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PROPOSED POWER STATION MUST MAXIMISE EFFICIENCY AND ADDRESS LOCAL CONCERNS

The proposed new power station at the South Hook LNG terminal should only be permitted if it meets strict criteria relating to efficiency, environmental protection and local concerns about noise, according to Pembrokeshire Friends of the Earth.

Gordon James of Pembrokeshire Friends of the Earth said:

"The proposed new power station at the South Hook LNG terminal should only be permitted if it productively uses all the waste heat it produces. As well as using this heat to re-gasify the very cold Liquefied Natural Gas on the tankers, we would like to see any surplus waste heat used to provide affordable heating to local homes and businesses. This would help to cut fuel bills and carbon emissions, and create more jobs.

"It is important that local complaints about noise and pollution are fully investigated and addressed before any further developments are allowed in this area, and that no further harm is caused to Pembrokeshire's vitally important marine environment.

"Gas has a role to play in our shift to a low carbon economy but only if it is burnt as efficiently as possible."

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