Full transcript of email received

I am writing on behalf of Lightsource bp to introduce proposals for a solar energy generation and storage project at Speckled Wood, on land located at Crowhurst Lane, Lingfield, Surrey. Lightsource bp is one of the world's leading developers and operators of utility-scale onshore renewable and energy storage. Its proposals for Speckled Wood will facilitate the generation and integration of renewable energy into the grid, helping to support low-cost electricity and the enhanced reliability of the electricity grid.

We anticipate that the project will include up to 49.9MW of solar energy generation and 49.9MW of battery storage, and will have a 40-year operational life, at the end of which the land will be returned to its original state. This project will be a key part of Lightsource bp's mission to rapidly accelerate the transition to a low-carbon future.

As part of our initial site assessment and consideration, we have conducted a number of environmental and technical surveys and are in the process of engaging with Tandridge District Council. As part of this engagement, we are submitting an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Screening Report request to the Council, which will determine whether an Environmental Impact Assessment will be required as part of a future planning application.

In due course and prior to the preparation and submission of a planning application, Lightsource bp will be engaging with all technical and community stakeholders and will be carrying out a full public consultation. This will ensure that the design of the project is informed by the feedback we receive, and that local comments and ideas are addressed as far as possible in order to maximise the benefits of the project.

In your capacity as Chair of Crowhurst Parish Council, I wanted to write to make you aware of this, and would be pleased to offer you a briefing on the plans to discuss the early phases of our proposals in more detail and to answer any questions you may have at this stage.

If this would be of interest or if you would like to contact me with regards to the project, then please don't hesitate to do so using the details below.

