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1 Introduction

- 1.1 This Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC") is prepared in relation to Associated British Ports (ABP) proposals to construct and facilitate operation by multiple users of a multi-user liquid bulk jetty, the Immingham Green Energy Terminal (IGET) (the "Project"), on the eastern side of the Port of Immingham ("the Port").
- The Project would initially be used as a conduit for the import of green ammonia to be converted to green hydrogen. To facilitate this, an associated hydrogen production facility would be constructed as part of the Project. Air Products will be the first customer for the new terminal as the owner and operator of the proposed green hydrogen production facility.
- 1.3 Given the capacity of the proposed jetty, the proposed Immingham Green Energy Terminal constitutes a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project ("NSIP") under the Planning Act 2008 (the "Act"). As such the Project requires an application for a Development Consent Order ("DCO") to be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate ("PINS") for determination by the Secretary of State for Transport ("the Secretary of State").
- 1.4 Statutory Consultation on the Project was held between 9 January and 20 February 2023 (the "first Statutory Consultation"). The first Statutory Consultation on the Project was undertaken in accordance with the approach outlined in a Statement of Community Consultation which was published on 5 January 2023 in accordance with Section 47 of the Act (the "first SoCC").
- 1.5 As a result of further design work on the Project and taking into account the responses received to the first Statutory Consultation, we have identified a number of proposed design changes to the Project which we need to communicate to and consult on with stakeholders and the local community.
- 1.6 Consequently, we are proposing to undertake a further round of Statutory Consultation on these design changes for the Project. This further round will be undertaken for a period of 30 days.
- 1.7 This supplemental Statement of Community Consultation ("the second SoCC") has been produced to summarise the proposed approach to further Statutory Consultation on the Project further to section 47 of the Act including providing details about how the local community can take part in the consultation process and how we will gather feedback and use it to develop the Project.
- 1.8 For the avoidance of doubt the first SoCC remains relevant to the first Statutory Consultation on the Project. This second SoCC replaces the first SoCC in respect of future rounds of Statutory Consultation on the Project.



- 1.9 Consequently, when reviewing the Statutory Consultation process undertaken as a whole, both the first and second versions of the SoCC will be relevant.
- 1.10 As well as consulting with the local community under Section 47 of the Act, we will also be undertaking consultation with a number of consultees who are specifically identified in Section 42 of the Act. Stakeholders consulted with under Section 42 of the Act are summarised in Chapter Six of this report.

Associated British Ports

- 1.11 ABP was established in 1981 following the privatisation of the British Transport Docks Board. It is the largest ports group in the UK, owning and operating 21 ports and other transport-related businesses across England, Wales and Scotland.
- 1.12 Alongside the Port ABP owns and operates three other ports, on the Humber, namely the ports of Hull, Grimsby and Goole, which together constitute the largest ports complex in the UK. The Port is the largest and busiest of ABP's four Humber ports.
- 1.13 ABP's statutory undertaking at Immingham, the 'statutory port estate', as shown in Figure 1.1, covers some 480 hectares (ha). The majority of the port estate falls within the administrative boundary of North East Lincolnshire Council (NELC), although the western part of the Port falls within the administrative boundary of North Lincolnshire Council.
- 1.14 As well as the internal dock, the Port has twenty 'in-river' berths from which it imports and exports cargo. The Port has a very diverse trade base and handles a wide variety of cargoes including bulk liquids, liquid and solid fuels, ores break-bulk cargo, animal feed and grain and unitised cargoes in the form of containers ("lo-lo") and trailers ("ro-ro") from the internal dock and the existing in-river jetties. Since the 1960s the Port's marine capability has increasingly been serviced from jetties located in the river, thereby eliminating the need for vessels to pass through the lock gates into the Port's internal dock.
- 1.15 The Port comprises a number of discrete operational areas. These include the internal dock, the Eastern and Western Jetties, the Immingham Oil Terminal, the Immingham Gas Terminal, Immingham Outer Harbour and the Humber International Terminal.
- 1.16 The infrastructure at the Port is the product of incremental expansion. This has enabled ABP, as the port operator, to increase the quantity of cargo imported/exported and to expand the range and type of cargoes accommodated. The volumes processed through the Port have risen from 26 million tonnes to 50 million tonnes during the period 1981 2020.



Air Products

- 1.17 Air Products is a world-leading industrial gases company in operation for nearly 80 years, and more than 60 years in the UK and Ireland with over 1000 employees and significant operating facilities including 35 production facilities across the UK and Ireland in addition to a number of hydrogen refuelling stations and hydrogen, nitrogen and oxygen plants.
- 1.18 Focused on serving energy, environment and emerging markets, the company provides essential industrial gases, related equipment and applications expertise to customers in dozens of industries, including refining, chemical, metals, electronics, manufacturing, and food and beverage.
- 1.19 The company develops, engineers, builds, owns and operates some of the world's largest industrial gas and carbon-capture projects, supplying world-scale clean hydrogen for global transportation and industrial markets, as well as the broader energy transition.
- 1.20 Air Products plans to invest in the new green hydrogen production facility at Immingham, supported by a downstream distribution network. The plan is to import green ammonia to convert into green hydrogen to fuel heavy duty transport, such as heavy goods vehicles (HGVs) and buses. This is one of the most challenging and polluting sectors to decarbonise and a priority for meeting net zero in the UK.
- 1.21 Air Products and ABP have entered into an agreement in respect of the use of the IGET for the import of ammonia and construction of associated landside development at the Port and the grant of interests in land to Air Products to facilitate the delivery of ammonia and its storage and processing to produce green hydrogen.

The Project

- 1.22 The Project comprises a new liquid bulk terminal and associated hydrogen production facility on the eastern side of the Port. The objectives of the Project are:
 - a. To provide essential port infrastructure, capacity and resilience to support the growth and changing strategic needs of the energy sector to support decarbonisation within the Humber Industrial Cluster and the Humber Enterprise Zone.
 - b. To provide capacity to support import and export of a range of liquid bulk products including (i) ammonia (to produce green hydrogen) to help decarbonise the United Kingdom's (UK) transport sector and (ii) carbon dioxide (CO₂), to facilitate carbon capture and storage, both of which will assist transition towards net zero.



- c. To deliver and operate new port infrastructure, and its first user's hydrogen production facility, in a safe, efficient and sustainable manner by making effective use of available land, water, transport and utility connections which exist in and around the Port of Immingham.
- d. To minimise adverse impacts on the environment and safeguard the health, safety and amenity of local residents and other port users.
- e. To enhance both the local and regional economy through direct investment in and around the Port of Immingham and by partnering with the supply chain, providing opportunities for training, upskilling, apprenticeships and local employment.
- 1.23 As described in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report published for the first Statutory Consultation the Project would consist of the following key components:
 - On the marine side (the Nationally Significant Infrastructure project (NSIP)):
 - A jetty, consisting of an approach trestle, approximately
 1.1km in length, leading to up to two berths, including loading platforms and berthing and mooring dolphins with link walkways; and
 - Topside infrastructure on the jetty for the handling of bulk liquids, including loading arms and pipelines.
 - On the land side (the Associated Development):
 - An access road to the jetty;
 - Two operational sites supporting hydrogen production facilities (the East Site and the West Site);
 - Pipework, pipelines and utilities (i) between the jetty and the green hydrogen production facility on the East Site and (ii) between the green hydrogen production facilities on the East and West sites and (iii) between buildings and plant within the production facilities;
 - A refrigerated ammonia storage tank (on the East Site);
 - Hydrogen production units that convert ammonia to produce the green hydrogen (on both East and West Sites);
 - Hydrogen liquefiers (on both East and West Sites) to liquify the hydrogen for temporary storage (on the West Site);
 - Loading bays to fill road tankers with liquified hydrogen which would then be distributed to hydrogen filling stations throughout the UK (on the West Site);
 - Ancillary buildings and works on both the East and West Sites;
 - Access from the public highway to the East and West Sites;
 and
 - Temporary construction areas.



- 1.24 This project description will be updated as necessary for any subsequent rounds of consultation.
- 1.25 If the DCO is successful, this new plant would facilitate production of up to 300MW of green hydrogen a year, to be used to fuel heavy transport such as buses and HGVs. This contributes to the decarbonisation of transport and the UK's journey to net zero, helping to improve Britain's energy security and supporting the Levelling Up agenda.

Location

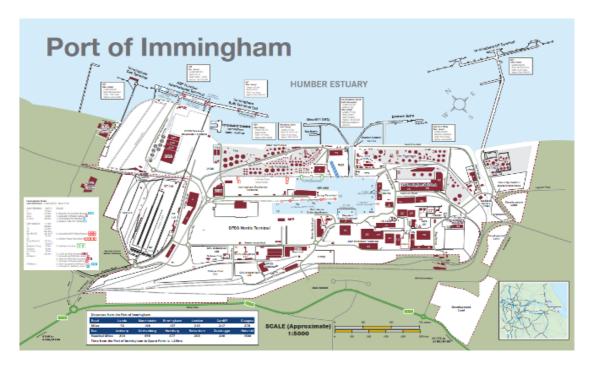


Figure 1.1: Location Plan of the Port of Immingham

- 1.26 The Project is located on the eastern side of the Port and includes both marine and landside development.
- 1.27 On the marine side, the Terminal would comprise a new approach trestle and jetty infrastructure running to the east and broadly parallel to the existing jetty for the Immingham Oil Terminal. The Terminal is designed to service the import of liquid bulk goods, principally green ammonia at first, with the ability to import and export other liquid bulk products, including CO₂ in the future. The green ammonia will then be stored and processed landside at two sites off Queens Road and Kings Road in storage tanks, hydrogen production units and liquefiers to create green hydrogen for onward transport to other parts of the UK.



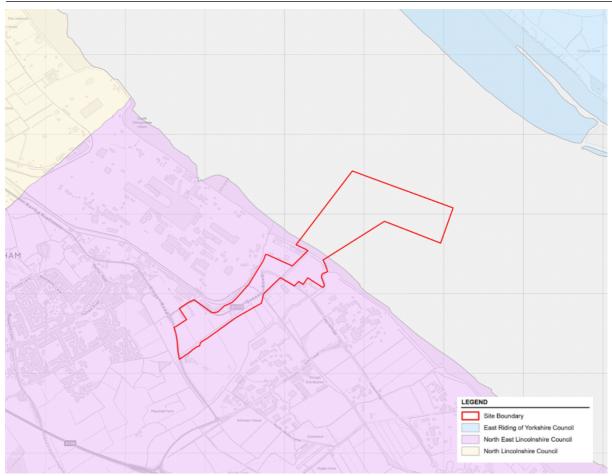


Figure 2: Location and indicative project boundary

Our Application

- 1.28 As noted above, given the capacity of the proposed jetty, the Terminal constitutes an NSIP under the provisions of the Act. As a result, we will, in due course, be submitting an application for a development consent order ("DCO") to the Planning Inspectorate.
- 1.29 Once the application has been submitted, the Planning Inspectorate, acting on behalf of the Secretary of State, will undertake the examination of the application including the appointment of an Inspector or Panel of Inspectors to examine our application and make a recommendation, with the final decision on whether to grant the DCO being made by the Secretary of State.
- 1.30 The DCO application process requires a comprehensive consultation exercise to be undertaken before an application is submitted. This consultation not only engages with statutory consultees, such as the local councils and the Environment Agency, but also seeks feedback from landowners, local residents, businesses, stakeholders, interested parties and the wider local community. To this end, we have already undertaken a comprehensive Statutory Consultation exercise on the Project in January and February 2023 (the first Statutory Consultation) and as a result of



further proposed design changes and the responses received to the first Statutory Consultation we intend to undertake a second Statutory Consultation in accordance with the terms of this SoCC.

- 1.31 It is important that our consultation is comprehensive, open and transparent and we want to give everyone the opportunity to participate in the consultation process, thereby helping us to develop the Project. As outlined in the first SoCC, we consulted the Local Authorities referred to below on the proposed approach to the first Statutory Consultation. We are now proposing to undertake a further round of Statutory Consultation in accordance with this second SoCC and will consult the Local Authorities again on the proposed approach to this further round of consultation. The approach outlined in this second SoCC will also apply to any subsequent rounds of consultation.
- 1.32 We will engage with and consider feedback from officers at North East Lincolnshire Council regarding our further consultation proposals, outlined in this SoCC, to ensure the Council has been able to shape our approach to engagement and consultation.
- 1.33 To ensure that our consultation is genuinely comprehensive, we will also issue this second SoCC to the neighbouring Local Authorities of North Lincolnshire Council, Lincolnshire County Council, West Lindsey District Council, East Lindsey District Council, East Riding of Yorkshire Council and Hull City Council, inviting comments about the proposed consultation process as set out in this document.
- 1.34 As explained above it is considered necessary to undertake further Consultation on the Project. It may also be necessary in the future to undertake further rounds of Statutory Consultation with specific individuals or sections of the community potentially affected by the Project and if so that consultation may be undertaken on targeted basis (for example on either a geographic or specific stakeholder basis). It is proposed that any future targeted consultation on the Project is undertaken in accordance with the principles and methods set out in this second SoCC.
- 1.35 We are committed to creating engagement channels for those who do not feel comfortable (e.g. following the pandemic) coming to in-person events to engage in the consultation process. Alongside the traditional face-to-face consultation events, we will offer alternative options where people can find out information and share their views online, via post or email, and over the phone, to enable the local community to access information about the Project and participate in community consultation. While there were no requests for webinars during the first Statutory Consultation, we remain open to holding these if requested, and will continue to provide the options above for people to share their views.
- 1.36 Our DCO application will be supported by a number of documents, including an Environmental Statement, the purpose of which is to assess the likely significant effects of the Project on the environment. It will deal



with such subjects as noise and vibration, ecology, navigation, dredging and traffic.

- 1.37 A key consideration for the Planning Inspectorate and the Secretary of State when assessing our application and the documentation accompanying it, will be the National Policy Statement for Ports. This National Policy Statement "provides the framework for decisions on proposals for new port development" and sets out the Government's assessment of the need for new port infrastructure.
- 1.38 As explained in the first SoCC, preparation of the DCO application for the Project has commenced. The Project was consulted on earlier this year and the responses to the first Statutory Consultation are being collated and reviewed. A further round of Statutory Consultation is proposed in respect of changes to the design of the Project arising from the first Statutory Consultation or that were not included in the first Statutory Consultation. Following the conclusion of the further Statutory Consultation and our analysis of the consultation responses we receive we anticipate that the DCO application will be submitted in Summer 2023.
- 1.39 As part of the DCO process, the Planning Inspectorate will consider whether the pre-application consultation we have undertaken has been sufficiently comprehensive to meet the requirements for the Act. This Statement is designed to explain how we intend to undertake further the consultation further to section 47 of the Act. When reviewing the pre-application consultation as a whole, this second SoCC will need to be considered in conjunction with the first SoCC.
- 1.40 You can find more information about the Planning Inspectorate and the Planning Act 2008 on the National Infrastructure Planning website: infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk or by calling the Planning Inspectorate on **0303 444 5000**.



2 Consulting the Community

- 2.1 We are committed to running an open and transparent consultation process with the community and local stakeholders, ensuring that all impacted parties and local people have the opportunity to have their say on the Project. The Project Team will consider all feedback received from consultation and work to address it where appropriate as the Project design is developed ahead of the submission of the DCO application to the Secretary of State.
- 2.2 Through further Statutory Consultation (this second Statutory Consultation and any subsequent rounds of Statutory Consultation), we will consult with a wide range of community stakeholders and residents including statutory consultees, local stakeholders, interested parties and the local community (as outlined in Sections 42 and 47 of the Act), or in relation to consultation conducted on a targeted basis a more limited group of them (see paragraph 1.34 above). Through this process we want to find out what issues are of greatest importance to local people when considering our proposed changes to the Project that are described in the further consultation. Those views will inform the studies which we are undertaking as part of our comprehensive Environmental Impact Assessment.
- 2.3 The further Statutory Consultation is designed to fulfil the requirements for consultation on a DCO application under the Sections 42 and 47 of the Act. It will:
 - Involve Local Authorities, communities and statutory consultees early in the DCO application process to bring about benefits for all parties;
 - Raise awareness and build understanding of the proposals among people living in the vicinity, or those potentially impacted by wider effects;
 - Allow people potentially affected by the proposals to provide feedback as the proposals develop, so that their views can influence the decision-making process and the final application;
 - Communicate with those being consulted to understand what can be influenced and why;
 - Communicate proportionately to the scale of the proposal;
 - Clearly communicate to those affected by the proposal as to how their comments have shaped the proposal;
 - Build lasting, positive relationships with key local stakeholders to allow open discussions around the proposals.



2.4 More details of our consultation activities are available to view and download at: imminghamget.co.uk

Hazardous Substances Consent

2.5 Alongside the application for the DCO, Air Products has submitted an application for a Hazardous Substances Consent to North East Lincolnshire Council (NELC) in connection with the hydrogen production facility which is awaiting validation. Prior to submission, Air Products published a public notice in the Grimsby Telegraph and around the proposed site giving notice of the opportunity to make representations before 1 January 2023. Once validated, prior to NELC making a decision whether to grant consent, further consultation in accordance with the Planning (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2015 will be carried out by NELC.

Consultation – why and when?

- 2.6 It is important to us that the consultation undertaken for the Project meets the above objectives. As such, we are guided by five key principles, namely:
 - Openness and transparency making information available to stakeholders and the local community openly and with transparency.
 - **Providing opportunities to get involved** co-ordinating inclusive and accessible engagement and consultation events and providing feedback mechanisms to ensure that stakeholders and the public can be fully involved if they so wish.
 - Sharing information and understanding providing up to date information about the Project as it develops via a range of channels, helping the public and stakeholders to better understand what is being proposed.
 - **Listening and responding** being open to suggestions about how the Project could be improved and appropriate mitigation whilst also providing timely feedback to stakeholders and the public.
 - Respect ensuring that everyone is treated with respect throughout the process.
- 2.7 We will listen to everyone's views and take those views into account before we submit our DCO application.
- 2.8 A further round of Statutory Consultation on the Project is targeted to run from Wednesday 24 May 2023 to Thursday 22 June 2023 (the second Statutory Consultation), for 30 calendar days. Any subsequent rounds of consultation will also run for 30 calendar days.



2.9 During this second Statutory Consultation and any subsequent rounds of consultation, we will provide information on proposed design changes to the Project that have come about in response to feedback to date and/or the evolution of the design.

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)

- 2.10 The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment development ("EIA development") as defined in the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the "EIA Regulations"). This means that before the Project can be approved, an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) the purpose of which is to examine and assess all aspects of the construction, operation, and eventual decommissioning of the Project must be undertaken in order to assess whether it is likely to have significant effects on the environment.
- 2.11 To support this work, we requested an EIA Scoping Opinion through submission of a Scoping Report to the Planning Inspectorate on 30 August 2022. The Scoping Opinion was received on 10 October 2022 and outlines the information we need to provide when we draft an Environmental Statement to support an application for development consent.
- 2.12 We published what is known as a Preliminary Environmental Information Report as part of the first Statutory Consultation. The PEIR provides preliminary environmental information about all aspects of the Project which has been gathered by our consultant team and is being used by them to carry out the Environmental Impact Assessment. The PEIR provides a preliminary view on whether any environmental effects of the Project are likely to be significant and, if so, what mitigation measures could be applied.
- 2.13 For the second Statutory Consultation (and any further rounds of consultation) we will publish an addendum to the PEIR that will report on the likely significant effects arising from the proposed changes to the Project covered by the consultation. Details of where the original PEIR and the addendum to the PEIR will be available to view as part of this further Statutory Consultation can be found in Table 3.1 of this document (Section 3, as required by Regulation 12 of the EIA Regulations).
- 2.14 An Environmental Statement will be produced which will set out the findings of the Environmental Impact Assessment once it has been completed. The Environmental Statement will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate as part of the DCO application.

Who can take part and how will they be notified?



- 2.15 Anybody can take part in our consultation, and we welcome all views. We will take all of them into account as part of preparing our DCO application.
- 2.16 The local community will be notified of the further Statutory Consultation through a variety of methods including mailout of letters and/or a project newsletter to a defined area around the site as shown in Figure 3. This information provided will introduce the local community to the changes to the proposals and invite them to exhibition sessions outlined below. Letters will also provide information on how to participate in the consultation process remotely, should people be unable to attend the in-person consultation events. These methods will include (as before) accessing our consultation website, calling our freephone line to speak to a member of the team, and providing feedback through email or post.



Figure 3: Map showing mailout area

- 2.17 The local community will also be notified of this second Statutory Consultation (and any subsequent rounds of Statutory Consultation) by means of the display of posters in prominent positions within the locality as well as the publication of statutory notices in:
 - A national newspaper (The Times);
 - The London Gazette;



- The Lloyd's List;
- The Fishing News; and
- Locally circulating newspapers, The Grimsby Telegraph and the Lincolnite.
- 2.18 Where possible we also hope to be able to arrange editorial coverage of the further Statutory Consultation in local publications in order to reach the wider local community and will continue to do so.
- 2.19 Information regarding the further consultation, including posters and information that can be shared on social media, will be provided directly to impacted Local Authorities, Parish and Town Councils including Immingham Town Council, and the parish councils of Stallingborough, North Killingholme, South Killingholme, and other relevant local community and interest groups so that they can raise awareness of the consultation through their own communications channels. Where appropriate, we may also seek to attend Town and Parish Council meetings to present information on the proposals and answer any questions that the Councils have.
- 2.20 In summary, we intend to utilise the same methods to enable the local community to get involved and take part in the second Statutory Consultation (and any subsequent rounds of Statutory Consultation) as we have done for the First Statutory Consultation. However, there may be a variation in our approach to the consultation radius and location of events if any subsequent consultation is targeted as described paragraph 1.34 above, in which case this will depend on the nature and extent of the targeted consultation.

Accessibility for vulnerable groups

- 2.21 We will continue to proactively engage with Local Authorities to ensure that any vulnerable groups in the community are identified and have access to consultation materials in order to meaningfully engage with the consultation process.
- 2.22 We will also continue to be guided by the Local Authorities on which groups in the area should be focused on. We expect that any groups identified may have protected characteristics (for example, religion, ethnicity, or disability) and will adapt engagement activities to ensure they are inclusive for the specific characteristics of the group(s).
- 2.23 We will also ensure that all venues are wheelchair accessible, and that information included in consultation materials can be accessed online, in hard copy, and through speaking with a member of the team either inperson or over the phone.



3 How will we consult?

- 3.1 In order to ensure that our further consultation is accessible to as many people as possible, we will continue to use a variety of consultation platforms and events to gather feedback from the local community. By using a combination of face-to-face events, opening a freephone line, postal and email addresses, and hosting information on our dedicated website we will have a variety of contact methods that will reach a wide range of people in the local area. We may also send out project newsletters within the consultation area and to key stakeholders at appropriate points in the Project to update on the progress of the DCO application.
- 3.2 We will host a number of face-to-face consultation/exhibition events in Immingham for any further Statutory Consultation (second Statutory Consultation and any subsequent Statutory Consultations) where the Project team will be available to discuss the scheme and answer any questions. Exhibition dates will be chosen so that they cover a range of days and times from week to week throughout the Statutory Consultation period, in order to be flexible enough for people to attend at a time that suits their own schedule. If any subsequent consultation is targeted as described in paragraph 1.34 above, we may adjust the number and location of face-to-face events, depending on the nature and extent of the targeted consultation.
- 3.3 In addition, we will continue to use a range of online mechanisms so that local communities will have access to all appropriate information and opportunities to provide feedback without the need to meet in person. This approach, alongside the use of fully accessible, well known and centrally located venues within the local community, will reduce barriers to participation and give people a range of opportunities to engage with the consultation.
- 3.4 Should there be sufficient demand from requests for one-to-one calls or specific requests for online events through channels outlined in Table 3.1 below, we may also host webinars with a question and answer session during any consultation period with members of the Project team.
- 3.5 For those who have access to a computer but not the Internet, we will also make available several USB sticks with the consultation information available for residents to take home. Alongside this, hard copies of the consultation material can be posted out if requested. There may be an administration charge for larger documents. Pre-paid envelopes will allow local people to send feedback free of charge to our PO Box address: IGET, PO Box 76780, London, WC1A 9SJ
- 3.6 We will also provide a freephone line where people can call with their questions and offer free of charge telephone surgery appointments which can be booked with members of the Project Team to discuss specific issues or topics related to the Project and the consultation.



- 3.7 We will continue to engage with the relevant elected members for the Project site including the MPs, and local Parish and Town Councils. Elected members were informed of the Project at the public project launch in August 2022 and offered an opportunity to meet with the Project team to discuss the proposals. We will continue to engage with the Councillors, relevant MPs and Town and Parish Councils throughout the Statutory Consultation period including via regular written correspondence and attendance and presentations at relevant Council meetings, Planning Committee meetings and Parish / Town Council meetings. We will also continue to engage with relevant officers and will offer to meet and present to the councils at these group meetings as appropriate during any further Statutory Consultation period (a second Statutory Consultation period and any subsequent rounds of Statutory Consultation) to explain the points which are being consulted on and answer any questions members have.
- 3.8 Where appropriate we may also undertake 1-2-1 meetings with these stakeholders and interested parties to understand any concerns.
- 3.9 We have been and will continue to engage with properties along the perimeter of the Red Line boundary and within it, including residents, tenants and owners. All those with an interest in land inside and along the perimeter of the Red Line Boundary at August 2022 were informed of the Project via letter at the project launch and were invited to contact the Project team if they wish to discuss the Project further. A dedicated Land Agent has been appointed for the Project, who is acting as a single point of contact for these stakeholders providing information on the Project, the DCO process and other relevant information on a 'without prejudice' basis. Following initial correspondence, where appropriate we may also seek to undertake 1-2-1 meetings (in person or online) with interested parties to understand any concerns.
- 3.10 Details of the ways in which we will formally consult with stakeholders, and the local community as part of further Statutory Consultation (a second Statutory Consultation and any subsequent rounds of Statutory Consultation) are provided in Table 3.1 below.

Table 3.1: Consultation Activities for further consultation

Method and activities	Detail
Face to face consultation events	We will host two in-person consultation/exhibition events during the consultation period. Topic specialists and members of the Project team will be on hand to answer questions from members of the public at allocated times, which are detailed below.
	Exhibition events will be held at the Immingham Civic Centre, Pelham Road, Immingham DN40 1QF. The Civic Centre is an accessible and well-known community venue for people in Immingham and Stallingborough. If for any reason the venue needed to



change, an appropriate alternative venue would be chosen in agreement with the Local Planning Authority.

The events will provide information on the proposed Project in an easy-to-understand format, as well as a feedback questionnaire, which can be completed by hand at the event or submitted later via post, email or on our website.

This further Statutory Consultation will run for a minimum of 30 days, with the possibility of extending if it is necessary to do so. For the second Statutory Consultation, we are targeting Wednesday 24 May 2023 to Thursday 22 June 2023. These dates may be subject to change. Any subsequent rounds of Statutory Consultation will also run for minimum of 30 days and we will discuss with the Local Planning Authority about the need for in-person events given the level of engagement needed for any subsequent changes to the proposals.

For in-person events, we will continue to use the following venues:

- Burton Hall, Civic Centre, Pelham Rd, Immingham, DN40 1QF
- Old Library Building, Immingham Civic Centre, Pelham Road, Immingham, DN40 1QF

Specific dates and times of the in-person consultation events will be detailed on the Project Website and in letters to the community.

We will ensure that there is one weekday event and one weekend event during the further Statutory Consultation period. These will be booked during the 30-day period in alignment with availability for the venues.

For subsequent Statutory Consultations we will consult with the Local Planning Authority on appropriate venues, given the level of engagement needed for any subsequent changes to the proposals.

Physical copies of project documents

The following physical documents will be on display at the Immingham Civic Centre from Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm throughout the consultation period:

 Addendum to PEIR, including where appropriate revisions to technical appendices and



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	 accompanying figures to explain design changes to the Project; Update to non-technical summary of the PEIR; and This second SoCC which explains how we propose to undertake further Statutory Consultation (a second Statutory Consultation and any subsequent rounds of Statutory Consultation).
	If there is a request for a private copy of the above documents, the project team can fulfil this. However please note there will be a fee of up to £300 to cover the cost of printing, depending on the documents requested.
Online Webinars	If there is sufficient demand by request, we would hold a webinar session for the public at a date to be arranged.
	The date and time of the webinar session will be detailed on the Project Website, and we will also seek to secure editorial coverage in local publications, and email those who have expressed an interest in attending.
	Anyone who requests a webinar will be kept informed of whether one can will be arranged. If one is not arranged due to lack of demand, the Project team will offer a phone call to discuss the proposed Project directly as an alternative.
Project website	Information about the proposed Project, consultation documents, the face-to-face consultation events, any webinar and details of the consultation and how to respond will be available on the Project website at www.imminghamget.co.uk
	Copies of the consultation materials will be hosted directly at www.imminghamget.co.uk/documents/
	The Project website will host copies of all consultation documents including the PEIR (available to view and download free of charge) and an online Feedback Questionnaire (which will also be available to download) so that the public and other stakeholders can respond directly online or print off and return by post.



	We will also make copies of the materials from the exhibitions available on the Project website.
	Hard copies of the Feedback Questionnaire can also be requested (via email, phone or post) and will be sent with a free postage envelope for return.
Telephone surgeries	For those who are not comfortable or not able to access information digitally or to attend the in-person events, a free of charge telephone surgery appointment can be booked. Individuals can talk to one of the Project team in more detail about specific issues or topics related to the Project, and the questions from the exhibition Feedback Questionnaire can be read out and answers recorded over the phone.
	Alternatively, if the person prefers, we can post a hard copy of the summary information boards displayed at the in-person events along with a Feedback Questionnaire to fill out by hand, which they can then post back to the address using the pre-paid envelope provided.
	Telephone surgeries can be booked via the freephone line on 080 817 532 33, or by using the email address: enquiries@imminghamget.co.uk
	The phone line and inboxes will be monitored Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm, and all queries responded to in a timely manner.
Project newsletter	A newsletter will be issued to the consultation area agreed with NELC explaining the proposed changes to the Project and notifying when the further Statutory Consultation will commence including details of exhibition events and encouraging people to take part in the consultation and how to do so.

- 3.11 Any activity that cannot be undertaken due to circumstances beyond our control will, where possible, be substituted with a similar activity and advertised online and, if practicable, in local newspapers circulating in the vicinity of the Project.
- 3.12 Any activity changes will be published on the Project Website at www.imminghamget.co.uk

How to respond to the consultation

3.13 A Feedback Questionnaire will be produced to help you provide comments on the Project. Unless specified below, all consultation responses must be made in writing by:



- Downloading and completing the online feedback questionnaire;
- Emailing a copy of the questionnaire to us at enquiries@imminghamget.co.uk;
- Downloading the feedback questionnaire and posting it to us at IGET, PO Box 76780, LONDON, WC1A 9SJ; or
- Requesting a hard copy of the feedback questionnaire and a prepaid stamped addressed envelope to be sent to you in the post and returning the completed copy to us via post.
- Alternatively, you can:
 - o Email us at enquiries@imminghamget.co.uk
 - Write to us at the following address PO Box 76780, LONDON, WC1A 9SJ (Quoting Reference: Immingham Green Energy Terminal – a pre-paid stamped addressed envelope will be provided on request free of charge)
- 3.14 The notification of any further rounds of Statutory Consultation will indicate a date and time by which responses must be received in writing for that round of consultation, unless the option to extend the consultation is exercised by the Project Team. The Project team will consider responses received after that date where possible, however depending on the application programme timeline late responses risk not being considered in the development of the Project in light of the consultation.
- 3.15 Comments via social media will not be counted as formal responses to the consultation process. Verbal feedback may be noted down as a formal response upon consultee request by a member of the Project team at events or over the phone.
- 3.16 The above contact details can also be used during the further Statutory Consultation period to contact members of the Project Team about requesting hard copies of the consultation documents, booking free of charge telephone surgeries appointments and for general enquiries. Alternatively, requests and enquiries can also be made by calling freephone **080 817 532 33**.



4 Other consultation events in the area

- 4.1 The Project Team is not aware of any other consultations being held in the local area during the same period that could influence or impact upon any further round of Statutory Consultation for the Project. The Project Team will continue to monitor for other relevant consultations in the local area for any subsequent rounds of consultation.
- 4.2 While there are no publicly advertised consultations in the local area with timescales that directly overlap with the proposed further Statutory Consultation (including the second Statutory Consultation) which the Project Team is aware of at the time of writing, we have identified the following nearby Projects which may hold any subsequent consultations not yet advertised in a similar timeframe to any further rounds of Statutory Consultation on the Project:
 - Viking CCS are developing a carbon dioxide transport and storage network (T&S) in the Viking area of the Southern North Sea. Viking CCS and ABP are collaborating around the potential to develop a facility for the discharge of liquefied CO₂ cargoes from vessels at the IGET facility which would link to the Viking CCS T&S for sequestration. The potential facilities for the connection of IGET to the Viking CCS storage sites will be the subject of a separate future consent should they be progressed. The most recent consultation on the Viking CCS Project concluded on 24 January 2023, and a DCO application will be submitted later this year.
 - Humber Low Carbon Pipelines: consultation on this project completed on 5 December 2022. This proposed project aims to deliver new onshore pipeline infrastructure to transport the captured carbon emissions from the region's industrial emitters for safe storage in the North Sea. The project aims to submit a DCO application to PINS in Q3 2023.
 - Beacon Fen (Low Carbon): Low Carbon is developing proposals to build a new solar park (Beacon Fen Energy Park) on land to the east of Sleaford, Lincolnshire, comprising of solar and battery storage. This Project is in the early stages of planning and is due to hold early engagement with the local community soon, outlining initial proposals and gathering feedback. Statutory Consultation will begin once initial feedback has been collected. Low Carbon intend to submit a DCO application in early to mid 2024.
 - West Burton Solar Project: West Burton Solar Project Limited is developing proposals for a new solar and energy storage project that would cross the county border between Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire. Their final consultation, specifically in updated proposals for the West Burton 3 site area, ran from 28 November 2022 to 8 January 2023. The Project submitted their DCO



application recently and it was accepted by the Planning Inspectorate on 21 March 2023.

Immingham Eastern Roll-on Roll-off Terminal

- In January 2022, ABP carried out Statutory Consultation in relation to the Immingham Eastern Ro-Ro Terminal. On 28 October 2022, the Immingham Eastern Ro-Ro Terminal project embarked upon supplementary Statutory Consultation to address feedback on the application. This consultation closed on 27 November 2022.
- 4.4 Whilst this consultation was led by ABP, it is a separate project unrelated to the IGET project and the IGET team has and will continue to make this clear in all materials and correspondence with stakeholders and the public.
- 4.5 The Immingham Eastern Ro-Ro Terminal application has now been accepted for examination by the Planning Inspectorate and is currently in the pre-examination period.



5 Where information is available and details of local display/deposit locations

- 5.1 A range of consultation documents as detailed in Table 5.1 below will be made available for the duration of any further Statutory Consultation period. Table 3 outlines the methods and locations for accessing the consultation documents.
- Printed copies of some of the consultation documents will be made available on request free of charge. These include the Project Newsletter, Feedback Questionnaire and SoCC. There may, however, be a charge for paper copies of other larger consultation documents, including the PEIR. Please contact the Project team for further details.
- In addition, a quantity of USB flash drives containing the consultation documents will be made available on request, free of charge, for those who do not have access to the Internet but who have a computer. Please contact the Project team for further details.

Table 5.1: Consultation documents for any further rounds of Statutory Consultation

Type of Document	Detail
Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)	This document sets out how we will be consulting people living in the vicinity of the Project. The SoCC is for information purposes as a legislative requirement and does not form part of the consultation. Comments on its content are not required.
Exhibition boards	Exhibition boards will be displayed at consultation events, and PDF copies of the exhibition boards will be made available to view online and printed copies can be posted on request.
Feedback Questionnaire	This questionnaire will be available for people to provide their feedback and comments on the Project. This will be available in hard copy at events (and posted on request) and will be available to complete (or download) online.
Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) Addendum	This will contain preliminary environmental information on the proposed changes to the Project and the potential environmental effects of those changes to the Project as we have ascertained them so far, their likely significance, and what mitigation measures are likely to be required.



Table 5.2: Methods to make consultation documents available

Method	Detail
Project Consultation Website	All consultation documents including the PEIR and addendum will be published on the Project website at: www.imminghamget.co.uk/documents/
	In accordance with Section 47 of the Act, governing the procedural requirements for major infrastructure projects, the statutory requirement to make both the first and second SoCC available for inspection will be met by making the document available for inspection online, free of charge, using the Project consultation website.
Pick-up locations for documents	All reasonable steps will be taken to ensure that all requests for hard copies of the consultation documents or copies on a USB flash drive (if appropriate) are met.
	Hard copies and USBs will be on hand at all consultation events.
	For a second Statutory Consultation, the PEIR and PEIR addendum will be available to view in hard copy at the locations below:
	 Immingham Civic Centre, Pelham Rd, Immingham DN40 1QF NELC Offices: Municipal Offices, Town Hall Sq, Grimsby DN31 1HU.
	For any subsequent consultations, we will liaise with the Local Planning Authority on the best place to display any necessary documents relevant to consultation activities.
Freephone	A freephone line will be available between the hours of 09.00 and 17.00, Monday to Friday, for the duration of any further Statutory Consultation period, where members of the public will be able to request USB flash drives, hard copies of the consultation documents, book free of charge telephone surgeries appointments and for general enquiries.
	The freephone line is: 080 817 532 33.



6 Consultation with Statutory Consultees

- 6.1 As well as consulting with the public under Section 47 of the Act, ABP will also be undertaking additional consultation with a number of consultees who are specifically identified in Section 42 of the Act. These consultees include:
 - The Marine Management Organisation (Section 42(1)(aa) of the Act).
 - All Local Authorities with jurisdiction covering the area in which the Project is located. In this instance this would be North East Lincolnshire Council (Section 43(1) of the Act).
 - Neighbouring Local Authorities whose boundaries adjoin the Local Authorities where the proposed Project would be sited (Section 43(2) and (2A) of the Act), including:
 - North Lincolnshire Council
 - East Lindsey District Council
 - Lincolnshire County Council
 - West Lindsey District Council
 - Prescribed bodies, such as Natural England, the Environment Agency, the Health and Safety Executive, Parish and Town Councils and interested environmental organisations (Section 42(1)(a) of the Act, and Schedule 1 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009, including:
 - o Immingham Town Council
 - Stallingborough Parish Council
 - South Killingholme Parish Council
 - North Killingholme Parish Council
 - Easington Parish Council
 - Great Coates Parish Council
 - Healing Parish Council
 - o Paull Parish Council
 - Skeffling Parish Council



- Sunk Island Parish Council
- Ulceby Parish Council
- People with an interest in land potentially affected by the proposals including owners, tenants, lessees or occupiers of the land or anyone who has the power to sell, convey or release land which is potentially affected by the proposals or who are or may be eligible to make certain claims for compensation (Section 44 of the Act).
- 6.2 As well as consulting with the above bodies listed at paragraph 6.1, ABP will also be consulting with other Local Authorities in the vicinity of the development which were consulted with on a neighbouring project:
 - South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority
 - West Yorkshire Combined Authority
 - East Riding of Yorkshire Council
 - Hull City Council



7 Data Protection

7.1 ABP are committed to protecting personal information that you may share with us. Any information provided will be used in line with the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), <u>ABP's Customer Privacy Notice</u> and the privacy policy published on the Project website.



8 Next Steps

- 8.1 We will record all formal written responses received during further Statutory Consultation (the second Statutory Consultation and any subsequent rounds of Statutory Consultation) and carefully consider these in finalising our application before we submit it to the Planning Inspectorate.
- We will summarise our findings in a Consultation Report (which will cover all the rounds of Statutory Consultation that are carried out), which will include an anonymised database of the consultation responses received, a description of how our application was informed by the responses received and outline any changes made as a result of the consultation. The Consultation Report will form part of the DCO application documentation which is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate.
- 8.3 The Planning Inspectorate will decide whether the application meets the required standards to proceed to examination and will determine whether our consultation has been adequate.
- 8.4 If you would like more information about the Project, please visit our main Project webpage at: www.imminghamget.co.uk
- 8.5 If you have any queries about the Project, please contact the Project Team directly by calling freephone **080 817 532 33** or emailing enquiries@imminghamget.co.uk