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**SECTION 73 APPLICATION FOR THE AMENDMENT OF
PLANNING CONDITION 8 (VEHICLE MOVEMENTS) AND
CONDITION 12 (ANNUAL THROUGHPUT) ATTACHED TO
PLANNING APPROVAL BDB/76332 DATED 9TH OCTOBER 2012**

PLANNING STATEMENT

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Herriard Bio Power Ltd, Bushywarren Lane, Herriard, Basingstoke. RG25 2NS**Section 73 Planning Application for the Amendment of Planning Condition 8 (vehicle movements) and Condition 12 (annual throughput) attached to Planning Approval BDB/76332 Dated 9th October 2012****Planning Statement****October 2014****Introduction**

Barfoot Energy Projects Ltd (BEP) is a developer of Anaerobic Digestion Plants for the conversion of Agricultural Waste and Commercial Food Waste into Green Energy for export into the local power network.

BEP site their plants in rural locations to enable disposal of the bio-fertiliser by-product in an economic and sustainable manner. The sites must have appropriate connections to the road network and power network.

In April 2012 BEP made an application to West Sussex County Council Planning Department for the "Construction of an Anaerobic Digestion Installation for Rotational Arable Crops and Local Food Waste Together With Landscaping and Highway Improvements".

This application was granted permission on 9th October 2012 and the plant constructed following discharge of the relevant pre-commencement conditions.

The construction included highways improvements to provide passing bays in Bushywarren Lane to accommodate commercial vehicle movements between the plant and the A339.

Proposed Amendment

At the time of the original application the financial model that BEP developed was based on the cost profile of commercial food waste and rotational arable crop gradually changing over a ten year period.

The market has changed significantly in a much shorter time period than was envisaged and consequently the financial viability of the plant is in jeopardy if it is to remain operating within the constraints of conditions 8 and 12 of the current approval.

BEP have produced a reviewed financial model to return the plant to financial viability suggesting a net increase is required in the allowable tonnage of commercial food waste of 23,000 tonnes per year. Condition 12 of Approval BDB/76332 would require amendment to allow this.

This increase in commercial food waste would equate to an increase in vehicle movements of 12 in and 12 out per day. Condition 8 of Approval BDB/76332 would require amendment to allow this.

The suggested wording for Condition 8 is;

“There shall be no more than 40 commercial vehicle movements (twenty in and twenty out) per day to and from the site in association with food waste deliveries. Records of vehicle movements to and from the site shall be kept and made available for inspection at the request of the Waste Planning Authority.

The suggested wording for Condition 12 is;

“There shall be no more than 40,000 tonnes per year of food waste and a maximum of 12,500 tonnes per year of crop feedstock delivered to the site. A written record of tonnage entering the site associated with the permission hereby granted shall be kept onsite and shall be made available to the Waste Planning Authority for inspection on request.”

Supporting Information

Refer to the Supporting Statement produced by Barfoot Energy Projects Ltd., explaining further the industry changes and required throughput changes to ensure longer term financial viability of the plant.

Refer to the Addendum Transport Statement produced by Paul Basham Associates, explaining the negligible impacts of increased commercial vehicular movements that would be required to meet the revised throughput requirements.

Conclusion

Barfoot Energy Projects Ltd. require an amendment to Conditions 8 and 12 of Approval BDB/76332 to ensure the long term viability of the plant, following unforeseen rapid changes in the cost profile of the commercial food waste and the rotational arable crop.

The proposed amendments will allow the plant to operate on a yearly throughput of 12,500 tonnes of rotational arable crop, as it currently does, and an increased yearly throughput of commercial food waste of 40,000 tonnes.

The proposed increase in commercial food waste will equate to an increase in commercial vehicle movements to a total of 20 in and 20 per day.

The proposed increase in commercial food waste throughput would not impact on any elements of the approved scheme, other than the increased commercial vehicle movements.

The Addendum Transport Statement demonstrates the increased commercial vehicle movements will not have a significant impact on the local highway network given that the increase is equivalent to one vehicle every 30 minutes.

It is considered that the impact on the amenity of local residents and users of the locality would not be detrimental, particularly as the Highways Authority secured highways improvements under the current approval to provide passing bays on Bushywarren Lane between the facility and the A339.

The proposed amendments to Conditions 8 and 12 are necessary to ensure the long term security of this facility and ensure the facility continues to provide the benefits of producing sustainable energy whilst diverting food waste from landfill and providing local agriculture with an alternative to fossil fuel based fertilisers.

It is considered that a permission granted under Section 73 for the proposed amendments to Conditions 8 and 12 would be compliant with the “Reasons for Approval” noted with the permission granted on 9th October 2012.