

APPENDIX A

N2 Coal-fired Power Stations Summit

The Government confirmed in January 2018 plans to close all the UK's coal-fired power stations by the end of 2025.

Recent history with power station decommissioning and redevelopment in the East Midlands is mixed, with some former coal-fired stations (Drakelow, High Marnham and Willington) still not redeveloped 15 years after closure. We need to work proactively and collaboratively to try and ensure that this does not happen again.

There are only seven coal-fired power stations remaining in the country and three of them are located in Nottinghamshire:

- Ratcliffe on Soar, Rushcliffe
- Cottam, Bassetlaw
- West Burton, Bassetlaw

It is therefore proposed to hold a seminar to bring together key stakeholder from the public and private sector to begin to jointly plan for the future of these sites.

Proposed agenda items for the day

Repurposing our power stations for the future:

- Lessons from other areas; this could include two examples – one from an area where some form of power generation has remained and another where there has been total change of use.
- Current work with sites and any plans or proposals – local authorities and site owners
- What the data is telling us – what would impact be of closure of all power stations
- The required conditions to make it happen – is it always right to develop? What other options are there for our sites? What would the impact of these be?
- Overview of possible delivery vehicles, e.g. joint venture, consortium, public private partnership, etc – discussion about appetite for this.
- Action planning:
 - Short, medium and long term plans which could include: feasibility studies, partial development of sites whilst still operational.

Attendees

It is proposed that the following people are invited to the event:

- Local Authorities – specifically Rushcliffe, Bassetlaw and County Council.
- D2N2 LEP
- Relevant Government Departments
- Power station owners
- Supply chain businesses? (this may be for a later event)

Timeline/Plan

It is hoped that an event could be hosted in September 2019. To achieve this the following key milestones need to be achieved:

- Agree format of event and proposed speakers – March 2019
- Agree finance/costs for event – April/May 2019
- Book venue – May 2019
- Contact speakers – May 2019
- Send out save the date – June 2019
- Send out official invites with final agenda – July/August 2019