Clean Power Properties Ltd
and
Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd.

Micheldever Station
Statement of Community Involvement

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1. Introduction

This Statement of Community Involvement has been compiled by specialist community consultation company Indigo Public Affairs, on behalf of Clean Power Properties Ltd (CPPL) and Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd (NRIL), the Applicants. The report supports the planning application for a Clean Power Energy Recovery Centre at Micheldever Station.

This report details the public consultation the Applicants have undertaken in order to inform the evolution of the proposals. Consultation has been carried out in accordance with national and regional policies and meets the requirements of Hampshire County Council's Statement of Community Involvement (adopted September 2006). Indigo Public Affairs has signed up to the Consultation Institute Charter, which sets out the best-practice principles for consultation.

The key aims of the pre-application stage of the public consultation strategy, which this report documents, were:

1. To inform local residents, businesses, councillors and other stakeholders about the regeneration aspirations for the site.
2. To gain a full understanding of local views of the proposals, engage with the local and wider community throughout the design development stage, and use these views to inform the evolving final proposals and identify concerns and opportunities where possible.
3. To demonstrate how CPPL and NRIL has responded to the issues raised by the community and stakeholders and identify how changes have been made to the proposals.

In addition, this report demonstrates CPPL and NRIL's continued commitment towards consultation and engagement throughout the statutory planning process.

2. Policy Framework

2.0 National Context

Consultation is an increasingly important requirement for all development projects, and is looked on positively by both local and national government. Indeed, the Government is seeking to put community consultation at the heart of new approaches to planning and redevelopment.

The previous Government undertook the first fundamental reform of the planning system for more than a decade, to ensure greater involvement of local communities in the planning process. The core objectives have been to speed up the planning system and to increase public involvement in the process. The current Government's Localism Act also stresses a requirement for effective and meaningful pre-application consultation as part of its emphasis on involving local people in planning, including via the development of local neighbourhood plans.

The point of consultation now is much more to do with outcomes and informing practice, rather than simply giving the public an opportunity to have a say.

The Localism Act

The Localism Act became law in November 2011. The Act amends the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and creates several obligations for potential applicants. There is a requirement to carry out pre-application consultation for all planning applications, publicising the proposal and consulting with residents in the vicinity of the land concerned. This gives local people a chance to comment when there is still genuine scope to make changes to proposals.

In particular, the pre-application consultation must:

(a) set out how the person proposing to make an application may be contacted
(b) give information about the proposed timetable for the consultation, allowing sufficient time for those wishing to comment to do so in good time;
(c) have regard to the local planning authority about local good practice;
(d) take account of responses to the consultation.

Additionally the Government has used the Localism Act to clarify the rules on 'predetermination'. Previously in some cases councillors were warned off doing such things as campaigning, talking with constituents, or publicly expressing views on local issues, for fear of being accused of bias or facing legal challenge. The Localism Act makes it clear that it is proper for councillors to play an active part in local discussions, and that they should

not be liable to legal challenge as a result. This will help them better represent their constituents and enrich local democratic debate.

2.1 Local Context

Hampshire County Council Statement of Community Involvement (adopted September 2006)

Each local planning authority is required to prepare its own Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) which sets down their policy for community involvement and consultation. Hampshire County Council adopted its SCI in September 2006.

Hampshire County Council's SCI encourages developers to enter into pre-application discussions with the Council to establish the information that will be required, identify key issues and policies.

The County Council also supports developers undertaking early community consultation, particularly for large scale proposals. This provides the local community the opportunity to influence the developers' proposals. Public exhibitions and displays by the developer to explain their proposals are encouraged, particularly for major schemes.

3. Summary of the proposed application

Clean Power Micheldever Station

The site is an industrialised site alongside the railway line next to Micheldever Station. It is bound by the railway to the west; the hillside carrying the A303 to the north; Overton Road, a fairly busy rural route, to the east; and New Road, which links Overton Road to the rear of the station, to the south.

Access to the site is currently along a single-track private road with a passing place, running alongside the tracks. This joins New Road at the station. The only road access currently therefore is via New Road.

The other side of Overton Road is largely farmland with a couple of houses: Western Farmhouse, which is a substantial property, and a bungalow called 'Travellers Rest'.
The boundary of the site along Overton Road is thickly wooded running north towards the junction with the A303.

The Applicant is proposing a new approach to waste management and energy generation. The new facility would use garden, agricultural, household and commercial rubbish to generate power. Recyclable materials will be separated and reused, but instead of sending the rest to landfill sites or incinerators, it will be converted into power using anaerobic digestion and advanced conversion technologies (pyrolysis). These methods avoid smells and smoke.

This application will bring a number of benefits for the local area and the county as a whole. The development would provide the council and local businesses with an alternative to filling landfill sites and incinerating waste which are not only unsightly, they also emit carbon at an unsustainable level. Energy recovery centres provide a renewable source of energy and the proposed facility will save the equivalent of over 78,000 tonnes of CO_2 per year.

4. The consultation process

The consultation process for this scheme meets the requirements of the county council's SCI and other consultation guidelines. Specifically, we have:

1. Conducted a planned exercise and front-loaded the consultation.
2. Conducted appropriate engagement that fits the community's needs.
3. Conducted an accessible and visible exhibition.
4. Included and engaged where possible the traditionally excluded groups.
5. Used Plain English and adequate response mechanisms.
6. Limited, but explained where they exist, the external constraints on the process.
7. Analysed the results from the consultation objectively.
8. Publicised individual and collective responses, with proper regard to the Data Protection Act.
9. Summarised how these responses have affected the proposals.
10. Ensured feed-back, analysis and our response is available to the public and consultation participants.

4.0 Pre-application discussions with councillors

During the pre-application phase, we contacted several councillors, including, but not limited to:

- the county councillor and ward members for Wonston and Micheldever ward
- the Leader of the County Council
- the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport on the County Council.

We were mindful of the county council's own protocols for councillors when contacting these.

We offered to meet Micheldever Parish Council but this offer was declined. Nevertheless individual members of the parish council were alerted of the exhibition.

4.1 Pre-application discussions with individuals and groups

As a precursor to the main public consultation, we researched the groups and communities within the area to produce a stakeholder matrix. We contacted

several individuals and community groups to offer further information and to make them aware that we are happy to meet with them.

The groups and individuals we contacted include:

- The Dever Society
- The Dever Valley Local History Society
- Winchester Action on Climate Change
- City of Winchester Trust
- Winchester Friends of the Earth
- Winchester Area Community Action

We will continue to maintain contact with many of these individuals and groups as the planning application progresses.

4.2 Publicising the consultation

We publicised the consultation to all of Micheldever Station by distributing a leaflet. We also spoke to the local paper, the Hampshire Chronicle.

The objective of the leaflet was to invite the local community to the public exhibition, communicate information about the scheme and seek feedback from those not able to attend the public exhibition.

The leaflet included a translations box inviting people to get in touch with us if their main language was not English. The translations box contained words in Urdu, Bengali, Punjabi and Gujarati.

We sent out 250 copies of the leaflet. The leaflet was delivered to an area shown in the map below:

The leaflets were delivered by our in-house team to ensure correct delivery.

In addition, the leaflet was posted to all those on our stakeholder matrix. This included, but was not limited to, those listed in 4.1 above and the following:

1. Local county councillors
2. Members of the Regulatory Committee of Hampshire County Council
3. Local district councillors
4. Members of the Planning Development Control Committee of the District Council
5. Members of Micheldever Parish Council.

During the exhibition, leaflets were available for those who wished to comment on the proposals.

Website

A project website was set up to communicate information about the scheme to an audience familiar with using IT and seek comment on the scheme. The website has a unique url at www.micheldeverenergy.info.

The website is also a facility for members of the public to access documents, such as the leaflet and the exhibition boards, as well as links to download the planning application documents.

The website will be updated and maintained throughout the planning application process.

The leaflet contained a QR code which allows anyone with a smartphone/QR reader to access the website quickly.

4.3 Conducting a visible and accessible public exhibition

The Public Exhibition took place in Warren Hall (also known as Micheldever Station Community and Recreation Centre):

1. Friday 8 June, between 2pm and 9pm
2. Saturday 9 June, between 10am and 2.30 pm

The times and dates of the exhibition were chosen to encourage the maximum number of people, including traditionally excluded groups, to attend the exhibition. We ensured the exhibition dates did not fall on any locally observed religious or other festivals. We kept the exhibition open beyond its advertised hours to allow for continued interaction with local people and their representatives.

The venue was accessible to people with mobility concerns. Play materials were available at the exhibition for young children.

Signage to the exhibition included directional posters at the entrance. Details of the proposed scheme relating to the site and the technology that would be used were contained in seven exhibition panels:

The leaflet was available at the exhibition. In addition to the details of the scheme being available for attendees to view, a short video was on display (on a loop) to explain the technology that would be utilised as part of the application.

4.4 Using appropriate response channels

We had, and continue to maintain, several response mechanisms for local community and stakeholders to give their feedback and comments about the scheme.

Specifically, the response mechanisms have included:

1. A freephone telephone hotline, manned during office hours (0800 458 6976).
2. A non-0800 number for mobile phones (020 7587 3049)
3. A freepost address.
4. A bespoke email address (micheldeverenergy@yourshout.org).
5. A SMS text line (07797 806537).
6. Through the "Have Your Say" page on the project website.
7. Many members of the development team were on hand during the exhibition to answer detailed questions. Team members wore badges to identify them from consultees.
8. Listening to local community and stakeholder concerns at meetings set up to discuss the project.

The leaflet contained a data protection line allowing respondents to opt-out of their comments being publicised in this Community Involvement Report. In addition, the line also warns consultees that by giving us their email address, they are opting into receiving periodic updates by email. The data protection line was as follows:

> "Your comments and queries will be analysed by Your Shout on behalf of Clean Power Properties Ltd. Copies may be made available to the local planning authority so that it can note your comments. We will, however, request that your personal details are not placed on public record. Your personal details will be held securely by Your Shout and, in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998, will be used solely in connection with this consultation and any subsequent planning applications and, except as noted above will not be passed to any third parties".

4.5 Quantitative and qualitative response mechanisms

The consultation utilised qualitative response mechanisms to ensure full detailed feedback can be ascertained.

This qualitative response was gathered from listening to individuals and groups in meetings, on the freephone hotline, and at the public exhibition.

The leaflet asked for written comments about the scheme, and the email and SMS text service also gave an opportunity for written comment.

The quantitative and qualitative comments have been recorded and analysed objectively by team members from Indigo Public Affairs. Decisions on how we respond to these comments are being taken by the Applicants.

4.6 Feeding-back to participants and the wider community; and opportunities for continuing involvement.

One of the prime objectives of this Statement of Community Involvement is to help record individual and collective responses to the proposals and how these responses have affected our proposals.

This Report then allows us to help us feedback this information, in a more readily digestible form to the local community, respondents, other stakeholders and councillors.

This Statement of Community Involvement will be available, alongside other planning documents.

The freephone, freepost, tailored email address, SMS text number, and website will all be maintained until the planning application is decided at a committee of the council.

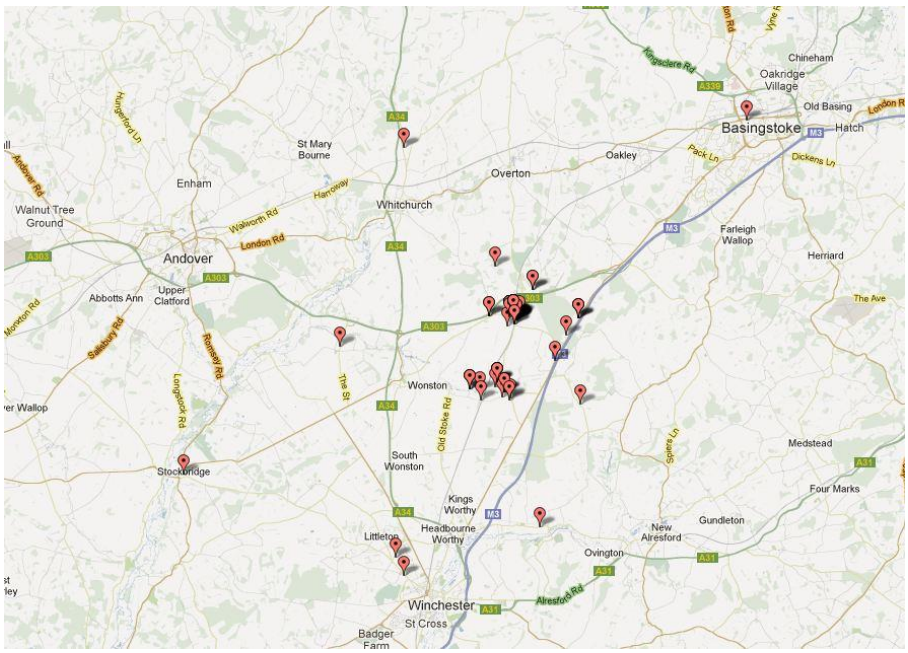
We remain committed to keeping in touch with local groups, individuals and all those that have participated throughout this consultation exercise. We will be available to meet consultees as appropriate.

5. The Response to our Consultation

5.0 Quantitative response

Over 120 people attended the exhibition. 19 completed the feedback form and a further 7 posted back the survey. 5 responded by email.

We have put together a map, using Google maps, to show the approximate locations of the addresses given by the attendees:



Of these responses, 25 raised objections and none was supportive. The comments made are outlined in further detail below

5.1 Qualitative response

As outlined above, attendees of the exhibition, recipients of the leaflet and other local residents have the opportunity to provide qualitative responses to our consultation. These responses have been collected and collated and this will continue throughout the application process. The main concerns and questions raised are outlined below with a response from the Applicants.

5.2 Summary of key points and how we have responded to these comments

Outlined below are the key concerns and questions that have arisen so far during the consultation process. The response from the Applicants can be found below each question.

"Is there a need for this type of facility in this area?"

There is sufficient commercial and residential waste in the Hampshire area to provide sufficient feedstock for this facility.

"Will there be an increase in HGV traffic in the area?"

60 lorries will arrive each day but will access the site from the Overton Road without going through the village. A Transport Assessment Report, being completed by independent consultants, assesses a worst case scenario only where all material arrives and departs by road to allow this event to be fully assessed by those determining the application, should it occur at any point in the future. A Transport Plan Report will identify access and exit to and from the site to be north only towards/from the A303.

"Will there be a new access road to stop HGVs using Overton Road?"

Only the top of the Overton Road will be used as lorries will arrive and leave via the A303. Design measures will further secure this to make access and exit to/from the site incredibly difficult for vehicles wanting to travel in the wrong direction.

"Will there be noise pollution as a result of this development?"

The facility will not produce noise audible outside the premises.

6. Continued Consultation

The Applicants have undertaken public consultation in advance of submission to ensure local stakeholders have had an opportunity to comment on the emerging proposals in advance of submission.

As the application progresses through the planning process, the Applicants have expressed a commitment to continue with public consultation. It is important to the Applicants that this application offers a real improvement to the local community and therefore we will continue to meet with local groups and individuals to further discuss these proposals.

This Statement of Community Involvement fully demonstrates the Applicants' commitment to thorough and meaningful public consultation. The submission of the planning application does not mark the end of this consultation and the Applicants will continue to meet with local groups and individuals as appropriate throughout this process.

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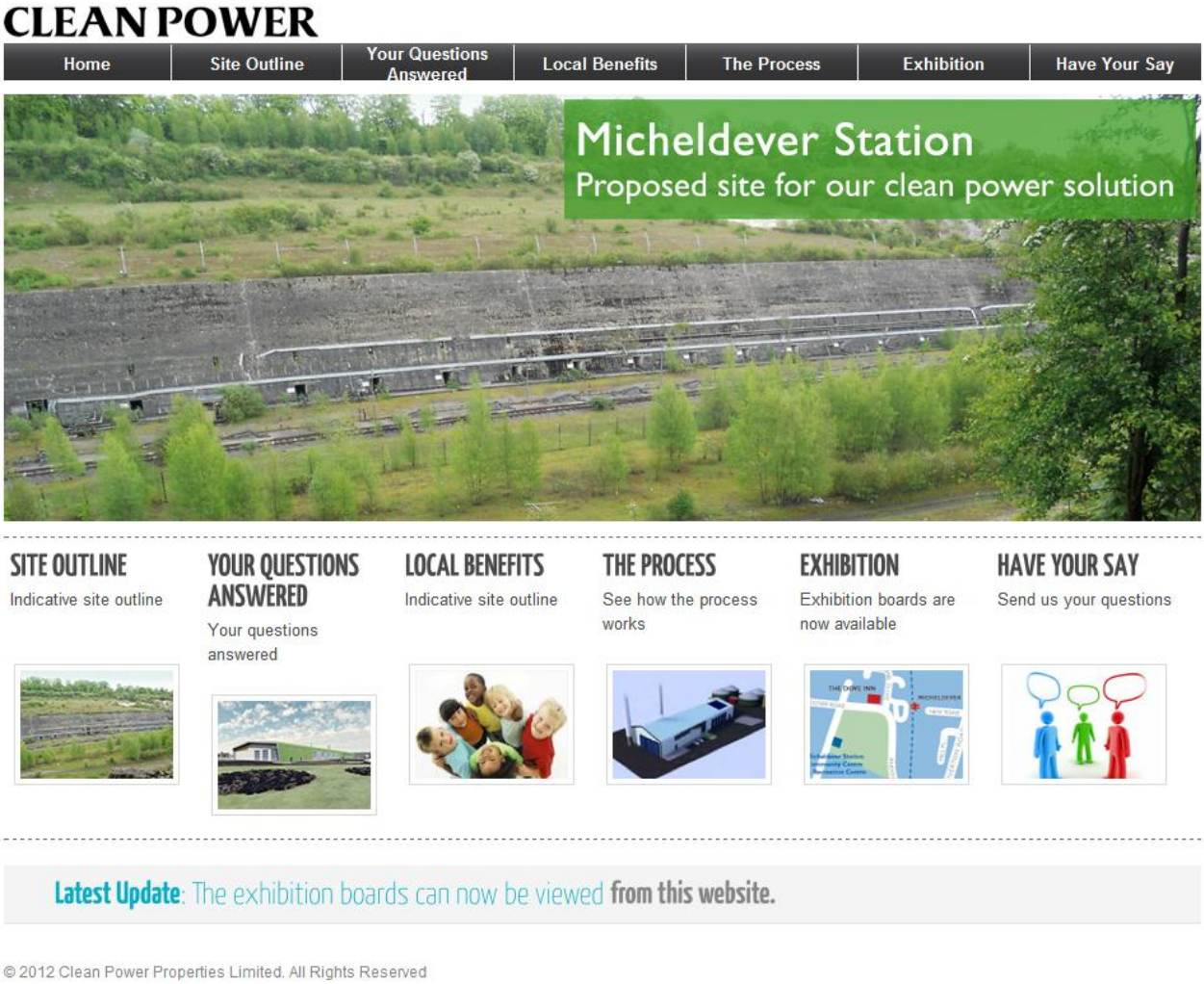
Appendix 1 – Website: Selected screen shots



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Home | Site Outline | Your Questions Answered | Local Benefits | The Process | Exhibition | Have Your Say

Have Your Say

Name *

First

Last

Email address *

Phone number

Address

Postcode *

0 of 10 max characters

What do you think about the proposals?

Submit Feedback

Contact us via email at micheldeverenergy@yourshout.org or text us on 07797 806357.

Call our community engagement team weekdays between 9am – 5pm to discuss the plans: Freephone 0800 458 6976 or from a mobile 020 7587 3049

SITE OUTLINE
Indicative site outline

YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED
Your questions answered

LOCAL BENEFITS
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THE PROCESS
See how the process works

EXHIBITION
Exhibition boards are now available

HAVE YOUR SAY
Send us your questions

Latest Update: The exhibition boards can now be viewed **from this website.**

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Appendix 2 – Leaflet

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Micheldever Station
Energy Recovery Centre

Micheldever Station Energy Recovery Centre

Public Exhibition

We are holding a public exhibition to inform the local community about our proposals for a Clean Power Energy Recovery Centre on land alongside the railway station, shown above. We'd like to let you know more about our plans and answer any questions you may have before we submit a planning application.

EXHIBITION LOCATION

www.micheldeverenergy.info
Contact us: micheldeverenergy@yourshout.org
Text Us: 07797 806357

EXHIBITION TO BE HELD AT

Friday 8th June:
2pm - 8pm

Saturday 9th June:
10am - 2pm

Micheldever Station Community & Recreation Centre,
Micheldever Station, Winchester SO21 3AR

Proposals will be on display and members of the project team available to answer any questions you may have - **we look forward to meeting you there.**

Freephone: 0800 458 6976
From a mobile: 020 7587 3049

Scan to have your say

Clean Power Properties Ltd

An **energy recovery** solution

Even though households and companies have cut their waste by modest amounts in recent years, we still as a nation produce well over 20 million tonnes a year. The old ways of dealing with waste are to bury, burn, or dump it. We believe that in the 21st century the UK needs to develop a better renewable alternative.

Clean Power Properties Ltd is developing a number of Energy Recovery Centres on brownfield sites across the UK, helping to implement a Zero Waste approach which is cleaner and renewable. It will protect the countryside from landfill while the surplus energy produced in the process can be fed into the local energy network and surplus heat can be used for local homes and businesses.

Low level design, with short chimney stacks

Landfill: a growing problem

LOCAL **BENEFITS**

- **Local Source of Renewable Power**
  This energy recovery centre will produce renewable energy for around 10,000 homes. The energy will be supplied to the local energy network.
- **District Heating Opportunity**
  This centre will create a renewable source of heat at low cost that can be connected to by new homes, existing housing and other local amenities.
- **Sources Waste Locally**
  This energy recovery centre should meet the waste disposal requirements of the local region and avoid the expensive long distance transport of waste.
- **Creation of Skilled Employment**
  This centre will provide employment for up to 30 people, a majority of which will be skilled engineering, technician and operator roles.
- **Creation of an Education Centre:**
  This centre will include provision for local schools and communities to learn about, and experience, renewable energy first hand.
- **Saving the Council Money**
  Your council currently pays ever increasing amounts of money to dispose of wastes. By providing a viable alternative to landfill or incinerators, Clean Power Properties can save the council money to spend on other services or keep the council tax down.
- **Avoids the need for Landfill**
  Most waste is now sent to landfill where it decays and produces methane gas. Many landfill sites are nearly full, and landfill is both environmentally wasteful and creates significant environmental impacts. This energy recovery centre provides an alternative to landfill. It recovers all usable materials and then uses advanced conversion technology and anaerobic digestion to produce a cleaned gas that can be used to create renewable energy.
- **Does not rely on incineration to treat waste**
  Clean Power energy recovery centres are not incineration sites, they recover all usable recyclable materials and use advanced conversion and anaerobic digestion technologies to transform the remaining matter into a cleaned gas. They have a far lower environmental impact than other more traditional waste disposal methods, produce energy that is certified as 'renewable' and create a number of reusable and recyclable products. All of our processes are carried out in sealed buildings to ensure that there are no potential odour issues.

Have **your say**

We would like to hear your views - all feedback will be carefully reviewed prior to the submission of a planning application to the local council. Please come along to our exhibition and tell us what you think, or fill in this comment card and return it FREEPOST to us.

Name

Address

Email Postcode

Telephone

Comment

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Translations
If you would like a copy of this leaflet translated into Urdu, Bengali, Punjabi or Gujarati, please call **0800 458 6976.**

اگر آپ اس لیفلیٹ (پرچے) کا اردو، بنگالی، پنجابی یا گجراتی زبان میں ترجمہ چاہتے ہیں تو براہ
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Appendix 3 – Exhibition boards

Energy Recovery Centre plans for Micheldever Station

Welcome to our Exhibition

We are holding this exhibition so you can find out more about the proposals before we make a planning application to Hampshire County Council.

Everyone will be aware that energy prices are increasing and that our existing power generating capabilities are not as efficient as they could and should be. We need new methods to cope with demand that is likely to increase as the economy recovers and new methods to generate power without compromising carbon reduction targets.

The information on display here today shows how Clean Power Properties are planning to use waste to generate power without adding to the carbon footprint. This brings numerous benefits which are outlined here. Please take the opportunity to ask any questions and chat to the development team who are here to help.

We hope you find our proposal boards informative, that they explain our passion to want to capture recyclables and create local renewable energy from local mixed source, commercial and industrial waste and that we are able to explain clearly how Clean Power technology is not incineration.

Clean Power Properties Ltd

The waste problem

How much waste do we generate?

The UK currently consumes resources at an unsustainable rate. Every year, homes and businesses throw away almost 300 million tonnes of waste. Every two hours, we produce enough waste to fill the Albert Hall.

This waste causes a number of problems. First, it has a significant impact on the environment. Landfills are unsightly and produce high levels of CO_2. Second, there is a substantial economic cost to producing a high level of waste. It costs a lot of money to dispose of waste and the current methods are inefficient.

Burying it in landfill sites doesn't help; it just delays finding a solution. The UK landfill sites are now almost full.

Burning it in incinerators is an option, but there is a very high cost and local people, understandably, have concerns about the impact on the local area.

Why are energy prices rising?

The UK is reliant on imported gas from the continent. Prices in Europe rely on the price of oil. This means that UK gas prices now rely on oil too which is at a very high level.

The continued instability in the Middle East increases the price of oil, as does increasing world wide demand for gas.

Over the next eight years, Britain will need to invest £200 billion to meet its environmental targets and secure energy supplies. Improving the existing energy infrastructure to cope with these new challenges will further increase bills unless we find a more efficient way of producing energy.

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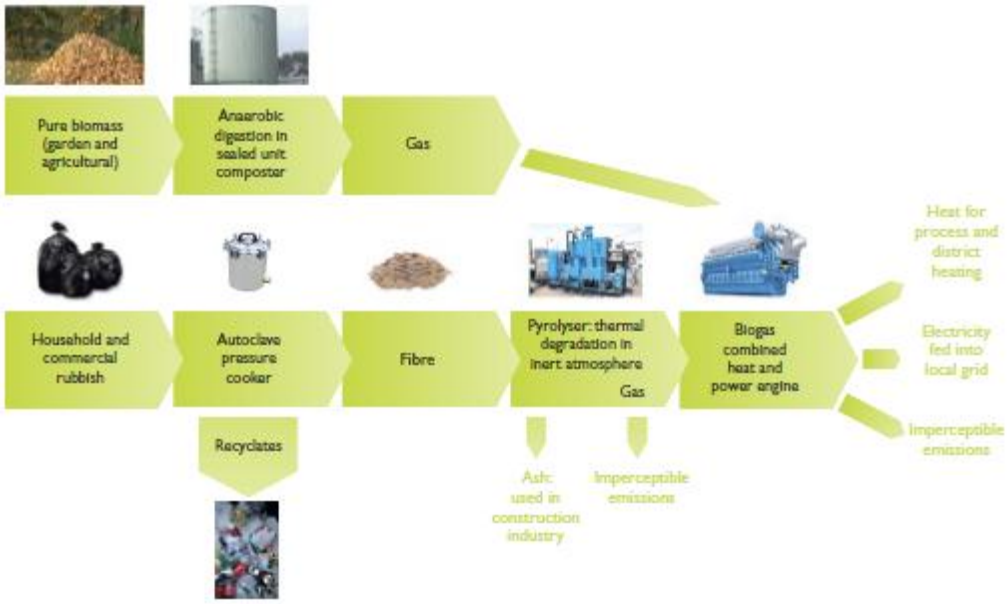
Turning waste into electricity



What we are proposing is a new approach. Our proposed Energy Recovery Centre will have a capacity of 8MW. Generally this will be sufficient to provide power for up to 10,000 homes.

The plans will involve a suite of facilities to:

- Clean, reclaim and recycle materials for further use and recovery off site
- Convert food and other organic wastes into clean gas through a process called anaerobic digestion
- Utilise Advanced Conversion Technologies (pyrolysis) to create clean gas from the remaining organic waste materials - the clean gases are used for the generation of electricity and heat.

These processes avoid incineration.

They use a modern adaptation of established technologies which:

- Avoid smells
- Avoid smoke
- Avoid incineration
- Avoid landfill
- Avoid waste.

The outputs are

1. Electricity
2. Heat
3. Residual matter for use in the construction industry
4. Recyclable materials, including glass, metal and plastics
5. Imperceptible emissions

Plants of this type are fully regulated and closely controlled by the Environment Agency.

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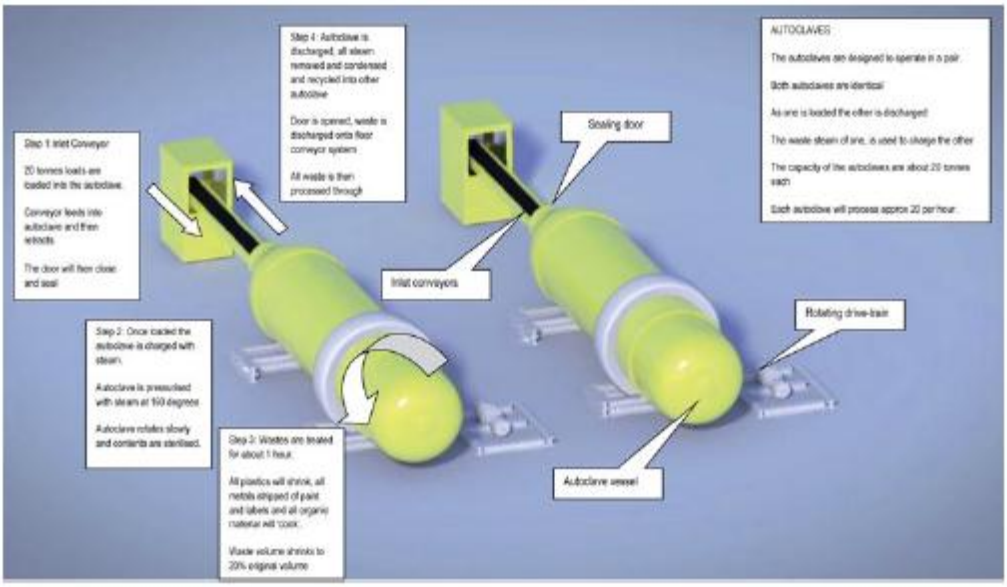

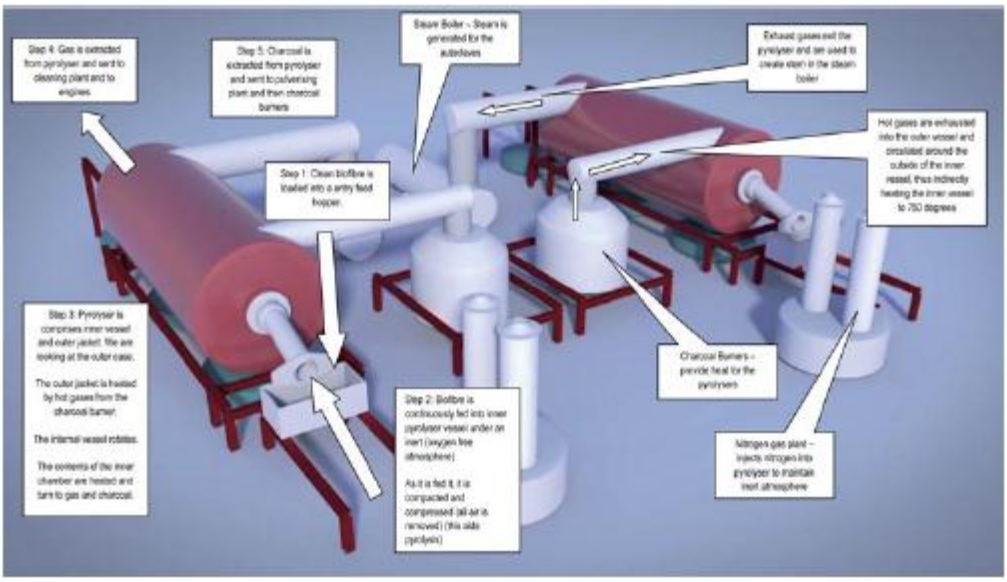

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Micheldever Station site

The site is alongside the railway sidings at Micheldever Station. It was formerly used as a rail freight yard. Land immediately adjoining the site has been identified in the Draft Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan as suitable for use as an aggregate rail depot and as having some potential for waste uses.

- It is not close to local housing - and in fact is even further away from local housing than the existing land identified by the county council as suitable for waste
- It will be screened by mature trees
- Our plans include creating a new access point for the rail sidings through our site. This would mean New Road would not need to be used for rail sidings access

The site today viewed from the A4000

How the site could look

Clean Power Properties Ltd

Your questions answered

Will it be noisy?
There will be no noise impacts beyond the site boundary. This will be regulated by the Environment Agency and we will not be allowed to operate without their approval.

How will the waste be transported to the site?
It is expected that the majority will arrive by road. This will require a new access route to allow lorries to enter and exit from the site directly from the Overton Road. We are also exploring rail routes for the efficient transportation of recyclables away from the site.

What sort of buildings will form the plant?
The main building will be a modern warehouse style building which will be around 9 metres in height.

Will there be any smells?
No.

Will there be any smoke?
None of the site will release any smoke emissions.

How many lorries will come and go to the plant?
If at full capacity, there will be around 60 HGVs arriving each day. It would be unusual for the site always to operate at full capacity.

How much electricity will be generated?
Up to 8MW. The usual rule of thumb is that 8MW is enough power to support around 8,000 homes.

How much CO_2 will be saved?
These technologies are classified by Ofgem (the UK's power sector regulator) as being renewable, because they do not release any carbon emissions derived from non-renewable (fossil fuel) sources. Based on the emissions from a 'typical' coal fired power station, the proposed facility will save the equivalent of over 78,000 tonnes of CO_2 per annum.

Will this mean more pylons?
No; connections to the local distribution network will be via underground cable.

Will the plants provide heat to the local community?
There is potential for heat to be supplied to municipal, industrial or residential properties within 5km of the plants. To lodge your interest in being able to connect to the heat loop please fill in the feedback form. There is also potential for the gas produced to be captured for local use.

Will there be any other community benefits?
It could relieve the need to separate household waste into organic/recyclable/non-recyclable waste as controlled separation will take place internally at the plant. Local authorities will potentially benefit from reduced landfill taxes.

Will there be a community fund for local good causes?
Negotiations will be needed with the County Council to work out how it would like contributions to be allocated, but the developer is very happy to receive applications for suggestions from the local community.

How many jobs will be created?
Around 30 skilled, operational and management jobs.

Will the waste be local waste or national?
All of the waste will be sourced locally. It will not be brought long distances to the facility.

What about pollution?
Unlike incineration, AD/Advanced Conversion Technology does not produce fly ash and does not damage local air quality.

AD/Advanced Conversion Technology are approved by the Environment Agency.

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What effect would it have on the wider environment?
Overall, an excellent environmentally friendly effect. The technology will reduce reliance on fossil fuels and prevent methane escaping into the atmosphere as found with landfill waste.

The proposed development may potentially provide heat to the local community and other neighbouring facilities - please fill in our form if you are interested in learning more.

What effect will it have on local wildlife and nature conservation areas? What studies have you done?
Environmental studies have been carried out for the site and will be submitted to the County Council for their consideration.

Our studies and proposed designs must meet the County Council's and the Environment Agency's approval before the energy recovery centre could go ahead.

We would like to hear from you

Before we submit any planning application, we would like to hear your comments about the scheme.

Please fill in the COMMENT CARDS available and return them to the project team, either here or via the Freepost address.

Our next steps will be to look at your feedback, review our plans and then submit a planning application to Hampshire County Council. Once a planning application is submitted, the Council will conduct its own consultation.

Thank you for coming today.

Feedback can be provided by:

Filling in the comment card

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