

## Reinforcement to North Shropshire Electricity Distribution Network: 132,000 Volt wood pole overhead line from Oswestry to Wem

### Statutory consultation on our plans for supporting local growth in North Shropshire

SP Manweb Plc is consulting on plans for a new 132,000 Volt electrical circuit between Oswestry and Wem. The proposed development includes:

- a 1.2 kilometre underground cable between Oswestry substation and Round Wood;
- approximately 21 kilometres of overhead wood pole Trident line between Round Wood and Wem;
- temporary works to enable construction, including laydown areas and access tracks; and
- other associated construction works, including putting short sections of existing lower voltage overhead lines underground.

When providing your comments, the more detailed you can be, including referencing specific locations, the more helpful this is in developing our proposals.

It is a statutory consultation as required by the Planning Act 2008. This is likely to be to be our last consultation on the whole of the proposed development before we submit our application for development consent to the Secretary of State (via the Planning Inspectorate), so it's really important you take part and have your say.

#### In providing your comments, you may find it useful to:

- Visit our website at [www.spenergynetworks.co.uk/north\\_shropshire](http://www.spenergynetworks.co.uk/north_shropshire)
- Read **Project Update Four – Winter 2017/18**
- Look at **technical documents and detailed maps** showing the Preferred Line Route and associated development, and our work carried out at earlier stages

**Our consultation is open between 23 November 2017 and 2 February 2018. Please provide your comments by this date.**

### About you

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If you require more space, please use additional paper and make it clear which question you are answering.

**Question 1:** We are proposing an underground cable between Oswestry substation and Round Wood and an overhead wood pole Trident line between Round Wood and Wem substation. Do you have any comments on these plans? For example, any effects on factors such as ecology, cultural heritage or properties, or the location of the wood pole overhead line.

**Question 2:** We've looked carefully at ways of reducing the number of vehicle movements and effects on the local road network during construction. Do you have any comments on our outline construction plan and temporary works?

**Question 3:** We'll need to carry out some associated construction works. For example, we're proposing to put short sections of existing lower voltage lines underground where the proposed wood pole Trident line would be too close to them. We may also have to carry out some vegetation clearance, or similar enabling works, to allow us to construct the proposed development. Do you have any comments on our associated construction works?

**Question 4:** The preferred line route has developed as the result of several stages of work over the last two years, including choosing where to reinforce the network, identifying route corridors and considering line route options. Do you have any comments on our previous work and how the preferred line route has developed?

**Question 5:** Do you have any other comments about the proposed development, our consultation or the information we have made available for this consultation?

### What happens to your feedback?

Following this consultation, we will review the proposed development in light of the feedback we receive to see if there are opportunities to further reduce the effects of our work. When we're satisfied the proposals are ready we will prepare our application for development consent.

The Reinforcement to the North Shropshire Electricity Distribution Network is a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project, so the application will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate. For information on the planning process, please visit:

<https://Infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/>

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