Community Action Team Meeting



Chairman Cllr Arthur Mandry



IFA2 Planning Application Introduction

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Matters to cover...

- What is IFA2 & how does it work?
- Consultation undertaken by National Grid (NG)
- The planning application
- Environmental Impact Assessment key topics
- Public Consultation
- What happens next



What is IFA2?

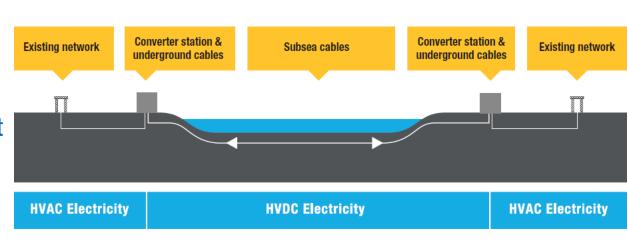
- IFA2 (Interconnexion France-Angleterre 2)
- Electricity interconnector
- Connect electricity transmission systems of UK and France
- Share power





How does IFA2 work?

- Over 100 miles of undersea cables
- Converter station at each end
- Changes direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC)
- Substation then connects to National Grid



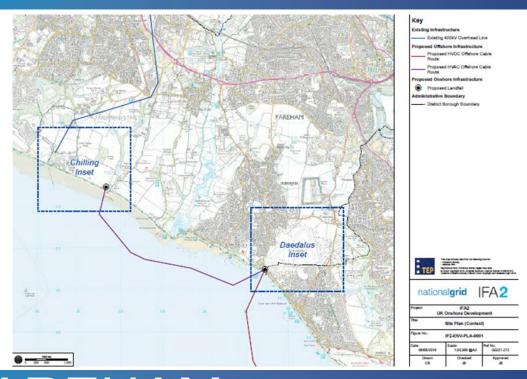
Pre-application Consultation

- NG held two consultation events one in December 2015 and one in March this year
- Approximately 450 people attended the December events
- Approximately 680 people attended the March events
- 22,000 invitations were sent out for each event



Split across two sites:

- Daedalus
- Chilling
- On-shore elements only



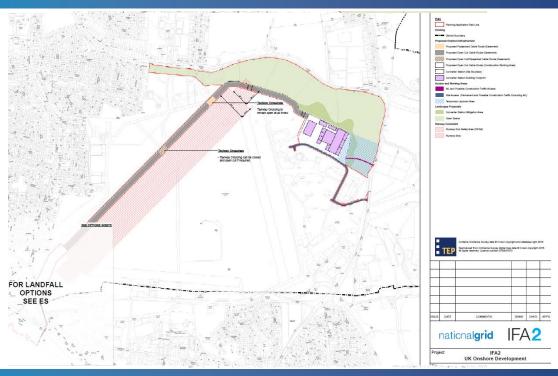


- Outline planning permission is sought at Daedalus for:
- Converter station buildings (to a maximum height of 22 metres)
- Creation of public open space

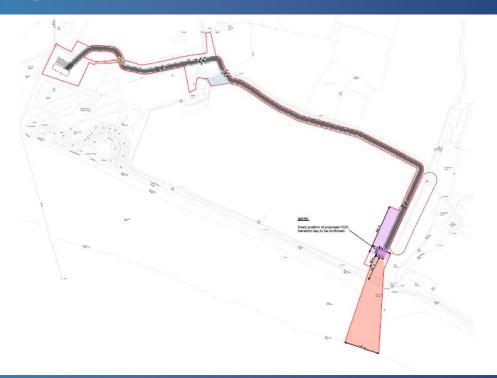




- Full Planning permission is sought at Hill Head and Stubbington for:
- The installation of cables between Mean Low Water Springs and the converter station

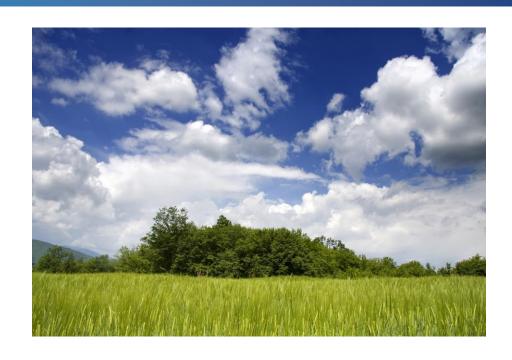


- Full Planning Permission is sought at Chilling for:
- The Installation of cables between the Mean Low Water Springs and the existing cable sealing end compound at Chilling Lane



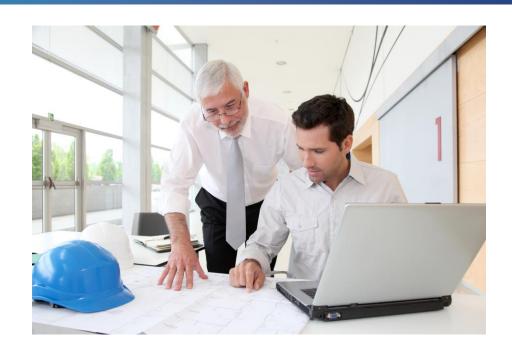
Environmental Impact

- EIA Environmental Impact Assessment
- Assesses significant Environmental Impacts
- Environmental Statement to support the application



Environmental Impact

- Many topics also raised as issues in NG consultation feedback
- Environmental Statement –
 20 Chapters
- Technical appendices and figures
- Non-Technical Summary





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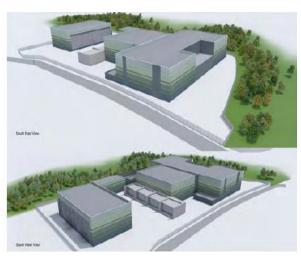
- Some key issues include:
- Visual appearance of the Converter Station
- Location of the Converter Station
- Noise and Electric & Magnetic Fields
- Impact on aircraft / airfield operations



Converter Station

- Up to 22m high
- Family of buildings
- Building design
- Landscape mitigation
- The outline planning permission







A - Existing view Locking west from the B3385 Broom Way at the junction with Brune Lane





C - Proposals on completion (at 0 years) with additional mitigation (mounding and planting) Existing view looking west from the B3385 Broom Way at the junction with Brune Lane



D - Proposals with additional mitigation (mounding and planting) at year 15 Existing view looking west from the B3385 Broom Way at the junction with Brune Lane



A - Existing view Existing view looking south from the Peel Common Roundabout

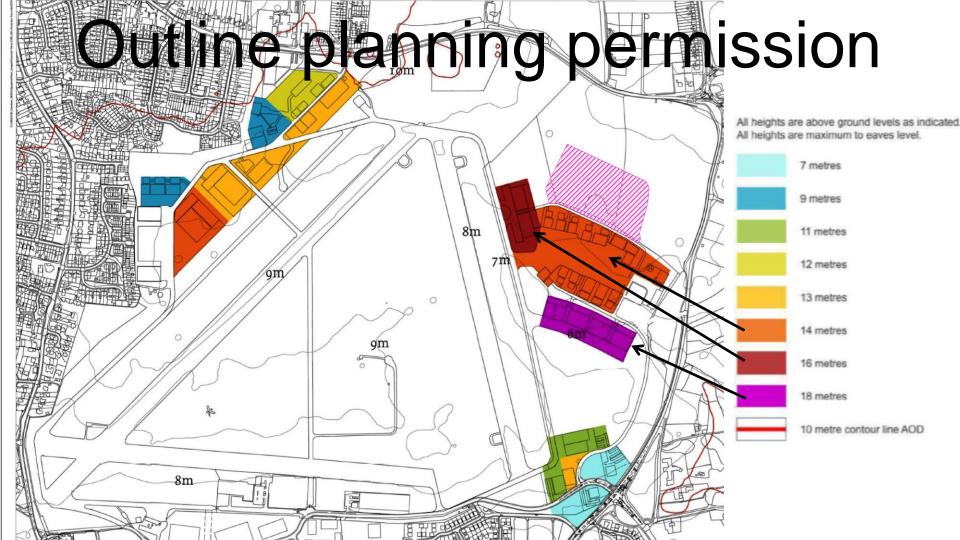




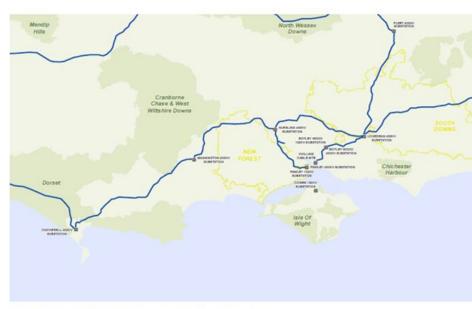
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Existing view looking south from the Peel Common Roundabout





- Converter Station location driven by:
 - Connection point to the Grid
 - Different connection points assessed:
 - Dorset to East Sussex
 - Chilling chosen as connection point



Existing National Grid Network and substation sites.



- Available site search started 2011
- East and west shores of the Solent
- Need commercially available land
- NG considered Daedalus
 Waterfront first
- Too small for NG operational needs



- NG Preferred Site was Chilling:
 - HCC not willing to sell its land
 - NG could have used Compulsory Purchase Order in absence of other options
 - NG rather work with landowners rather than CPO in light of risks, uncertainties and delays
- Fareham concerned at visual impact at Chilling



Fawley Power Station:

- Not owned by NG
- Did look there but site not available
- Site sold for housing/marina development

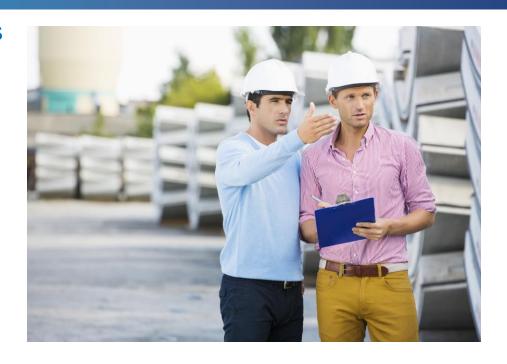
Existing Cable tunnel from Fawley:

- No capacity for additional cables
 no space
- New tunnel would be expensive; and
- Under major shipping channel



Noise

- No noise from underground cables
- Main plant will be enclosed
- External equipment sited and insulated to minimise noise.
- Intended that converter noise will not exceed existing background levels at noise sensitive receptors



Electromagnetic fields (EMF)

- Government advised by Public Health England
- National policies on EMF exposure relating to high voltage infrastructure
- Applicant advises that level of exposure to EMFs will be fully in compliance with national policies and guidance



Airfield Impact

- No adverse effect on aircraft electronic systems
- No adverse effect on Maritime and Coastguard Agency
- Wired communication/ fibre optic cables not affected
- No appreciable effect on mobile telephones
- No appreciable effect on television reception



Airfield Impact

- Some effect possible on aircraft radios (operate on VHF at Daedalus) when taxying close to the convertor building
- Underground cables likely to have some impact on aircraft compasses when taxying close to them



Public Consultation

- Fareham will consult a number of statutory bodies and others on matters including:
- Noise
- EMFs
- Effect on the operation of the airfield



Public Consultation

- Just over 4,800 letters sent
- Press notice
- Social Media
- Site notices at both locations



Public Consultation

- Comments up to 30 June 2016
- Online:
 - www.fareham.gov.uk/planning
 - P/16/0557/OA
- Email or write:
 - mwyatt@fareham.gov.uk
 - Fareham Borough Council Civic Offices, Civic Way, Fareham, PO16 7AZ

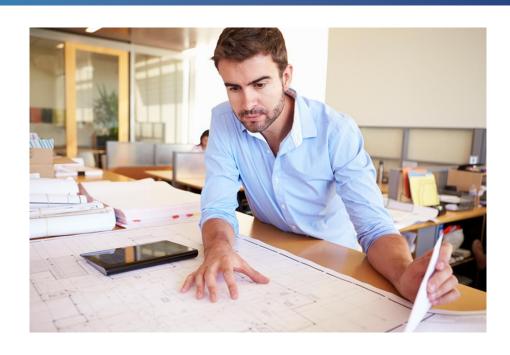




What next?

Public chance to comment

 Planning application likely to be decided by the Planning Committee in September 2016



Questions?