

14 June 2019

## Re: Submission of Planning Application for Longridge Road Energy Centre (LREC)

Dear Parish Council,

I am writing to you to inform you that Miller Turner has submitted a planning application to Lancashire County Council seeking permission to develop Longridge Road Energy Centre (LREC) on a site on Red Scar Industrial Estate near Preston.

Details of the Planning Application can be found on our consultation website at <a href="https://longridgeroadenergy.com/">https://longridgeroadenergy.com/</a> in addition to being listed on the Lancashire County Council planning portal at <a href="http://planningregister.lancashire.gov.uk/">http://planningregister.lancashire.gov.uk/</a> - reference LCC/2019/0029.

The planning application comes after a six-week pre-application consultation held earlier this year, during which time we sent out consultation postcards to 5575 individual properties in the area, created a consultation website which we continually update, hosted a freephone line and freepost address and held two public drop-in sessions.

## **Key Project Benefits**

LREC will take household and commercial residual waste, which is the material left over after recycling. Much of the County's residual waste is currently buried in landfill; our proposals will help to turn it into a resource for the area.

- Produce green, low carbon energy from household and commercial waste left over after recyclable materials have been removed, helping to decarbonize the UK's energy supply.
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions to help address climate change reducing methane (a greenhouse gas many times more damaging than CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions, cutting carbon emissions by 77,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent per annum. The carbon saving is equivalent to taking approximately 28,500 cars off the road or a saving of about 570 million vehicle kilometres.
- The potential to significantly reduce waste going to landfill in Lancashire currently at 30%. LREC is able to process up to 395,000 tonnes of waste per year that is currently buried at landfill sites. As a comparable example, the Allerton Waste Recovery Park, recently opened in North Yorkshire, is expected to reduce waste to landfill in the county by 90%.
- Compatible with any future municipal combined heat and power scheme, should such a network be developed by local authorities to provide homes with lower-cost heating.
- Protect and create jobs by providing dependable energy direct to local companies that use
  a lot of power, LREC can supply energy at lower cost making existing companies more
  competitive and helping to attract new companies and jobs to the area.



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• £65,000 per annum community fund will be created, available to fund projects in the local area throughout the operational lifetime of the LREC.

You can find out more information on the project at our website at <a href="https://longridgeroadenergy.com/">https://longridgeroadenergy.com/</a> which is continually updated.

Alternatively, you can contact us at <a href="mailto:info@longridgeroadenergy.com">info@longridgeroadenergy.com</a> or call us on 0800 032 1880 with any questions.

Best wishes

Paul Zanin Planning Director Miller Turner