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Dear Sir/Madam

**Notification of Appeal**  
**Town and Country Planning Act 1990**

**Planning application No:** WP/20/00692/DCC

**Location:** Portland Port, Castletown, Portland, Dorset DT5 1PP

**Description:** Proposed development of and Energy Recovery Facility (ERF) with ancillary buildings and works including administrative facilities, gatehouse and weighbridge, parking and circulation areas, cable routes to ship berths and existing off-site electrical sub-station, with site access to Portland Port through Castletown.

**Appeal Reference:** APP/D1265/W/23/3327692

**Appellant:** Powerfuel Portland Ltd

**Appeal Start Date:** 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023

An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against Dorset Council's refusal of planning permission for the proposed development described above.

You may view the documents relating to this appeal online at <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning/planning-application-search-and-comment.aspx>

This appeal will be determined by way of an **inquiry**. The procedure to be followed is set out in the Town and Country Planning Appeals (Determination by Inspectors) (Inquiry procedure) (England) Rules 2000, as amended. We will notify you again nearer the time of the inquiry with further details and dates.

If any group or organisation wishes to take an active part in the Inquiry, the opportunity is available to apply for what is known as **Rule 6 Status**. It is also possible for interested individuals to take part on the same basis. Rule 6 status means that you would be able to present your evidence on a formal basis and also cross examine the evidence of others. You can find guidance at the following link:

[Guide to Rule 6 for interested parties involved in an inquiry – planning appeals and called-in applications - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rule-6-status-for-interested-parties-involved-in-an-inquiry-planning-appeals-and-called-in-applications)

Arrangements for the inquiry are currently being finalised by the Planning Inspectorate. These will include a pre-inquiry conference call/meeting with the lead parties to deal with procedural and administrative matters, including how the evidence will be heard. If you are a Rule 6 Party it is anticipated that you would also be part of that process. If having read the above guidance, you wish to apply for Rule 6 Status or have any related questions, you should contact the Planning Inspectorate immediately. If you are interested but unable to access the guidance electronically, again, you should contact the Planning Inspectorate who will try and assist. [helen.skinner@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:helen.skinner@planninginspectorate.gov.uk) Tel: 0303 444 5531

If, having read the above guidance you wish to apply for Rule 6 Status it is essential that you contact the Planning Inspectorate immediately and ask if they will agree to you being regarded as a Rule 6 Party. Please note, if you are an individual who is interested but does not wish to apply for Rule 6 Status, it should be possible for you to speak at the Inquiry as an individual.

We have forwarded all the representations made to us on the planning application to the Planning Inspectorate and the appellant. These will be considered by the inspector when determining the appeal.

If you wish to make comments, or modify or withdraw your previous representation, you can do so online at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk> If you do not have access to the internet, you can send your comments in the post (with Appeal reference number) to:

Helen Skinner  
Major Casework  
The Planning inspectorate  
Temple Quay House  
2 The Square  
Bristol  
BS1 6PN

All representations must be received by the Planning Inspectorate by **10th October 2023**. **Any representations submitted after the deadline will not usually be considered and will be returned. The Planning Inspectorate does not acknowledge representations. All representations must quote the appeal reference.**

Please note that any representations you submit to the Planning Inspectorate will be copied to the appellant and Dorset Council and will be considered by the inspector when determining the appeal.

The appeal documents will be available for inspection at County Hall, Colliton Park, Dorchester DT1 1XJ. If you wish to view the documents, please contact [planningminerals@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:planningminerals@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk) (Tel:01305 224289) to arrange a time to view.

You can look at a copy of the Planning Inspectorate's "Guide to taking part in appeals" booklets from GOV.UK at [Guide to taking part in planning and listed building consent appeals proceeding by an inquiry - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guides/guide-to-taking-part-in-planning-and-listed-building-consent-appeals-proceeding-by-an-inquiry)

When the decision is made, following the Inquiry, the decision letter will be published online at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

Information provided in your representation will be published. This may include your name and address, but personal telephone numbers and email addresses and signatures of individuals will be removed. If you object to publication in this way, please contact the Planning Inspectorate.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me on the details above.

Yours faithfully,

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