

VPI Immingham OCGT Project granted development consent

Press release

Today, Friday 7 August 2020, the application for the proposed VPI Immingham Open Cycle Gas Turbine (OCGT) has been granted development consent by the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy.



Development consent has been given for the construction and operation of a new Open Cycle Gas Turbine ('OCGT') Power Station of up to 299 megawatts ('MW') gross output and associated development including gas and electrical connections.

The development is located at and adjacent to the existing VPI Immingham Power Station, Rosper Road, Immingham DN40 3DZ.

The application was submitted to the Planning Inspectorate by VPI Immingham B Limited on the 11 April 2019 and accepted for examination on 9 May 2019. Following an examination during which the Applicant, Statutory Consultees and Interested Parties were given the opportunity to provide evidence to the Examining Authority, a recommendation was made to the Secretary of State on 7 May 2020.

The Planning Inspectorate's Chief Executive, Sarah Richards said:

This is the 93rd nationally significant infrastructure project and the 58th energy project to have been examined by the Planning Inspectorate. The Planning Inspectorate has again demonstrated its ability to examine Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIPs) within timescales laid down in the Planning Act 2008 providing developers and investors with the confidence to build and improve the infrastructure this country needs to secure future economic growth.

The decision, the recommendation made by the Examining Authority to the

Secretary of State and the evidence considered by the Examining Authority in reaching its recommendation is publicly available on the [National Infrastructure Planning website](#).

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Notes to editors:

The Planning Inspectorate, [National Infrastructure Programme of Projects](#) details the proposals which are anticipated to be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate as applications in the coming months.

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