NFPC 20/03555 Objection - Light Pollution

NFPC Objects to this Application on the basis that the light pollution will seriously impact the residents of North Ferriby in Plantation Drive and the Triangle, replacing the dark night time with a reflective glow over most of North Ferriby and destroying the ecological balance of the Long Plantation and Open Space.

284 external lighting columns or factory side floodlights are proposed for the site and particularly on the Eastern side are typically 10 or 12 metre high columns, or floodlight positioned 8 or 10 metres high on the building pointing eastwards towards North Ferriby.

The Hoare Lea Letter of 2nd March 2021 makes a telling admission, the time when the light reflected off the building is most harmful is during the winter – when there are no leaves on the trees and therefore no screening. This will have the greatest impact on residents who back onto the woods, potentially disrupting the ability to sleep, as the glare from other businesses further away is already visible. It is also interesting to note that the applicant has not provided any visual representations of the night time view.

The bunds proposed are 5 metres high and the woodland planting on top will grow to 8 -10 metres high — what is the time frame for this; 15 + years? We dispute that trees will grow to this extreme on top of bunds and the photo montages of the envisaged bio-diversity corridor do not give any confidence that planting density will contribute to a serious reduction of light transmission.



Ref above from FPCR – Bund Planting will not reduce light pollution

Similarly and on the same basis the Ecology of the Long Plantation, particularly for nocturnal species such as bats will be destroyed.

This is TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE

Factually, the coloured lighting at Allam Marine on Melton West can in Autumn and Winter be clearly seen in Nunburnholme Avenue in the centre North Ferriby, over a mile away.

This reinforces the assertion that the light pollution from this facility, including the additional "corporate branding" or architectural lighting, will have a detrimental impact on residents and nocturnal wildlife. The proposal for the finalised detailed lighting scheme to be approved subsequently by ERYC planning officers under delegated powers is not acceptable to NFPC and must be specified before approval.

NFPC continues to strongly object to this application on the basis of the light pollution that will make residential sleep disturbance unbearable.