
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 419

The Riverside Energy Park Order 2020

PART 1

PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Riverside Energy Park Order 2020 and comes into force on 1st May 2020.

Commencement Information

II Art. 1 in force at 1.5.2020, see [art. 1](#)

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order, unless otherwise stated—

“the 1961 Act” means the Land Compensation Act 1961 ^{F1};

“the 1965 Act” means the Compulsory Purchase Act 1965 ^{F2};

“the 1980 Act” means the Highways Act 1980 ^{F3};

“the 1981 Act” means the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 ^{F4};

“the 1984 Act” means the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ^{F5};

“the 1990 Act” means the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 ^{F6};

“the 1991 Act” means the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 ^{F7};

“the 2008 Act” means the Planning Act 2008 ^{F8};

“access and public rights of way plans” means the plans of that description referred to in Schedule 11 (documents and plans to be certified) certified by the Secretary of State as the access and public rights of way plans for the purposes of this Order under article 40 (certification of plans etc.);

“address” includes any number or address used for the purposes of electronic transmission;

“AOD” means above ordnance datum;

“apparatus” has the same meaning as in Part 3 (street works in England and Wales) of the 1991 Act save that “apparatus” further includes pipelines (and parts of them), aerial markers, cathodic protection test posts, field boundary markers, transformer rectifier kiosks; electricity cables; telecommunications equipment and electricity cabinets;

“authorised development” means the development described in Schedule 1 (authorised development) and any other development authorised by this Order which is development within the meaning of section 32 (meaning of “development”) of the 2008 Act;

“book of reference” means the document of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the book of reference for the purposes of this Order under article 40 (certification of plans etc.);

“biodiversity units” means the product of the size of an area, and the distinctiveness and condition of the habitat it comprises to provide a measure of ecological value (as assessed using the Defra biodiversity off-setting metric);

“biodiversity off-setting scheme” means a scheme which will deliver biodiversity enhancements which must not be less than the off-setting value;

“building” includes any structure or erection or any part of a building, structure or erection;

“carriageway” has the same meaning as in the 1980 Act;

“CHP statement” means the document of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the CHP statement for the purposes of this Order under article 40 (certification of plans etc.);

“commence” means beginning to carry out any material operation, as defined in section 155 of the 2008 Act (which explains when development begins), comprised in or carried out for the purposes of the authorised development other than the pre-commencement works and the words “commencement” and “commenced” and other cognate expressions are to be construed accordingly;

“commissioning” means the process of assuring that all systems and components of the authorised development or part of the authorised development (which are installed or installation is near to completion) are tested to verify that they function and are operable in accordance with design objectives, specifications and operational requirements of the undertaker and “commission” and other cognate expressions are to be construed accordingly;

“compulsory acquisition notice” means a notice served in accordance with section 134 (notice of authorisation of compulsory acquisition) of the 2008 Act;

[F9“Cory group company” means any company that is a direct or indirect subsidiary of Cory Topco Limited (company number 11385842) including a direct or indirect subsidiary of Cory Environmental Holdings Limited;]

“date of final commissioning” means the date on which the commissioning of the authorised development (or any part of the authorised development as the context requires) is completed as notified as such by the undertaker to the relevant planning authority pursuant to requirement 23 of Schedule 2 (requirements);

“Defra biodiversity off-setting metric” means the mechanism published by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs in 2012 to quantify impacts on biodiversity, which allows biodiversity losses and gains affecting different habitats to be compared and ensures offsets are sufficient to compensate for residual losses of biodiversity;

“design principles” means the document of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the design principles for the purposes of this Order under article 40 (certification of plans etc.);

“electronic transmission” means a communication transmitted—

- (a) by means of an electronic communications network; or
- (b) by other means provided it is in an electronic form;

“Environment Bank” means the Environment Bank Limited (company number 05944540) whose registered office is at Low Bramley Grange Farm, Bramley Grange Grewelthorpe, Ripon, North Yorkshire, HG4 3DN together with its successors;

“environmental statement” means the document of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the environmental statement for the purposes of this Order under article 40 (certification of plans etc.);

“flood risk activity” has the same meaning as in the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016^{F10};

“flood risk assessment” means the document of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the flood risk assessment for the purposes of this Order;

“footpath” and “footway” have the same meaning as in the 1980 Act;

“FRAPA drawings” means the drawings of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the FRAPA drawings for the purposes of this Order;

“Greater London Authority” means the Greater London Authority, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, More London, London, SE1 2AA;

“highway” and “highway authority” have the same meaning as in the 1980 Act;

“land plans” means the plans of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the land plans for the purposes of this Order;

“limits of deviation” means the limits of deviation shown for each numbered work on the works plans;

“London Power Networks” means London Power Networks PLC (company number 03929195) whose registered office is at Newington House, 237 Southwark Bridge Road, London SE1 6NP or a subsidiary of London Power Networks PLC;

“maintain” includes inspect, repair, adjust, alter, remove, refurbish, reconstruct, replace and improve any part, but not replace the whole of the authorised development, but only insofar as such activities do not give rise to any materially new or materially different environmental effects than those identified in the environmental statement and “maintenance” and “maintaining” are to be construed accordingly;

“MOL plan” means the document of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the MOL plan for the purposes of this Order;

“off-setting value” means the net biodiversity impact of the authorised development, calculated using the Defra biodiversity off-setting metric, measured in biodiversity units;

“operational period” means the period from the date of final commissioning to the permanent cessation of the operation of Work No. 1;

“Order land” means the land which is required for, or is required to facilitate, or is incidental to, or is affected by, the authorised development as shown on the land plans;

“Order limits” means the limits shown on the works plans within which the authorised development may be carried out;

“outline biodiversity and landscape mitigation strategy” means the document of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the outline biodiversity and landscape strategy for the purposes of this Order;

“outline code of construction practice” means the document of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the outline code of construction practice for the purposes of this Order;

“outline construction traffic management plan” means Appendix L of the transport assessment;

“outline drainage design strategy” means Appendix G of the flood risk assessment;

“outline lighting strategy” means the document of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the outline lighting strategy for the purposes of this Order;

“outline operational worker travel plan” means Appendix M of the transport assessment;

“owner”, in relation to land, has the same meaning as in section 7 (interpretation) of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981^{F11};

“pre-commencement land” means the land shown on the pre-commencement plan;

“pre-commencement plan” means the plan of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the pre-commencement plan for the purposes of this Order;

“pre-commencement works” means operations on the pre-commencement land only consisting of land preparation, environmental surveys and monitoring, investigations for the purpose of assessing ground conditions (including the making of trial boreholes), receipt and erection of construction plant and equipment, erection of construction welfare facilities, erection of any temporary means of enclosure, the temporary display of site notices or advertisements and any other works that do not give rise to any likely significant adverse environmental effects as assessed in the environmental statement;

“relevant planning authority” means the London Borough of Bexley and any successor to its functions in relation to land in its area, and Dartford Borough Council and any successor to its functions in relation to land in its area;

“REP and RRRF Application Boundaries Plan” means the plan of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the REP and RRRF Application Boundaries Plan for the purposes of this Order;

“requirements” means those matters set out in Schedule 2 to this Order;

“Riverside Energy Park Limited” means the company of that name (company number 11536739) whose registered address is Level 5, 10 Dominion Street, London, England, EC2M 2EF;

“RRRF” means the Riverside Energy from Waste Facility known as Riverside Resource Recovery Facility located at Norman Road, Belvedere, Kent;

[^{F12}“RRRF 2021 condition” means a condition to the RRRF 2021 planning permission and where a condition is referred to by a number, that reference is to the corresponding numbered condition on the RRRF 2021 planning permission;]

[^{F12}“RRRF 2021 planning permission” means the planning permission deemed to be granted under the 1990 Act by the Secretary of State for the RRRF and dated 17th December 2021;]

“RRRF condition” means a condition to the RRRF planning permission and where a condition is referred to by a number, that reference is to the corresponding numbered condition on the RRRF planning permission;

“RRRF planning permission” means the planning permission granted under the 1990 Act by the relevant planning authority for the RRRF and given reference number 16/02167/FUL;

“RRRL” means Riverside Resource Recovery Limited (company number 03723386) whose registered office is at 2 Coldbath Square, London, EC1R 5HL together with its successors in title of that part of the Order land identified in the book of reference;

“section 36 consent” means the consent granted by the Secretary of State pursuant to section 36 (consent required for construction of etc. generating stations) of the Electricity Act 1989^{F13} in respect of the RRRF as varied by the Secretary of State on 13 March 2015 under Section 36C (variation of consents under section 36) of that Act and given reference number GDBC/003/00001C-06;

“statutory undertaker” means any person falling within section 127(8) (statutory undertakers’ land) of the 2008 Act and includes a public communications provider defined by section 151(1) (interpretation of Chapter I) of the Communications Act 2003 ^{F14};

“street” means a street within the meaning of section 48 (streets, street works and undertakers) of the 1991 Act, together with land on the verge of a street or between two carriageways, and includes any footpath and “street” includes any part of a street;

“street authority”, in relation to a street, has the same meaning as in Part 3 of the 1991 Act;

“traffic authority” has the same meaning as in section 121A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;

“transport assessment” means the document of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the transport assessment for the purposes of this Order;

“Transport for London” means the body corporate established under section 154 (establishment) of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 of 55 Broadway, London, SW1H 0BL and any successor to its functions in relation to streets within the London Borough of Bexley;

“undertaker” means Cory Environmental Holdings Limited (company number 05360864, whose registered office is at Level 5, 10 Dominion Street, London, England, EC2M 2EF) or any other person who for the time being has the benefit of this Order in accordance with articles 8 and 9 of this Order;

“watercourse” includes all rivers, streams, creeks, ditches, drains, canals, cuts, culverts, dykes, sluices, sewers and passages through which water flows except a public sewer or drain; and

“works plans” means the plans of that description referred to in Schedule 11 certified by the Secretary of State as the works plans for the purposes of this Order.

(2) References in this Order to rights over land include references to rights to do or to place and maintain anything in, on or under land or in the airspace above its surface and to any trusts or incidents (including restrictive covenants) to which the land is subject and references in this Order to the imposition of restrictive covenants are references to the creation of rights over land which interfere with the interests or rights of another and are for the benefit of land which is acquired under this Order or over which rights are created and acquired under this Order or is otherwise comprised in this Order.

(3) All distances, directions and lengths referred to in this Order are approximate and distances between points on a work comprised in the authorised development are taken to be measured along that work.

(4) All areas described in square metres in the book of reference are approximate.

(5) References in this Order to numbered works are references to the works numbered in Schedule 1.

(6) References to “Schedule” are, unless otherwise stated, references to Schedules to this Order.

(7) The expression “includes” is to be construed without limitation.

(8) References to any statutory body include any body’s successor in respect of functions which are relevant to this Order.

(9) References in this Order to “part of the authorised development” means all or part of any numbered work.

F1 1961 c.33.

F2 1965 c.56.

F3 1980 c.66.

F4 1981 c.66.

- F5** 1984 c.27.
F6 1990 c.8.
F7 1991 c.22.
F8 2008 c.29.
F9 Words in art. 2(1) inserted (10.3.2021) by [The Riverside Energy Park \(Correction\) Order 2021 \(S.I. 2021/273\)](#), art. 1(2), **Sch.**
F10 [S.I. 2016/1154](#).
F11 1981. c.67. Section 7 was amended by paragraph 9 of Schedule 15 to the [Planning and Compensation Act 1991 \(c.34\)](#). There are other amendments to this section which are not relevant to this Order.
F12 Words in art. 2(1) inserted (17.2.2023) by [The Riverside Energy Park \(Amendment\) Order 2023 \(S.I. 2023/165\)](#), arts. 1, **3**
F13 1989 c.29
F14 2003 c.21

Commencement Information

- I2** Art. 2 in force at 1.5.2020, see [art. 1](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Riverside Energy Park Order 2020, PART 1.