



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

5. 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.

6. 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

7. 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: www.ssethermal.com/energy-from-waste/slough-multifuel/ until 17 June 2022. The documents will be available under the 'Stage 2 Consultation' tab on the Project Website (link above).

8. 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.

8.1 Any details you provide to us via telephone or email will be subject to our Privacy Notice: <https://www.sse.com/privacy-notice>

9. 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

10. 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: www.ssethermal.com/energy-from-waste/slough-multifuel/

12. 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: <https://www.sse.com/privacy-notice>

13. Please note that all comments and representations must be received by the Applicants **no later than 5pm on 17 June 2022**.

14. 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

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