



Application: 20230909

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING, ENGLAND
THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT)
(ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2011**

SCREENING OPINION UNDER REGULATION 15

To: **Rebecca Little
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TAKE NOTICE that **GRAVESHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL**, as Local Planning Authority, under the Town and Country Planning Act hereby determines that the development referred to in the letter received on 30th August 2023 does constitute as EIA development and therefore an Environmental Statement is required. The notice relates to land situated at

**Kimberly Clark Ltd
Northfleet Mill
Crete Hall Road
Northfleet
Gravesend
Kent
DA11 9AD**

and being **Request for Screening Opinion in Relation to land at Kimberly-Clark Northfleet Mill, Northfleet - Construction of a Green Hydrogen Electrolyser and associated infrastructure.**

GRAVESHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL MAKES THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS :-

1. Given the nature of the development, the location and sensitivity of the area and the likely potential impact outlined in respect of natural water resources, risks of land contamination, risks of major accidents, Flood Risk, Biodiversity and cumulative impacts, it is considered that the proposal would be likely to have a significant impact on the environment. Gravesham Borough Council therefore concludes that the development is EIA development and that an EIA is therefore required.

Your attention is drawn to the following informatives

INFORMATIVES:-

1 INFORMATION FOR THE APPLICANT

The Delegated Report and Appendix A: Screening Matrix provide full details of how the decision was made. They can be found at www.gravesham.gov.uk/planning-search by entering the planning application reference number.

2 SUBMITTED PLANS & DOCUMENTS

For the avoidance of doubt, the plans and documents upon which this decision is made comprise:

Screening Opinion Letter
05135-RES-LAY-DR-PT-001 Rev 3 SITE LOCATION PLAN
05135-RES-PRO-DR-PT-001 Rev 4 INFRASTRUCTURE LAYOUT
05135-RES-PRO-DR-PT-004 Rev 1 ELEVATION VIEW - SOUTH INFRASTRUCTURE LAYOUT
05135-RES-PRO-DR-PT-005 Rev 1 ELEVATION VIEW - EAST INFRASTRUCTURE LAYOUT
05135-RES-PRO-DR-PT-002 Rev 3 ELEVATION VIEW - NORTH INFRASTRUCTURE LAYOUT
05135-RES-PRO-DR-PT-003 Rev 1 ELEVATION VIEW - WEST INFRASTRUCTURE LAYOUT
Preliminary Ecological Appraisal
Acoustic Impact Assessment
Preliminary Ecological Appraisal
Air Quality Details
Emission Rates
Geo-Environmental Desk Study

3 STATEMENT OF POSITIVE AND PROACTIVE APPROACH TO DECISION-MAKING

In accordance with Article 35 (2) of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended), and paragraph 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) 2023, the Local Planning Authority has approached the assessment and determination of this application in a positive and creative way and, where appropriate, has worked pro-actively with the applicant to secure a development that is sustainable and that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the area, and that is in accordance with the Development Plan for the area.

Dated: 6 December 2023

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