

**SECTION 47 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008
EAST PARK ENERGY
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF A STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY CONSULTATION**

Notice is hereby given that BSSL Cambsbed 1 Ltd of 16 Stratford Place, London, W1C 1BF (the Applicant) has now published a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) for the East Park Energy project in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008.

The Applicant intends to apply for an order granting development consent under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 for a new solar and battery storage development on land to the north-west of St Neots. The site is located across two administrative areas: Bedford Borough Council, and Huntingdonshire District Council.

The infrastructure being proposed as part of the development includes:

- Solar photovoltaic (PV) modules and mounting structures;
- A Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), which would comprise battery containers along with associated inverters and transformers;
- A new substation to control and operate the solar PV modules and BESS, and to increase the voltage to enable connection to the National Grid substation;
- Associated infrastructure including inverters, transformers, high voltage switchgear and control equipment, cabling, storage building, fencing, security, access tracks and landscaping and green infrastructure; and
- A 400kV cable grid connection from the new East Park Substation to National Grid's Eaton Socon Substation.

Under section 47 of the Planning Act 2008, the Applicant has a duty to consult the community on its proposals. The SoCC explains how the Applicant will undertake the consultation, where the consultation documents can be viewed, where public events will be held and explain how people can comment on the proposals and provide responses to the consultation. In preparing the SoCC, the Applicant has consulted with the relevant local planning authorities on the proposed approach.

The consultation will take place between 24 September and 29 October 2024.

Between these dates the SoCC is available to view free of charge on the project website at: www.eastparkenergy.co.uk. Those without access to the internet at home may inspect the SoCC using publicly available computers at local libraries, including at the following locations:

Location	Address	Opening hours
St Neot's Library	Priory Lane, St Neots, PE19 2BH	Mon: 9:30am – 5:00pm Tues: 9:30am – 5:00pm Weds: 1:30pm – 7:00pm Thurs: 9:30am – 5:00pm Fri: 9:30am – 5:00pm Sat: 9:30am – 4:00pm Sun: Closed
Putnoe Library	Library Walk, Putnoe Street, Putnoe, MK41 8HQ	Mon: 2:00pm - 5:00pm Tues: 10:00am – 4:00pm Weds: Closed Thurs: 10:00am – 4:00pm Fri: 2:00pm – 5:00pm Sat: 10:00am – 4:00pm Sun: Closed

Opening hours are subject to change at the discretion of the library. You may need to register as a member to access library computers.

If you have any questions about the project or consultation, or to request a printed or alternative format copy of the SoCC, please contact the project team:

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