

## **LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S RESPONSE TO CONSULTATION ON THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL**

**District:** Lincolnshire County Council

**Application number:** PL/0100/22

**Application Type:** Major

**Proposal:** To construct a 6MW anaerobic digestion plant with associated waste reception building, vehicular fuelling station, three digesters, gas bag and new access road

**Location:** Land to the west of Hemswell Biogas Ltd, Hemswell Cliff Industrial Estate, Hemswell Cliff

**Response Date:** 1 May 2024

This report includes the Substantive response of the Local Highway and Lead Local Flood Authority to a planning consultation received under the Development Management Order and includes details of any planning conditions or informatives that should be attached in the event that permission is granted and any obligations to be secured by way of a S106 agreement.

### **General Information and Advice**

Please note that although the Definitive Map and Statement proves the existence of any recorded rights of way, there may be further or higher rights that are not shown on this document that the County Council is not currently aware of. This would be especially relevant where the public has had informal access to the site or where there are references to routes across this in maps or other historic documents. As the County Council has received no application to recognise further rights of way affecting the site, no more informed guidance can be offered at this stage.

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## **Highway and Lead Local Flood Authority Report**

**Substantive Response provided in accordance with article 22(5) of The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015:**

### **Recommendation: No Objections**

Having given due regard to the appropriate local and national planning policy guidance (in particular the National Planning Policy Framework), Lincolnshire County Council (as Highway Authority and Lead Local Flood Authority) has concluded that the proposed development would not be expected to have an unacceptable impact upon highway safety or a severe residual cumulative impact upon the local highway network or increase surface water flood risk and therefore does not wish to object to this planning application.

### **No objection subject to:**

- **Planning Conditions** as detailed below.

### **Comments:**

The application is for an extension to the existing Anaerobic Digestion Plant site at Hemswell Cliff Industrial Estate and will operate in conjunction with the existing site.

### **Introduction/Site Location**

The site is located at Hemswell Cliff and accessed from the A631 via two existing accesses. There are already associated movements with the site including HGV movements.

### **Existing Conditions**

Both accesses to the site are in good condition with wide radius' which are able to accommodate HGV use.

### **Highway safety**

The accesses to the site are of sufficient width to allow two vehicles to pass and benefit from adequate visibility. HGV's would be unlikely to have to wait on the main carriageway when entering the site therefore the risk to highway safety is low.

## **Highway capacity**

The transport statement suggests that there will be an increase of 8 HGV's to the site during the peak hours and 11 to 13 movements of light vehicles in the peak hours. The A631 is a main route which is able to accommodate the increase in vehicle movements adequately.

## **Site Layout**

The site layout provides sufficient parking and turning within the site to accommodate HGV's and light vehicles who are able to turn within the site and exit in a forwards gear.

## **Flood Risk and Drainage**

A drainage strategy drawing has not been submitted for the proposals but the applicant should be made aware that the drainage proposals could affect the layout of the site if the suggested strategy is not deliverable.

## **Planning Conditions:**

In the event that permission is to be given, the following planning conditions should be attached:

### **Highway Condition 33**

The permitted development shall be undertaken in accordance with a surface water drainage scheme which shall first have been approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The scheme shall:

- be based on sustainable drainage principles and an assessment of the hydrological and hydrogeological context of the development;
- provide flood exceedance routing for storm event greater than 1 in 100 year;
- provide details of how run-off will be safely conveyed and attenuated during storms up to and including the 1 in 100 year critical storm event, with an allowance for climate change, from all hard surfaced areas within the development into the existing local drainage infrastructure and watercourse system without exceeding the run-off rate for the undeveloped site;
- provide attenuation details and discharge rates which shall be restricted to greenfield run off rates;
- provide details of the timetable for and any phasing of implementation for the drainage scheme; and
- provide details of how the scheme shall be maintained and managed over the lifetime of the development, including any arrangements for adoption by any public body or Statutory Undertaker and any other arrangements required to secure the operation of the drainage system throughout its lifetime.

No part of the development shall be occupied until the approved scheme has been completed or provided on the site in accordance with the approved phasing. The approved scheme shall be retained and maintained in full, in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure that the permitted development is adequately drained without creating or increasing flood risk to land or property adjacent to, or downstream of, or upstream of, the permitted development.

**Officer's Name: Laura Rowett**

**Officer's Title: Senior Development Management Officer**

**Date: 1 May 2024**