

6 CONSULTATION

6.1 Overview

- 6.1.1 This Chapter of the Environmental Statement (ES) provides an overview of the consultation undertaken in respect of the EIA and the wider hybrid planning application.
- 6.1.2 Consultation on the Proposed Development commenced with submission of a request for pre-application advice to Cardiff Council regarding the hybrid planning application in May 2021.
- 6.1.3 The Scoping Report (Appendix 5.1) formed the basis of a request for a formal Scoping Opinion from Cardiff Council, seeking agreement on the proposed scope of the EIA in June 2021.
- 6.1.4 The Joint Applicant has a Planning Performance Agreement (PPA) in place with Cardiff Council. The PPA has provided an opportunity for improved communication between the Joint Applicant and the Council as work has progressed towards the submission of the hybrid planning application. As part of the PPA, the Joint Applicant has sought further technical consultation with relevant Council officers, as appropriate, in relation to the proposed scope of the EIA to ensure the assessment work being undertaken was considered robust.
- 6.1.5 The Joint Applicant has also undertaken consultation with the public via a series of community consultation events, held as webinar sessions due to COVID-19 restrictions. These presentations have covered the topics of the Atlantic Wharf, Butetown Masterplan, Cardiff Arena and Hotel design, and operating the Arena.
- 6.1.6 The Joint Applicant has also created a scheme-specific website (www.atlanticwharfcardsiff.co.uk). This has been used as a tool to communicate the illustrative masterplan proposals and has also included a questionnaire for visitors to complete. To date the site has received over 9,700 hits and 827 completed questionnaires have been returned. The data from these completed questionnaires has been taken into account during the design development process.
- 6.1.7 Prior to submission of the hybrid planning application, and as set out for projects comprising ‘major development’ in the Planning (Wales) Act 2015, a statutory pre-application consultation (PAC) will be undertaken, for a period of 28 days. The PAC will

be informed by the documentation produced for the hybrid planning application submission, including this Environmental Statement.

6.1.8 Details of all consultations undertaken with regard to the EIA are reported in the relevant technical chapters of the ES. Table 6.1 provides a summary of the consultation to date relevant to the EIA more generally.

Table 6.1: Summary of Consultation Undertaken to Date			
Organisation	Individual(s)	Meeting Date and other forms of Consultation	Summary of Outcome of Discussion
Cardiff Council	Justin Jones, Principal Planning Officer	13 th May 2021 via Teams	Scheduled weekly meeting to discuss the Proposed Development and provide progress updates regarding the Scoping Report and EIA.
		20 th May 2021 via Teams	
		27 th May 2021 via Teams	
		3 rd June 2021 via Teams	
		10 th June 2021 via Teams	
		17 th June 2021 via email	Formal request for a Scoping Opinion issued via email with submission of an EIA Scoping Report.
		17 th June 2021 via Teams	Scheduled weekly meeting to discuss the Proposed Development, the scope of the Environmental Impact Assessment, and provide progress updates regarding the EIA technical assessment work.
		7 th July 2021 via Teams	
		15 th July 2021 via Teams	
		29 th July 2021 via Teams	