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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Lidl UK GmbH (“Lidl”) is seeking planning permission for the development of a discount neighbourhood food store in Hayes, Hillingdon. JS Lewis Ltd was instructed by Lidl to undertake a technical and financial appraisal of low carbon options for the site, and to draft an energy and sustainability statement for the proposed development.

There is an existing consent for a similar store to the one proposed in this application. The revised application is driven by the expansion in the site area from the previous application, and the change to the layouts and scheme design. Since the previous application, changes have been made to the regulatory system (Part L 2013) and planning policy has evolved slightly too.

The proposal represents a major development by the standards defined by the local authority. The energy and sustainability policy targets for major developments in the London Borough of Hillingdon are analysed in the policy section. As set out in this document, the proposals have addressed local policy requirements on energy and sustainability.

The proposal addresses the energy hierarchy, the target for 35% savings in regulated CO2 in the London Plan, the local guidance and policy on energy and sustainability, and all other headline issues including climate change adaptation, water, waste, pollution, biodiversity and sustainable transport.

The scheme achieves a 26% improvement on Part L 2013 through efficiency measures.

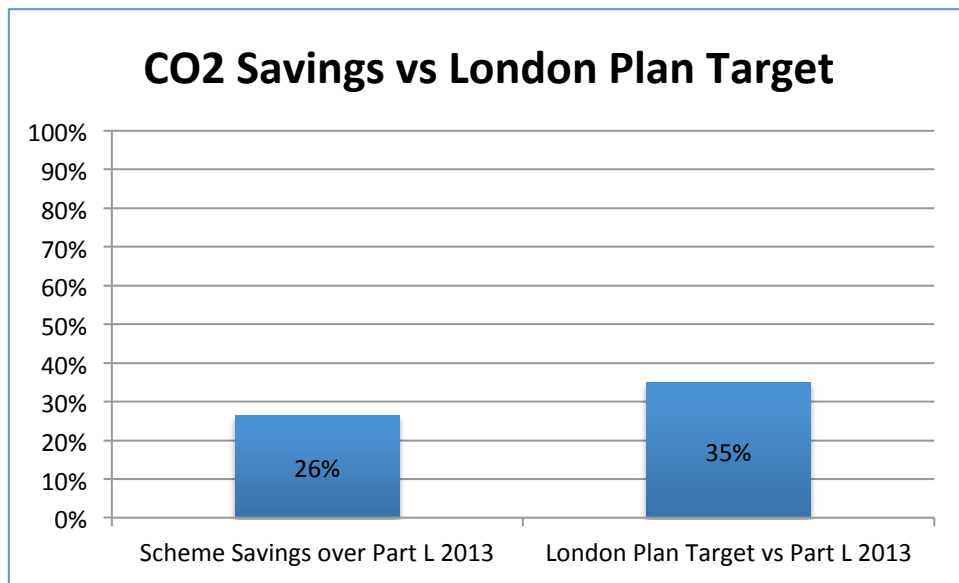


Figure 1: CO2 Savings vs London Plan Targets

A feasibility study for energy was undertaken, reviewing all options. The table below summarises the findings. The minor shortfall in CO2 savings between the scheme and the London Plan target is proposed to be made up through a contribution to Hillingdon’s CO2 offset scheme. The shortfall is estimated at the planning stage to be 5.5tCO2.

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Figure 2: Renewable Energy Technology Appraisal Summary

The proposals aim to achieve the following:

- Energy
 - Wall, floor, roof and window U-values that are better than the minimum requirement;
 - Air tightness of 7m3/m2/hr, compared with the regulation standard of 10m3/m2/hr;
 - Low heating set points (19°C sales; 13°C warehouse in the day; 15.5°C and 9.5°C at night);
 - Standardised components to ensure efficient servicing and running;
 - Electricity and gas use are monitored and analysed on a monthly basis to help identify opportunities to reduce consumption, and any irregular usage that may derive from faults;
 - Electricity is sub-metered (hot water, cooling, lighting, chillers, bakery and AHT freezers);
 - Appropriate lux levels in specification (400 sales; 500 checkout; 100 elsewhere);
 - High efficiency LEDs throughout internally;
 - Sales area lighting switches on in thirds depending on lux levels, controlled by the building management system;
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 - Automatic switching off of car park lighting 10 minutes after the alarm is set;
 - Intermittent mechanical extract ventilation to WCs;
 - Fresh-air ventilation to sales area on an as required basis only using gas monitoring;
 - Free cooling at night where applicable;
 - An estimated improvement on Part L 2013 of 26% for regulated emissions;
 - A proposal for providing the CO2 shortfall via a contribution to the local authority;
 - A more significant CO2 saving anticipated for operational emissions.

- Climate change:
 - CO2 saving measures as set out above;
 - Low flood risk site based on evidence from the Environment Agency website;
 - Water stress is controlled through water-efficient technology in the building.
- Water:
 - Flow control devices in sanitary areas;
 - Water meters with pulsed outputs incorporated;
- Waste and recycling:
 - Carrier bags are charged for to promote reusable bags;
 - Baler to be included onsite;
 - Onsite segregation of waste provided.
- Pollution:
 - Air quality monitored using gas monitors;
 - Measures taken to reduce night time pollution.
- Biodiversity:
 - Brownfield site.
- Sustainable transport:
 - Town centre location;
 - The site has direct access for pedestrians and cyclists and cycle parking;
 - Buses run past the site regularly on Central Avenue and Botwell Lane;
 - A transport assessment has been undertaken;
 - Draft framework travel plan generated.
- Socio-economic:
 - 40 jobs created for local residents;
 - Increased diversity in local retail offering.

This statement has addressed the planning documents set out below:

- NPPF;
- The London Plan 2011;
- London Borough of Hillingdon Local Plan Part 1 (2012) and Part 2 (emerging);
- Saved Hillingdon UDP policies.

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

This document is part of the planning application for the proposed Lidl store in Hayes, Hillingdon. It sets out the policy framework and the proposed approach to energy and sustainability. There is an existing consent for a Lidl store on the same site. The revised application is for a similar scheme, but the site boundary has been extended, and the layout revised. The scale and design of the building is similar but slightly larger to the previous application.

1.2 Scheme Description

The site, Botwell Lane, Hayes, lies to the North West of the junction of Central Avenue and Botwell Lane. The site, the former Hayes swimming pool, is located within the defined town centre boundary of Hayes and is bordered to the south by Botwell Lane which is the principal route linking Hayes to Hayes Town Centre, and Central Avenue to the east. Large residential areas lie to the north and west of the site, with a number of local schools and leisure facilities within close proximity such as the recently developed Botwell Green Sports and Leisure Centre, which incorporates a library, sports hall, swimming pool and sports pitches. The site is well located to provide safe, direct and convenient customer access by a variety of sustainable transport modes.

The proposals seek full planning permission for a Lidl food store, 146 parking spaces and associated works. The proposed store will be located in the South Easterly corner of the site, with the Eastern façade facing onto Central Avenue. The retail element has a 1,689sqm sales area. The storage area is located around the sales area, and the welfare block is located at the first floor. The South Western façade incorporates the main glazed element. The building design is a pitched roof contemporary building. Parking includes blue/brown badge access spaces, 5 parent and child spaces, 14 disabled spaces, 7 motorcycle spaces and 42 cycle spaces.

1.3 Energy Use in Retail

The approach to low carbon buildings has evolved from early 'Merton Rule' policies that specifically drove onsite renewable energy to an increasing focus on carbon savings, and more recently, closing the gap between design performance and performance in occupation. The proposed revisions to Part L demonstrate an increasing focus on energy efficiency.

Supermarket retail uses have a unique energy demand profile. They tend to require high levels of electricity for refrigerating perishable foods and for lighting the retail area. Heating and cooling requirements tend to represent a low proportion of the site carbon emissions. Part L and the London Plan policy 5.2 deal with heating, cooling and lighting energy demands predominantly.

1.4 Lidl UK GmbH

Lidl tends to have energy demands well below the UK benchmark for retail uses. In particular, electricity demands are significantly lower. This is a reflection of Lidl's cost-efficient business model. The company is a limited assortment discount retailer offering a limited range of food products at discounted prices within an efficient and convenient environment. A primary consideration for the business model is the minimisation of cost at all stages.

2 POLICY REVIEW

2.1 National Policy

In March 2012 the National Planning Policy Framework replaced the former national planning policy statements and guidance notes. The NPPF sets a presumption in favour of sustainable development. Section 10 concerns itself with climate change. In particular, paragraphs 95-97 discuss energy consumption and carbon emissions:

“95. To support the move to a low carbon future, local planning authorities should:

- plan for new development in locations and ways which reduce greenhouse gas emissions;*
- actively support energy efficiency improvements to existing buildings; and*
- when setting any local requirement for a building’s sustainability, do so in a way consistent with the Government’s zero carbon buildings policy and adopt nationally described standards.*

96. In determining planning applications, local planning authorities should expect new development to:

- comply with adopted Local Plan policies on local requirements for decentralised energy supply unless it can be demonstrated by the applicant, having regard to the type of development involved and its design, that this is not feasible or viable; and*
- take account of landform, layout, building orientation, massing and landscaping to minimise energy consumption.*

97. To help increase the use and supply of renewable and low carbon energy, local planning authorities should recognise the responsibility on all communities to contribute to energy generation from renewable or low carbon sources. They should:

- have a positive strategy to promote energy from renewable and low carbon sources;*
- design their policies to maximise renewable and low carbon energy development while ensuring that adverse impacts are addressed satisfactorily, including cumulative landscape and visual impacts;*
- consider identifying suitable areas for renewable and low carbon energy sources, and supporting infrastructure, where this would help secure the development of such sources;*
- support community-led initiatives for renewable and low carbon energy, including developments outside such areas being taken forward through neighbourhood planning; and*
- identify opportunities where development can draw its energy supply from decentralised, renewable or low carbon energy supply systems and for co-locating potential heat customers and suppliers.”*

2.2 Regional Policy

The London Plan 2011 includes the following policies:

- 5.2 – Minimising CO2 Emissions
 - Application of the energy hierarchy;
 - 35% improvement on Part L 2013, unless clearly demonstrated that the specific targets cannot be fully achieved onsite;
- 5.3 – Sustainable Construction
- 5.6 – Decentralised Energy
 - Evaluate CHP;
 - Prioritise connection to existing or planned decentralised energy networks where feasible;
- 5.7 – Renewable Energy

- Achieve 20% renewables where viable;
- 5.9 – Overheating and Cooling
 - Apply the cooling hierarchy and minimise cooling needs.

The SPD on Sustainable design and construction issued by the GLA notes that the 35% CO2 reduction sought for 2013-2016 applies to developments submitted for planning after the October date for the new Part L 2013.

2.3 Local Policy

The policy framework for energy and sustainable design is set out below:

The Local Plan Part 1 (2012) and Part 2 (emerging)

Part 1 of the Local Plan makes references to sustainable development, but sets no specific policies. It suggests that Part 2 of the local plan will incorporate specific policy targets. Part 2 was published as a consultation version in late 2014. The key policies are as follows:

DMEI 1 – Sustainable Construction – BREEAM Very Good to be sought on commercial developments

DMEI 2 – Reducing Carbon Emissions – emissions reductions in line with the London Plan sought

DMEI 3 – Decentralised Energy – links to wider heat networks to be considered

DMEI 11/14/16 – Water management and consumption efficiency

Saved UDP Policies

There are no specific targets set out in the saved UDP policies relating to energy and sustainability.

2.4 Discussion

Hillingdon policy is emerging and not yet adopted. Its weight is therefore limited. The key sustainability policy targets for the development to address are those embodied within the London Plan. The CO2 target for 2013 onwards is 35% CO2 saving on Part L 2013.

3 ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY

3.1 Building Energy Modelling

A planning stage model of the building was built in SBEM, which is certified as a valid software package for demonstrating Part L compliance at building control stage. The model incorporated the efficient building specification requirements of Lidl and accounted for the site-specific design. This model provided a detailed breakdown of energy demands which were used to assess the viability of clean and renewable energy technology.

A number of iterations and combinations of measures were reviewed. Inevitably, some assumptions have had to be made as the building is at planning stage. A full services design would take place at post-planning stage and allow a more in-depth and accurate analysis. The options proposed as part of this strategy should therefore be flexible to allow alternative options that achieve similar CO₂ savings to be employed if detailed analysis shows potential for refinement.

The limitations of building modelling should be noted. Energy use in occupancy rarely reflects modern modelling techniques which tend to be optimistic. A sound understanding of energy use in occupancy and how this is managed is also important.

3.2 Modelling Limitations

Part L, and indeed planning policy, deals with a theoretical modelling of regulated emissions only. In reality, Lidl has been shown to have far lower emissions than other supermarket operators. This highlights the limitations of focussing on theoretical models, particularly where the non-regulated emissions are much more significant than the unregulated emissions.

3.3 Viability Assessment

The NPPF and the London Plan set policy goals and aspirations but are careful to specify that measures implemented must be viable. A viability assessment is a measure of two separate aspects: financial and technical. Where both aspects are considered viable, then the option being appraised can be incorporated into the project. Where only one or the other fails, then the option is not integrated into the project and is deemed not viable.

3.3.1 Technical Viability

Options for energy and CO₂ reduction have different technical limitations including availability of energy demand to service, availability of resource, environmental constraints, availability of technology sizes and other issues. These are assessed and weighed up for each proposal.

3.3.2 Financial Viability

Financial viability is also a key issue for a competitive market economy. Options are assessed on an asset investment basis, as is standard practice in industry, to determine whether they would meet company investment criteria. The internal rate of return (IRR) is assessed for each option. The technology-specific IRR is then compared with an investment hurdle rate. This is a return on investment that any project has to make for it to be worthwhile investing in.

This hurdle rate is generated from two different component parts:

1. A reasonable supermarket retail weighted average cost of capital (WACC);
2. An additional return requirement for non-core business investments to account for the opportunity cost of that investment.

WACC values are typically 15% for property development companies. Supermarket retailers tend to have lower WACC values, reflecting the lower risk associated with their business model. However, the property development arms of retailers may employ property development rates. For the purpose of this appraisal, a WACC of 7.5% is used as representative of the retailer, rather than the property developer.

A premium needs to be added where an investment does not represent core activities as it effectively has an opportunity cost for the business. For the purpose of this appraisal, a premium of 5% is applied.

The investment hurdle rate used is therefore 12.5%. If an investment in non-core activities (ie anything that is not convenience retailing) is to be made, it would need to achieve this return.

4 ENERGY

4.1 Monitored Energy Demand

Lidl has significantly lower measured emissions than the relevant CIBSE supermarket retail benchmark would indicate:

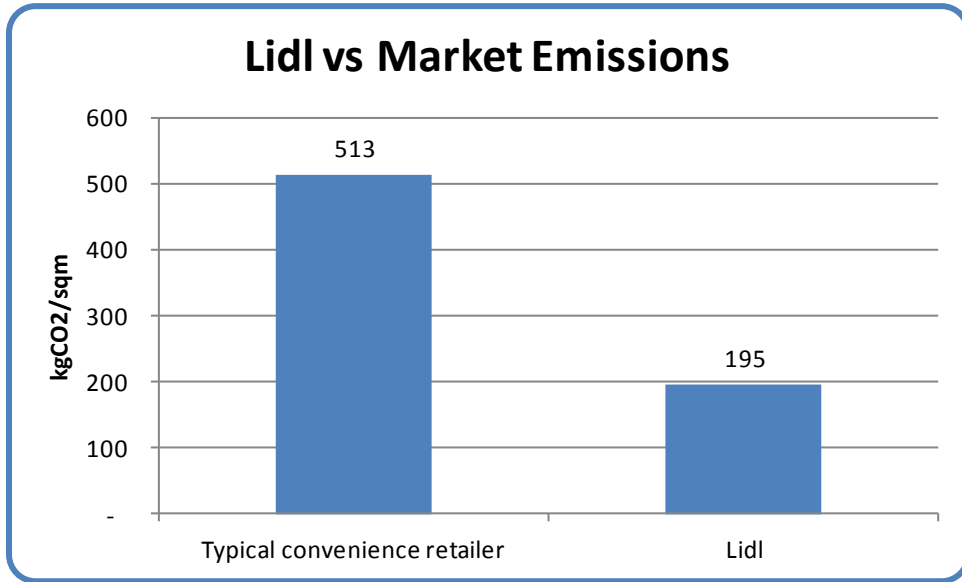


Figure 3: Lidl Emissions vs Market Emissions

The market emissions are based on the CIBSE benchmarks, derive from a study of over 500 retail outlets. This is reflection on management techniques, a low cost approach to retailing, and the importance of driving down operating costs wherever possible.

The TER as modelled in SBEM provides the following emissions summary:

Baseline (BER)		
Energy consumption	kWh	kgCO ₂
Heating	39,141	7,828
Cooling	29,032	15,010
Auxiliary	13,335	6,894
Lighting	66,777	34,524
Hot Water	4,267	2,206
Total	152,552	66,462

Figure 4: Baseline Emissions

4.2 The Energy Hierarchy

The energy hierarchy is promoted by the London Plan. This prioritises efficiency measures over and above clean energy, and over renewable energy. Clean energy comes second, including heat recovery and gas CHP. Last comes renewable energy. Lidl has been using energy efficiency techniques as a means of reducing energy costs. This is reflected in the measured energy performance as set out above.

4.3 Summary of Efficiency Measures

Heating and Domestic Hot Water

- Low heating set points (19°C sales; 13°C warehouse in the day: 15.5°C and 9.5°C at night);
- Standardised components to ensure efficient servicing and running;
- Wall, floor, and roof U-values that are better than the minimum requirement;
- Glazing U value of 1.1W/m²K;
- Air tightness of 7m³/m²/hr, compared with the regulation standard of 10m³/m²/hr.

Retail Lighting Measures

- Appropriate lux levels in specification (400 sales; 500 checkout; 100 elsewhere);
- High efficiency LED internal lighting throughout;
- Sales area lighting switches on in thirds depending on lux levels, controlled by the building management system;
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Ventilation and Air Conditioning

- Intermittent mechanical extract ventilation to WCs;
- Fresh-air ventilation to sales area on an as required basis only using gas monitoring;
- Free cooling at night where required.

Metering and Monitoring

- Electricity and gas use are monitored and analysed on a monthly basis to help identify opportunities to reduce consumption, and any irregular usage that may derive from faults;
- Electricity is sub-metered (hot water, cooling, lighting, chillers, bakery and AHT freezers).

4.4 Clean Energy/Low Carbon Technology

There are no known district heat schemes in the vicinity, and it is unlikely that they would be able to supply energy at a competitive price to Lidl's current energy costs. Connection is therefore not viable. Gas CHP was considered but found to be not viable, making an annual loss. This is because supermarket retail is a poor match for gas CHP at this scale. Gas CHP requires far more significant heat loads before it can be considered viable. Using the smallest available unit on the market, the full load equivalent running hours remained well below CIBSE recommended minimums.

The scheme delivers passive design, frugal energy use through the affordable business model. The energy hierarchy has been applied. Energy efficiency measures achieve a significant proportion of the 35% CO₂ target.

Low carbon and renewable energy measures were also reviewed, but the case for including them was poor and failed to make the investment hurdle rates required. This was due in part to the output of the

SBEM model, which shows that demands are generally low, with the exception of lighting. A summary of the viability findings is set out below:

Technology	Tehnical Viability	Financial Viability	Viable?
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4.5 Energy Demand and CO2 Breakdown

Having modelled the proposed store and used the above energy measures, the following energy demand remains:

Energy consumption	kWh/sqm	kWh
Heating	11.11	28,219
Cooling	6.89	17,501
Auxiliary	5.81	14,757
Lighting	18.95	48,133
Hot Water	1.76	4,470

Figure 5: Summary of Retail Energy Demands

The lighting is the most significant contributor to CO2 according to the SBEM model – the breakdown is set out below:

Carbon Weightings	
Heating	12%
Cooling	18%
Auxiliary	15%
Lighting	50%
Hot Water	5%
Total	100%

Figure 6: Weighting of CO2 Emissions

The retail element achieves 26% saving over Part L 2013 with this strategy:

	kgCO2/sqm	
TER	25.70	65,278
BER	18.90	48,006
Scheme Savings over Part L 2013	26%	17,272

Figure 7: CO2 Improvement Made

The energy efficient emissions are as follows:

Proposed Energy Efficient Scheme (BER)		
Energy consumption	kWh	kgCO2
Heating	28,219	5,644
Cooling	17,501	9,048
Auxiliary	14,757	7,630
Lighting	48,133	24,885
Hot Water	4,470	2,311
Total	113,081	49,517

Figure 8: Energy Efficient Scenario

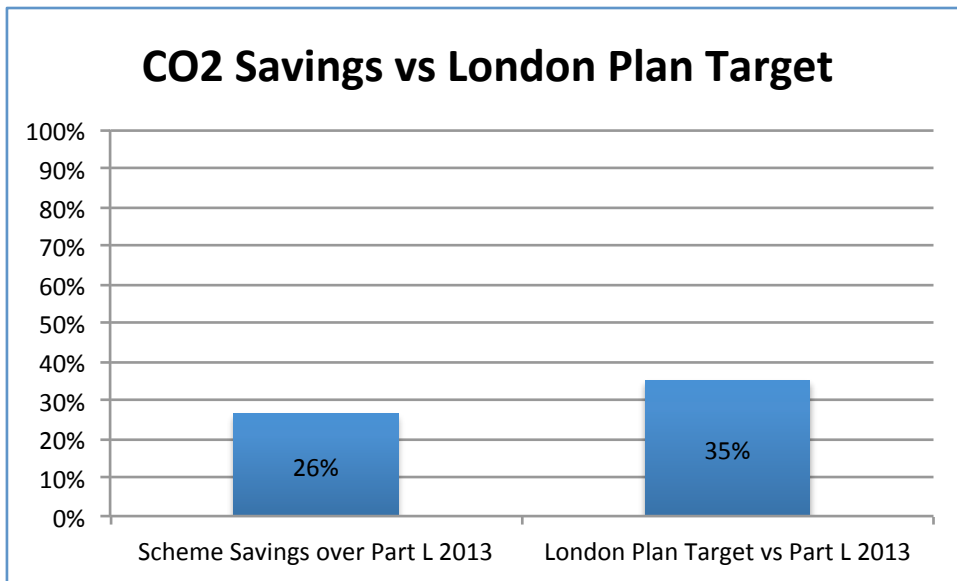


Figure 9: Comparison with London Plan CO2 Target

With savings of 26%, the shortfall is 5.5tCO2. It is proposed that an contribution is made to Hillingdon as an offset to achieve the full 35% savings. The contribution should be based on the building control SBEM model.

5 SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES

5.1 Climate Change Adaptation

Energy in building use is a key contributor to the UK's carbon emissions. The energy hierarchy sets out the order of importance for the adoption of different carbon saving measures:

- Reduce energy use;
- Use clean energy sources;
- Use renewable energy.

The development will also strive to utilise low impact materials in its construction. Key measures will include:

- Using low climate change impact building materials;
- Sourcing sustainable timber;
- Using low or zero global warming impact insulation materials.

5.2 Water

A water meter will be installed with a pulsed output. Low water fittings including dual flush WCs and spray taps will be used in sanitary areas.

5.3 Waste and Recycling

Construction waste will be recycled where possible. During the operational phase, a baler will be used for cardboard onsite, and other waste streams will be segregated.

Lidl constantly improve recycling levels. In 2009/10, Lidl recycled 80% of all waste generated from stores. By 2012/13 this had increased to 90%. Carrier bags have to be purchased to reduce waste, and trolleys are coin-operated to reduce theft and abandonment.

5.4 Pollution

A range of measures have been implemented to reduce pollution. Biomass technology is avoided due to the air quality management area restrictions. Night time light pollution is reduced through automatic shut-offs based on a 15 minute overrun either side of operational hours.

5.5 Biodiversity

The site is a brownfield site. The landscaping strategy will allow for habitat creation where possible.

5.6 Sustainable Transport

The site is located within the boundary of Hayes town centre, and provides direct pedestrian access and cycle access and parking. There are a number of buses that stop outside the site on the Botwell Lane side, including the 195 to Brentford, the 698 to West Drayton and the H98 to Hounslow.

Store stock levels are carefully monitored in order to minimise deliveries to only one or two HGV deliveries each day. The returning HGV transports waste and recyclable material to the nearest Regional Distribution Centre for processing. This ensures that the return journey is not a wasted trip.

5.7 Socio-Economic

The development process will see significant investment in the local economy, creating jobs in construction and supply chain. It is anticipated that the store will create 40 jobs for local residents. Once operational, the affordable retail model offered by Lidl will create benefits for local consumers too.

6 CONCLUSION

6.1 Revised and Updated Report

This report has revised and updated the energy and sustainability strategy for the proposed scheme to address both a significant change in the Lidl lighting specification, which reduces CO2 significantly, and to incorporate the findings of the addendum submitted in support of the same application.

6.2 Social and Economic Sustainability

The scheme has the potential to drive more sustainable travel patterns by creating a more local offering than alternatives, and will also create employment opportunities during construction and operation.

6.3 Energy

The scheme now achieves an estimated regulated CO2 savings of 26%, as modelled in SBEM, through a series of efficiency measures set out below. The viability of clean technologies was considered in depth for both technical and economic viability. The findings are summarized below:

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The policy target of 35% CO2 savings is not possible entirely onsite, although the scheme is saving 26% CO2, an offsite contribution would therefore be required for the balance. Therefore it is proposed that Lidl make a contribution to an offsite solution through Hillingdon’s offset scheme. This would equate to £9,900. Once detailed lighting layouts and full building control stage designs are available, the modelling can be updated and refined – the contribution figure may change, and as a result should not be conditioned as a specific amount at this stage.

In addition though, as discussed in this document, the actual measured operational emissions are expected to demonstrate a much greater improvement over the sector benchmark due to Lidl’s focus on efficiency and low-operating costs. The available data indicates that Lidl tends to outperform the sector on CO2 emissions by 62%. The key measures integrated into the scheme are as follows:

- Energy
 - Wall, floor, roof and window U-values that are better than the minimum requirement;
 - Air tightness of 7m³/m²/hr, compared with the regulation standard of 10m³/m²/hr;
 - Low heating set points (19°C sales; 13°C warehouse in the day: 15.5°C and 9.5°C at night);
 - Standardised components to ensure efficient servicing and running;
 - Electricity and gas use are monitored and analysed on a monthly basis to help identify opportunities to reduce consumption, and any irregular usage that may derive from faults;
 - Electricity is sub-metered (hot water, cooling, lighting, chillers, bakery and AHT freezers);
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 - Automatic switching off of car park lighting 10 minutes after the alarm is set;
 - Intermittent mechanical extract ventilation to WCs;
 - Fresh-air ventilation to sales area on an as required basis only using gas monitoring;
 - Free cooling at night where applicable;
 - An estimated improvement on Part L 2013 of 26% for regulated emissions;
 - A proposal for providing the CO₂ shortfall via a contribution to the local authority.

6.4 Environmental Sustainability

The scheme has addressed local and regional policy thoroughly, and in doing so has achieved the following:

- A much more significant CO₂ saving anticipated for operational emissions.
- Climate change:
 - CO₂ saving measures as set out above;
 - Low flood risk site based on evidence from the Environment Agency website;
 - Water stress is controlled through water-efficient technology in the building.
- Water:
 - Flow control devices in sanitary areas;
 - Water meters with pulsed outputs incorporated;
- Waste and recycling:
 - Carrier bags are charged for to promote reusable bags;
 - Baler to be included onsite;
 - Onsite segregation of waste provided.
- Pollution:
 - Air quality monitored using gas monitors;
 - Measures taken to reduce night time pollution.
- Biodiversity:

- Brownfield site.
- Sustainable transport:
 - Town centre location;
 - The site has direct access for pedestrians and cyclists and cycle parking;
 - Buses run past the site regularly on Botwell Lane and Central Avenue;
 - A transport assessment has been undertaken;
 - Draft framework travel plan generated.
- Socio-economic:
 - 40 jobs created for local residents;
 - Increased diversity in local retail offering.

6.5 Compliance

This statement has addressed the planning documents set out below:

- NPPF;
- The London Plan 2011;
- London Borough of Hillingdon Local Plan Part 1 (2012) and Part 2 (emerging);
- Saved Hillingdon UDP policies.

Therefore, it addresses planning policy requirements on energy, CO2 and sustainability.

APPENDIX A – REFERENCES

National Planning Policy Framework, DCLG, March 2012

London Plan 2011

London Borough of Hillingdon Local Plan Part 1 (2012) and Part 2 (emerging)

Saved Hillingdon UDP policies

AND

Drawings and information from the proposed scheme.

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