

ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

THE HYNET CARBON DIOXIDE PIPELINE DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER NOTICE OF CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE APPLICATION PLANNING ACT 2008 THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (COMPULSORY ACQUISITION) REGULATIONS 2010 THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2017

1. On 31 October 2022, the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (“the Secretary of State”) accepted an application by Liverpool Bay CCS Limited, whose registered office address is at Eni House, 10 Ebury Bridge Road, London, SW1W 8PZ, (“the Applicant”) for a Development Consent Order (“DCO”) under the Planning Act 2008 (“the Application”). The Application has been given the reference number EN070007.

2. The DCO Proposed Development consists of:

- Construction and use of Ince Above Ground Installation (“AGI”) to Stanlow AGI pipeline (up to 20”).
- Construction and use of Stanlow AGI to Flint AGI pipeline (36”).
- Construction and use of Flint AGI to Flint Connection pipeline (24”).
- The repurposing and use for CO₂ of the Flint Connection to Point of Ayr Terminal pipeline (24”).
- Construction and use of Ince AGI.
- Construction and use of Flint AGI.
- Construction and use of Stanlow AGI.
- Construction and use of Northop Hall AGI.
- Construction and use of Block Valve Stations (“BVSs”) located along the existing natural gas Flint Connection to Point of Ayr pipeline and Stanlow AGI to Flint AGI pipeline.
- Other infrastructure such as Cathodic Protection transformer rectifier cabinets.
- Ancillary works integral to the construction of the Pipeline including construction compounds and access tracks.

3. All of items a-k together form the “DCO Proposed Development”.

4. The Application seeks the authorisation of the DCO Proposed Development through the DCO. The Application includes the construction and operation of a new CO₂ pipeline, AGIs and BVSs and the repurposing and use of an existing natural gas pipeline. The DCO includes powers required to construct and operate the DCO Proposed Development including compulsory acquisition powers for the permanent acquisition of land and / or rights over land and powers to convey CO₂ through the length of the existing natural gas pipeline. The DCO includes (if required) powers for the temporary occupation of land, the extinguishment or overriding of easements and other rights over or affecting land required for the DCO Proposed Development, the application and / or disapplication of legislation relevant to the DCO Proposed Development, highway powers and tree and hedgerow removal, amongst other matters.

5. The DCO Proposed Development is an Environmental Impact Assessment (“EIA”) development. The changes are accompanied by further environmental information, in the form of an addendum to the Environmental Statement (“ES”) submitted with the Application.

6. The Application is available to view at: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/wales/hynet-carbon-dioxide-pipeline/>

7. The Application is in the Examination stage and an Examination by a panel of independent Inspectors appointed by the Planning Inspectorate (“the Examining Authority”) on behalf of the Secretary of State started on 20 March 2023.

8. In the period since the Application was accepted for Examination, the Applicant has continued to engage with interested parties with a view to addressing their comments and agreeing on common ground, while also continuing with project development and design refinement. This work resulted in the Applicant making a change request to the Application to accommodate a number of changes arising from such ongoing engagement and ongoing design work by the Applicant. This was accepted into the Examination on 24 April 2023. This is now referred to as ‘Change Request 1’.

9. The Applicant has now submitted a second change request to the Application (referred to as ‘Change Request 2’).

10. The Examining Authority accepted the Applicant's Change Request 2 on 2 June 2023.

11. Notice is hereby given that:

- The Applicant has submitted to the Examining Authority an application for two proposed changes to the Application (“the Proposed Changes Application”).

- The Applicant is holding a statutory consultation on the Proposed Changes Application (“the Proposed Changes Consultation”).

- This notice includes a brief description of the two proposed changes.

- This notice also includes information about the Proposed Changes Consultation and how you can take part in it.

- The Examining Authority has decided to accept the Proposed Changes Application for inclusion in the examination of the Application and has issued a Procedural Decision.

- Any responses to the Proposed Changes Consultation must be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate (via the contact details below) by 11:59pm on 17 July 2023.

12. These changes would result in changes to the land subject to the powers sought in the Application, including powers of compulsory acquisition and temporary possession as well as ways of working. The land which would be affected is listed in the table below:

Proposed change	Nearest Address	Reason for change
1. The provision of additional optionality for the Alltami Brook crossing at Work No. 43, consisting of an alternative option for an embedded pipe bridge. This will act as an alternative to the Applicant's preferred trenched crossing of Alltami Brook (Applicant's reference PS25)	Pinfold Lane, Hawarden, Northop Hall, Flintshire, CH7 6LE	The change is to add an option in response to ongoing engagement with Natural Resources Wales.
2. The addition and removal of land to the Order Limits at Work No. 34 to optimise temporary construction access near Chester Road East so as to minimise impacts on 2 Sisters Food Group (Applicant's reference PS26)	Glendale Avenue Sandycroft Industrial Estate, Deeside, CH5 2QP	The change is being proposed in response to engagement with the 2 Sisters Food Group.

13. You can read the materials relating to the changes including the plans, the revised draft order and the addendum to the ES free of charge from 6 June to 17 July 2023 at <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/wales/hynet-carbon-dioxide-pipeline/> and at computer facilities at the following locations:

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