

## 6 SCREENING, SCOPING AND PUBLIC CONSULTATION

### 6.1 Screening

- 6.1.1 Consultation has taken place at various levels with Planning Officers and the relevant departments of the LPA to influence the form and content of the proposals.
- 6.1.2 A Screening opinion has not been sought from Cardiff City Council as it has been assumed, consistent with previous applications at the site, that the development falls to be considered as EIA development. This is the case notwithstanding that the proposed end use and form of the site (B8 floor space) is materially different than the former proposed and approved use – a Biomass plant and associated uses / works.

### 6.2 Scoping

- 6.2.1 Following ongoing informal dialogue with Cardiff City Council, the responses received to the Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) process and drawing on the extensive acquired knowledge from the extant permission on site (including the former EIA, consultation responses to that application, and its consideration and evaluation), the applicant has taken an informed view with regards to the matters to be 'scoped in' to the ES for consideration. These include:
- Geotechnical Conditions and Contaminated Land;
  - Ecology;
  - Highways and Transportation;
  - Visual Impacts; and
  - Hydrology and Flooding.
- 6.2.2 The applicant welcomes confirmation of this via the screening and scoping exercise undertaken by the Local Planning Authority during the determination of the application, in accordance with Part 4 of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Wales) Regulations 2017. The issues 'scoped-in' for consideration are assessed in detail in chapters 7-11 of the Environmental Statement submitted as part of this application.

### 6.3 Consultation

- 6.3.1 A Pre-Application Consultation exercise has been undertaken by the applicant in light of the introduction on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2016 of the PAC process by the National Assembly of Wales, under Article 1 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2016.
- 6.3.2 In line with article 2C(1)(a)(i) of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2016, the applicant has publicised the proposed application by bilingual (English and Welsh) site display in two locations surrounding the site.