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BY EMAIL

Dear Ms Prior,

East Claydon Greener Grid Park – Planning application submitted

I am writing to let you know that, following recent consultation with local communities, Statkraft has submitted a planning application [REF:25/01297/APP] to Buckinghamshire Council for a new Greener Grid Park on land near East Claydon substation.

The East Claydon Greener Grid Park project

As a reminder, our Greener Grid Parks are helping to achieve a renewables-ready network. East Claydon Greener Grid Park will help achieve zero-carbon emissions in Buckinghamshire by increasing the stability of the electricity grid and the amount of renewable energy that can be delivered on it.

Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) capture and store energy for future use. Synchronous Compensators are large electrical machines with flywheels which can replace the spinning turbines of a traditional power station but without emitting any carbon dioxide.

East Claydon Greener Grid Park will include two types of technology to support grid stability – a Battery Energy Storage System and Synchronous Compensators.

Statkraft have undertaken a pre-application public consultation, including a Drop-in Exhibition event in March. Since our Public Exhibition we have been updating and revising our proposal. Attached is a summary of the initial feedback we received at the Drop-in Exhibition, and our response. Our final plans have taken on board feedback from the local community and include adjusting the location of the site to improve drainage and adding more noise mitigation in the south of the site.

We are also committed to providing a community benefit fund of £20,000 per year as part of our Greener Grid Parks, supporting community projects that help accelerate the just transition to a low carbon society throughout the development's lifespan. This could include initiatives such as:

- Training and education of local residents about renewable energy and reducing carbon emissions
- Addressing fuel poverty through education on low-carbon living
- Practical support for energy efficiency initiatives, from draught excluders to heat pumps and more

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We are committed to continuing to engage with local residents and representatives as the proposals progress and will keep the project [website](#) updated as the planning application progresses. Our planning application also includes a Statement of Community Involvement, which sets out the feedback we have received through the pre-application process and how we have responded to it.

In the meantime, if you would like to arrange a further discussion about the plans or have any questions which we can help answer, please do get in touch by emailing UKProjects@statkraft.com.

Yours sincerely,
The Greener Grid Park Team