

Wrexham Energy Centre Refined proposals announced

On 4 March 2014, Wrexham Power Limited presented details of refined proposals for the Wrexham Energy Centre to Wrexham County Borough Council.

These refined proposals are based on delivering a 299 MW CCGT power station, utilising Scottish Power's distribution network. As a result of this refined approach, the Wrexham Energy Centre does not require a new 400kV overhead line from Wrexham Industrial Estate and to National Grid's Legacy substation to the west of Wrexham and this aspect of the proposal is no longer being pursued.

A 299 MW CCGT power station will deliver all the positive benefits that Wrexham Power Limited's initial proposals provided, particularly in terms of improved energy security for current and future businesses located in the Wrexham Industrial Estate. However, the environmental and visual impacts of the proposals will be substantially reduced.

The refined proposals are the result of more than 2.5 years' detailed work by Wrexham Power Limited and its project team, during which it has undertaken extensive environmental survey and design studies, as well as seeking the views of the local community.

Wrexham Power Limited will soon be contacting all those who have previously registered an interest in the project to tell them more about the refined proposals. Formal, statutory consultation on the plans, as required under planning legislation, will take place during May and June 2014 and more information on this consultation will be provided shortly.

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1) Future activity

Below is a short summary of the steps of our application process

- Step 1 – Informal Consultation (completed)*
- Step 2 – Production of more detailed designs (completed)*
- Step 3 – Formal Consultation (May/June)*
- Step 4 – Application submitted to the Planning Inspectorate*
- Step 5 – Application reviewed by the Planning Inspectorate*
- Step 6 – Public examination of proposals including hearings*
- Step 7 – Planning Inspectorate recommendation produced*
- Step 8 – Decision from the Secretary of State*

To provide an idea of timescales, the informal and formal consultation periods are likely to take over one year. Then the time between submission of the application to determination will take at least 18 months. It will therefore be a number of years before any work could begin on site.

2) Wrexham Energy Centre

The Wrexham Energy Centre proposals are for a combined cycle gas turbine (CCGT) power station. CCGT power stations use gas and steam to generate electricity. Initially gas is combusted in a turbine that spins a generator. The heat produced by this process is used to produce steam, which is fed into a steam turbine that spins a second generator.

Wrexham Power Limited's selected site for the Wrexham Energy Centre is Kingmoor Park South, located on the Wrexham Industrial Estate. To export the power it generates, a CCGT power station on the Wrexham Industrial Estate requires a connection to National Grid's Legacy Substation, southwest of Rhostyllen. The gas to fuel the CCGT power station would be provided through a connection to the national gas distribution network at the former Maelor Gas Works.

Following consultation with the community and the completion of detailed design work it has been identified that the most appropriate proposal to take forward is a 299MW CCGT power station.

3) Wrexham Power Limited

Wrexham Power Limited is a 50/50 joint venture company between St. Modwen and Glenfinnan. St. Modwen's extensive brownfield development and regeneration expertise, combined with Glenfinnan's in depth and technical knowledge of the energy market, has created an ideal partnership; bringing together detailed planning and development experience

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with valuable technical knowledge to answer the increasing demand for alternative UK energy supplies in the most efficient way.

4) **Contact information**

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