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Dear Sir/Madam,

Eastern Green Link 1 – Park and Ride Facility

We are writing from Eastern Green Link 1 (EGL1), a two-gigawatt high voltage direct current link, to be built between East Lothian and Hawthorn Pit in County Durham. Works to construct EGL1 started in March 2025, with the link expected to be fully operational by 2029.

As part of the project, EGL1 contractor METLEN is constructing a Park and Ride Facility, located on vacant development land within Dunbar Business Park.

We are writing to provide an update on this facility, which received planning approval from the East Lothian Council Planning Committee in June 2026, and to let you know what to expect when construction works on the Park and Ride facility site begin.

Subject to factors outside our control, construction of the facility is expected to commence in the coming weeks and take around three months to complete.

Where the works will take place

The Park and Ride facility will be constructed within Dunbar Business Park, to the east of Dunbar Garden Centre and adjacent to the East Coast Mainline. A map is included overleaf.

Once complete, the facility will be in use for three years and provide 261 parking spaces for construction workers who will travel by bus to and from METLEN's converter station construction site at Oxwellmains.

The transport routes for the vehicle travel associated with the facility, once it is in use, have been agreed through consultation with East Lothian Council and engagement with local community representatives.

What to expect during construction

During the works, there will be:

- Construction vehicles entering the site via the A1-Spott Road-industrial estate access and vice versa;
- Plant and other construction machinery operating within the site;
- Temporary welfare facilities within the site for construction workers; and
- Tower lighting, which will only be used if required during working hours.

Activities on the Park and Ride site will generally take place between 7.30am and 5pm, Monday to Friday. Towards the end of the construction period, there may be a requirement for limited Saturday working.

There will inevitably be some noise associated with the construction works. We will take reasonable steps to minimise noise, light pollution, and other potential disruption wherever possible and will seek to carry out the works in a considerate manner.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

If you have any questions, please contact our project email address at contact@easterngreenlink1.co.uk

Yours sincerely,
EGL1 Community Relations Team

Park and Ride Site Map

