

Conesby Data Centre Campus

CGI of proposed Conesby Data Centre Campus

A proposed data centre campus off Normanby Road, Scunthorpe, North Lincolnshire

Rivington Energy is developing an AI data centre campus off Normanby Road, Scunthorpe. The project known as 'Conesby Data Centre Campus' will comprise state of the art data centres that will be partly energised by a purpose built, on-site, solar farm. The clean, green energy generated, will support a cost-effective and resilient energy supply to the data centres.

Rivington Energy will submit the planning application for Conesby Data Centre Campus, incorporating both the data centres and the solar element, to North Lincolnshire Council. Ahead of submission, Rivington Energy is undertaking a 6-week consultation process to inform local communities of our proposed plans and invite any feedback.

More information on the project, our plans and how you can consult with us is provided on our website at: conesbydatacentre.co.uk

Public consultation event

Tuesday 12th May 2026, 3pm to 7.30pm at Central Community Centre, 26 Lindum St, Scunthorpe DN15 6QU.

If you are unable to attend the consultation event, please feel free to contact us directly for further information about the project.

Have your say

Please provide any comments you have on the proposal either via the project website, or by email or post using the details provided below. Comments provided by the local community will be taken into consideration and incorporated into the scheme, where appropriate, for the formal planning application. The consultation period is open from week commencing 20th April 2026 through to the 31st May 2026, however we welcome and will consider comments right up until the application is submitted.

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Timeline

Stage 1

Site selection:
Spring 2025

Stage 2

Pre-application:
Summer/Autumn 2025

Stage 3

Preliminary surveys:
Spring 2026

Stage 4

Community consultation:
Spring 2026

Stage 5

Planning submission:
Summer 2026

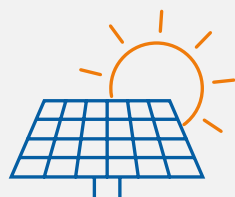
Stage 6

Construction: 2027

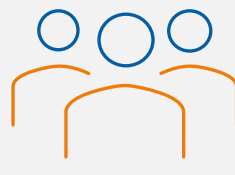
All dates are indicative



Data Centres within a dedicated campus



Associated solar farm up to 33MW



400-600 jobs during construction



Not to scale. Plan for illustrative purposes only.



The proposed site

The Conesby Data Centre Campus site lies on the northern edge of Scunthorpe covering approximately 20 acres. The planned adjacent solar farm will sit on around 80 acres.

The data centre buildings will be approximately 26 metres in height and individually will have a footprint of approximately 12,500m² including plant gantries and ancillary buildings.

The Campus will benefit from professional Landscaping Plan and a Biodiversity Net Gain Plan. Both will ensure there is a significant uplift to biodiversity on site. The state-of-the-art DC's have been designed with closed loop cooling systems which, once operational, have minimal water requirements. Our plans are still in the development stages, so our design proposals will evolve as we gather local input and the results of our environmental assessments.



circa
£2.6 million in
business rates
annually

Supply chain
opportunities for
local businesses



Supporting North Lincolnshire

The Conesby Data Centre Campus aligns with the vision for the Northern Lincolnshire AI Growth Zone - a major infrastructure initiative aimed at turning the area into a leading hub for artificial intelligence (AI) and data centre capacity creating jobs and inward investment. Once constructed the Conesby Data Centre Campus will equate to an investment of over £2 billion.

Over the construction period, which will last between nine months and a year for the data centre element, it is anticipated 400-600 direct jobs will be created with a peak on-site workforce of approximately 125 workers. Local businesses in North Lincolnshire and the broader region will be well placed to tender for supply chain opportunities, including opportunities such as supplying steel for the construction of the data centres.

Once operational, the project is expected to create around 20-30 full-time, long-term jobs with average salaries exceeding the national average. These will include technical positions in electrical and mechanical engineering, alongside support roles such as facilities management, security, catering, cleaning, and landscaping. Once established the on-site team will work with local schools, colleges and universities, to deliver career talks and STEM presentations with a focus on skills and education.

The Campus will also contribute over £2.6 million annually in business rates to support local services.

The project also aligns with North Lincolnshire Council's 'Green Future' strategy with the solar element supporting the area's ambition to increase investment in renewable energy production, transformation, and distribution and accelerate deployment of clean energy sources to diversify supply and improve affordability.

FAQ's

What are data centres?

Data centres are the backbone of the digital world. They store, process, and distribute data for everything from websites and apps to cloud services and AI systems. They can house vast amounts of digital information – documents, videos, databases, backups, and more and are used by businesses, governments, and individuals to keep data secure and accessible.

What will be inside the data centre?

The data centre is a highly organised and secure environment designed to support digital infrastructure. The main components of a data centre can include servers, storage systems, networking equipment, cooling systems, power supply systems, security systems and monitoring and control equipment.

How long will construction take?

Construction is expected to take in the region of 9 to 12 months from start to finish including energisation and landscaping.

Will there be a lot of construction traffic?

There will be some traffic movements as components are brought to the site. A Construction Traffic Management Plan will be submitted with the planning application.

Are data centres noisy?

Data centres do produce some noise however this is usually well-contained due to soundproofing and building design and no more than normal background levels of sound similar to wind or distant traffic beyond the site boundary.

Will the data centre put pressure on local water networks?

The facility will have a closed-loop cooling system which means it will not put strain on local water networks.



About us

Our award-winning team design and co-develop data centres alongside renewable and industrial power assets, ensuring cost-effective, resilient, and scalable energy supply. To date we have delivered circa 1.25GW of successfully consented projects.

Find out more at

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