family visit the Royal website at www.royal.uk

Today's birthdays

Miss Teddie Beverley, singer and entertainer, is 95; **Sir Brian Hayes,** former senior civil servant, 93; **Baroness Corston,** former Labour MP, 80; **Sir Michael Palin,** actor, writer and traveller; President, Royal Geographical Society, 2009-12; 79; **Prof A.D. Yates,** Warden of Robinson College, Cambridge, 2001-2021, 76; **Mr Roger Witcomb,** Chairman, Competition Commission, 2011-14, 75; **Mr James Whitaker,** Chairman of Selectors, ECB, 2014-18, 60; **Mr Leslie Law,** eventer; Olympic equestrian gold medallist, Athens 2004, 57; **Mr Daffyd Rogers,** theatre producer, 53; **Mr James Cracknell,** oarsman; Olympic gold medallist, Sydney 2000 and Athens 2004; adventurer, broadcaster and journalist, 50; **Adele,** singer and songwriter, 34; **Ms Sophie Wells,** para-equestrian; Paralympic gold medallist, team equestrian and silver medal individual, Tokyo 2020, two gold medals Rio 2016, one gold and two silver medals, London 2012, 32; and **Miss Menna Fitzpatrick,** Paralympic alpine skier, gold medallist, Pyeongchang 2018, 24.

Today is the anniversary of the death of Napoleon Bonaparte in 1821.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr C.D.A. Tauchert and Miss S.J. Fane

The engagement is announced between Charles, only son of Mr Christopher Tauchert, of Surrey, and Mrs Jennifer Bridges Tauchert, of London, and Sophie, only daughter of the Hon Harry and Mrs Fane, of Wiltshire.
Online ref: 607402

Mr J.A. Lindsay and Miss K.A. Williams

The engagement is announced between John, son of Mr and Mrs John Lindsay, of Inworth, Essex, and Kate, younger twin daughter of Mrs Louise Moore, of Osmaston, Derbyshire.
Online ref: 607409

Mr L.W.M. de Montfort and Miss R.C.F. Gibbon

The engagement is announced between Louis William Markland, son of Mr and Mrs Roger de Montfort, of Chiswick, London, and Rose Cicely Frances, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Gibbon, of Ashfield-cum-Thorpe, Suffolk.
Online ref: 607398

Mr T.F. Andrews and Miss L.R. Fletcher

The engagement is announced between Thomas, son of Mr and Mrs Paul Andrews, of Tonbridge, Kent, and Laura, daughter of Mr and Mrs Vivian Fletcher, of Blackheath, London.
Online ref: 607404

Service luncheon

The Manchester Regiment Officers' Association

The Mayor of Tameside, Councillor Janet Cooper, was the guest of honour at the annual luncheon of the Manchester Regiment Officers' Association held yesterday in Manchester Hall, Manchester, to commemorate the Regiment's participation in the Gallipoli Campaign. Major Bob Smethurst was in the chair and Col Christopher Owen, Regimental Secretary, The Duke of Lancaster's Regiment, spoke on the Manchester Regiment's modern day successor.

Dinner

Company of Stationers and Newspaper Makers

The Company of Stationers and Newspaper Makers held its annual Charter Dinner last night at Goldsmiths' Hall. The Master, Mr Robert Flather, welcomed Lord Triesman who addressed members of the Company and guests from the communications and content industries.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

The Daily Telegraph

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GREAT BRITAIN AND SOUDAN'S FUTURE.

CONTROL CONTINUES.

LORD ALLENBY'S STATEMENT

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT. CAIRO, Thursday.

Special interest attaches to the tour just made by Viscount Allenby in the Soudan, owing to the belief that he was only induced to absent himself for six weeks from Egypt at this still critical period because he was convinced of the necessity of allaying the apprehension aroused in the minds of the natives of the Soudan by the intensive campaign in the Egyptian newspapers preaching the "inviolable unity" of Egypt and the Soudan. The Soudanese were becoming restive, fearing an alteration in the present control and administration, and this feeling was officially expressed in the memorandum recently presented to the Governor-General by the members of the Soudan delegation which went to London in 1919.

The High Commissioner received me at the Residency this morning. He spoke cheerfully and with the utmost confidence of the present condition of the Soudan, stating that he was fully satisfied in every respect with the results of his visit. With the aid of a map on his study wall, Lord Allenby explained in detail his itinerary, which extended as far south as Rejaf. He also visited Sennar, the Makwar dam works and the Nubar mountains. With reference to the last-named Lord Allenby said:

In the Nubar Mountains about 2,000 people came in; at Talodi, representing the population from some twelve different hills, many speaking different languages. On arrival in the Soudan I sent messages to the governors of provinces stating that I desired to see the notables. Great numbers came at each stopping-place, and I had good accounts from all of them. I am satisfied that everything is going on well there. All the people seemed very cheerful and contented, greeting us with dances and other native entertainments. You must remember that there you are not dealing with gentlemen in tall hats and frock coats. These men have their little faction fights and minor grievances, but there is no big trouble in the country.

BRITAIN'S POLICY.

Lord Allenby paid a tribute to the Gordon College and also to the mission schools, which are doing excellent work in teaching trades. He stated that public security was absolutely all right, and people were travelling about the country without escorts.

Regarding the political question, the High Commissioner said there was nothing to add to his speech explaining the situation to the members of the delegation and other notables at the Palace in Khartoum on April 26. The text of this speech was issued here to-day. The High Commissioner said:

I find there has been some fear in the minds of the people of the Soudan that there would be in future less close association of Great Britain with the development of your country. The British Government has no such intention.

He then quoted a full extract from Mr. Lloyd George's speech in the House of Commons on February 28, regarding the Soudan. Lord Allenby concluded:

I think this is enough to reassure you. I hope when you go to your homes you will tell your people not to be afraid that Great Britain will abandon the Soudan.

Sir Sakted Ali Mirghani made a remarkable reply, thanking the High Commissioner for his reassurances.

The speaker said he was very glad to take the opportunity to express directly to the High Commissioner the feelings of himself and those assembled on the political situation – namely, that the Soudan is a distinct country and nationality, and should be allowed to progress along its own lines of development. The speaker hoped that this would be recognised, so that the progress, already so marked under the British, administration, should continue in the future. He also hoped nothing would impede a continuation of the Makwar dam and irrigation schemes, which were vital to the future prosperity of the country.

Subsequently every notable present rose in turn, expressing hearty agreement and also gratitude for the state of religious liberty and material prosperity wherein they found themselves, and attributing the peace and progress of the last twenty-four years to the beneficent administration of the Soudan Government.

Sir Sakted Ali Mirghani's speech is much commented on here as confirming the rumours current in well-informed circles of a growing movement among the Soudanese to dissociate themselves from Egypt and their desire to remain a separate entity under the British ægis.

EGYPTIAN CLAIM.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT. CAIRO, Thursday (Later).

Prince Omar Toussoun has addressed a dictatorial letter to Rushdi Pasha, President of the Constitution Commission, stating that since the Cabinet neglected their duty in assuming office without determining the illegality of the Soudan Convention of 1899, he reminds the Commission of the necessity to consider the Soudan as within Egypt's boundaries, and to form one Parliament, in which Egyptians and Soudanese shall be equally represented.

Bridge news

Last week, **writes Julian Pottage, Bridge Correspondent,** the highest score in the English Bridge Union's High Noon Fast Games was 75.00, by Richard Holt and an Advanced BBO Bot on Tuesday.

The highest score in the EBU morning Relaxed Games was 68.27%, which both Helen Jennison and Gary Jennison and Penny Brook and Jennifer Dallas achieved on Saturday and in the EBU evening Relaxed Games the highest score was 69.87%, achieved by Jean Langford and Joy Morris on Sunday.

In the April 2022 EBU Funbridge Matchpoints Ladder, 54 players completed the requisite six or more games. Winners are as follows:

1st Mike Bowman, 62.34%; 2nd Robin Prestwich, 62.31%; and 3rd David Dawson, 61.89%.

Bridge Hand

Swiss take the lead

By **Tom Townsend**

Dealer North **Game All**

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♠ J 4 ♥ Q J 9 8 6 ♦ 9 ♣ A K 7 5 2	N W E S	♠ A K 10 8 5 ♥ K ♦ K 7 6 3 ♣ 10 9 4
	♠ Q 7 ♥ A 10 5 4 2 ♦ A Q J 4 ♣ Q 6	

West	North	East	South
	pass	1♠	2♥
pass(1)	pass	dble(2)	pass
pass	pass		

(1) Double would be for take-out
(2) Making West's penalty double

Contract 2♥ doubled
Declarer South
Opening Lead ♣A

WITH 32 boards to play in the Bermuda Bowl quarter-finals, England led Switzerland by five IMPs. Both teams were completing the match four-handed.

For England, this was because David Bakhshi had tested positive for Covid. If we could "just" get past the mighty Switzerland, my European Championships partner Ben Handley-Pritchard would step in for the final stages. Italy, meanwhile, had immediately replaced Giorgio Duboin and Lorenzo Lauria, their ailing senior citizens, with the excellent Giovanni Donati and Antonio Sementa. They still lost to the Netherlands.

The Swiss were playing four-handed because Pierre Zimmermann didn't fancy it.

We took this as a compliment. He and Fernando Piedra, if Switzerland advanced and they wanted to become recognised world champions, would have to play an extra set later on.

Set Five was a poor one for England. Michael Byrne and Kieran Dyke missed a game, and went off in a hopeless slam. That was 20 IMPs. Then Ben Norton held the South cards. What would you call over 1♠ from East: pass, double or 2♥? For Switzerland, Bas Drijver made a take-out double. This led to 2♦ doubled, down two for 500.

Norton bid 2♥, which you'd think would be a popular choice at club level. It may work well when North has three-card support. The trouble is that South's hearts are so bad. Whenever North has no fit, regardless of his strength, 2♥ will be a sorry affair.

The young England star was not alone with his selection. Gavin Wolpert (USA2) bid 2♥, as did Christian Bakke (Norway) and Nevena Senior (England women).

As one would expect from Piotr Gawrys and Michal Klukowski, the defence to 2♥ doubled was lethal. Gawrys (West) cashed the ♣A and switched to the ♠J. Klukowksi (East) won the ♠K, switched back with a club to the ♣K, and took the ♠4 with the ♠A. Dummy's ♣J scored trick five. Norton pitched the ♦J from hand, ran the ♦10 and finessed the ♦Q. West ruffed and played a fourth club, ruffed by East with the ♥K. South put the ♥A on that, and lost four more trumps for down four. Twelve IMPs to Switzerland.

Switzerland 2♦ doubled off two, N/S -500
England 2♥ doubled off four, N/S -1100

Chess

A rising force

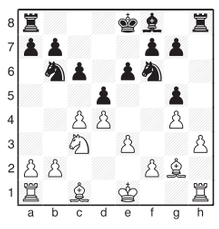
By **Malcolm Pein**

RAMESHBABU Praggnanandhaa faded in the last two rounds of the Oslo Esports Cup, but still ended in a tie for third place with Magnus Carlsen. Increasingly, the 16-year-old from Chennai is regarded as one of the world's elite, even if his Classical chess rating has not quite caught up with what appears to be his real playing strength. The youngster is ably supported by the legendary Indian coach and former British champion R. B. Ramesh.

The Oslo Esports Cup was the first Major in the 2022 Meltwater Champions Chess Tour and the first ever in which all the players were at the venue, although not in the conventional sense. The tournament was staged in the Chess24 television studio and the players input their moves into a computer while seated opposite each other.

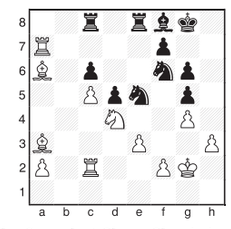
Pragg defeated world number seven Shak Mamedyarov with ease.

R. Pragg – S. Mamedyarov
Slav Defence 15+10
1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 Bg4 5.h3 Bh5 6.Nc3 e6 7.Qb3 Qb6 8.g4 Bg6 9.Ne5 Nbd7 10.Nxg6 hxg6 11.Bg2 g5 12.Qxb6 Nxb6?!



Normally, Black secures the open a-file and prevents the queenside pawn advance that follows. After 12...axb6, I suspect Shak was concerned about 13.cxd5 exd5 14.e4 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Bxg5, but after Be7 17.Bxe7 Kxe7 18.Bxe4 there is the handy 18...Ra4! and Black is fine. **13.c5 Nbd7 14.b4!** (White proceeds with b4–b5xc6 opening the b-file and creating a serious weakness on c6) **14...e5 15.0–0 Be7 16.b5 0–0 17.Rb1 Bd8 18.Ne2 Re8 19.Ba3** (Protecting c5 so that exd4 can be met by Nxd4) **19...exd4 20.Nxd4 Ne5 21.bxc6 bxc6 22.Rb7 Be7** (If 22...Nc4 23.Bb4 a5 24.Bc3 Rc8 25.Nf5 is very good for White. The knight might invade on d6) **23.Rc1 Bf8 24.Bf1! Ne4 25.Rc2** (25.Ba6!?) **25...g6 26.Kg2 Nf6** (26...a5 27.Rb6) **27.Ba6** (Now Rb7–c7 cannot be countered by Re8–c8) **27...Rab8** (27...Rac8 28.Rxa7?? is today's puzzle) **28.Rc7 Rb1 29.Nxc6 Nc4 30.Rxc4! dxc4 31.Bxc4 1–0**

Black to play and win:



The Superbet Chess Classic is under way in Bucharest and is the opening event of the 2022 Grand Chess Tour. The event is a 10-player all-play-all.

Answer: 28...Ra8! wins a bishop.

Announcements

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Births

NEAL.—On 27th April 2022, to Laura and Harry, a son, Kit Oliver Morton, a brother for Max.
Online ref: A257011

NEVILLE-CLARKE.—On April 25th, to Tilly (née Crawley) and Shen, a son, Wilbur Sebastian David.
Online ref: A257027

Deaths

BRICKNELL.—(Also Souch) Keith Brian on 13th March 2022, aged 69 years. Funeral Service to be held on Wednesday 11th May at 3 p.m. at North Oxfordshire Crematorium. All enquiries to Humphris Funerals. Tel: (01295) 265424.
Online ref: 607420

BURNS.—Dom Matthew, monk of Ampleforth Abbey, died on 24th April 2022. Solemn Funeral Mass at 11.30 a.m. on 9th May 2022 in Ampleforth Abbey.
Online ref: A257039

JACK.—Michael Gordon Anson, 7.01.27–30.03.22. Peacefully at Barnet General Hospital. Dearly beloved husband of Bing (d 2012), father of Vivien and Anson, father in law to Barry and Cath, grandfather of Zara, Robin, Tom and Simon and great grandfather of Ciara, Ava and Delphine. Funeral at New Southgate Crematorium at 11 a.m. on 12th May. No flowers, but donations to British Heart Foundation.
Online ref: A257012

LODGE.—Penny died peacefully on 1st May 2022, aged 91, after a long illness. She was the dearly loved wife of Richard and beloved mother of Frances, Tim and Chris, grandmother and great-grandmother.
Online ref: A257038

MORTIMER-MOORE.—Cicely Beatrice 'Bea' (née Wharry). Peacefully at home on 4th April aged 99 years and 7 months. Beloved mother of William and Zoe. No flowers, but donations to Great Ormond Street Hospital (Charity number - 1160024). The funeral has already taken place.
Online ref: 607419

RAPER.—Audrey, of Husthwaite. Peacefully at home on 27th April. Beloved wife of the late Alan and mother of Libby, John and Sarah. Treasured Grandma of Vikie, Jonny, Tom and Jack. Service at St Nicholas Church, Husthwaite, on Wednesday 1st June at 1 p.m. No flowers please, donations received in memory of Audrey will be for the Friends of St Monica's Hospital. Thank you. Enquiries to Chapman Medd Funeral Services, Easingwold. Tel: 01347 821370.
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TIRBUTT.—Pauline (née Wood) died peacefully on 16th April, aged 97. Much loved mother of Clare and Edmund, grandmother of Edward and Robert. Funeral at Kent and Sussex Crematorium, Tunbridge Wells on Monday 9th April at 2.30 p.m. Family flowers only please, but donations can be made, payable to, Hospice in the Weald c/o E R Hickmott and Son. Tel: 01892 522462.
Online ref: 607425

WARD.—Andrew James (Andy/Sharkey) aged 51, peacefully with his family on 17th April 2022. Fondest memories and will be so very sadly missed by all his family. Service at St Mary's Church, Portchester on Monday 9th May at 10.30 a.m., followed by a private cremation. Family flowers only. Donations payable to Rowans Hospice or Diabetes UK c/o Barrells Funeral Directors, 245 Fratton Road, Portsmouth, PO1 5PA. After the service you are welcome to join the family for refreshments.
Online ref: 607442

WILLIAMS.—David Nicholas Owen OBE (Nick). Passed away unexpectedly on 17th April 2022. A much loved father, grandfather, respected businessman and friend to many. A Celebration of Nick's life will take place on Tuesday 10th May in Llandaff Cathedral at 2.30 p.m., followed by a private committal service. No flowers by request but donations would be welcomed for the Sir Gareth Edwards Cancer Charity or the Game & Wildlife Conservation Trust online at www.nickwilliams.muchloved.com or via the funeral director. All enquiries to Parkman Funeral Home, 19 Camms Corner, Dinas Powys CF64 4QY. Tel: 02922 362101.
Online ref: A257045

WILSON.—David Wilson, Consultant Surgeon (Burns) Birmingham Childrens Hospital. Passed away at home on 25th March 2022. Funeral Service will be on Monday 23rd May at Efford Crematorium, Plymouth, PL3 6NG at 1.15 p.m. All enquiries to Co-op Funeralcare, Plymstock, Plymouth, PL9 7BN. Tel: 01752 482900.
Online ref: 607414

Personal

Text for the day

FOR THE love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.
1 Timothy 6.10

Birthdays

HAPPY 65TH BIRTHDAY
to Andy Kingman. Wishing you the best of birthdays. I love you lots and lots. From your wife Angie xxx
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SLOUGH MULTIFUEL PROJECT

THE SLOUGH MULTIFUEL EXTENSION PROJECT

The Planning Act 2008 - Section 48 'Duty to publicise'

The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2008 - Regulation 4

The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 - Regulation 13
Notice of proposed application for a Development Consent Order for the Slough Multifuel Extension Project

The Application

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2. The Project comprises works to increase the efficiency and output of an energy from waste electricity generating station with capacity up to 50 megawatts (MW), which was originally consented in June 2017 under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 ('TCPA') regime (planning permission refs. P/00987/024 and P/00987/025) (the 'Consented Development'), to achieve up to 60MW peak electrical output (MWe). As the electrical output would exceed 50MW the Project requires development consent (granted in the form of a DCO) pursuant to Sections 31, 14(1)(a) and 15 of the PA 2008.

The Project

3. The Project comprises land either of Edinburgh Avenue, Slough, SL1 4TU (located a grid reference 495372, 181446) (the 'Site'). The Site is located within the Slough Heat and Power site and encompasses the site of the Consented Development. All elements of the Project are within the administrative boundary of Slough Borough Council. In total the Site extends 2.8 hectares.

3.1 Plans are available within the 'Consultation Documents' (see further below) showing the extent of the Site.

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- heat exchanger bundles (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
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Environmental Impact Assessment

4. The Applicant has notified the SoS in writing under Regulation 8(1)(b) of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017(the 'EIA Regulations') that they intend to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of the Project. The Project is therefore 'EIA development' for the purposes of the EIA Regulations and an ES will form part of the Proposed Application.

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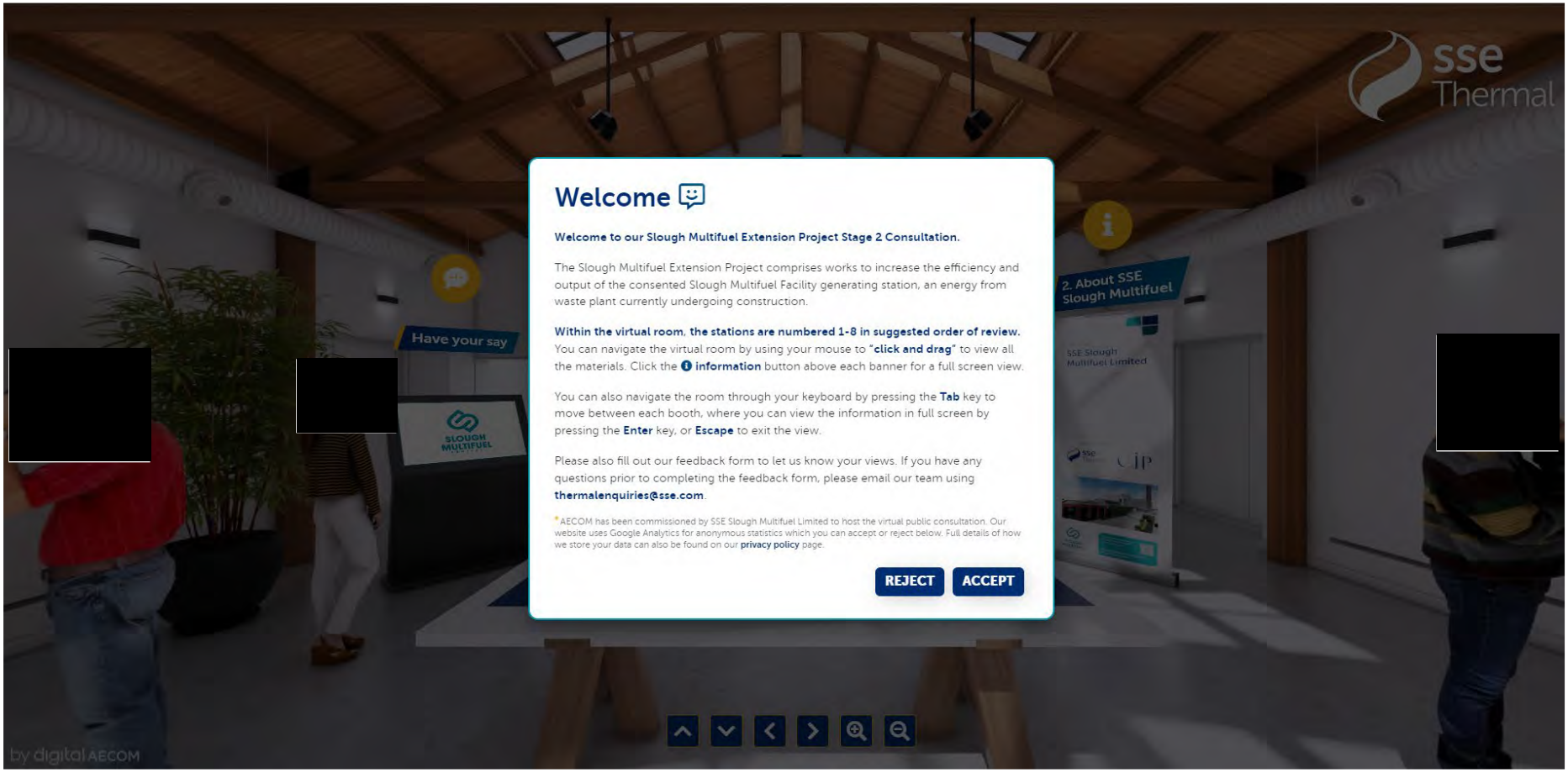
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May 2022 (4062548)

APPENDIX 11.3 – SCREENSHOTS OF THE VIRTUAL EXHIBITION

Appendix 11.3 – Screenshots of the Virtual Exhibition



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APPENDIX 11.4 – WEBINAR PRESENTATION

SLOUGH MULTIFUEL EXTENSION PROJECT

STAGE 2 CONSULTATION WEBINAR

1 June 2022



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HOUSEKEEPING

- During the webinar, it is important to note the distinction between the proposed extension project being consulted on presently (the Extension Project), and the consented development already under construction (the Consented Development).
- There will be an opportunity for a Q+A session at the end of the presentation; questions can be submitted to the team through the chat box function.







MEET THE TEAM

- David Curry, Project Manager, CIP
- Andrew Ellis, Technical Support Manager, SSE
- Rob Booth, Planning, DWD
- Neil Titley, EIA, AECOM
- Nina Donald, Stakeholder Engagement Manager, SSE

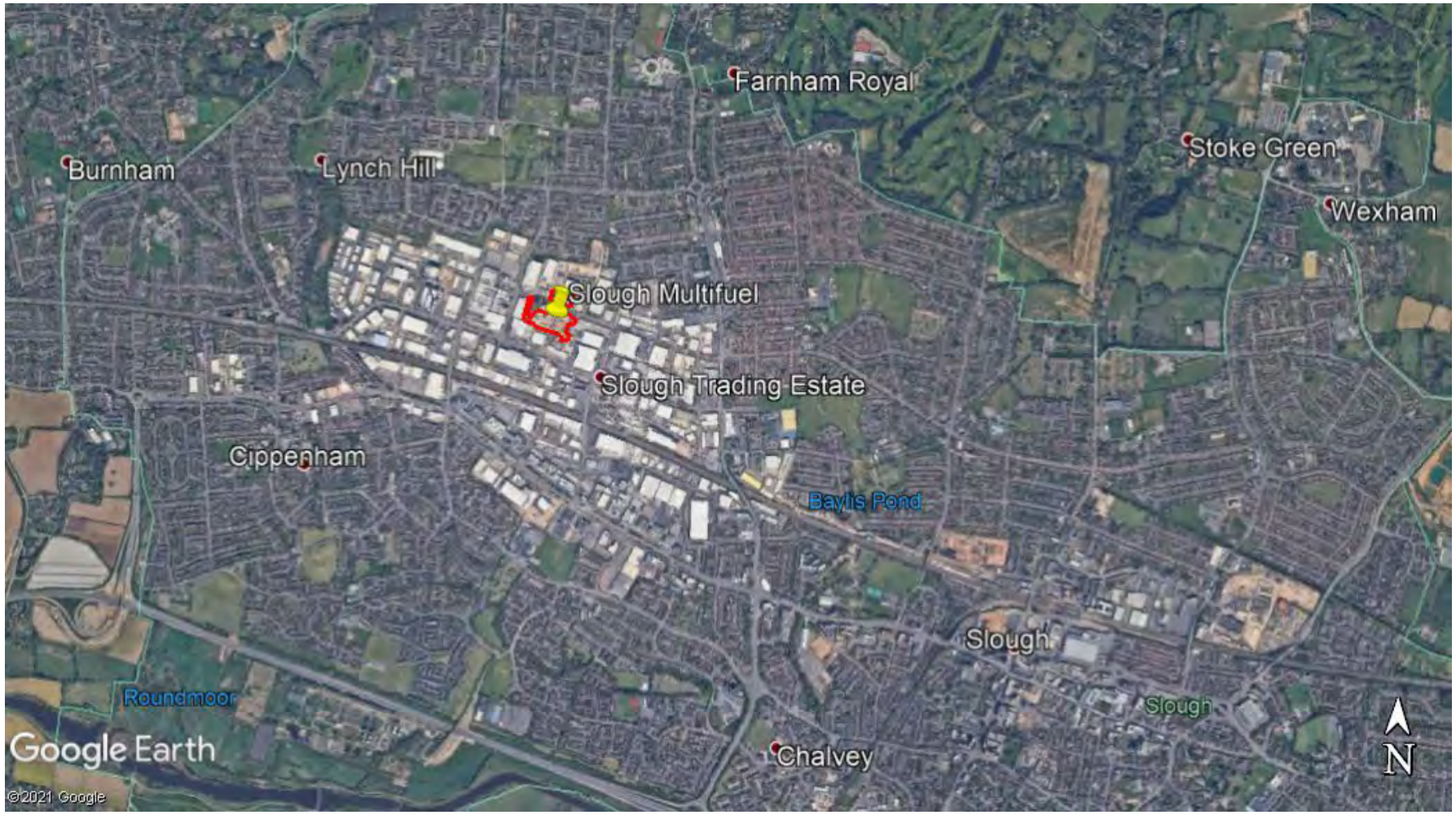


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ABOUT SLOUGH MULTIFUEL

- The Slough Heat and Power Plant, located on the Slough Trading Estate in Berkshire, was acquired by SSE in January 2008.
- Consent for this development was granted in May 2017. In August 2018, decommissioning and demolition works began to facilitate the development of a new energy-from-waste facility up to 50 megawatts power output (MW) at the site, known as Slough Multifuel. Finally, in April 2020 SSE Thermal entered into an agreement with Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP) to develop the new Slough Multifuel facility as a 50:50 joint venture.
- Construction of Slough Multifuel, which commenced in May 2021, is being undertaken by specialist EPC contractor HZI. Construction is expected to take approximately three and a half years.

SITE LOCATION



ABOUT SLOUGH MULTIFUEL

- The construction of the Consented Development is due to be completed in 2024. Upcoming activities include the completion of:
  - the tipping hall and associated works
  - the turbine hall
  - hopper deck
  - firewall panels
  - external works
  - structural steel installation, waste bunker and boiler lift core, including cladding



Plate 4.1 – Tipping Hall Construction Area, Consented Development Construction Works (April 2022)

ABOUT THE EXTENSION PROJECT

- SSE Slough Multifuel Limited (SMF) the ‘The Applicant’ are now seeking to increase the efficiency of the Plant so that it can generate up to 60MW of electricity. Due to the increasing generation capacity above 50MW, obtaining consent from the Secretary of State is required.
- As the electrical output would exceed 50MW the Project requires development consent (granted in the form of a Development Consent Order or ‘DCO’)
- For the Proposed Extension Project, the construction works associated with the Proposed Project are predominantly within the boiler house and turbine hall. There will be a single external pipe run between these two buildings. This is not expected to be visible outside the Site, other than from a specific location along Liverpool Road.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

- A number of environmental surveys for the Extension Project have been carried out, including air quality monitoring and habitat and species surveys. These supplement the ongoing surveys that took place to inform the Consented Development and subsequent environmental permitting work.
- A Preliminary Environmental Information (PEI) Report presents the findings to date on the likely significant environmental effects of its construction, operation (including maintenance), and decommissioning based on the information compiled at the time.
- The PEI Report also contains a Non-Technical Summary (the PEI Report NTS). All PEI Report documents can be viewed on the Slough Multifuel Project website.

Predicted Outcomes

- Operating hours, waste throughout and daily HGV Traffic movements unchanged
- Emissions not increased from 2020 Permit Variation or TCPA EIA
- No increase in noise
- Building envelope and architecture unchanged, other than a single new pipe

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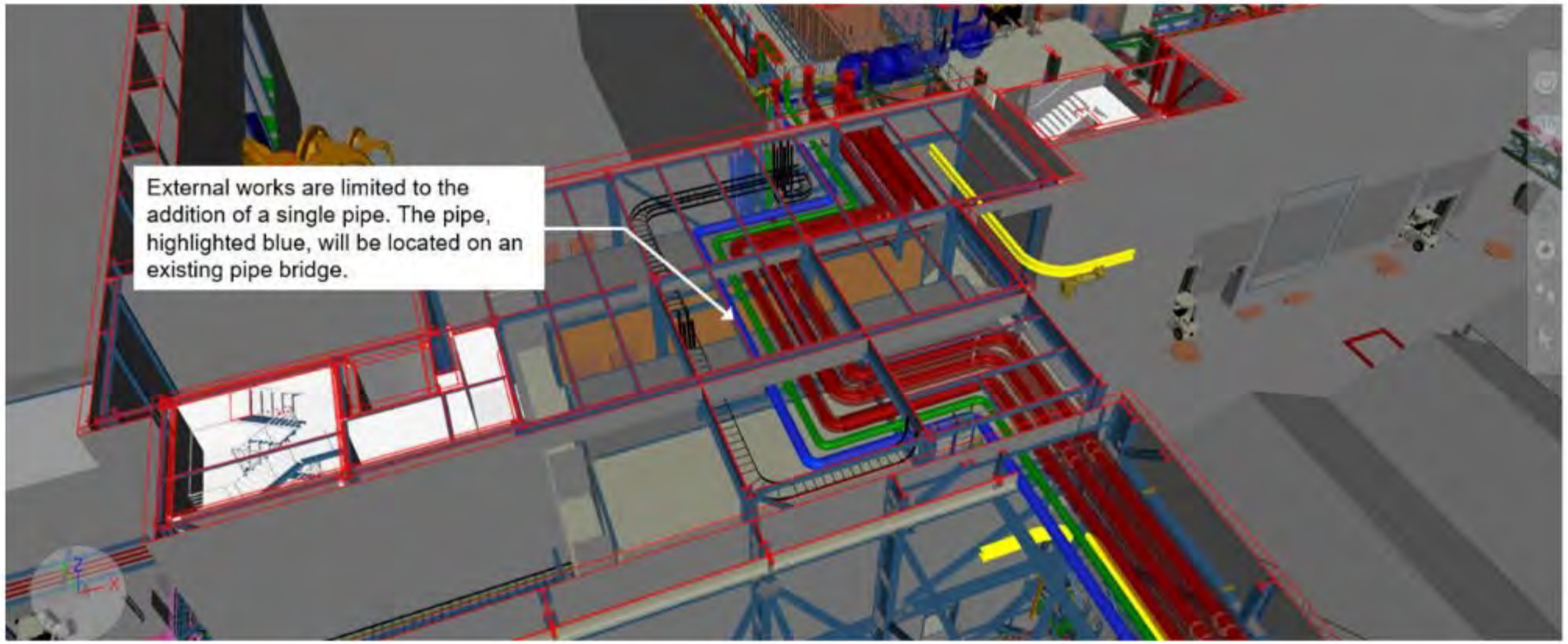
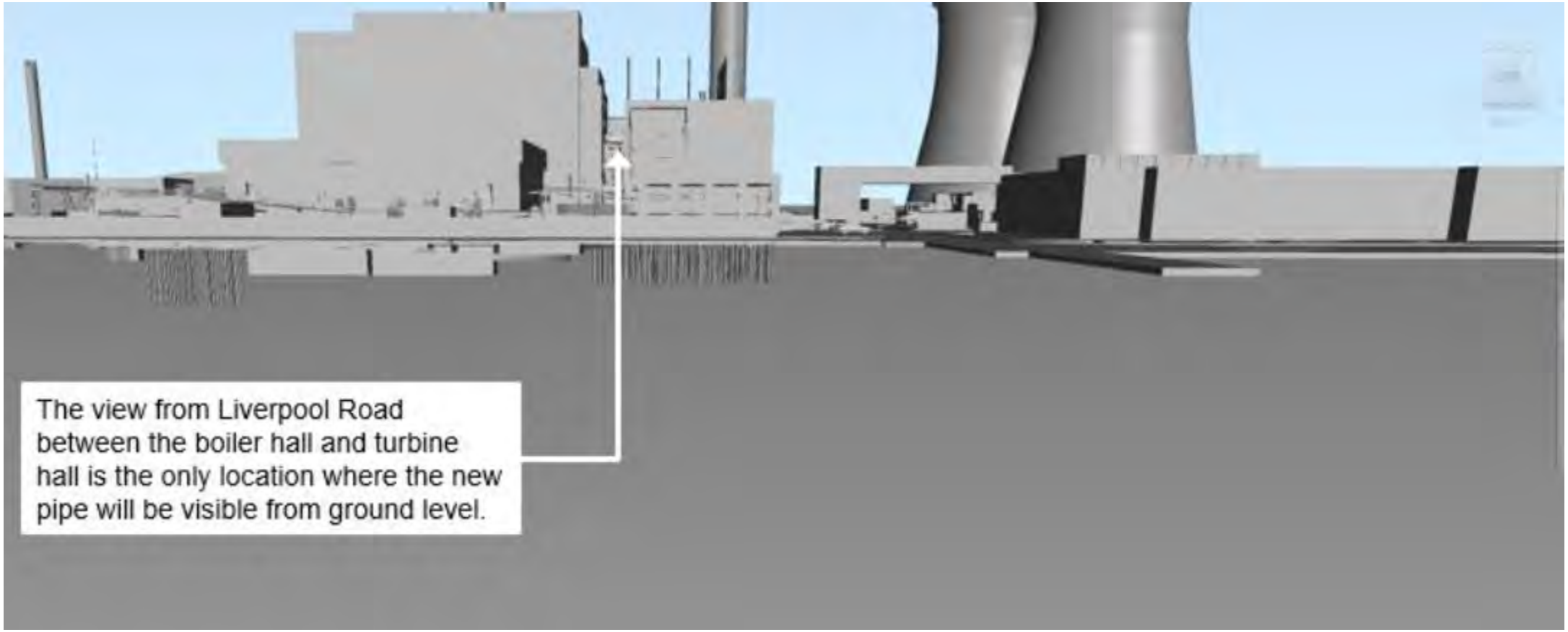


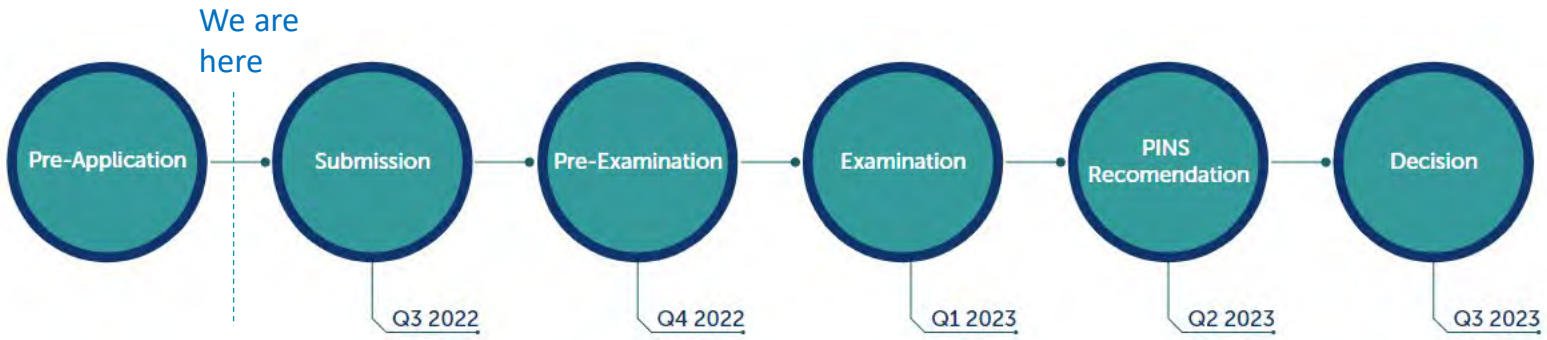
Plate 2.2 – 3D Model Close-up Aerial View of Consented Development with external pipework and pipe supports (Note – Proposed Project external pipework is coloured blue)

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DCO PROCESS

- Before the Extension Project can be built, we need to apply for a Development Consent Order ('DCO') from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ('SoS') under the Planning Act 2008.
- This Stage 2 consultation represents an opportunity in the process for the local community and other stakeholders to comment on our proposals prior to the submission of the DCO application to the SoS. The DCO application process and our expected timescales for obtaining development consent are summarised below.



- A Consultation Report will be prepared for submission, showing how comments received during this Stage 2 Consultation period have been considered.

NEXT STEPS

- The comments and responses received to this consultation will be used to help us finalise our proposals for the Slough Multifuel Extension Project prior to submitting the DCO application.

- If you are looking for information as to how the Project is progressing, please visit the Project Website for periodic updates. The Project also has a dedicated page on the PINS National Infrastructure Planning Portal:

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/south-east/slough-multifuel-project

FEEDBACK METHODS

Comments can be submitted on the Stage 2 Consultation via the following means:

- The feedback form available at this exhibition, the virtual exhibition room and the Project Website.
- The Project Website: [redacted]
- By post to Freepost: Slough Multifuel
- By email at thermalenquiries@sse.com
- Leave a message on 0800 335 7003, if you would like us to call you back, please include your name and number as part of your message.

The above information is also available to download from our Project Website: [redacted]

Thank you.

We will now take any questions.

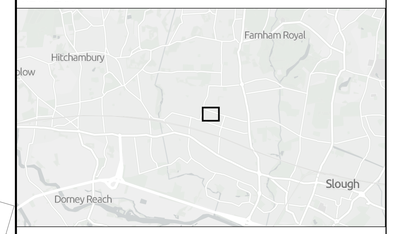
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APPENDIX 11.5 – SECTION 48 SITE NOTICES – PHOTOS AND MAP



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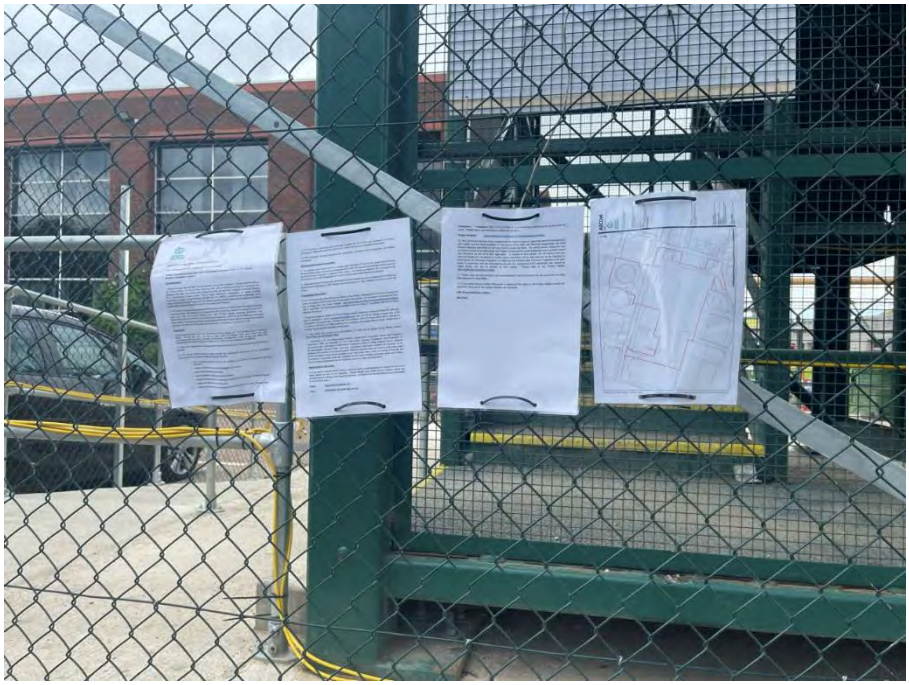


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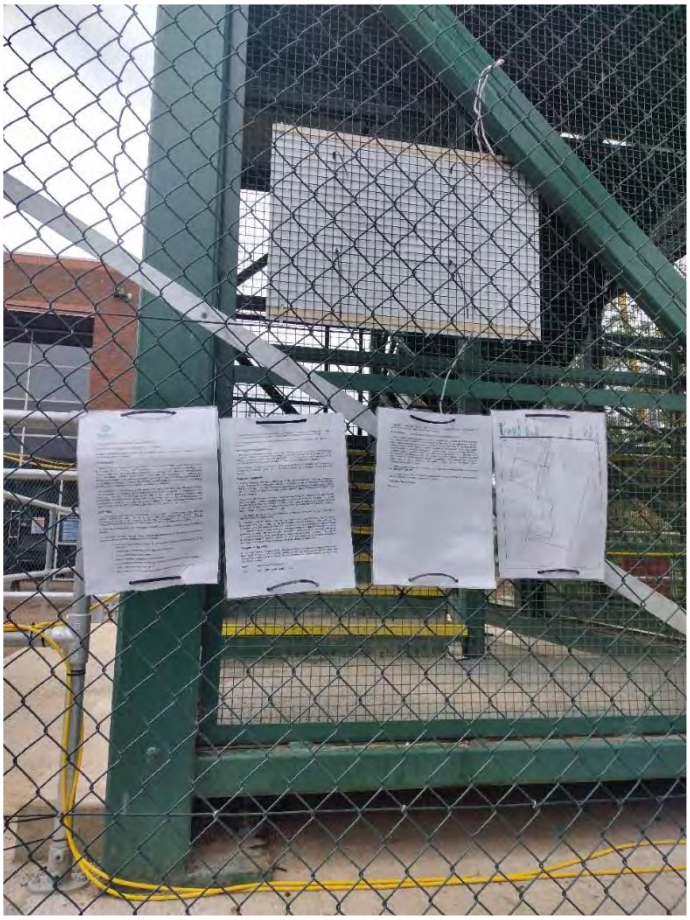


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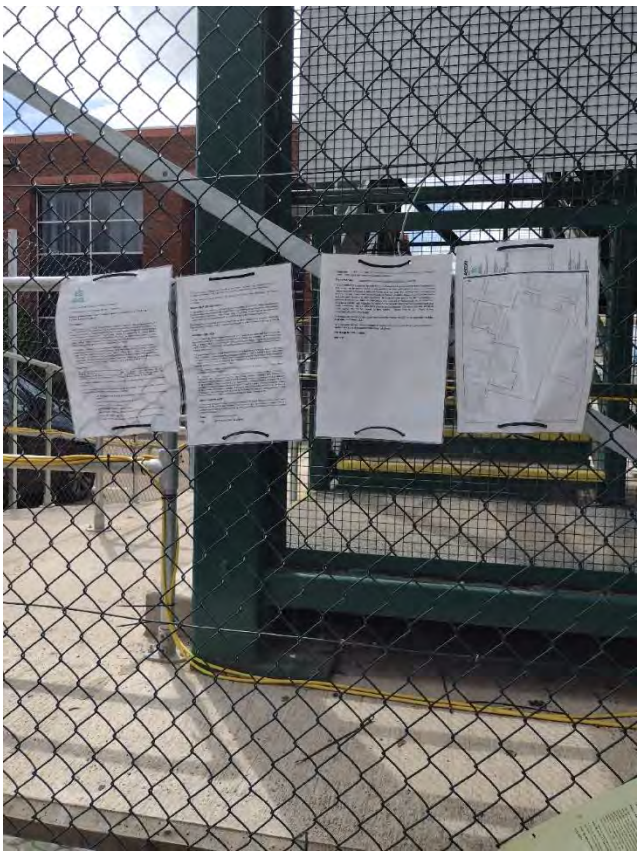
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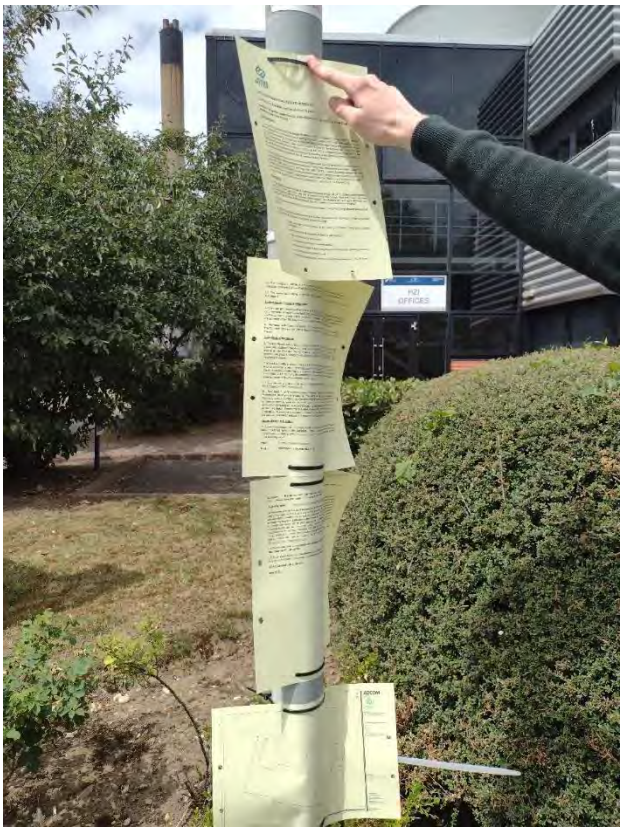
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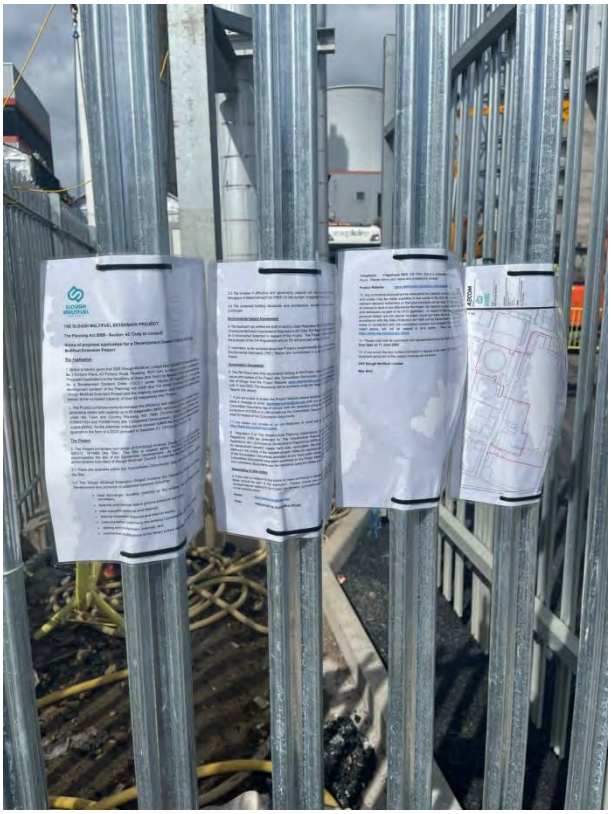


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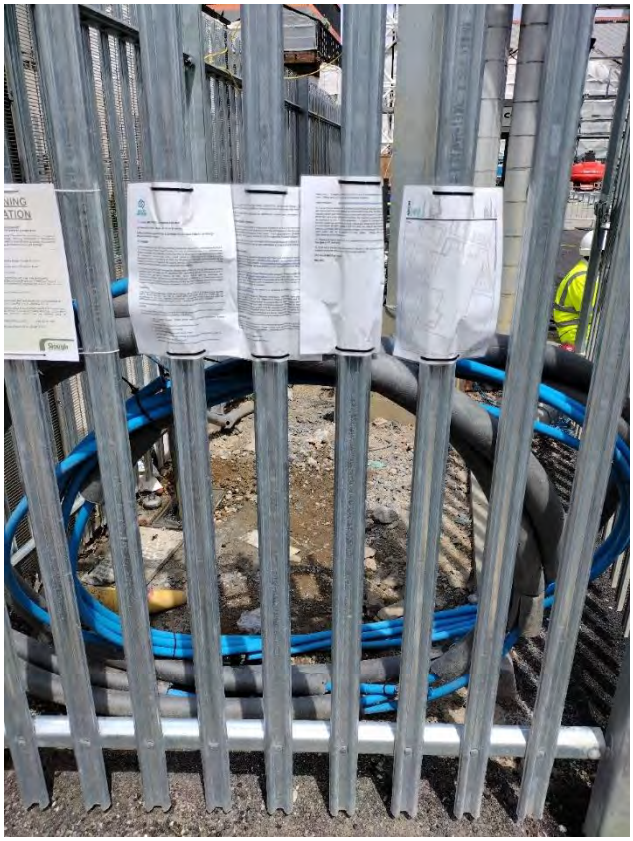
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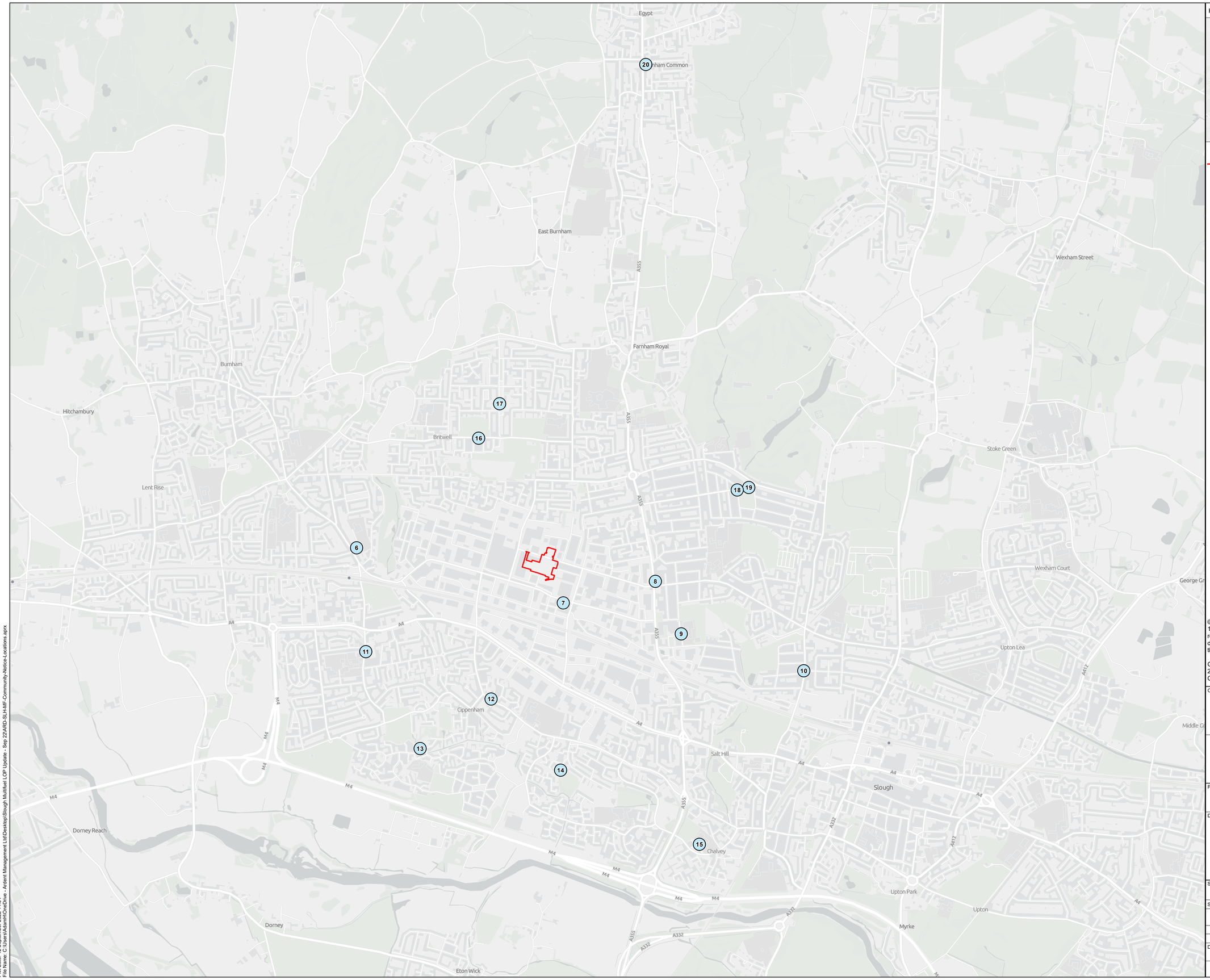
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APPENDIX 11.6 – COMMUNITY NOTICES MAP AND PHOTOS



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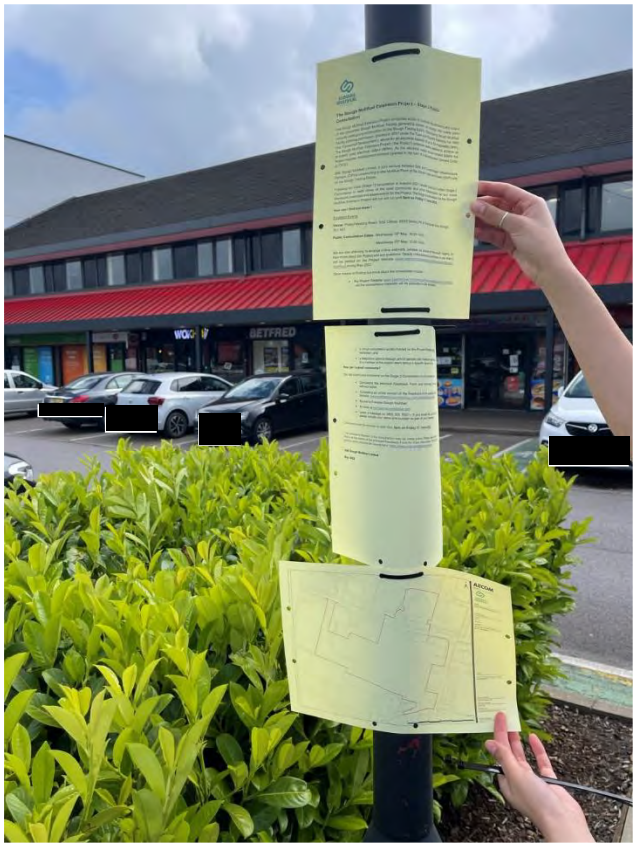


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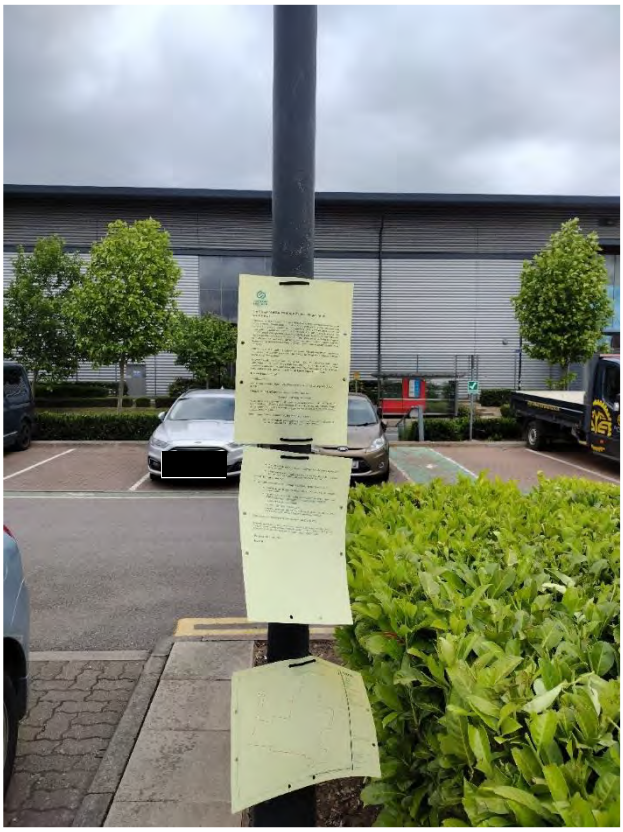
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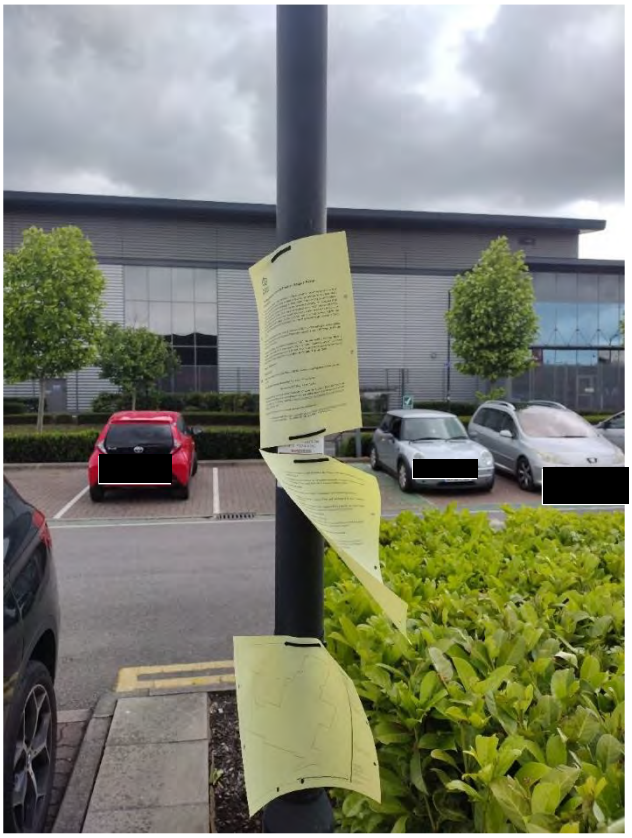
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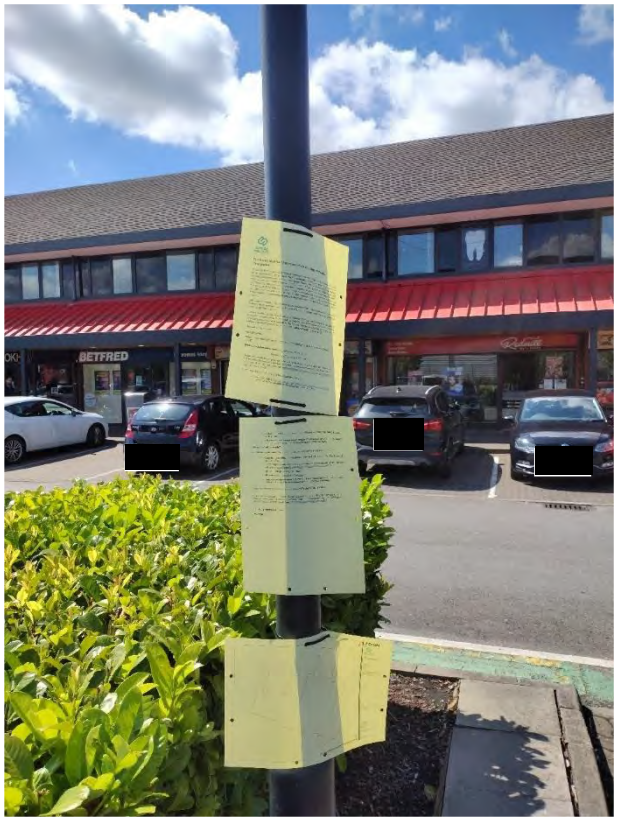
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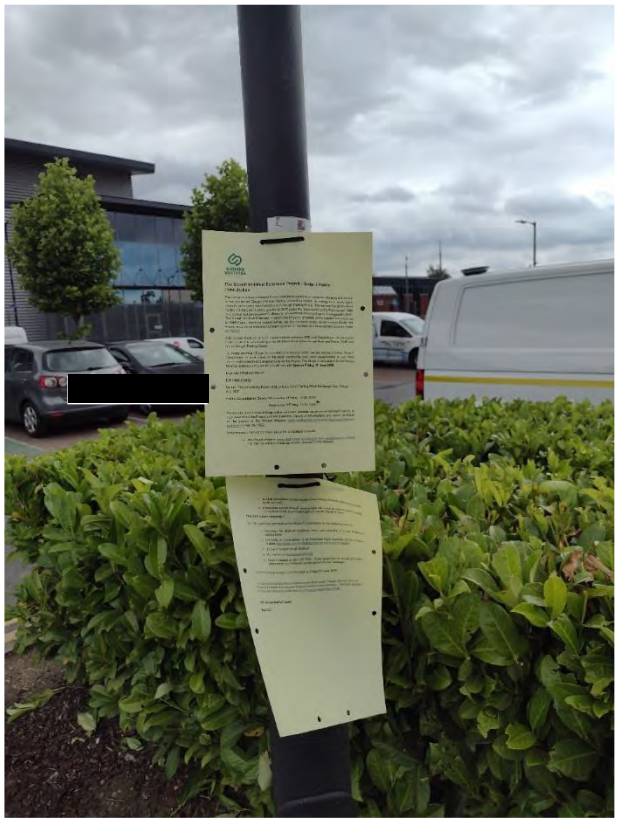
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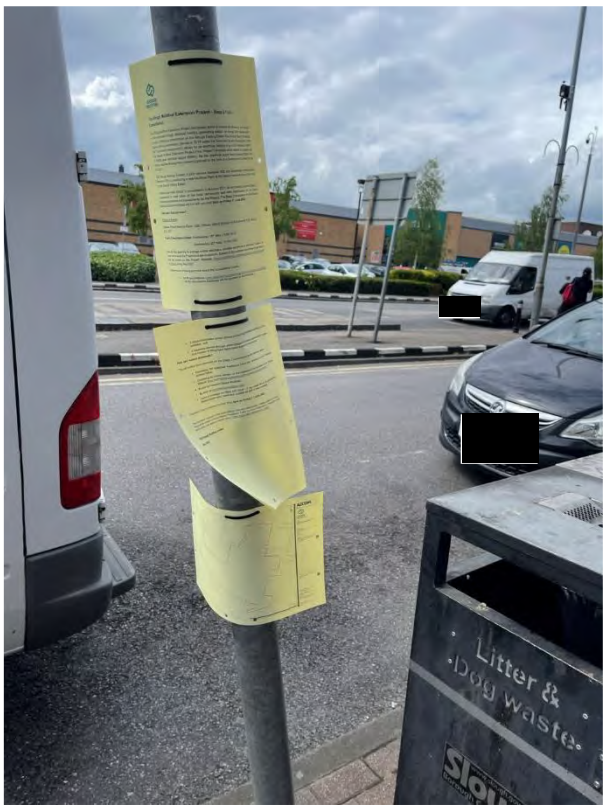


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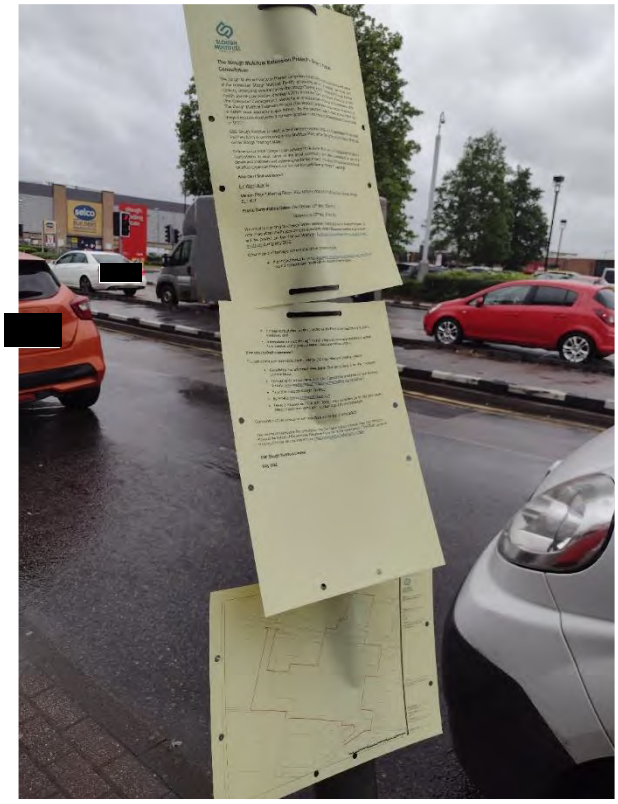


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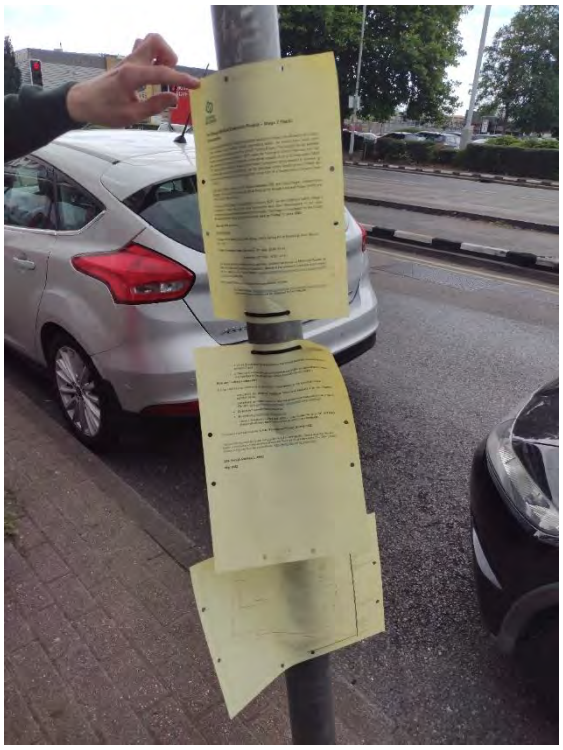
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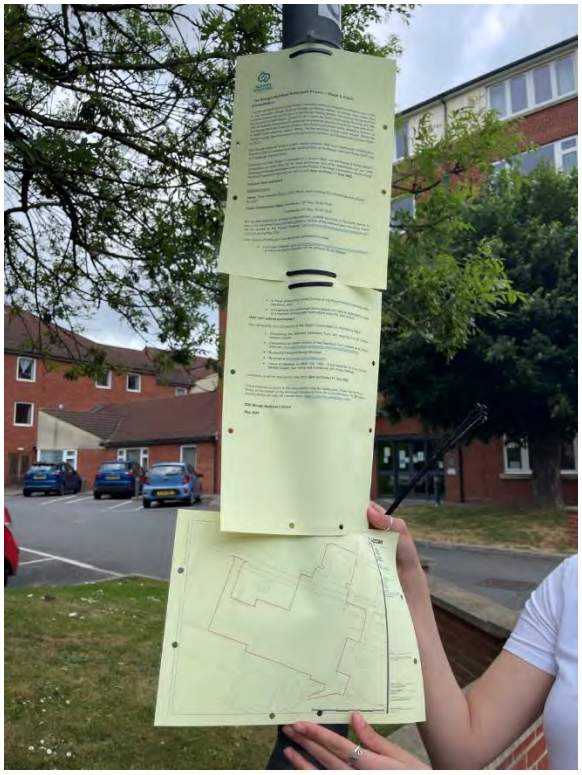


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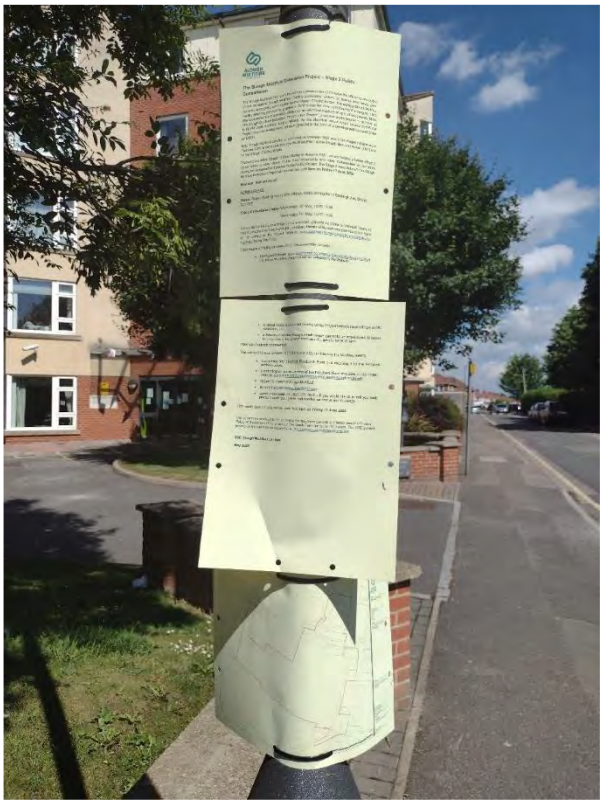
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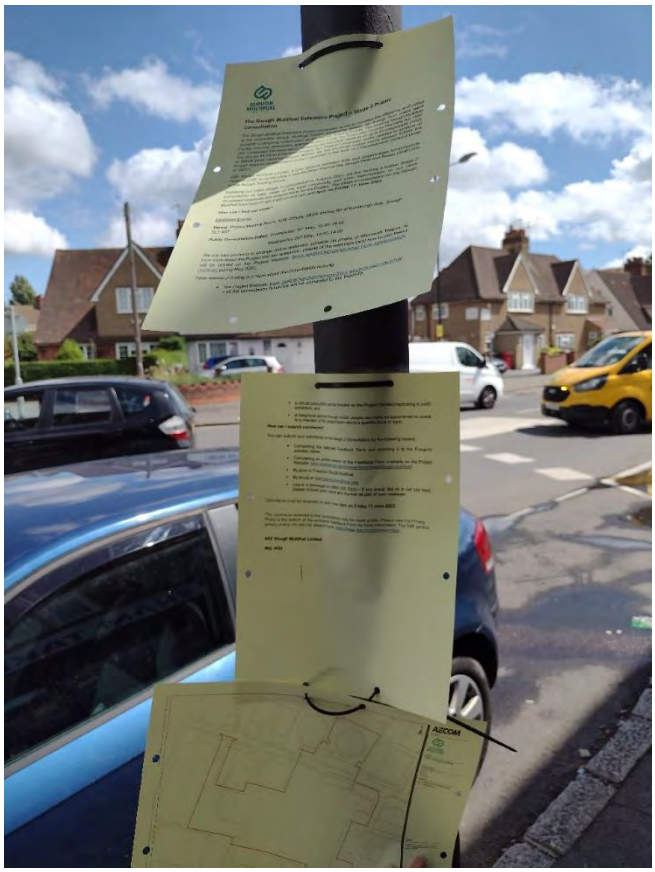


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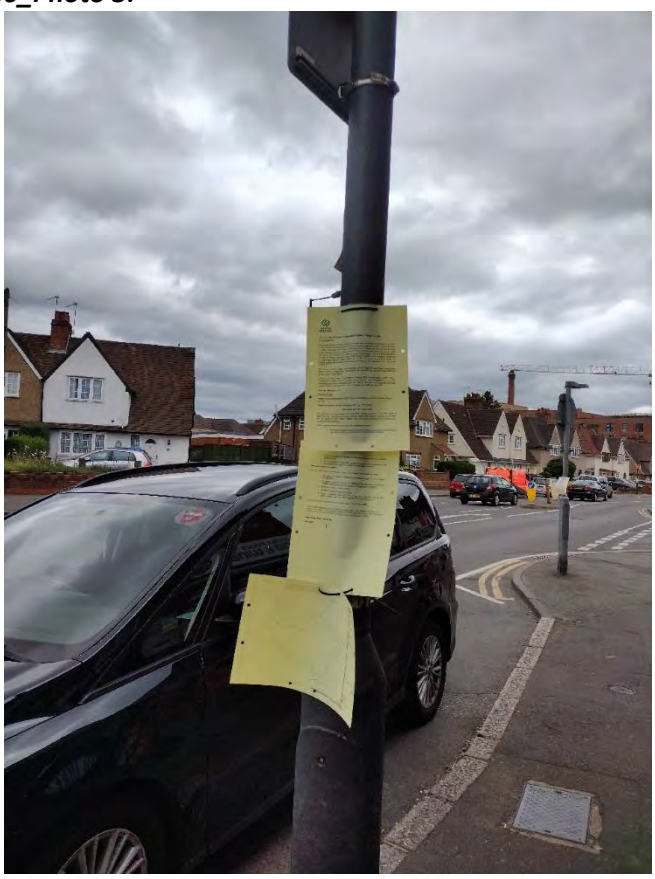
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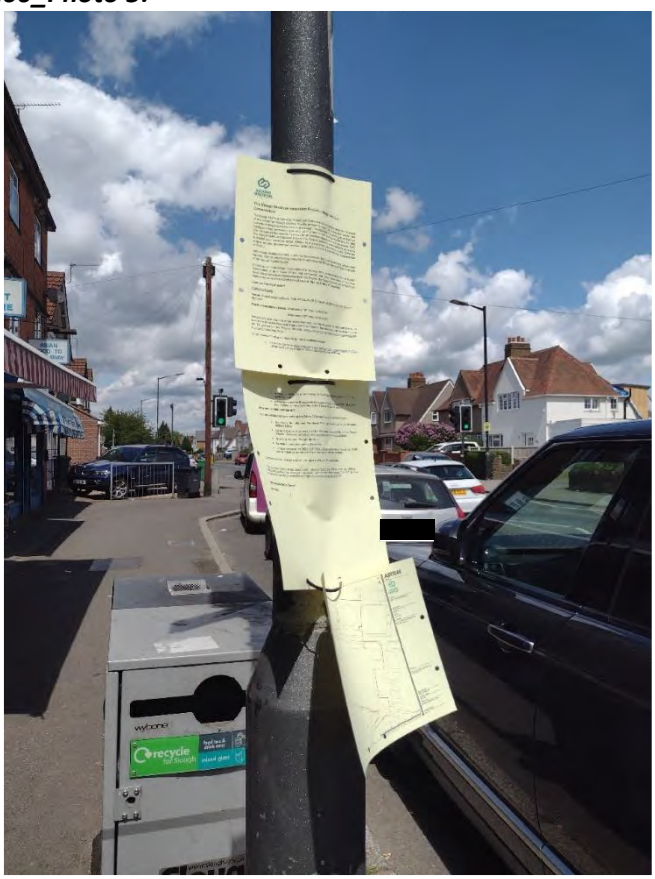
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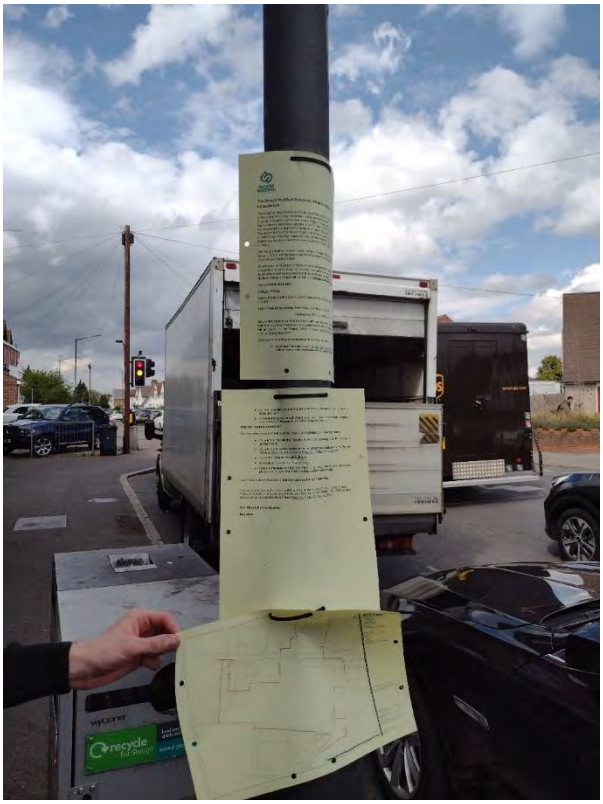
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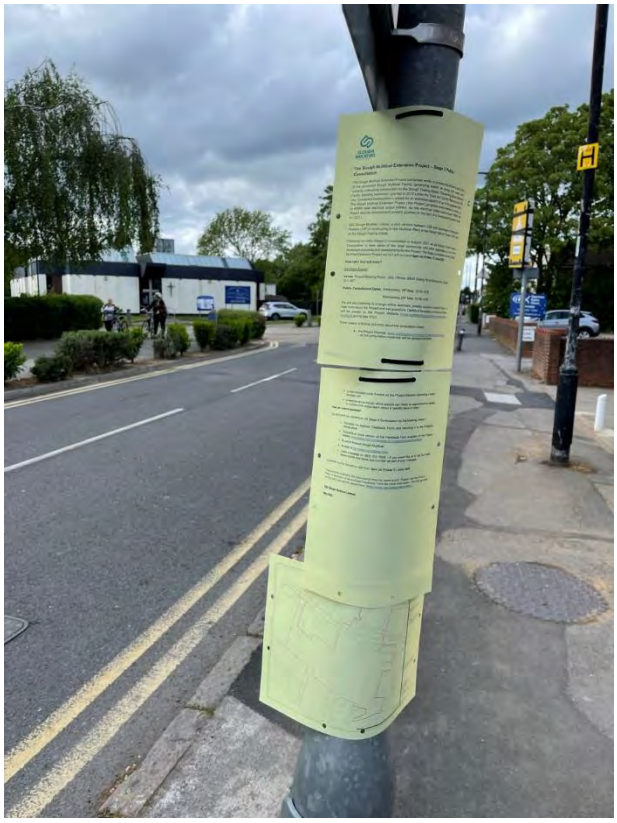


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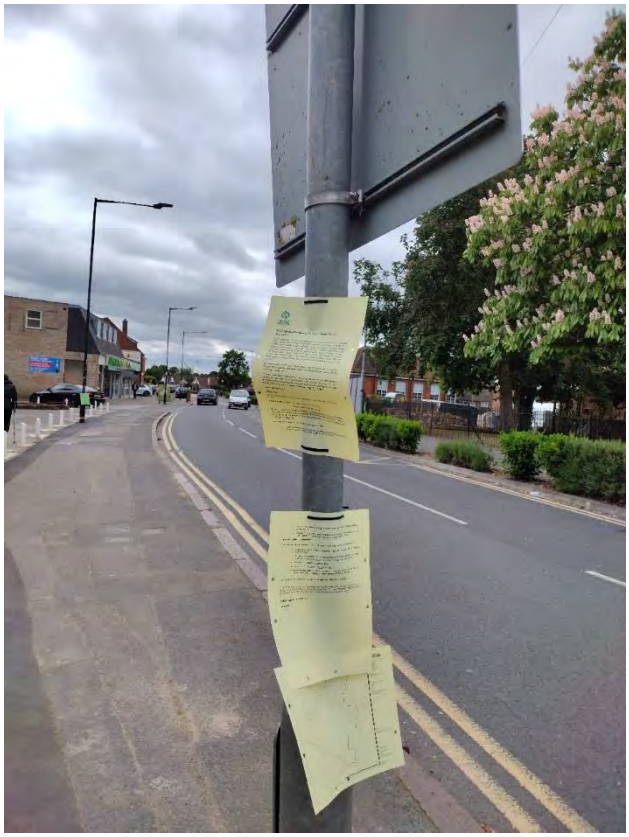
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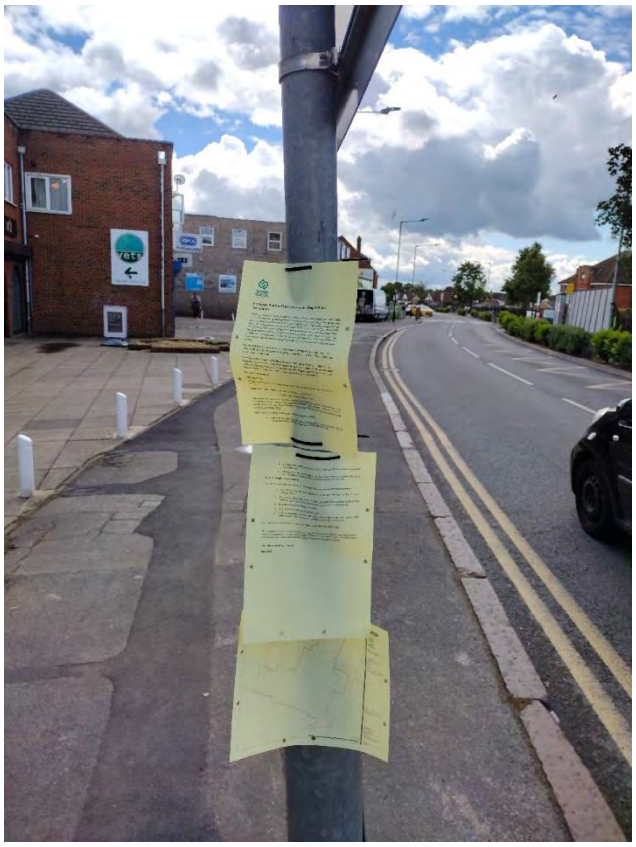
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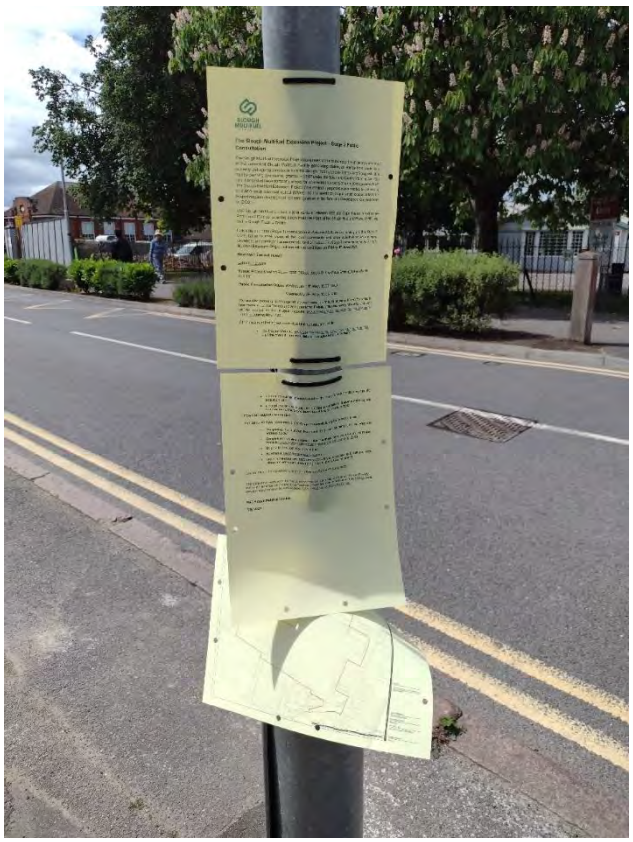
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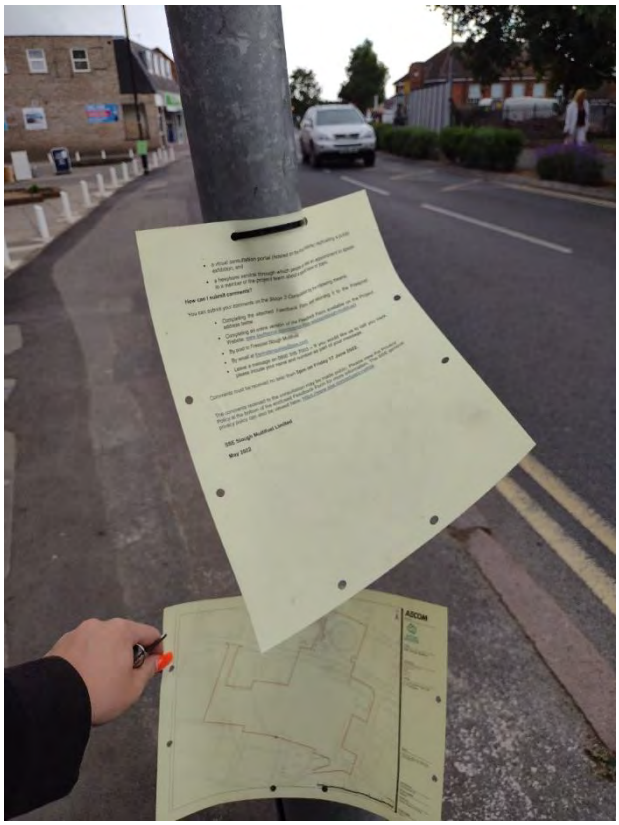
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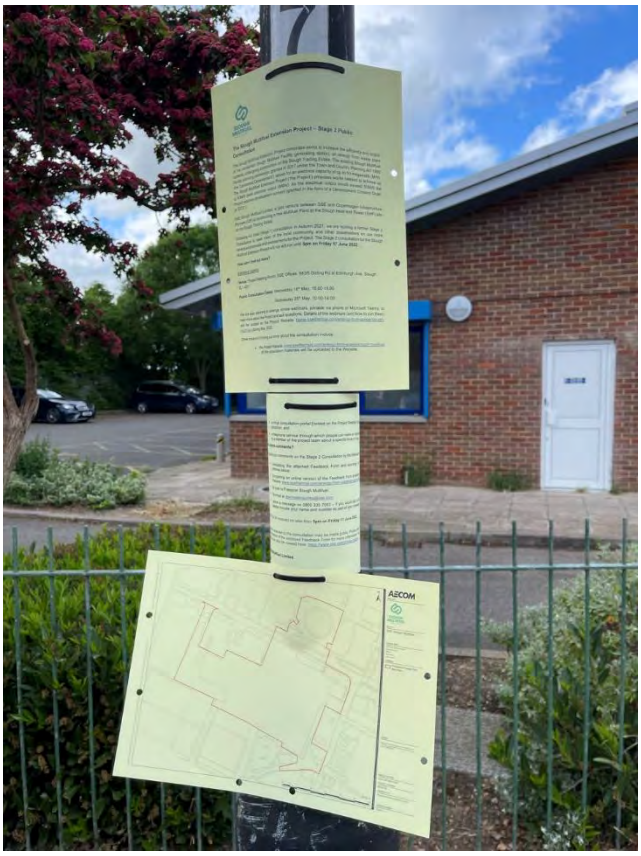


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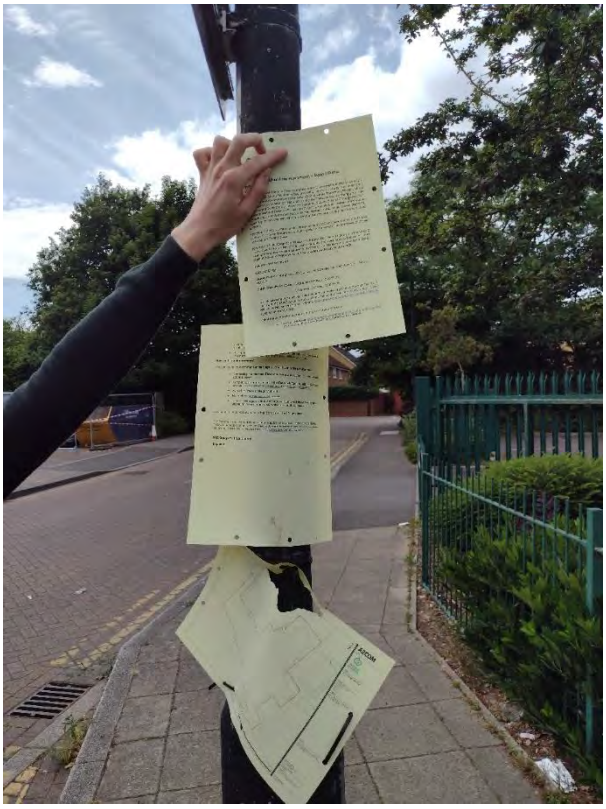
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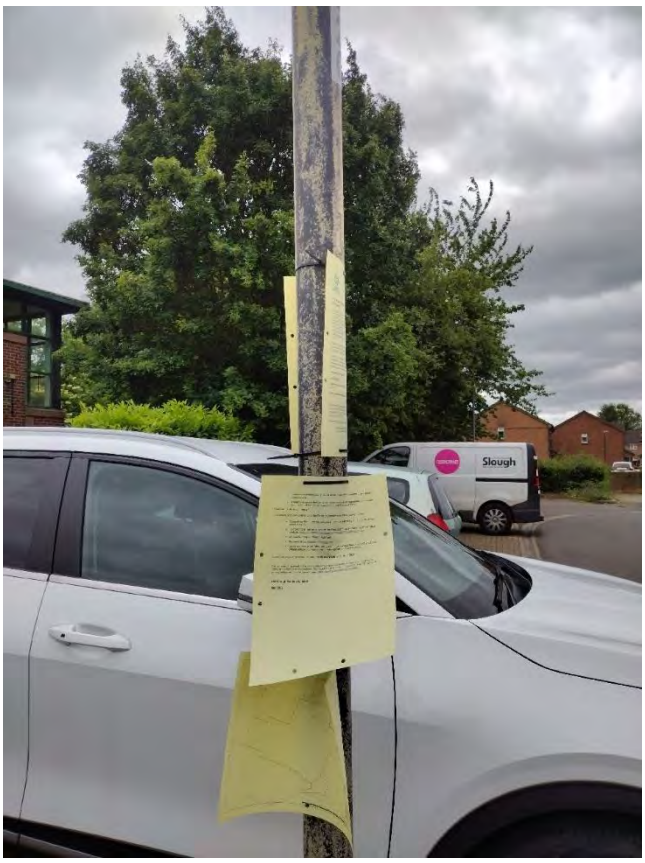
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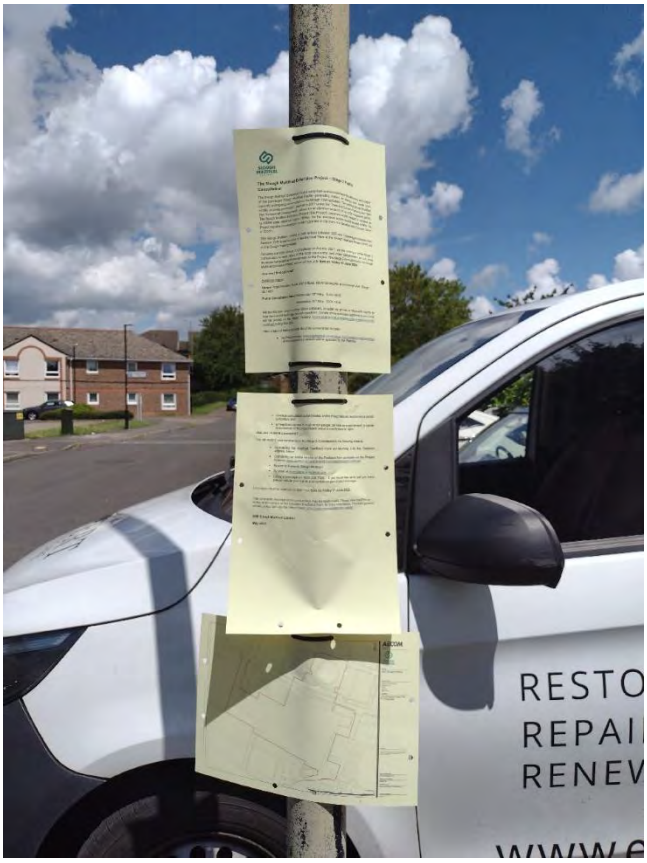
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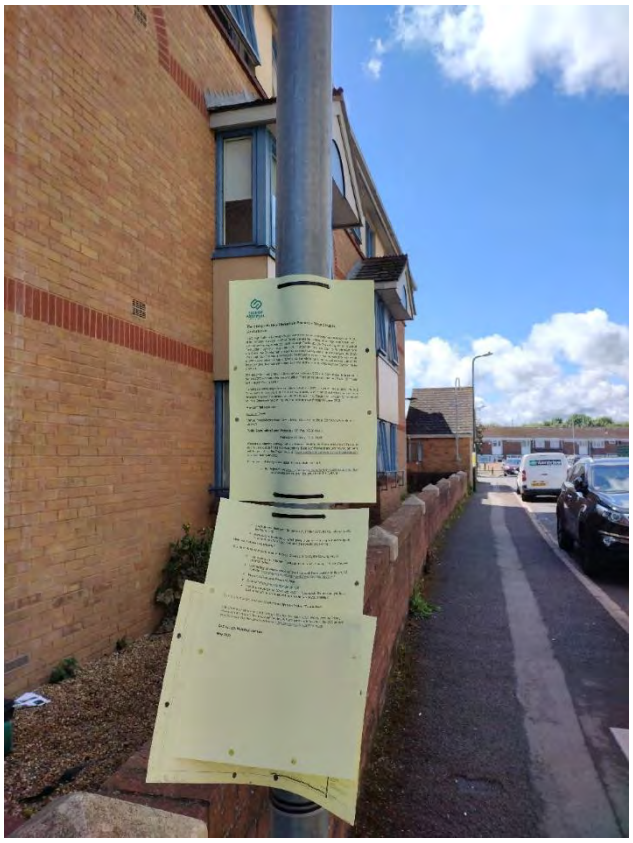


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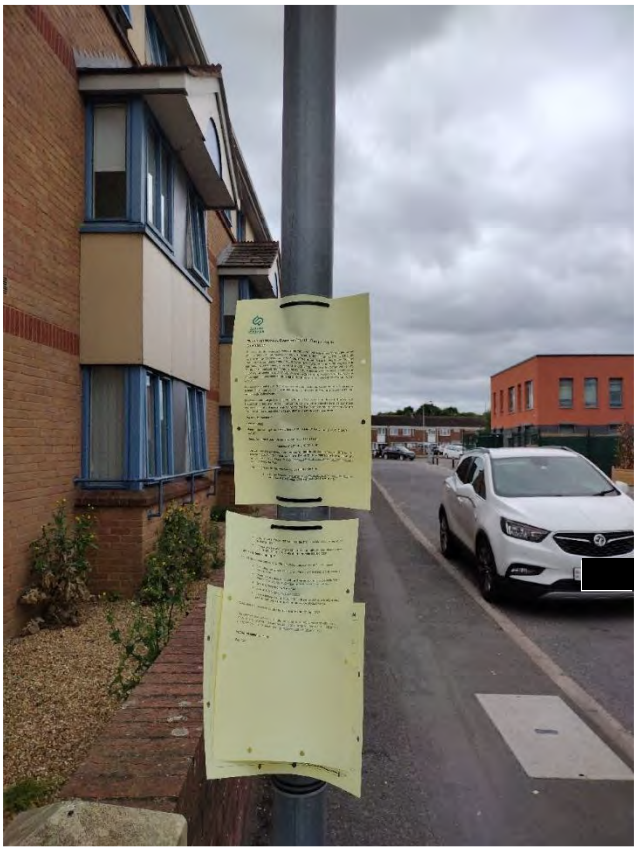
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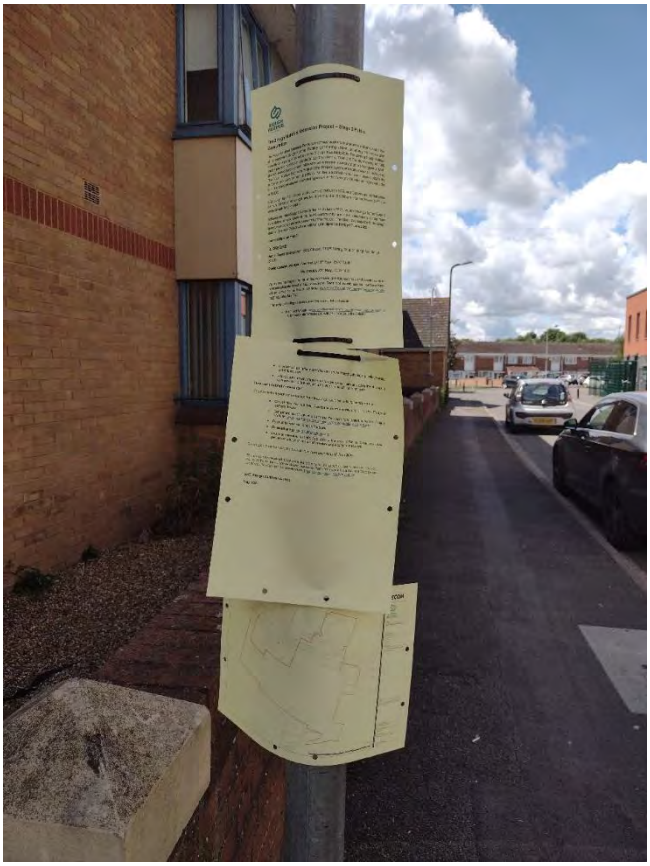
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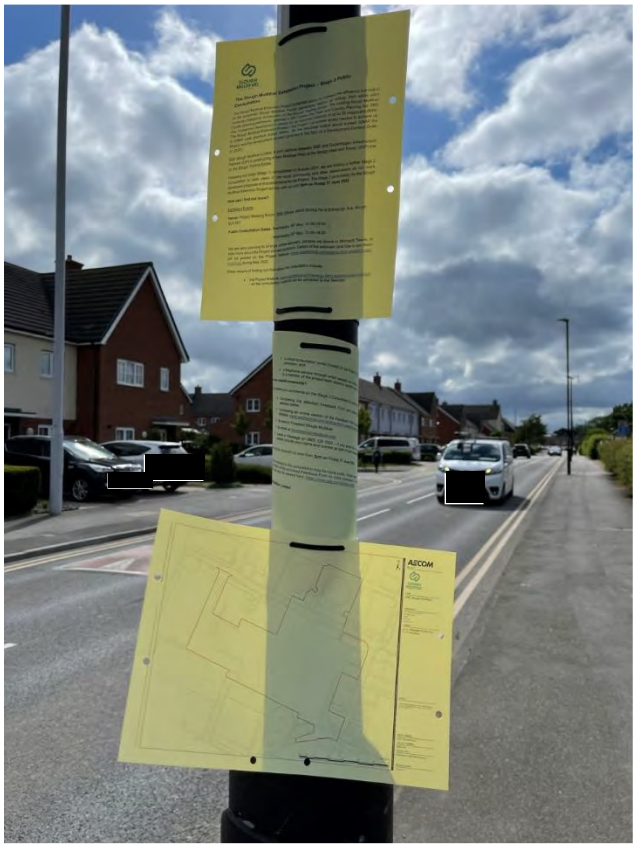


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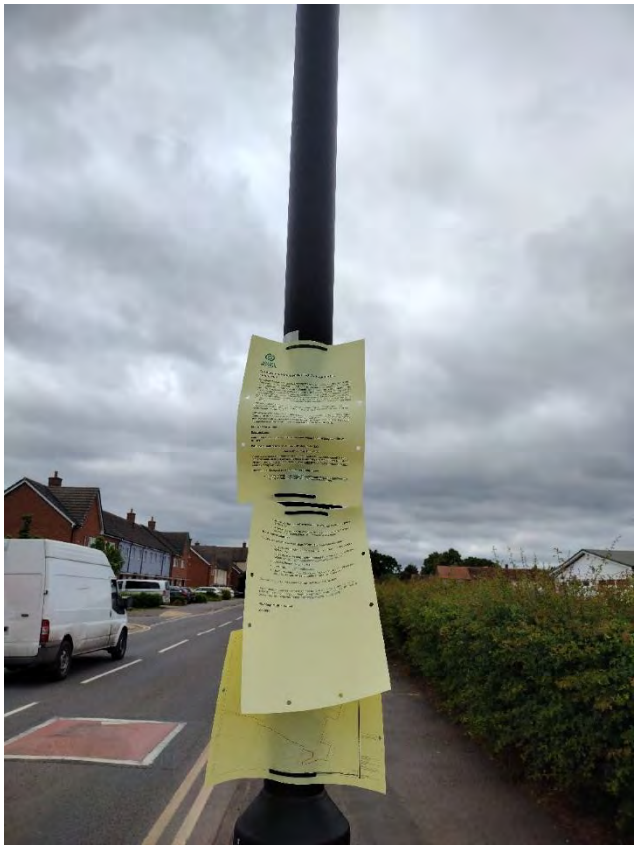
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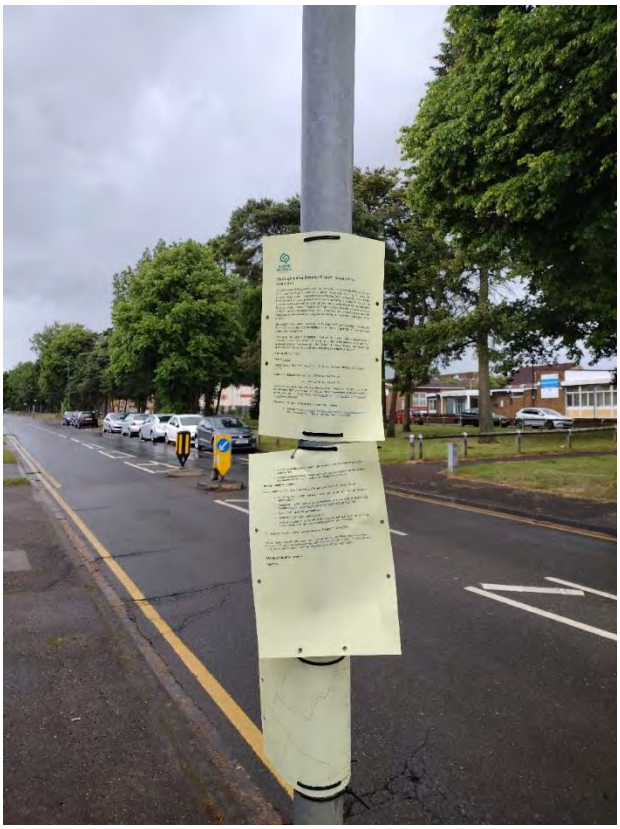
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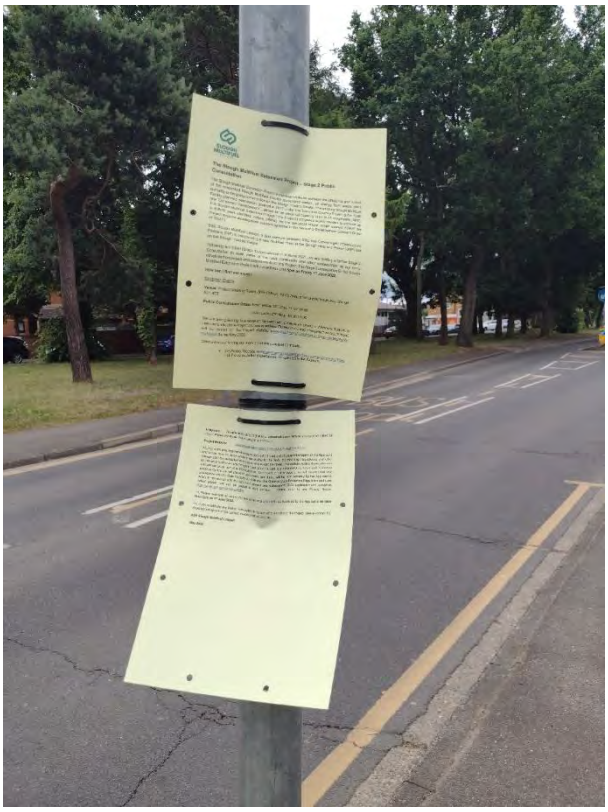
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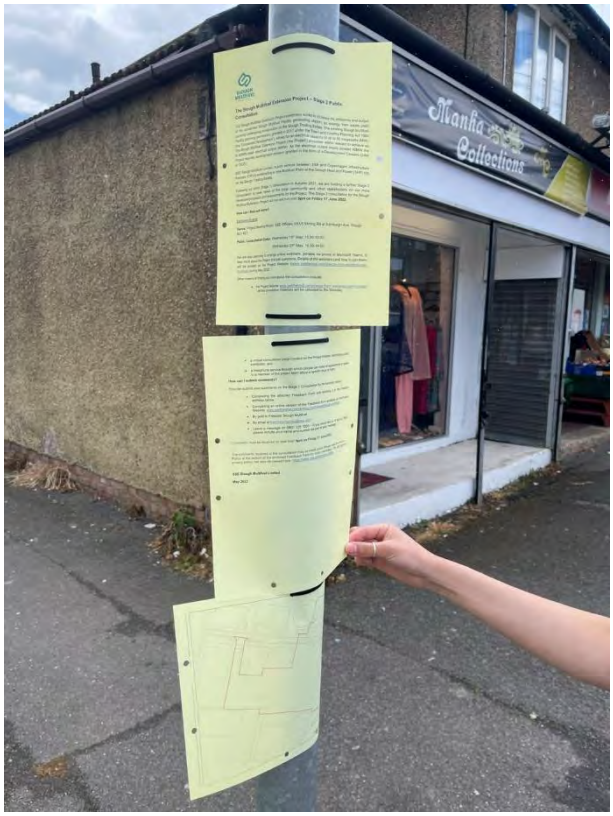


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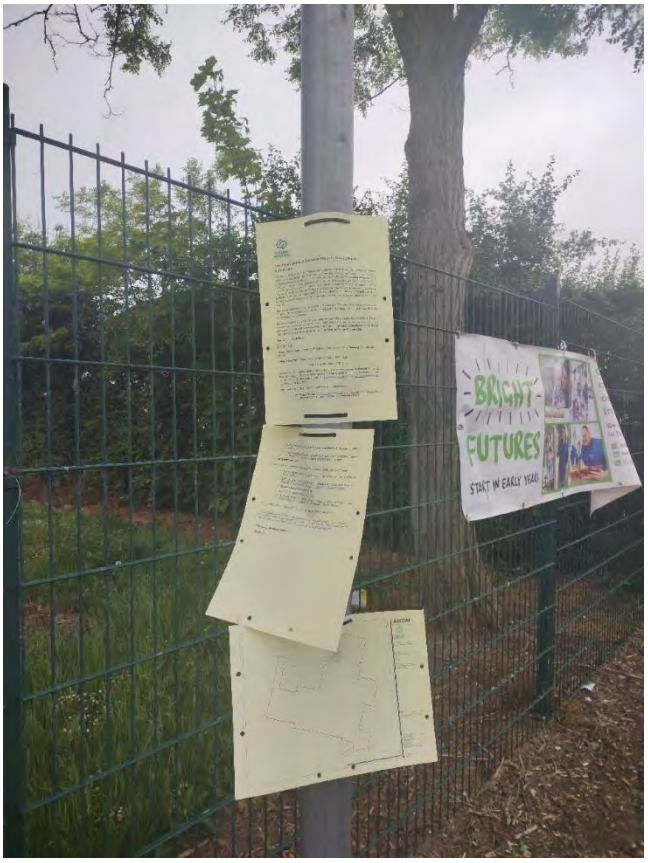


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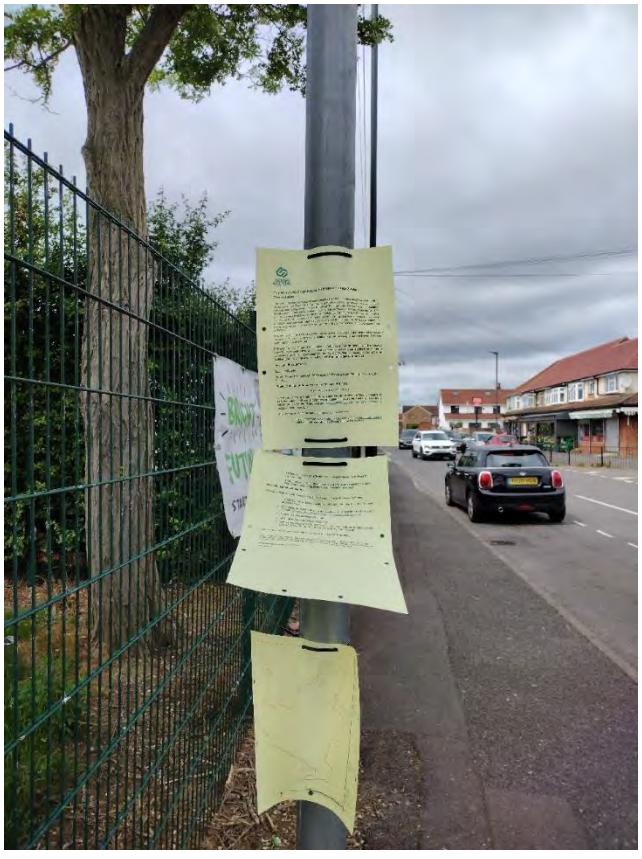
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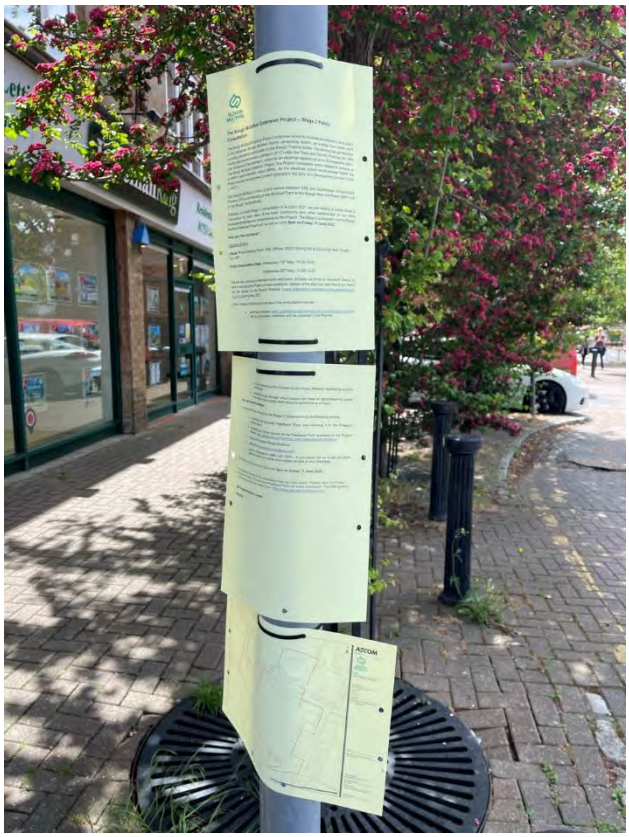


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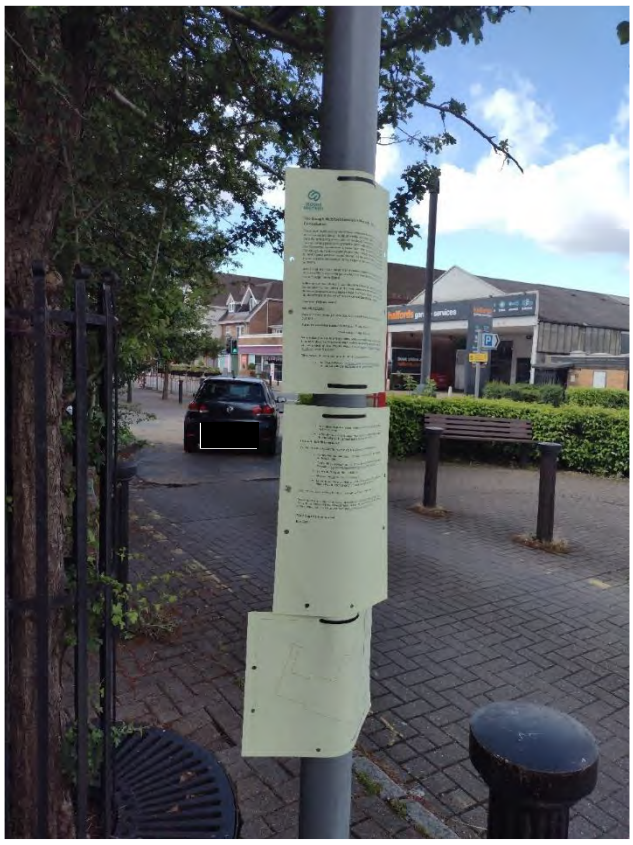
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APPENDIX 11.7 – STAGE 2 EXHIBITION BOARDS

WELCOME

The Slough Multifuel Extension Project comprises works to increase the efficiency and output of the consented Slough Multifuel Facility generating station, an energy from waste plant currently undergoing construction.

The existing Slough Multifuel Facility planning permission, consented in 2017 under the Town and Country Planning Act, allows for an electrical capacity of up to 50 megawatts (MW) ('the Consented Development'). The Slough Multifuel Extension Project ('the Project') proposes works needed to achieve up to 60MW peak electrical output (MWe).

As the electrical output would exceed 50MW the Project requires development consent (granted in the form of a Development Consent Order or 'DCO') under the Planning Act 2008.

Following our initial (Stage 1) consultation in Autumn 2021, we are holding a further Stage 2 Consultation to seek views of the local community and other stakeholders on our more developed proposals and assessments for the Project. The Stage 2 consultation for the Slough Multifuel Extension Project will run until 5pm on Friday 17 June 2022.



Tipping Hall (undergoing construction)

In addition to these information banners, also available to view as part of this exhibition are the following materials:

- Our Preliminary Environmental Information Report ('PEI Report') and its Non-Technical Summary ('NTS')
- A plan showing the location of the Slough Multifuel Site and the DCO boundary
- Details of how to join our upcoming webinars

Information on how to submit feedback on the Project is detailed on the final information board.

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The above information is also available to download from our Project Website:

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About **SSE Slough Multifuel Limited**

The Applicant is SSE Slough Multifuel Limited (SMF). SMF was established in April 2021 and is a 50:50 joint venture between SSE Thermal and Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP).

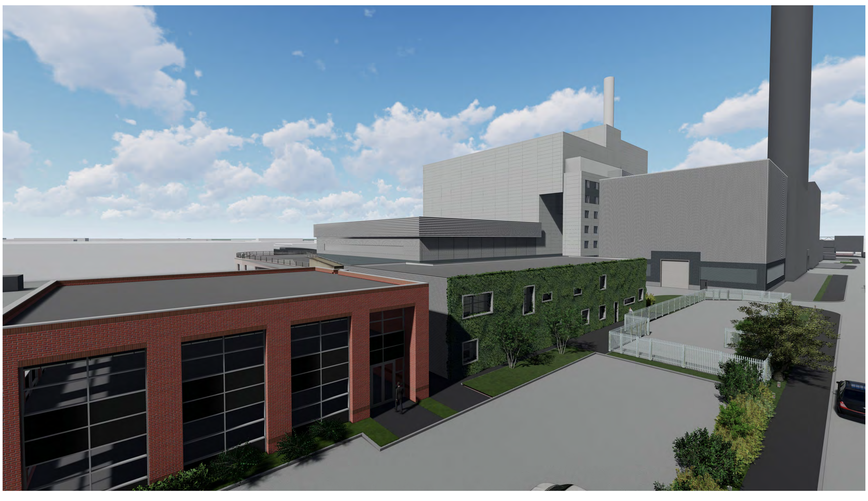
SSE Thermal, part of the FTSE-listed SSE plc, is a leading developer, owner and operator of flexible generation, energy-from-waste, and energy storage assets, with over 600 direct employees across the UK and Ireland.

SSE Thermal's vision is to become the leading provider of flexible thermal energy in a net-zero world. SSE Thermal was granted planning permission in June 2017 to construct the Consented Development at the Site. SSE Thermal currently operates the existing Slough Heat and Power Plant.

Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP) was founded in 2012 and is a fund management company specialised in offering tailor made investment in energy infrastructure assets globally, in particular within the renewable energy sector.

CIP are renewable market pioneers, involved in some of the World's largest offshore wind projects and other major energy infrastructure projects in North-Western Europe, North America, and Asia Pacific. CIP has extensive biomass and energy from waste experience in the UK.

An image of what the completed Multifuel plant will look like



3D Graphic Courtesy of Weedon Architects

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The above information is also available to download from our Project Website:

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What does the Extension Project consist of?

The purpose of the Project is to extend the generating capacity of the Consented Development from 50MWe to 60MWe.

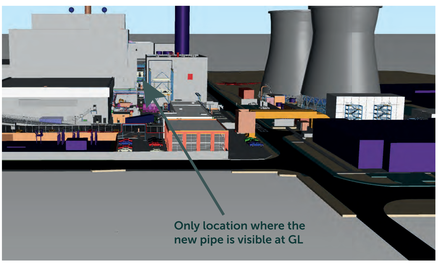
The Project includes different and additional technology within the buildings being constructed for the Consented Development that can generate a higher peak output from the same fuel throughput due to better efficiency, along with some very small external works (namely an external above ground pipe run on a consented pipe rack alongside other consented pipes).

The Project involves the mechanical modification of the Consented Development and provision of additional systems including:

- new external and internal above ground pipework and valves. Externally there will only be a single new above ground pipe which will be situated within the planned pipe rack already being constructed for the Consented Development;
- new instrumentation (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- modification to the consented pipe rack (external and internal);
- new cabling and containment (internal);
- new thermal insulation to the pipe (external and internal works);
- new heat exchanger bundles (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope); and
- mechanical modifications to the steam turbine inlet control system (internal works).



Current view looking northeast from Liverpool Road



The increase in efficiency and generating capacity will not require any increase in the hourly throughput of Waste Derived Fuel (WDF) or the number of approved deliveries to the facility Slough Multifuel.

The consented building structure and architecture of Slough Multifuel, currently under construction, will remain unchanged.

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The above information is also available to download from our Project Website:

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Is there a need for the Proposed Extension Project?

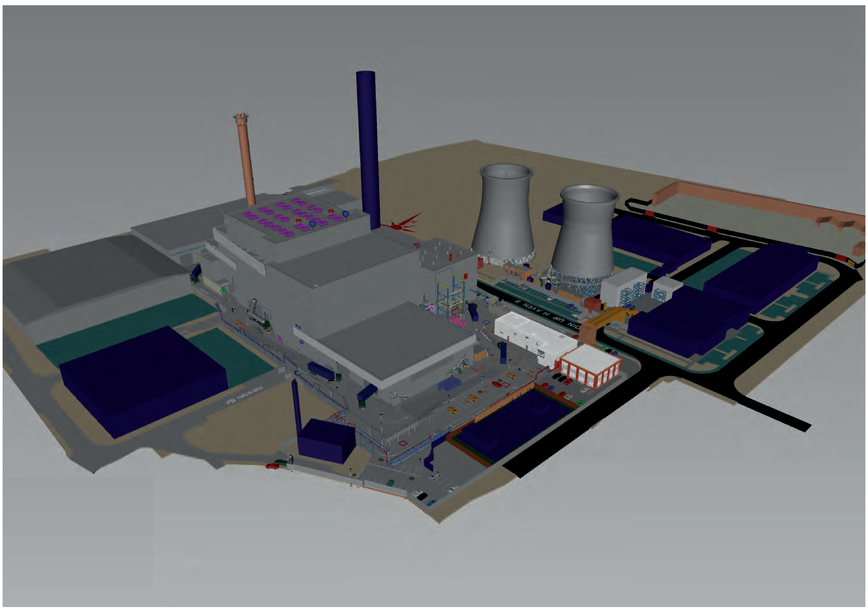
There is a substantial body of policy and evidence in support of the national need for new low carbon energy generation facilities and waste management facilities, which is further reflected in local planning policy.

The need for new electricity generating capacity of all types is set out in government policy – the Overarching National Policy Statement for Energy (NPS EN-1). This explains that the Government is implementing a variety of reforms in order to promote investment to replace ageing coal-fired and nuclear power infrastructure with safe, secure, affordable and increasingly low carbon supplies of energy.

Energy from waste is considered by the Government to be a renewable form of generation, as the principal purpose of the combustion of waste (as fuel) is to reduce the amount of waste going to landfill in accordance with the Waste Hierarchy and to recover useful energy from that waste.

The Waste Hierarchy derives from the Waste Directive as implemented by the Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2011.

The Project would represent an efficient addition to the UK stock of energy from waste power stations; it allows more energy to be generated from the same throughput of Waste Derived Fuel.



3D render of the Multifuel Plant

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The above information is also available to download from our Project Website:

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Environmental **Effects**

A Preliminary Environmental Impact Report (the PEI Report) has been produced, along with a Non-Technical Summary (the PEI Report NTS). This sets out the findings to date of our Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) work on the Project.

We have carried out a number of environmental surveys for the Project, including air quality monitoring and habitat and species surveys. These supplement the surveys that took place to inform the Consented Development and subsequent environmental permitting work.

The PEI Report has considered the potential adverse and beneficial environmental impacts and effects of the Project. Worst case assessments have been carried out, and further evaluation is ongoing. Based upon the preliminary findings, a summary of the potential effects is provided below.

	Construction and Operational Phase
Air Quality	Any dust and construction traffic will be small, imperceptible, and short term compared with the Consented Development works. The Consented Development was consented based on the maximum allowed emission limits in UK regulation; these limits are now more stringent, and the Slough Multifuel facility is currently being designed to meet these newer, more robust limits. The Project will not cause a net change to air quality relative to the Consented Development.
Noise and Vibration	Similar to air quality, the Project effect from 2 months construction work is considered to be negligible. There will be no net change to noise or vibration from the Consented Development.
Landscape and Visual Impact	The only external change is a small section of pipe above ground between two buildings next to other pipes on a pipe rack currently under construction as part of the Consented Development. The change is expected to be imperceptible from the Consented Development other than from one small location within the Slough Trading Estate on Liverpool Road. The impact is therefore negligible.
Transport and Access	There is expected to be 1 extra HGV delivery per day and 1 or 2 shuttle buses for 20 extra workers for the construction phase. This will have a negligible effect on the local road network. There will be no change to staff numbers or fuel input or by-product output during operation relative to the Consented Development.
Ecology	The construction works will be short term, small scale, and are not expected to change the nesting habits of local bird species in the area. No net change from the Consented Development is anticipated; the footprint of the structures, air emissions, noise will remain unchanged.
Climate	The small scale of works is not expected to lead to any significant effects on or be especially vulnerable to climate. The throughout and quality of fuel (and therefore mass of greenhouse gas emissions) will not change due to the Project, but the maximum power output would increase, making the Facility more efficient per unit fuel. This is considered a minor beneficial effect.
Flood Risk, Drainage and Surface Water	The Project consists of an external pipe which would be located above ground in a pipe rack. There will be no impact on the water environment nor will there be additional water consumption or water discharge to that of the Consented Development as a result of the Project.
Major Accidents and Disasters	As with the Consented Development the Project will be constructed in compliance with all relevant health, safety, and environmental legislation and good industry practice. There will be no increase of the risk and threat of any major accidents occurring, including fire risk, as a result of the Proposed Project.

Where can I find out more about the full PEI Report or the PEI Report NTS?

The full PEI Report and its figures and appendices and the NTS are available to view either at the Stage 2 exhibitions or in the virtual exhibition room.

The virtual exhibition room will be open until the close of Stage 2 Consultation at 5pm on Friday 17 June 2022.

Alternatively, PDF versions of the PEI Report documents and NTS are available on the Project Website and will remain available after the close of Stage 2 Consultation.

If you have technical questions about the PEI Report we encourage you to join one of our webinars and ask the Project Team, and if you have feedback this can be provided via the feedback form.

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The above information is also available to download from our Project Website:

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Construction Phase **Programme and Activities**

Construction of the Project will commence as soon as practical subject to development consent being granted and the discharge of any relevant DCO requirements (similar to planning conditions), and it is intended that it will be completed before the Consented Development enters operation.

It is expected that it will be undertaken within and in parallel with the existing Consented Development construction programme; it is not expected that there would be any change to the existing construction programme. This would only happen if development consent is received slightly later than planned or it takes longer than expected to fulfil any requirements attached to the DCO prior to construction; in this eventuality, the Consented Development would be completed and tested, with the Project retrofitted within an expected 2-month period shortly after.

There will be a small increase in construction staff of around 20 persons over the 2-month installation period for the Project.



Exit ramp concrete works

Tipping hall high beam installation



Construction Traffic

There will be approximately 20 Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGV) deliveries over the 2-month period (an average <1 HGV arrival per day).

This will relate to delivery of a small amount of additional pipework and material resources to install the infrastructure associated with the Project over a two-month construction period.

There will be no abnormal weight or large sized vehicles required for the Project.

There will also be up to 20 workers during construction who would park at the existing Consented Development dedicated off-site parking facilities (at Whitby Road) and be shuttled to and from the Site, resulting in an expected 1-2 extra shuttlebus journeys each morning and evening.

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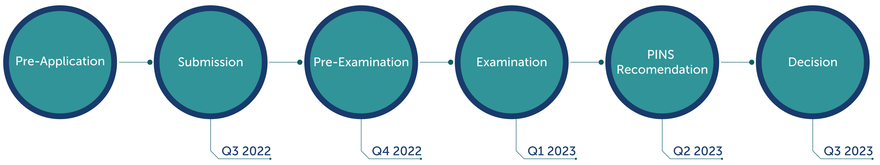
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The DCO **Application Process**

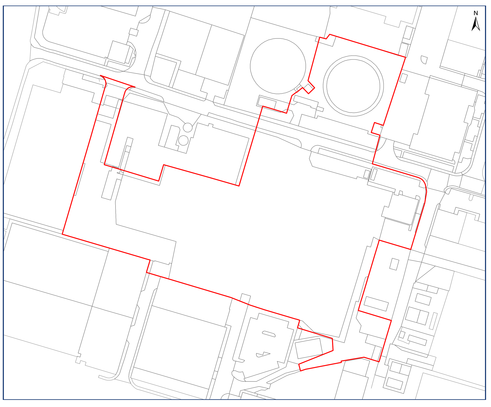
Before the Extension Project can be built, we need to apply for a Development Consent Order ('DCO') from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ('SoS') under the Planning Act 2008. Consultation is a key part of the DCO application process.

Following our Stage 1 Consultation in Autumn 2021, this Stage 2 consultation represents the next opportunity in the process for the local community and other stakeholders to comment on our proposals. The DCO application process and our expected timescales for obtaining development consent are summarised below.



As required by the Planning Act 2008, we will prepare a Consultation Report for submission showing how we have considered the comments received during our consultation on the Project.

The DCO application will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate ('PINS'), which will administer the application process for the SoS. Following submission of the application PINS will first decide, on behalf of the SoS and within a prescribed period of 28 days, whether to accept the application for examination. If accepted, PINS will then appoint an independent inspector or panel of inspectors, also known as the Examining Authority ('ExA'), who will examine the application on behalf of the SoS.



Following an examination process of up to six months, the ExA will have three months to write a report setting out a recommendation as to whether development consent should be granted.

The report is then sent to the SoS who has three months to consider it and to make a final decision on whether to grant development consent. If the SoS grants consent this will be in the form of a DCO.

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The above information is also available to download from our Project Website:

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Next **Steps**

The comments and responses received to this consultation will be used to help us finalise our proposals for the Slough Multifuel Extension Project prior to submitting the DCO application.

If you are looking for information as to how the Project is progressing, please visit the Project Website for periodic updates. The Project also has a dedicated page on the PINS National Infrastructure Planning Portal:

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/south-east/slough-multifuel-project/

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How to get in contact?

Don't forget that you can submit your comments on the Stage 2 Consultation via the following means:

- The feedback form available at this exhibition, the virtual exhibition room and the Project Website
- The Project Website: [redacted]
- By post to Freepost: Slough Multifuel
- By email at thermalenquiries@sse.com
- Leave a message on 0800 335 7003

If you would like us to call you back, please include your name and number as part of your message.

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The above information is also available to download from our Project Website: [redacted]

APPENDIX 12.1 – SECTION 48 NOTICE

THE SLOUGH MULTIFUEL EXTENSION PROJECT

The Planning Act 2008 - Section 48 'Duty to publicise'

The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2008 - Regulation 4

The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 - Regulation 13

Notice of proposed application for a Development Consent Order for the Slough Multifuel Extension Project

The Application

1. Notice is hereby given that SSE Slough Multifuel Limited (the 'Applicant'), whose registered office is No.1 Forbury Place, 43 Forbury Road, Reading, RG1 3JH, is intending to submit an application (the 'Proposed Application') to the Secretary of State (the 'SoS') for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy for a Development Consent Order ('DCO') under Section 37 'Applications for orders granting development consent' of the Planning Act 2008 (the 'PA 2008'), to authorise the construction of the Slough Multifuel Extension Project and the ongoing operation of the Consented Development (defined below) at the increased capacity of over 50 megawatts (the 'Project').

2. The Project comprises works to increase the efficiency and output of an energy from waste electricity generating station with capacity up to 50 megawatts (MW), which was originally consented in June 2017 under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 ('TCPA') regime (planning permission refs. P/00987/024 and P/00987/025) (the 'Consented Development'), to achieve up to 60MW peak electrical output (MWe). As the electrical output would exceed 50MW the Project requires development consent (granted in the form of a DCO) pursuant to Sections 31, 14(1)(a) and 15 of the PA 2008.

The Project

3. The Project comprises land either of Edinburgh Avenue, Slough, SL1 4TU (located a grid reference 495372, 181446) (the 'Site'). The Site is located within the Slough Heat and Power site and encompasses the site of the Consented Development. All elements of the Project are within the administrative boundary of Slough Borough Council. In total the Site extends 2.8 hectares.

3.1 Plans are available within the 'Consultation Documents' (see further below) showing the extent of the Site.

3.2 The Slough Multifuel Extension Project involves the mechanical modification of the Consented Development and provision of additional systems including:

- heat exchanger bundles (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- external and internal above ground pipework and valves;
- pipe supports (external and internal);

- thermal insulation (external and internal works);
- instrumentation (internal to the existing Consented Development building envelope);
- cabling and containment (internal); and
- mechanical modifications to the steam turbine inlet control system (internal works).

3.3 The increase in efficiency and generating capacity will not require any increase in the hourly throughput of Waste Derived Fuel (WDF) or the number of approved deliveries to the facility.

3.4 The consented building structures and architecture, currently under construction, will remain unchanged.

Environmental Impact Assessment

4. The Applicant has notified the SoS in writing under Regulation 8(1)(b) of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017(the 'EIA Regulations') that they intend to provide an Environmental Statement in respect of the Project. The Project is therefore 'EIA development' for the purposes of the EIA Regulations and an ES will form part of the Proposed Application.

5. Information so far compiled about the Project's environmental impacts is contained in a Preliminary Environmental Information ('PEI') Report and summarised in a Non-Technical Summary to the PEI Report.

Consultation Documents

6. The PEI Report and other documents relating to the Project, including plans and maps showing the nature and location of the Project (the 'Consultation Documents'), are available to download and view free of charge from the Project Website: [redacted] until 17 June 2022. The documents will be available under the 'Stage 2 Consultation' tab on the Project Website (link above).

7. If you are unable to access the Project Website please telephone: Freephone 0800 335 7003 and leave a message or email: thermalenquiries@sse.com and you will be offered a paper copy of the Consultation Documents free of charge (with the exception of the PEI Report which will be charged at a maximum of £100) or a USB containing the Consultation Documents free of charge. Please allow a week for receipt of the Consultation Documents.

7.1 Any details you provide to us via telephone or email will be subject to our Privacy Notice: [redacted]

8. Regulation 4 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended by The Infrastructure Planning (Publication and Notification of Applications etc.) (Coronavirus (Amendment) Regulations 2020) no longer requires that an applicant for development consent makes hard copy consultation documents available for inspection at an address in the vicinity of the relevant project. While the Applicant does not intend to make hard copies of the Consultation Documents available at any local public venue within the vicinity of the Site, the Consultation Documents have been published on the Project Website and paper copies and USBs of the Consultation Documents can be requested using the details provided above.

Responding to this notice

9. If you wish to respond to this notice or make comments or representations in respect of the Project, these should be sent to the Applicant. Please include your name and an address where any correspondence relating to the Project can be sent. Comments and representations may be submitted in the following ways:

Email: thermalenquiries@sse.com

Post: **FREEPOST SLOUGH MULTIFUEL**

Telephone: **Freephone** 0800 335 7003 (this is a voicemail-based service and can be called 24 hours. Please leave your name and a telephone number).

Project Website: [redacted]

10. Any comments received will be analysed by the Applicant and any appointed agent of the Applicant, and copies may be made available in due course to the SoS, the Planning Inspectorate and other relevant statutory authorities so that your comments can be noted. For certain parties, those who own an interest in land or are affected by the Project, the Applicant is under a statutory duty to publish names and addresses as part of its DCO application. In respect of other people, we will request that your personal details are not placed on public record and these will be held securely by the Applicant in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulation and used solely in connection with the consultation process and subsequent DCO application and, except as noted above, will not be passed to third parties. Please refer to our Privacy Notice: [redacted]

11. Please note that all comments and representations must be received by the Applicants **no later than 5pm on 17 June 2022.**

12. If you would like any further information in respect of this notice or the Project, please contact the Applicant using one of the contact methods set out above.

SSE Slough Multifuel Limited

May 2022

APPENDIX 14.1 – EIA CONSULTATION BODIES

Appendix 14.1 – Bodies consulted under EIA Reg. 13.

Table 1 – Prescribed Persons Table

No.	Consultee	Address	Date Consulted
1a	The Health and Safety Executive	Mr Dave Adams (MHPD) NSIP Consultations Building 2.2 Redgrave Court Merton Road Bootle Merseyside L20 7HS	3 May 2022
1b	The Health and Safety Executive	The Chief Executive Health and Safety Executive Redgrave Court Merton Road Bootle Merseyside L20 7HS	3 May 2022
2	The National Health Service Commissioning Board and the relevant Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)	The Chief Executive NHS England PO Box 16738 Redditch B97 9PT	3 May 2022
3	The National Health Service Commissioning Board and the relevant Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)	The Chief Executive Frimley CCG Aldershot Centre for Health Hospital Hill Aldershot GU11 1AY	3 May 2022
4a	Natural England (Head Office)	The Chief Executive Natural England Foss House Kings Pool 1-2 Peasholme Green York YO1 7PX	3 May 2022
4b	Natural England	Area 5A, Nobel House 17 Smith Square London SW1P 3JR	3 May 2022
5a	The Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England	The Company Secretary Historic England The Engine House Fire Fly Avenue Swindon Wiltshire England SN2 2EH	3 May 2022

5b	The Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England	The Company Secretary Historic England 4th Floor Cannon Bridge House 25 Dowgate Hill London EC4R 2YA	3 May 2022
6	The relevant fire and rescue authority	The Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service Pincents Kiln Industrial Park, Newsham Court, Calcot, Reading RG31 7SD	3 May 2022
7	The relevant police and crime commissioner	The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley The Farmhouse Thames Valley Police Headquarters Oxford Road, Kidlington Oxon, OX5 2NX	3 May 2022
8	The Environment Agency	The Chief Executive Environment Agency Head Office Horizon House Bristol BS1 5AH	3 May 2022
9	The Environment Agency	National Customer Contact Centre PO Box 544 Rotherham S60 1BY	3 May 2022
10	The Joint Nature Conservation Committee	The Chief Executive Joint Nature Conservation Committee Monkstone House City Road Peterborough PE1 1JY	3 May 2022
11	The Civil Aviation Authority	The Company Secretary Civil Aviation Authority Aviation House Beehive Ring Road Crawley West Sussex England RH6 0YR	3 May 2022
12	The Secretary of State for Transport	The Secretary of State for Transport The Department for Transport Great Minster House 33 Horseferry Road London SW1P 4DR	3 May 2022
13	The relevant Highways Authority	Slough Borough Council Highways Observatory House, 25 Windsor Rd, Slough SL1 2EL	3 May 2022
14	Transport for London	Transport for London 9th Floor	3 May 2022

		5 Endeavour Square London E20 1JN	
15	The relevant strategic highways company	The Company Secretary, Highways England Company Ltd Bridge House 1 Walnut Tree Close Guildford GU1 4LZ	3 May 2022
16	The British Waterways Board	The Chief Executive Canal & River Trust Head Office First Floor North Station House 500 Elder Gate Milton Keynes MK9 1BB.	3 May 2022
17	Public Health England, an executive agency of the Department of Health	The Chief Executive Public information access office Public Health England Wellington House 133-155 Waterloo Road London SE1 8UG United Kingdom	3 May 2022
18	Public Health England, an executive agency of the Department of Health	Environmental Hazards and Emergencies Department Centre for Radiation, Chemical and Environmental Hazards (CRCE) Seaton House City Link London Road Nottingham NG2 4LA	3 May 2022
19	The Crown Estate Commissioners	The Chief Executive The Crown Estate 1 St James's Market London SW1 4AH	3 May 2022
20	The Forestry Commission	The Chief Executive The Forestry Commission. 620 Bristol Business Park Coldharbour Lane Bristol BS16 1EJ United Kingdom	3 May 2022
21	The Secretary of State for Defence	The Secretary of State for Defence The Ministry of Defence Whitehall London SW1A 2HB	3 May 2022
22	The Secretary of State for Defence	Mr Michael Billings Assistant Safeguarding Officer	3 May 2022

		Safeguarding Department Statutory & Offshore Defence Infrastructure Organisation Kingston Road Sutton Coldfield West Midlands B75 7RL	
23	The Canal and River Trust	The Chief Executive The Canal and River Trust First Floor North Station House 500 Elder Gate Milton Keynes MK9 1BB	3 May 2022

Table 2 - Relevant Statutory Undertakers – Section 42(1)(a)

No.	Consultee	Address	Date	Date Consulted
1	The relevant Clinical Commissioning Group	NHS Frimley Clinical Commissioning Group	Frimley CCG Aldershot Centre for Health Hospital Hill Aldershot GU11 1AY	3 May 2022
2	The National Health Service Commissioning Board	NHS England	PO Box 16738 Redditch B97 9PT	3 May 2022
3	The relevant NHS Foundation Trust	South Central Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust	South Central Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust North Wing, Southern House Sparrowgrove Otterbourne Hampshire SO21 2RU	3 May 2022
4	Railways	Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd	Network Rail One Eversholt Street London NW1 2DN	3 May 2022
5		Highways England Historical Railways Estate	National Highways National Traffic Operations Centre 3 Ridgeway Quinton Business Park Birmingham B32 1AF	3 May 2022
6	Road Transport	Transport for London	Transport for London 5 Endeavour Square London E20 1JN	3 May 2022
7	Canal Or Inland	The Canal and River Trust	National Waterways Museum Ellesmere Port South Pier Road	3 May 2022

	Navigation Authorities		Ellesmere Port Cheshire CH65 4FW	
8	Civil Aviation Authority	Civil Aviation Authority	Aviation House Beehive Ringroad Crawley West Sussex RH6 0YR	3 May 2022
9	Civil Aviation Authority	Civil Aviation Authority	Civil Aviation Authority Canary Wharf London E14 4HD	3 May 2022
10	The relevant Environment Agency	The Environment Agency	2 Marsham St London SW1P 4DF	3 May 2022
11	The relevant water and sewage undertaker	Thames Water	Clearwater Court Vastern Road Reading RG1 8DB	3 May 2022
12		Thames Water Commercial Services	Clearwater Court Vastern Road Reading RG1 8DB	3 May 2022
13	The relevant Environment Agency	The Environment Agency	2 Marsham St London SW1P 4DF	3 May 2022
14	The relevant water and sewage undertaker	Thames Water	Clearwater Court Vastern Road Reading RG1 8DB	3 May 2022
15		Thames Water Commercial Services	Clearwater Court Vastern Road Reading RG1 8DB	3 May 2022
16	The relevant public gas transporter	Cadent Gas Limited	Brick Kiln Street - Hinckley Leicestershire LE10 0NA	3 May 2022
17		Last Mile Gas Ltd	Last Mile Asset Management Limited Fenick House Lister Way Hamilton International Technology Park Glasgow G72 0FT	3 May 2022
18		Energy Assets Pipelines Limited	Ship Canal House 98 King Street Manchester M2 4WU	3 May 2022
19		ES Pipelines Ltd	ESP Utilities Group Ltd Bluebird House	3 May 2022

			Mole Business Park Leatherhead Surrey KT22 7BA	
20		ESP Networks Ltd	ESP Utilities Group Ltd Bluebird House Mole Business Park Leatherhead Surrey KT22 7BA	3 May 2022
21		ESP Pipelines Ltd	ESP Utilities Group Ltd Bluebird House Mole Business Park Leatherhead Surrey KT22 7BA	3 May 2022
22		ESP Connections Ltd	ESP Utilities Group Ltd Bluebird House Mole Business Park Leatherhead Surrey KT22 7BA	3 May 2022
23		Fulcrum Pipelines Limited	Fulcrum 2 Europa View Sheffield Business Park Sheffield S9 1XH	3 May 2022
24		Harlaxton Gas Networks Limited	Toll Bar Road Marston Grantham Lincs NG32 2HT	3 May 2022
25		GTC Pipelines Limited	Synergy House Woolpit Business Park Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 9UP	3 May 2022
26		Independent Pipelines Limited	Synergy House Windmill Avenue Woolpit Bury St. Edmunds IP30 9UP	3 May 2022
27		Indigo Pipelines Limited	15 Diddenham Court Lambwood Hill Grazeley Reading RG7 1JQ	3 May 2022
28		Leep Gas Networks Limited	Leep Holdings (Utilities) Ltd The Greenhouse Media City Uk	3 May 2022

			Salford M50 2EQ	
29		Murphy Gas Networks limited	Murphy Gas Networks Limited Hawks Green Lane Cannock Staffordshire WS11 7LH	3 May 2022
29		Quadrant Pipelines Limited	Synergy House Woolpit Business Park Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 9UP	3 May 2022
30		Squire Energy Limited	55 High St Epsom KT19 8DH	3 May 2022
31		National Grid Gas Plc	1 - 3 Strand London WC2N 5EH	3 May 2022
32		Scotland Gas Networks Plc	St Lawrence House Horley RH6 9HJ	3 May 2022
34	The relevant electricity generator with CPO Powers	SSE Enterprise Utilities	One Forbury Place 43 Forbury Road Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
35		SSE Enterprise Utilities	Inveralmond House 200 Dunkeld Road Perth PH1 3AQ	3 May 2022
36	The relevant electricity distributor with CPO Powers	Eclipse Power Network Limited	Office Park 25 Osier Way Olney MK46 5FP	3 May 2022
37		Energy Assets Networks Limited	Ship Canal House 98 King Street Manchester M2 4WU	3 May 2022
38		ESP Electricity Limited	ESP Utilities Group Ltd Bluebird House Mole Business Park Leatherhead Surrey KT22 7BA	3 May 2022
39		Forbury Assets Limited	43 The Forbury Reading RG1 3JH	3 May 2022
40		Fulcrum Electricity Assets Limited	Fulcrum 2 Europa View Sheffield Business Park Sheffield S9 1XH	3 May 2022

41		Harlaxton Energy Networks Limited	Toll Bar Road Marston 4Grantham Lincs NG32 2HT	3 May 2022
42		Independent Power Networks Limited	Synergy House Windmill Avenue Woolpit Bury St. Edmunds IP30 9UP	3 May 2022
43		Indigo Power Limited	15 Diddenham Court Lambwood Hill Grazeley Reading RG7 1JQ	3 May 2022
44		Last Mile Electricity Ltd	Last Mile Asset Management Limited Fenick House Lister Way Hamilton International Technology Park Glasgow G72 0FT	3 May 2022
45		Leep Electricity Networks Limited	Leep Holdings (Utilities) Ltd The Greenhouse Media City Uk Salford M50 2EQ	3 May 2022
46		Murphy Power Distribution Limited	Murphy Gas Networks Limited Hawks Green Lane Cannock Staffordshire WS11 7LH	3 May 2022
47		The Electricity Network Company Limited	Synergy House Windmill Avenue Woolpit Bury St. Edmunds IP30 9UP	3 May 2022
48		UK Power Distribution Limited	6500 Daresbury Park, Warrington, Cheshire WA4 4GE	3 May 2022
49		Utility Assets Limited	53 High St Cheveley Newmarket CB8 9DQ	3 May 2022
50		Vattenfall Networks Limited	70 St Mary Axe London EC3A 8BE	3 May 2022
51		UK Power Networks Limited	Newington House 237 Southwark Bridge Road	3 May 2022

			Waterloo London SE1 6NP	
52	The relevant electricity transmitter with CPO Powers	National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc	1 - 3 Strand London WC2N 5EH	3 May 2022
53		National Grid Electricity System Operator	1 - 3 Strand London WC2N 5EH	3 May 2022

Table 3 – s43 Local Authorities

No.	Consultee	Address	Date Consulted
1	Slough Borough Council	The Chief Executive, Observatory House, 25 Windsor Rd, Slough SL1 2EL	3 May 2022
2	Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead	Head of Planning, Town Hall St Ives Road Maidenhead SL6 1RF	3 May 2022
3	Surrey County Council	The Chief Executive, The Quadrant, 35 Guildford Rd, Woking GU22 7QQ	3 May 2022
4	Spelthorne Borough Council	The Chief Executive, Knowle Grn, Staines TW18 1XB	3 May 2022
5	London Borough of Hillingdon	The Chief Executive, 2W/04 Civic Centre High Street Uxbridge Middlesex UB8 1UW	3 May 2022
6	Buckinghamshire Council	The Chief Executive, King George V House, King George V Road, Amersham HP6 5AW	3 May 2022
7	South Bucks District Council	Capswood Business Centre, Oxford Road, Denham, UB9 4LH	3 May 2022
8	Slough Borough Council	The Chief Executive, Observatory House, 25 Windsor Rd, Slough SL1 2EL	3 May 2022