West Burton C - Application for a proposed gas-fired power station of up to 299MW on land to the north of the existing West Burton B Power Station, near Gainsborough

EDF Energy is developing proposals for a new gas-fired peaking plant power station of up to 299 megawatts (MW) at the existing West Burton Power Station site near Gainsborough, on land to the north of the existing West Burton B Power Station, to be known as West Burton C.

EDF Energy is seeking planning consent but will only proceed with construction when the market conditions are right and subject to a future investment decision.

EDF Energy invests in a wide range of energy technologies to meet the United Kingdom's future demand for electricity. With the growth of renewable generation, the ability to meet short periods of peak demand and/or shortfalls in electricity production and provide ancillary services to the National Grid with flexible generation is increasingly important.

EDF Energy will be seeking consent to construct gas-fired power station of up to 299MW to meet these needs. Once operational it would provide generation as and when required and is not expected to run continuously.

The formal consultation closed on Monday 16 October 2017 and we would like to thank all those who commented. The feedback has informed our proposals and our assessments that will form part of our application for development consent.

We are looking to submit our application for development consent in quarter 2 2019. The Secretary of State will then have a period of 28 days to decide whether or not to accept the application. If accepted, the Planning Inspectorate would hold an examination of the proposals and all stakeholders would have the opportunity to participate in that examination.

We are currently engaging with the statutory consultees, including the local authorities, Environment Agency and Natural England. We are also offering to meet the parish councils in the vicinity of the West Burton power station site, to present our proposals and outputs of our environmental assessments, discuss any concerns and identify how stakeholders can engage in the planning process.

Stakeholders, including the local community, will be notified once the application has been accepted, through newspaper notices in the local press and a newsletter distributed to those living close to the site. The website (https://www.edfenergy.com/energy/power-stations/west-burton-c-power-station) will also be kept up to date.

If your Parish Council would like to meet with the Project team to hear an overview of the Project proposals and the outputs of our environmental studies, discuss any concerns and understand how stakeholders can engage in the planning process, please contact me via enquiries@westburtonc.co.uk, and we would be delighted to make arrangements.

Yours faithfully

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