

FOI request - Reference: FOI-414955544
Title: BP Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub

Your request:

In mid March 2022, the Council announced to progress the longer planned Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub in the form of a joint venture between itself and BP with the name bp Aberdeen Hydrogen Energy Limited. In October 2021, BP had already been identified as the preferred bidder for realising Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub in cooperation with the Council.

1) The basis of the initiation of the Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub was a study commissioned by ACC, ONE, and Scottish Enterprise in 2019. Only the executive summary is available online. I would like to have a copy of the full study "Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub: vision and business case for establishing scalable renewable hydrogen supplies in the city" as delivered by ElementEnergy.

2) In 2021, ACC commissioned another feasibility study "Hydrogen for District Heat Networks". Based on the information on Public Contracts Scotland, this study was to be delivered by 1 September 2021 (https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/show/search_view.aspx?ID=APR412878). I would like to have a copy of the feasibility study as delivered to ACC.

3) In December 2020, ACC published a prior information notice (PIN) with the title "Discovering options for the Establishment of Special Purpose Vehicle for the Production, Supply and Distribution of Renewable Hydrogen to Aberdeen". As part of this notification, ACC invited expressions of interest, sent out notification of initial positions. I would like to have a copy of the submitted responses and the notifications sent out by ACC.

3) The contract award notice for the Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub on Public Contracts Scotland states that ACC eventually received 2 tenders for the Strategic Partnership.

3.1) Could you please provide me with a list of organisations that have originally submitted a bid for the partnership with an indication of which organisations have been further considered as shortlisted bidders.

3.2) I would like to have copies of the documents that have been submitted by the two tenders to ACC or have been subsequently agreed with ACC. This shall particularly include

3.2.1) the Shareholders Agreement between the Council and the successful Bidder

3.2.2) the Business Plan of both

3.2.3) the Community Benefits Objectives Plan of both

3.2.4) the Hydrogen Supply Framework Agreement of both

4) The "Initial Descriptive Document Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub Strategic Partnership" entails references to further feasibility studies that are not accessible online. I would like to receive copies of those. These include:

4.1) A study by Fichtner on "Potential Land for Newbuild Production Facility & Distribution Infrastructure"

4.2) The full original feasibility study of the NESS Solar Farm as delivered in 2017 by ITP Energised and the updated version as "made available to shortlisted Bidders".

Date of request:

12/04/2022

Any attached files:

No

