

# Notice of Consultation Proposed Gate Burton Energy Park



## Section 47 Planning Act 2008

### Notice Publicising a Statement of Community Consultation

Gate Burton Energy Park Limited, a subsidiary of Low Carbon Limited, of Stirling Square, 5-7 Carlton Gardens, London, SW1Y 5AD (company number 12660764), proposes to submit an application ("the application") to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy under section 37 of The Planning Act 2008 for a development consent order to authorise the construction, operation and decommissioning of a solar photovoltaic (PV) array generating facility and energy storage facility with a total capacity exceeding 50 megawatts (MW) and export connection to the National Grid ("the Scheme"). The Scheme comprises the following main components:

- Solar photovoltaic (PV) panels;
- Battery energy storage system;
- Associated energy infrastructure (e.g. power conversion stations and cabling) and ancillary works;
- On-site substation; and
- A grid cable connection corridor to National Grid's 400kV Cottam substation located in Nottinghamshire.

In addition, necessary rights and powers will be sought to ensure delivery of the Scheme, including compulsory acquisition of land or an interest in or right over land and temporary use powers and, if required, powers to apply and/or disapply legislation relevant to the Scheme.

Before making the Application, we have a duty under section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 to produce a Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC")

setting out how we will consult the local community about our proposed application and how to get involved. We also must make the SoCC available for inspection by the public and publish this notice stating where and when the SoCC can be inspected. We then must carry out consultation in accordance with the SoCC.

Following the publication of this notice and the SoCC, we will undertake a statutory consultation and invite comments on the proposed application from **22 June 2022 to 5 August 2022 at 11:59pm.**

The consultation documents comprise:

- Consultation postcard
- Document navigation booklet
- Project information booklet
- Feedback form
- Plans and Map of the Scheme
- Non-Technical Summary of the Preliminary Environmental Information Report
- Preliminary Environmental Information Report
- SoCC

Electronic and paper copies of the SoCC will be available to view online and at document inspection locations from 8th June 2022 and all other consultation documents will be available for inspection free of charge from **22 June 2022 to 5 August 2022** on our website, at the document inspection locations and at in-person consultation events (see below for further details).

Hard copies of the consultation materials may be requested during the consultation period from Gate Burton Energy Park Limited using the e-mail address, postal address or telephone number provided at the bottom of this notice. Requests for hard copies of the technical documents will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. To cover printing costs a reasonable copying charge may apply (up to a maximum of £350 for one full suite of documents) to be paid for by the recipient. Alternatively, electronic versions can be provided including via a USB on a without charge basis.

All copies of consultation materials are available to download from the website

#### Website

Copies of the SoCC will be available online from 8th June with all other all consultation materials available online free of charge from 22 June 2022 to 5 August 2022 at [www.gateburtonenergypark.co.uk/documents](http://www.gateburtonenergypark.co.uk/documents).

#### Document Inspection Locations

All our consultation documents, including the SoCC, will be available to view free of charge in hard-copy at the document inspection locations below throughout the consultation period. These are subject to Covid-19 restrictions at the time, and we recommend checking venue websites for any unexpected closures prior to travel.

| Saxilby Library   | Gainsborough Library   | Lincoln Central Library  | West Lindsey District Council   | Retford Library  |
|---|--|--|---|--|
| St Andrews Centre, William Street, Saxilby, Lincolnshire LN1 2LP  | Cobden Street Gainsborough Lincolnshire DN21 2NG   | Free School Lane Lincolnshire LN2 1EZ  | Guildhall Marshall's Yard Gainsborough DN21 2NA   | Churchgate Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 6PE  |
| Mon - Closed<br>Tue - 10.30-15.30<br>We- 10.30 to 15.30<br>Thu - Closed<br>Fri - 10.30 to 13.00<br>Sat & Sun - Closed | Mon - 09.00-17.00<br>Tue - 09.00-17.00<br>Wed - 09.00-17.00<br>Thu - 09.00-18.00<br>Fri - 09.00-17.00<br>Sat - 09.00-13.00<br>Sun - Closed | Mon - 09.00-17.00<br>Tue - 09.00-17.00<br>Wed - 09.00-17.00<br>Thu - 09.00-18.00<br>Fri - 09.00-17.00<br>Sat - 09.00-16.00<br>Sun - Closed | Mon - 09.00-17.00<br>Tue - 09.00-17.00<br>Wed - 09.00-17.00<br>Thu - 09.00-17.00<br>Fri - 09.00-17.00<br>Sat - Closed<br>Sun - Closed | Mon - 09.00-18.00<br>Tue - 09.00-18.00<br>Wed - 09.00-18.00<br>Thu - 09.00-18.00<br>Fri - 09.00-18.00<br>Sat - 09.00-15.00<br>Sun - Closed |

## Public Consultation Events

**You can also view hard copies of all consultation materials including the SoCC at our consultation events where you can speak with the Project Team and share your views.**

Consultation events will be held at the following venues during the consultation period.

| Marton & Gate Burton   | Rampton   | Willingham-by-Stow   | Knaith   | Treswell   |
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| Friday<br>8 July 2022<br>14:00 – 20:00   | Saturday<br>9th July 2022<br>10:00 – 14:00  | Thursday<br>14th July 2022<br>14:00 – 20:00  | Saturday<br>16th July 2022<br>10:00 – 14:00  | Tuesday<br>19th July 2022<br>14:00 -20:00                                |
| Marton & Gate<br>Burton Village Hall,<br>Trent Port Road,<br>Marton, Gainsborough,<br>Lincs DN21 5AR | Rampton Village Hall,<br>Manor Grounds<br>Rampton, Retford,<br>Notts,<br>DN22 0JU | Willingham Village Hall,<br>High Street,<br>Willingham-by-Stow,<br>Gainsborough,<br>Lincs DN21 5JZ | Knaith Park Village Hall,<br>Willingham Road,<br>Knaith Park,<br>Gainsborough,<br>Lincs DN21 5ET | Treswell Village Hall,<br>Town Street,<br>Treswell,<br>Notts<br>DN22 0EG |

Where any public consultation event referred to is cancelled or rearranged for any reason, including Covid-19 restrictions, as much notice as possible will be given. Notice of any alternative arrangements (if any are reasonably considered necessary by us) will be given as soon as possible after the cancellation or rearrangement is made. This may include alternative dates, venues and/or arrangements for the submission of representations. We will inform you of any cancellations or rearrangements via methods such as the website.

### Online events

In addition to the above in-person events we are holding two online events on Thursday 7th July and Wednesday 20th July 2022 between 18:30 and 20:00 on both evenings. To register for the online events please visit our website [www.gateburtonenergypark.co.uk](http://www.gateburtonenergypark.co.uk). These events will have a question/answer facility with experts from the Project Team able to respond during the webinar.

### Preliminary Environmental Information

The Scheme is an Environmental Impact Assessment development ("EIA development") as it falls within Schedule 2 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 and is likely to have significant effects on the environment by virtue of factors such as its nature, size and location. As a result, a Preliminary Environmental Information (PEI) Report has been produced (to describe the environmental effects of the Scheme) and is being consulted on alongside the other consultation documents, as well as a Non-Technical Summary of the PEI Report. It also means that an Environmental Statement will be produced and submitted with the application in due course.

### Feedback

Feedback to the consultation can be made in writing using the postal address below, via electronic feedback forms available on our website ([www.gateburtonenergypark.co.uk](http://www.gateburtonenergypark.co.uk)) or via e-mail to [info@gateburtonenergypark.co.uk](mailto:info@gateburtonenergypark.co.uk).

Any person may comment on the proposals or otherwise respond to the consultation. Responses must be received **by 11:59pm 5 August 2022**. Responses received after this time may not be considered.

Requests for hard copies or to request a meeting should be made using the e-mail address below or via the following postal and telephone contact details:

**Write:** FREEPOST GATE  
BURTON ENERGY PARK

**Freephone:** 0800 860 6259  
(Monday to Friday 09:00 – 17:00)

Personal details will be held securely and solely for purposes in connection with the statutory consultation, Development Consent Order process and further development of the Scheme. Outside of these purposes Gate Burton Energy Park Limited may be required to provide personal details if specifically requested as part of a Freedom of Information Act request or if the Planning Inspectorate requests original responses.

Otherwise, personal details will not be disclosed to any third parties. A copy of the project's privacy notice can be found at [www.gateburtonenergypark.co.uk/privacy](http://www.gateburtonenergypark.co.uk/privacy). Alternatively hard copies of this notice can be requested free of charge using the contact details provided above.

If you would like further information about this notice, the consultation or the Scheme, please contact the Project Team by using one of the contact methods provided above.

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On behalf of Gate Burton  
Energy Park Limited

8th June 2022