Application Number: F/YR14/0391/F

Minor

Parish/Ward: March North Date Received: 7 May 2014 Expiry Date: 2 July 2014 Applicant: Mr B Skoulding

Proposal: Installation of electricity sub station

Location: 2 Foundry Way, March

Site Area: 29 sq. metres

Reason before Committee: This application is before committee given a

Member Interest in the land.

### 1.0. PLANNING POLICIES

## 1.1 National Planning Policy Framework:

Para 11 – Applications must be determined in accordance with the development plan unless other material considerations indicate otherwise Para 56. - Good design

1.2 Fenland Local Plan:

LP1 – A presumption in favour of sustainable development

LP6 - Employment, Tourism, Community Facilities and Retail

LP16 - Delivering and Protecting High Quality Environments across the District

## 3. HISTORY

None relevant

### 4. **CONSULTATIONS**

- 4.1 **Parish/Town Council**: Recommend Approval
- 4.2 Local Highway Authority (CCC): Not yet received
- 4.3 *Middle Level Commissioners:* Noted that they will be commenting
- 4.9 Local Residents: None received

#### 5. SITE DESCRIPTION

5.1 The site comprises a small area within the established site boundaries of No 2 Foundry Way an industrial building. It lies immediately to the rear of the existing industrial building and is screened to the east and north by established landscaping. Foundry Way is a small complex of industrial buildings. There is a vacant plot immediately to the south of No 2 which has extant planning consent for a wind turbine.

### 6. PLANNING ASSESSMENT

# 6.1 Nature of Application

This application seeks full planning permission for the installation of an electricity substation with overall dimensions of 3.6 metres wide by 8.0 metres long with an overall height of 2.75 metres. This is a replacement substation in with the same positioning albeit increased in size marginally. It will be constructed of brick to match the industrial unit with an mastic asphalt flat roof.

The proposal is entirely contained on an area of existing hard-standing it represents no issues in terms of design or amenity and is well screened to all aspects. Accordingly it is in compliance with the FLP policies and the NPPF and may be favourably recommended.

### 7. CONCLUSION

7.1 This replacement electricity substation has no implications in amenity terms and is of an appropriate nature and scale accordingly it is policy compliant with both the NPPF and the Fenland Local Plan

### 8. RECOMMENDATION

# **GRANT**

1 The development permitted shall be begun before the expiration of 3 years from the date of this permission.

Reason - To ensure compliance with Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

2 Approved Plans



