

**CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF AN ENERGY FROM WASTE
GENERATING STATION AT THE CORY RIVERSIDE RESOURCE RECOVERY
FACILITY NORMAN ROAD, BEXLEY, KENT**

**EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM RELATING TO THE VARIATION OF THE
CONSENT UNDER SECTION 36C OF THE ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 ON 17
DECEMBER 2021 (AS PREVIOUSLY VARIED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE
ON 13 MARCH 2015) AND TO THE PLANNING PERMISSION DEEMED TO BE
GRANTED UNDER SECTION 90(2) OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING
ACT 1990 (WHICH REPLACES THE PREVIOUS PLANNING PERMISSION
GRANTED BY THE LONDON BOROUGH OF BEXLEY ON 4 OCTOBER 2017)**

**INCREASE IN MAXIMUM CAPACITY FROM 72MW TO 80.5MW AND INCREASE
IN MAXIMUM WASTE THROUGHPUT FROM 785,000 TO 850,000 TONNES PER
ANNUM (AND OTHER AMENDMENTS)**

Note: This Explanatory Memorandum explains the variations to the consent under Section 36C of the Electricity Act 1989 for the Cory Riverside Resource Recovery Facility, Norman Road, Belvedere, Kent dated 17 December 2021. It also identifies, and explains, the differences between the planning permission deemed to be granted pursuant to a direction under section 90(2) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 on 17 December 2021 and the previous planning permission granted by the London Borough of Bexley on 4 October 2017.

Variation of Section 36 Consent dated 17 December 2021

The title is varied by replacing “OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY” with “FOR BUSINESS, ENERGY AND INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY”.

Paragraph 1 is varied by replacing “Trade and Industry” with “Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy”.

Paragraph 2 is varied by amending the maximum capacity from “72MW” to “80.5MW”.

Paragraph 2(f) is varied by removing the reference to “associated open storage areas for ash container storage,”.

Paragraph 3 is varied with the following text added at the end of the paragraph “; (iii)the Company’s variation application of 25 August 2016; and (iv)the Company’s variation application of 15 April 2021”.

Conditions in Section 90 Direction – comparison with previous planning consent

Condition 1 refers to the most recent variation application, with the following text included at the end of the condition “and iv. the Company’s variation application of 15 April 2021.”

Condition 4 refers to the annual total tonnage of waste to be received at the site as “850,000” (rather than “785,000”).

Condition 7 refers to the Riverside Energy Park Order 2020, with the following text included in the paragraph “(except for the development authorised by the Riverside Energy Park Order 2020 (SI No. 419))”.

Condition 23 provides the following restriction on the bottom ash storage area: “Bottom ash shall only be stored in the bunkers to the development hereby approved” (rather than “Bottom ash storage containers, whether full or empty shall be stored not more than two high and restricted to the storage area shown on drawing no.D2.4A for that purpose”).