

19 October 2026

Dear Sir or Madam,

**ESSAR ENERGY TRANSITION HYDROGEN READY COMBINED HEAT AND POWER
PROJECT (PHASE 2) – PINS REFERENCE EN0110007**

NOTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 46 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008

EET Fuels, the trading name of Essar Oil (UK) Limited (company number 15928581) (the “Applicant”) hereby gives notice under section 46 of the Planning Act 2008 that it intends to apply to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero for a Development Consent Order (“DCO”) to construct, operate and maintain hydrogen-ready gas turbines, heat recovery steam generators and steam turbines, with a generating capacity of more than 50MW, and associated infrastructure (the “Proposed Development”) at the Stanlow Manufacturing Complex, Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, CH65 4HB (“the Refinery”).

The Proposed Development comprises the construction of a generating station with a capacity of more than 50 megawatts and therefore qualifies as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project under section 15(2A) of the Planning Act 2008.

The Proposed Development is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development for the purpose of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations

2017. This means that the proposed works constitute development for which an EIA is required and the proposed application for a DCO will therefore be accompanied by an Environmental Statement. The Environmental Statement will provide a detailed description of the Proposed Development and its likely significant effects.

The Applicant is not expected to require a deemed marine licence.

Consultation

The Applicant is undertaking pre-application consultation on the Proposed Development from **Tuesday 20 October** to **Wednesday 18 November 2026**.

The consultation documents, plans and maps showing the location and nature of the Proposed Development will be available free of charge to read, download and print from 20 October 2026 until 18 November 2026, 23:59 at:

<https://eethydrogenpower.com/engage/chp2planning/>

Two in-person events will be held in the vicinity of the Refinery, to provide the community and interested stakeholders with an opportunity to find out more about the Proposed Development, meet the project team, and ask questions. The details of the consultation events are as follows:

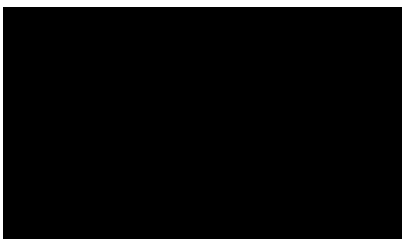
Date	Venue	Time
Monday 2 November 2026	Elton Community Centre School Lane Elton Chester CH2 4PU	12:00 – 16:00
Wednesday 4 November 2026	The Whitby Sports & Social Club Dunkirk Lane Chester Road Whitby Ellesmere Port CH65 6QF	14:00 – 19:00

The Applicant has requested that all consultee feedback in respect of the Proposed Development is received on or before **23:59 on Wednesday 18 November 2026**.

We look forward to receiving acknowledgement of this notification made by the Applicant pursuant to section 46 of the Planning Act 2008.

Should you have any enquiries, please contact H2power@eetfuels.com or telephone 0151 350 4000.

Yours faithfully,



Chief Executive Officer,
Essar Energy Transition