THE LAND PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (GUERNSEY) LAW, 2005

AND THE LAND PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (GENERAL PROVISIONS) ORDINANCE, 2007

NOTIFICATION OF GRANT OF PLANNING PERMISSION

PROPOSALS: Install secondary substation with GRP enclosure.

LOCATION: L'Ancresse Common, Mont Cuet Road, Vale.

APPLICANT: Guernsey Electricity Ltd

This permission is granted under the terms of Sections 15 and 16 of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005 (the 'Law').

Date of Grant of Permission: 18/06/2025

This notification of grant of permission refers solely to the proposals referred to above as described in your application received as valid on 07/05/2025 and the drawings referred to below. This grant of permission is subject to the following conditions:-

Drawing Nos: Guernsey Electricity: P02-01-12-0211 D04

Application Ref: FULL/2025/0761

Property Ref: C018680000

Conditions and reasons:-

1.All development authorised by this permission must be carried out and must be completed in every detail in accordance with the written application, plans and drawings referred to above. No variations to such development amounting to development may be made without the permission of the Authority under the Law.

Reason - To ensure that it is clear that permission is only granted for the development to which the application relates.

2.The development hereby permitted shall be begun within 3 years from the date of grant of this permission.

Reason - This condition reflects section 18(1) of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005 which states that planning permission ceases to have effect unless development is commenced within 3 years of the date of grant (or such shorter

period as may be specified in the permission).

3.The development hereby permitted and all the operations which constitute or are incidental to that development must be carried out in compliance with all such requirements of The Building (Guernsey) Regulations, 2012 as are applicable to them, and no operation to which such a requirement applies may be commenced or continued unless (i) plans relating to that operation have been approved by the Authority and (ii) it is commenced or, as the case may be, continued, in accordance with that requirement and any further requirements imposed by the Authority when approving those plans, for the purpose of securing that the building regulations are complied with.

Reason - Any planning permission granted under the Law is subject to this condition as stated in section 17(2) of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005.

4.Noise associated with plant and machinery incorporated within the development shall be controlled such that the Rating Level, measured or calculated at 1-metre from the façade of the nearest existing noise sensitive premises, shall not exceed a level 5 dB(A) below the existing LA90 background noise level, including low frequency tones. Rating Level and existing background noise levels shall be determined as per the guidance provided in BS 4142:2014+A1:2019.

Reason - The premises are close to residential property and a limit on the use is needed to prevent a nuisance or annoyance to nearby residents.

Expiry Date: This permission will cease to have effect on 17/06/2028 unless development is commenced by that date.

ADVICE AND OTHER REMARKS:-

Effect of planning permission:

Section 18 of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005 ('the Law') defines the effect of the planning permission hereby granted, namely:

(1) Planning permission ceases to have effect unless the development permitted by it is commenced within a period of three years immediately following the date on which it is granted (or such shorter period as may be specified in the permission).

(2) Planning permission enures for the benefit of the land concerned and of every person for the time being having an interest in it.

(3) Any conditions subject to which planning permission is issued are enforceable in accordance with the provisions of Part V of the Law.

(4) Planning permission for the erection of a building is only permission to use it for the purpose specified in the permission or, subject to any restriction so specified, for any other purpose for which it is designed.

(5) Planning permission is only permission to carry out the development specified in it (subject to any conditions so specified), and does not imply the giving of any other approval or consent required under this Law or any other enactment or under any rule of law.

Right of appeal against planning decisions:

Your attention is drawn to the provisions of Section 68(1) of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law 2005, which provides a right of appeal, on the merits against a decision to grant planning permission subject to conditions (except a building condition), to the Planning Tribunal, which is independent of the States of Guernsey. An appeal to the Planning Tribunal under section 68 of the Law against this decision must be made before the expiry of the period of six months beginning with the date on which the Authority made this decision. The official Appeal Notice Forms are available on the States of Guernsey website at www.gov.gg/planningpanel and must be completed with all enclosures in multiples as requested and received within the six months deadline.

Copy of representations made:

In reaching this decision the Authority took into account any written consultations made under Section 11(1) of the Land Planning and Development (General Provisions) Ordinance, 2007 ('the Ordinance'). A copy of any consultation responses made under section 11 will be included with this decision in accordance with section 19 of the Ordinance.

Other Remarks:

Please note that any work which abuts or affects the public highway requires prior approval by Traffic and Highway Services. Please contact Traffic & Highway Services (highways@gov.gg) for further advice. You must also ensure that any access/es to the development are constructed to meet the existing road/footway levels in accordance with their requirements.

This document is not a Building Licence and confers no approval under the Building Regulations.

A separate Building Control Licence may be required and it is the responsibility of the developer to ensure that ALL necessary consents are obtained and that any pre-commencement conditions are discharged prior to development being commenced.

A J ROWLES
Director of Planning
Planning Service

States of Guernsey
Planning Service

PLANNING APPLICATION REPORT

Application No:	FULL/2025/0761
Property Ref:	C018680000
Valid date:	07/05/2025
Location:	L'Ancresse Common Mont Cuet Road Vale Guernsey
Proposal:	Install secondary substation with GRP enclosure.
Applicant:	Guernsey Electricity Ltd

RECOMMENDATION - Grant: Planning Permission with Conditions:

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Reason - The premises are close to residential property and a limit on the use is needed to prevent a nuisance or annoyance to nearby residents.

OFFICER'S REPORT

Brief Description of the site:

The site for the secondary electrical substation is to be south west of the existing substation, itself just to the southwest of the entrance to the golf club house, west of La Jaonneuse Road, close to L'Ancresse Common. The site is located Outside of the Centres as defined in the Island Development Plan. The land across the path to the south-east is designated as a Site of Special Significance.

Relevant History:

There is no relevant history pertaining to this application.

Existing Use(s):

Scrub land close to L'Ancresse Common.

Assessment: *(Tick as appropriate)*

no representation	✓	visual amenity acceptable	✓
accords with policy	✓	no material neighbour impact	✓
within curtilage	✓	traffic not affected	✓
design acceptable	✓		

Policies considered most relevant:

GP1: Landscape Character and Open Land
GP8: Design
GP9: Sustainable Development
IP11: Small Scale Infrastructure Provision.

Consultations:

The Office for Environmental Health and Pollution Regulation.
04/06/2025

'*I have reviewed the proposed plans for the installation of a new electrical substation with Glass-fibre Reinforced Polyester (GRP) enclosure at the above land parcel. There is currently insufficient information submitted for me to comment fully on this application.*

I am concerned about the proposed location of the substation and its proximity to residential properties. Electrical substations operate at low frequencies, emanating tonal peaks of 100Hz, and I have concerns about the potential for noise from the substation to affect the amenity of those living closest to it.

I would ask that further information is submitted about the acoustic specifications of the substation, including the insulation properties of the GRP enclosure, so that I can assess whether the substation is likely to cause disturbance to residents if located as proposed.'

16/06/2025
'*Whilst I note that the submitted acoustic report relates to a different site, the supporting email confirms that the substation is identical to the installation proposed at the above site. I have therefore been able to use the sound power level detailed in the report to perform an approximate acoustic calculation which suggests that the installation as proposed should not exceed a level 5 dB(A) below the existing background noise level at the nearest noise sensitive property.*

In order to protect the amenity of nearby residents, I therefore recommend that the following condition is attached to any consent granted for this application:

- *Noise associated with plant and machinery incorporated within the development shall be controlled such that the Rating Level, measured or calculated at 1-metre from the façade of the nearest existing noise sensitive premises, shall not exceed a level 5 dB(A) below the existing LA90 background noise level, including low frequency tones. Rating Level and existing background noise levels shall be determined as per the guidance provided in BS 4142:2014+A1:2019*.'

Conclusion/Brief comment:

This application is to install a secondary electrical substation within a GRP enclosure.

The secondary substation will contribute to the maintenance and support of efficient and sustainable infrastructure, in this instance electricity, to the nearby built environment. Environmental Health requested further information to ensure there will be no excessive noise emission from the proposal, and a condition will be added to protect the nearby properties.

The GRP enclosure will be located in an area where the trees and bushes will continue to grow around and will in the future help to screen the enclosure. There is a footpath which passes by the area to ensure good access.

As a necessary part of the electrical infrastructure the secondary substation is not considered to have any detrimental impacts on the character and appearance of the surrounding open landscape, nor will it have any adverse effects on neighbour amenity.

The installation would not result in significant impacts on the adjacent Site of Special Significance.

Confirmation has been received that the development proposed has been designed to take into account matters of energy efficiency and current Building Regulations in accordance with Policy GP9.

The proposals are considered to conform to the above policies of the Island Development Plan and grant of permission is recommended, subject to conditions.

All material considerations as set out in the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005 and the Land Planning and Development (General Provisions) Ordinance, 2007 have been taken into account in the assessment of this application.

Recommendation:
Grant with Conditions ☑

Date: 17/06/2025