

Wayne Hardy – Mr Groundsman costs for extension of contract March 2025:

Location	2022 - 2024	2025	2025 with funding
Rec Maintenance of Pitches	£13545	£15550	£15550- £8266 =£7284
Rec grass cutting	£7500	£7500	£7500
Rec scarifyng		£900	£900
Margaret Field Maintenance of Pitches		£4578	£4578 - £3200 = £1378
Total	£21045	£28,528	£17,062

Notes:

- He has held / kept the prices for the Grass Cutting contract as per the 2022 rates.
- The renovation work the at Recreation Ground has increased due to material prices changes since 2022. He has also added the option for including Scarifying.
- He has included for a similar scope of work to the pitches at Margaret Field but excluded Top Dressing due to the cost of the material.

Funding for Margaret Field:

	Year 1 / Claim 1	Year 2 / Claim 2	Year 3 / Claim 3	Year 4 / Claim 4	Year 5 / Claim 5	Year 6 / Claim 6	Total
Cost	£3,200	£3,200	£3,200	£3,200	£3,200	£3,200	£19,200
Foundation Grant	£3,200	£3,200	£2,134	£2,134	£1,066	£1,066	£12,800
Applicant contribution	£0	£0	£1,066	£1,066	£2,134	£2,134	£6,400

Funding for the Rec

	Year 1 / Claim 1	Year 2 / Claim 2	Year 3 / Claim 3	Year 4 / Claim 4	Year 5 / Claim 5	Year 6 / Claim 6	Total
Cost	£8,266	£8,266	£8,000	£8,000	£7,732	£7,732	£48,000
Foundation Grant	£8,266	£8,266	£5,510	£5,510	£2,756	£2,756	£33,068
Applicant contribution	£0	£0	£2,490	£2,490	£4,978	£4,978	£14,932

Details on quote:

Burwell Recreation Ground

Section One – Seasonal Maintenance of the Four Football Pitches

Decompaction / Aeration in Spring & Summer

Overseeding the pitches with 32 bags of Sports Pitch Rye Grass seed

Fertilizing in the Spring & Autumn (40 x 25kgs bags each treatment)

Top-dressing the pitches with suitable sand (100 Tonnes)

Spray for weeds when required

Total cost for Section One: £15550.00 + VAT

I would recommend including scarifying the 3 main pitches to help clean out unwanted / undesirable grasses and surface debris (we done this last year free of charge on the adult pitch and it made a significant difference to the health of the sward). The clippings would need to be disposed of onsite as previously agreed.

The additional cost of the scarifying is £900.00 + VAT

Section Two – On-going Maintenance Work 2

Grass cutting (Pitches) to maintain sward height of 25-35mm

Spring tine harrow pitches when required.

Grass cutting remainder of Recreation Ground (as per your email 8th March 2022)

Total cost for Section Two: £7500.00 + VAT

Margaret Field

Seasonal Maintenance of the 2 Football Pitches (Areas outside the pitches will not be treated)

Decompaction / Aeration in Spring & Summer

Overseeding the pitches with 16 bags of Sports Pitch Rye Grass seed

Fertilizing in the Spring & Autumn (14 x 25kgs bags each treatment)

Spray for weeds

Total cost for Section One: £4578 + VAT

WAYNE HARDY

Carsherer, The Drift, Exning, Suffolk. CB87EZ | 07803214185 | wayne@mrgroundsman.co.uk

18th March 2025

Mrs. Hyett
The Clerk
Burwell Parish Council
99 The Causeway
Burwell
Cambridgeshire
CB25 0DU

Dear Mrs. Hyett,

Thank you for your invitation to tender for the Seasonal and Ongoing Maintenance works at Burwell Recreation Ground & Seasonal Maintenance at Margaret Field.

Please find details of the tender below:

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Sincerely,

Wayne Hardy

Owner & Director

Dear Ms Hyett

Further to our correspondence last year, we are writing to update you on our plans for the development of a BESS project located on land south of Hightown Drove, Burwell, Cambridgeshire, CB25 0FU.

As previously outlined, we submitted our Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Screening Request to East Cambridgeshire District Council (ECDC) last October - [24/00690/SCREEN](#) – which determined the proposal does not constitute an EIA development and an Environmental Statement is not required.

Since then, we have been progressing our plans and are looking to submit a planning application to ECDC later in the spring.

As outlined in our previous correspondence, the proposed facility would provide battery energy storage for up to 90MW of electricity to support the increased deployment of renewables and phasing out of UK gas-fired electricity generation and, if built, would:

- contribute towards achieving local and UK climate change targets, and be expected to save nearly 1.8 million tonnes of carbon over its lifetime (30 years);
- be capable of releasing enough energy in an hour to power up to 300,000 homes, providing increased security of energy supply for the local area;
- ensure a minimum 10% biodiversity net gain (BNG) is achieved - sections of the site would be proactively managed for biodiversity and wildlife enhancement, including additional planting;
- be built adjacent to existing overhead line pylons, with a direct connection into the nearby National Grid Burwell Main Substation via an underground cable;
- be constructed in line with the latest battery safety guidance in consultation with Cambridgeshire Fire & Rescue Service;
- provide a community benefit fund; we are committed to ensuring local communities benefit from our projects and will develop ideas for the fund in discussion with the local community and stakeholders to ensure we provide a positive, long-term legacy.

Please find attached a Location Plan and Site Layout Plan.

Battery energy storage adds the flexibility and resilience required to modernise the UK electricity network – built for coal and gas-fired power plants – to support the continued growth

of renewable energy generation in the UK. With little capacity to store electricity, supply and demand is currently balanced by turning off renewable generation or turning on gas-fired power stations. This was estimated to add £800 million to consumer electricity bills and increased greenhouse gas emissions by 1.3 million tonnes in 2022 alone.^[1]

Battery storage is vital to achieving the UK Government's ambition to make Britain "a clean energy superpower" by 2030. Published on 5 November 2024, the 'Clean Power 2030'^[2] target is the foundation for the bigger goal of the UK achieving net zero carbon emissions by 2050. To reach this ambitious target, Clean Power 2030 outlines the need to increase UK battery storage capacity from 5GW to 23GW by 2030.

The proposal also aligns with local policy; Policy ENV6 of the East Cambridgeshire Local Plan 2015 supports proposals for renewable energy and associated infrastructure. In autumn 2019, ECDC declared a climate emergency; ECDC's Environment and Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan (June 2020)^[3] sets out the Council's vision to achieve carbon neutrality for the District by 2050 and to support biodiversity. By including on-site biodiversity enhancement, maximising the availability of green electricity and reducing the use of gas-fired power station this project could help achieve that vision.

We hope this information is helpful. We would be happy to update Burwell Parish councillors virtually or in-person. If you would like to arrange a meeting, or if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Cyra

Cyra Carley

Account Director

07932 625 855

From: Projects UK <projectsuk@greenergy.eu>

Sent: 03 October 2024 12:20

^[1] **Gone with the Wind, Carbon Tracker Initiative, June 15th 2023 (<https://carbontracker.org/britain-wastes-enough-wind-generation-to-power-1-million-homes/>)**

^[2] **<https://www.neso.energy/publications/clean-power-2030>**

^[3] **<https://www.eastcamb.gov.uk/sites/default/files/agendas/5%20-%20080620%20V12%20ApA.pdf>**

To: burwellpc@burwellparishcouncil.gov.uk

Subject: Greenergy - Hightown Drove BESS Development

Good afternoon,

Hope you are well. Please find attached a letter introducing a proposal for a new battery energy storage system (BESS) development located off Hightown Drove, Burwell, Cambridgeshire.

The project is in very early stages, and we will shortly be submitting an EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment) screening request to determine whether a full Environmental Statement is required for the site.

Further details are provided in the attached letter and accompanying plans, any questions let me know.

Best Regards,



George Watson

Senior Project Developer

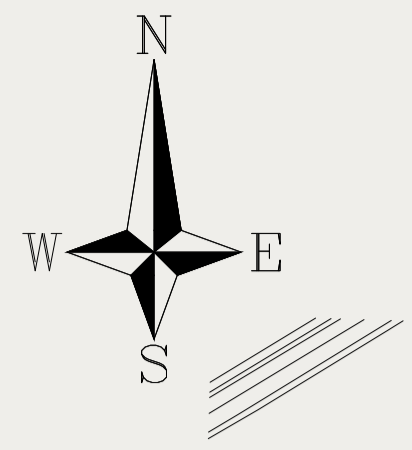
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 APPLICATION BOUNDARY —

PROJECT HIGHTOWN DROVE
OWNER GREENERGY RENOVABLES

DESCRIPTION LOCATION PLAN

UTM LOCATION (ETRS89 N31)	DRAWING NUMBER
X: 316,290	1
Y: 5,795,379	REVISION
	1
REGION	SCALE
UK	1:2000
COUNTY	DATE
	03.10.2024
COUNCIL	





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Burwell Fen

Burwell Fen

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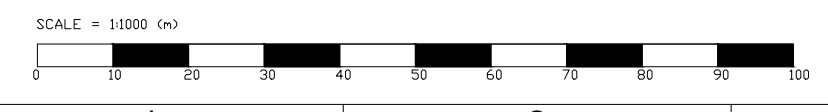
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APPLICATION BOUNDARY	
INTERNAL ROAD	
LANDSCAPING (5m WIDE)	
SITE ACCESS	
SECURITY FENCING	
BNG AREA	
TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION COMPOUND	
POWER STATION	
20 ft BESS CONTAINER	
SWITCHGEAR BUILDING	
MONITORING ROOM/OFFICE	
SECURITY GATE	
DNO BUILDING	
SUBSTATION	
CCTV CAMERA	
FIRE HYDRANT	
PARKING SPACES	
SPARES CONTAINER	
AUXILIARY TRANSFORMER	

PROJECT	HIGHTOWN DROVE
OWNER	GREENERGY RENOVABLES

PRELIMINARY SITE LAYOUT

UTM LOCATION (ETRS89 N31)	DRAWING NUMBER
X: 316,290	3
Y: 5,795,379	REVISION
REGION	4
COUNTIE	UK
COUNCIL	SCALE
	1:1000
	DATE
	07.10.2024



District Report 11th March, 2025 - Lavinia Edwards

Sent via email on 09/03/2025:

Swaffham Internal Drainage Board - I recently attended the Budget Meeting of the Drainage Board where it was agreed to increase the rate by 2p in the pound.

Council - I also attended the budget meeting at East Cambs District Council where for the 12th year the Council's element of the council tax bill was frozen.

This was still achieved without external borrowing, 8% increase for IDBs and a balanced budget for the next 2 years.

Burwell Parish Council
Energy Sub-Group
Meeting 3rd March 2025 - 7.30pm at JRR

Present:
Paul Webb,
Richard Jenkins,
Lea Dodds (Chair and Minutes)

Apologies: Ian Woodroofe

Minutes

Notes	Action
<p>1) Purpose of ESG</p> <p>a) A slight change to the remit is proposed, with a bit more flexibility in terms of the routing of decisions. New version: “To monitor and reduce energy costs in BPC buildings. Issues to be prepared for consideration by full Council, A&E or F&GP, as appropriate”.</p> <p>The version agreed at A&E was “.....Issues to be prepared for consideration by A&E or full council.”</p> <p>b) Agreed that a key focus has to be making progress towards the Parish Council's 2030 carbon neutral objectives.</p> <p>No other top level aims identified.</p> <p>Agreed that we need to keep A&E and full Council informed about our activities.</p>	<p>Lea to ask Liz whether or not the minor change needs any ratification</p>
<p>2) Roles within the ESG</p> <p>Lea's offer to take on agendas, chairing and minutes was accepted. Richard agreed to be deputy.</p>	
<p>3) Tasks agreed at 25/2/25 A&E meeting</p> <p>a) <i>Obtain quotations for energy audits at Mandeville Hall and Gardiner Memorial Hall. Assess the quotations and make recommendations to full Council.</i></p> <p>b) <i>Act as the project team for the Mandeville Hall decarbonisation work. (Including lighting)</i></p> <p>c) <i>Review energy suppliers for contract renewals in Q3</i></p> <p>These tasks were discussed under items 4, 5 & 6 below.</p>	
<p>4) GMH</p> <p>a) Agreed that we should leave the ASHP system running 24/7.</p> <p>b) Subject to checking with Ian re the settings and the Parish Office re the pattern of bookings, we recommend setting the controller to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mon – Sat 20C daytime, 17C night time - Sunday 17C all day and overnight - The night time setting can start at 21:30 (the building takes a while to cool down. - The day time setting should start 1 hour before the first booking. <p>Some experimentation will be needed to get the settings optimised.</p>	<p>Lea to check with Ian and Parish office</p>

<p>c) To get an understanding of power usage and PV generation at GMH we will need an energy monitoring device compatible with the 3-phase supply.</p> <p>d) Progress with feed-in payments – Katherine has sent an update. This is an ongoing struggle.</p> <p>e) GMH energy audit - leave until summer, but get prices for all 3 of our buildings now, in case the cost is lower. Finding suitable independent energy auditors is not easy. Richard has found two candidate companies, Sharman Grimwade could be the third. We should request EPCs as part of the service. We will need to write a brief for the auditors.</p> <p>f) Making all three external doors easier to close would help to conserve heat (main entrance, side entrance and kitchen). Not urgent, but needs attention before next winter.</p> <p>g) Enclosure for buffer tank – await report from Eco-Installers.</p> <p>h) Creating a file of technical documentation, including warranty and service history/status etc. Producing user instructions for heating system.</p>	<p>Richard to check models/prices and make a recommendation.</p> <p>Richard to send Lea details of 2 energy auditors.</p> <p>Paul to ask Yvonne for technical docs.</p>												
<p>5) Mandeville Hall</p> <p>a) Phase 1 project – Richard and Lea to be main point of contact for contractor.</p> <p>b) Richard updated us on a revised spec for the lighting, costed at £11k for materials only. After some discussion agreed we needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - an estimate of the cost savings from changing to LED - a costing for Room One only (to allow Councillors to see how it works in practice). <p>Need to factor in remedial work to the ceiling plaster, and repainting.</p> <p>c) Energy audit – we need to shortlist and recommend an energy auditor asap. (See also notes under GMH re energy auditing).</p>	<p>Richard & Lea</p> <p>Richard</p> <p>Lea & Richard</p>												
<p>6) Next Meeting</p> <p>We didn't discuss how frequently the ESG should meet.</p> <p>Once received, we may need to meet to consider the report from Eco-Installers on the GMH ASHP system.</p>	<p>Lea</p>												
<p>7) Schedule for Q1 - Q3, 2025</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 20%;">March-April</td> <td>Mandeville Energy audit. Then, respecify work + re quoting if necessary.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>April-May</td> <td>Recommendation and approval of contractor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>May-August</td> <td>Mandeville Phase 1, co-ordination and delivery</td> </tr> <tr> <td>March-April</td> <td>GMH - fix most urgent issues with heating</td> </tr> <tr> <td>June-Oct</td> <td>GMH - energy audit, leading to getting quotes for necessary work</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Aug-Sep</td> <td>Review energy contracts</td> </tr> </table>		March-April	Mandeville Energy audit. Then, respecify work + re quoting if necessary.	April-May	Recommendation and approval of contractor	May-August	Mandeville Phase 1, co-ordination and delivery	March-April	GMH - fix most urgent issues with heating	June-Oct	GMH - energy audit, leading to getting quotes for necessary work	Aug-Sep	Review energy contracts
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