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Application for Planning Permission

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Site Location		
Disclaimer: We can only make recommendations based on the answers given in the questions.		
If you cannot provide a postcode, the description of site location must be completed. Please provide the most accurate site description you can, to help locate the site - for example "field to the North of the Post Office".		
Number		
Suffix		
Property Name		
Land to the north of the Culham Science Centr	Land to the north of the Culham Science Centre	
Address Line 1		
Thame Lane		
Address Line 2		
Address Line 3		
Town/city		
Postcode	, ,	
OX14 3GY		
Description of site location must	be completed if postcode is not known:	
Easting (x)	Northing (y)	
452879	196359	
Description		

Applicant Details
Name/Company
Title
Ms
First name
Kirsty
Surname
Cassie
Company Name
Culham Storage Limited
Address
Address line 1
4th Floor 80 Victoria Street
Address line 2
Address line 3
Town/City
London
County
Country
United Kingdom
Postcode
SW1E5JL
Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?
○ Yes⊙ No
Contact Details
Primary number
***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number
Fax number
Email address
***** REDACTED *****
Site Area
What is the measurement of the site area? (numeric characters only). 26.80
Unit
Hectares
Description of the Proposal
Please note in regard to:
 Fire Statements - From 1 August 2021, planning applications for buildings of over 18 metres (or 7 stories) tall containing more than one dwelling will require a 'Fire Statement' for the application to be considered valid. There are some exemptions. View government planning guidance on fire statements or access the fire statement template and guidance. Permission In Principle - If you are applying for Technical Details Consent on a site that has been granted Permission In Principle, please include the relevant details in the description below. Public Service Infrastructure - From 1 August 2021, applications for certain public service infrastructure developments will be eligible for faster determination timeframes. See help for further details or view government planning guidance on determination periods.
Description
Please describe details of the proposed development or works including any change of use
The development of a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), comprising a 500 megawatt (MW) battery storage facility with associated infrastructure, access and landscaping, with a connection into the Culham Jet National Grid substation.
Has the work or change of use already started?
○ Yes② No
Existing Use
Please describe the current use of the site
Arable farmland
Is the site currently vacant?
○ Yes※ No

Does the proposal involve any of the following? If Yes, you will need to submit an appropriate contamination assessment with your application.
Land which is known to be contaminated ○ Yes ⊙ No
Land where contamination is suspected for all or part of the site ○ Yes ⊙ No
A proposed use that would be particularly vulnerable to the presence of contamination ○ Yes ⊙ No
Materials
Does the proposed development require any materials to be used externally?
Please provide a description of existing and proposed materials and finishes to be used externally (including type, colour and name for each material)
Type: Vehicle access and hard standing
Existing materials and finishes: Proposed materials and finishes: SD_1 Vehicle Tracks External to compounds, SD_15 Compound Surface Finishes
Type: Boundary treatments (e.g. fences, walls)
Existing materials and finishes: Proposed materials and finishes: SD_21 Stock Proof Fence, SD_3 Weld Mesh Fence, SD_4 Palisade fence
Are you supplying additional information on submitted plans, drawings or a design and access statement? ② Yes ○ No
If Yes, please state references for the plans, drawings and/or design and access statement
240426_SL254_L_X_GA_1_Culham_BlockPlan
Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way Is a new or altered vehicular access proposed to or from the public highway? ○ Yes ○ No

Is a new or altered pedestrian access proposed to or from the public highway? ○ Yes ⊙ No
Are there any new public roads to be provided within the site? ○ Yes ⊙ No
Are there any new public rights of way to be provided within or adjacent to the site? ○ Yes ⊙ No
Do the proposals require any diversions/extinguishments and/or creation of rights of way? ○ Yes ○ No
Vehicle Parking Does the site have any existing vehicle/cycle parking spaces or will the proposed development add/remove any parking spaces?
Please provide information on the existing and proposed number of on-site parking spaces
Vehicle Type: Light goods vehicles / Public carrier vehicles Existing number of spaces: 0 Total proposed (including spaces retained): 12 Difference in spaces: 12
Trees and Hedges
Are there trees or hedges on the proposed development site?
And/or: Are there trees or hedges on land adjacent to the proposed development site that could influence the development or might be important as part of the local landscape character? Yes No
If Yes to either or both of the above, you may need to provide a full tree survey, at the discretion of the local planning authority. If a tree survey is required, this and the accompanying plan should be submitted alongside the application. The local planning authority should make clear on its website what the survey should contain, in accordance with the current 'BS5837: Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations'.

Assessment of Flood Risk
Is the site within an area at risk of flooding? (Check the location on the Government's Flood map for planning. You should also refer to national standing advice and your local planning authority requirements for information as necessary.) Ores No
Is your proposal within 20 metres of a watercourse (e.g. river, stream or beck)? ○ Yes ⊙ No
Will the proposal increase the flood risk elsewhere? ○ Yes ⊙ No
How will surface water be disposed of?
☐ Sustainable drainage system
☐ Existing water course
✓ Soakaway
☐ Main sewer
☐ Pond/lake
Biodiversity and Geological Conservation
Is there a reasonable likelihood of the following being affected adversely or conserved and enhanced within the application site, or on land adjacent to or near the application site?
To assist in answering this question correctly, please refer to the help text which provides guidance on determining if any important biodiversity or geological conservation features may be present or nearby; and whether they are likely to be affected by the proposals.
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Biodiversity net gain Biodiversity net gain is a legal requirement for planning permission introduced on 12 February 2024. All applications are required to either provide detailed information proving there will be a biodiversity increase; or explain why they are exempt from doing so. Find out more about biodiversity net gain, and access digital tools from our partners that can help determine if you are exempt, or produce the biodiversity metric information required. Do you believe that, if the development is granted permission, the general Biodiversity Gain Condition (as set out in Paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)) would apply? ○ No Please provide the pre-development biodiversity value of onsite habitats on the date of calculation 64.75 Please provide the date the onsite pre-development biodiversity value was calculated 12/07/2022 Note: This should be either the date of the application, or an earlier proposed date If an earlier date, to the date of the planning application, has been used, please provide details why this date has been used Three baseline habitat condition assessments of the were undertaken, the first on 12 July 2022, 16 November 2022, and January 2024 and the results used to populate the Statutory Biodiversity Metric based on the Planting Plan. Which version of the biodiversity metric was used? When was the version of the biodiversity metric used published? 24/03/2023 Please provide the reference or supporting document/plan names for the: i. Biodiversity metric calculation ii. Onsite irreplaceable habitats (if applicable) iii. Onsite habitats existing on the date of the application for planning permission (if applicable) Document/Plan: Biodiversity metric calculation Document name/reference: CulhamStorage_ESVol3_Appendix_Ecology and Biodiversity_Annex 2_Part1 Document/Plan: Biodiversity metric calculation Document name/reference: CulhamStorage ESVol3 Appendix Ecology and Biodiversity Annex 2 Part2 Note: You must supply a complete biodiversity metric calculation with your application. Plans must be drawn to an identified scale, and show the direction of North. Has there been any loss (or degradation) of any onsite habitat(s), resulting from activities carried out before the date the onsite pre-development biodiversity value was calculated. Either:

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- on or after 30 January 2020 which were not in accordance with a planning permission; or - on or after 25 August 2023 which were in accordance with a planning permission?

Yes✓ No

All Types of Development. Non-Residential Floorspace
Does your proposal involve the loss, gain or change of use of non-residential floorspace? Note that 'non-residential' in this context covers all uses except Use Class C3 Dwellinghouses.
○Yes
⊗ No
Employment
Are there any existing employees on the site or will the proposed development increase or decrease the number of employees?
○ No
Existing Employees
Please complete the following information regarding existing employees:
Full-time
0
Part-time
0
Total full-time equivalent
0.00
Proposed Employees
If known, please complete the following information regarding proposed employees:
Full-time
Part-time
5
Total full-time equivalent
2.50
Hours of Opening
Are Hours of Opening relevant to this proposal?
○Yes
⊙ No
Industrial or Commercial Processes and Machinery

○ Yes
⊗ No
Is the proposal for a waste management development? O Yes
⊗ No
Hazardous Substances
Does the proposal involve the use or storage of Hazardous Substances?
○Yes
Site Visit
Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land?
✓ Yes○ No
If the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact?
○ The agent○ The applicant
Other person
Pre-application Advice
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Details of the pre-application advice received Substantial work would be required to understand the significance of the heritage assets in the vicinity as well as the impact on those assets including the level of harm. Public benefits will need to be demonstrated, as will very special circumstances with respect to the Green Belt. Other proposals which lead to a similar level of harm to the landscape, on the registered park and garden (for example those within the designation or its setting), other heritage assets including Conservation Area and Listed buildings, and Green Belt would be unlikely to be supported by the council. Authority Employee/Member With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following: (a) a member of staff (b) an elected member (c) related to a member of staff (d) related to an elected member It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent. For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority. Do any of the above statements apply? O Yes ✓ No **Ownership Certificates and Agricultural Land Declaration** Certificates under Article 14 - Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) Please answer the following questions to determine which Certificate of Ownership you need to complete: A, B, C or D. Is the applicant the sole owner of all the land to which this application relates; and has the applicant been the sole owner for more than 21 days? O Yes No Can you give appropriate notice to all the other owners/agricultural tenants? (Select 'Yes' if there are no other owners/agricultural tenants) O No Certificate Of Ownership - Certificate B I certify/ The applicant certifies that: ∅ I have/The applicant has given the requisite notice to everyone else (as listed below) who, on the day 21 days before the date of this application, was the owner* and/or agricultural tenant** of any part of the land or building to which this application relates; or O The applicant is the sole owner of all the land or buildings to which this application relates and there are no other owners* and/or agricultural tenants**. * "owner" is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least 7 years left to run. ** "agricultural tenant" has the meaning given in section 65(8) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

wner/Agricultural Tenant
Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant: ***** REDACTED ******
House name:
Number:
Suffix:
Address line 1: Culham Campus
Address Line 2:
Town/City: Abingdon
Postcode: OX14 3DB
Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY): 01/05/2024
Person Family Name:
Name of Own and Amileuthous L. Tamanto
Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant: ***** REDACTED ******
House name:
Number: 2
Suffix:
Address line 1: Bigness Park Barns
Address Line 2: Chesterton
Town/City: Bicester
Postcode: OX261TD
Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY): 01/05/2024
Person Family Name:
erson Role
The Applicant The Agent
tle
Ms
rst Name
Kirsty
urname
Cassie

Declaration Date
01/05/2024
✓ Declaration made
Declaration
I/We hereby apply for Full planning permission as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.
I/We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them. I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions:
- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published as part of a public register and on the authority's website;
- Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.
✓ I / We agree to the outlined declaration
Signed
Kirsty Cassie
Date
02/05/2024