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Executive Summary

NR should consider connecting into the proposed King's Cross Central district heating scheme if a significant reduction in CO_2 footprint for the two sites can be obtained and the operational risks are acceptable.

Due to the uncertainly relating to the provision of a district heating scheme associated with KX Central development NR would need to install boilers as part of the concourse scheme.

Whilst the decision is being made regarding the availability of a district heating scheme the design of the KX Western Concourse can incorporate provisions for connections at some time in the future.

1 GENERAL

As part of the ongoing discussions concerning the planning application for the Western Concourse Development comprising the concourse, retail provision and western range office Arup have been commissioned to reappraise the provision of heating, cooling and power to the development.

2 PREDICTED MAXIMUM DEMAND

The loads quoted below have been derived from Stage D Report reference 197 and identify the following maximum demands.

Building/Area	Power	Heat	Cooling	Standby	
		KW	ĸw	KW	Power
					KW
Concourse	(area)				
NR	5525				
RETAIL	2271				
RESTAURANT	471	1800	2050	1900	489.6
PUB	415				
Western Range	3827				
KX Station	-	579	0	0	
Suburban Station	-	77	0	0	Fed from Eastern
Eastern Range*	3100	608	650	450	Range development

*Details are derived from ongoing Grip 5 design activities.

For the purposes of this report Eastern Range loads have been excluded from this energy appraisal however if a CHP energy source was readily available and acceptable to NR then it would be sensible to include this load within the final analysis, although the feasibility of this would need to be assessed.

3 ASSUMPTIONS

At this stage of the proposed development the details of the CHP system intended to be provided on the King's Cross Central site is not known and as such the following assumptions have been applied.

- Heat is readily available to suit NR maximum load
- Heating flow and return temperatures are 110°C and 70°C respectively
- The redevelopment of King's Cross Central occurs within 5 years of the NR Concourse Development
- Chilled water is not available from KX Central to serve the NR Concourse
 Development
- Standby power may be available from KX Central to secure the emergency power needs for the NR Concourse Development
- Standby power to the Suburban Train shed and the Mainline Train shed is derived from the Eastern Range Development
- The existing service trench through the share service yard is full
- The KX Concourse base loads are
 - o HEAT 100KW
 - COOLING 100KW
 - ELECTRICAL 200KW
- The KX Concourse principle operating hours are 05.00hrs to 01.00hrs 7 days a week
- The KX Concourse development would receive listed building consent.

4 ENERGY DEMAND

The predicted annual energy consumption identified below has been derived using the data contained in Arup Energy Statement Reference 197 and application of various assumptions detailed in Section 3.

System Description	Predicted CO2 generated byKXC to serve NR	Predicted CO ₂ generated on NR site	Predicted CO ₂ generated on both sites to serve NR	
	KX Central	KX Concourse	Combined Sites	
	CO₂/year tonne	CO₂/year tonne	CO ₂ /year tonne	
Baseline (Benchmark) Grid +Gas	0	1470	1470	
Baseline with energy savings applied Grid + Gas	0	1075	1075	
Baseline with energy savings applied Grid + Biomass	0	944	944	
District Heating Baseline with energy savings applied Grid + Biomass	26	919	946	
Baseload CHP plus Grid + Gas (serving Central) with NR Grid + Gas	0	1075	1075	
Baseload CHP (NR+ Central) plus Grid + Gas (serving heat to Central and NR) with NR Grid	90	919	1009	
Baseload CHP plus Grid + Biomass (serving Central) with NR Grid + Gas	0	1075	1075	
Baseload CHP (NR+ Central) plus Grid + Biomass (serving heat to Central and NR) with NR Grid	77	919	997	
Notes 1) The predicted CO ₂ emissions have been based on assumptions contained in Section 3 and energy usage outlined in Arup Energy Statement.				
2) The results are for comparison purposes and will be subject to confirmation from the KX Central developer relating to equipment selctions.				
3) The emission factors are based on P	art L codes.			

5 ENERGY APPRAISAL

Based on the calculation tabulated in section 4 the following observation can be ascertained.

- The use of a remote heat source should be considered if the energy source generates energy at a lower CO₂ intensity
- As biomass fuelled boilers cannot reasonably be sited within the NR development if KX Central provide biomass heating then it would prove beneficial to receive heat from this source in terms of the reduced carbon emissions from the combined developments

6 CONNECTIVITY

Unfortunately the precise location of the KX Central energy centre is not known and as such, it is assumed that it will be sited adjacent to the proposed share service yard.

From the maximum demand schedule contained in Section 2 we have calculated the following pipe size connections for various systems and operating parameters.

Service	Pipe/Cable Size	Installation Space	ACCESS REQUIRED
Medium Temperature Hot Water	150 dia	1000mm x 500mm	TOP or BELOW
Low Temperature Hot Water (Optional)	200 dia	1100mm x 550mm	TOP or BELOW
Chilled Water (Optional)	250 dia	1200mm x 600mm	TOP or BELOW
Power	FEEDER BUS BAR 300 x 250	600mm x 350mm	TOP & SIDES

Due to the services congestion in the shared service yard it is anticipated that both the pipe work and power connections will need to be routed outside this area.

From an initial review an overhead gantry sited above the roof of the suburban train shed has been identified as a possible route although this would be subject to NR approval from the asset engineers. Although spatial allowances for chilled water has been detailed it is not known whether surplus cooling would be available. As such we have excluded this provision in the overall energy appraisal.

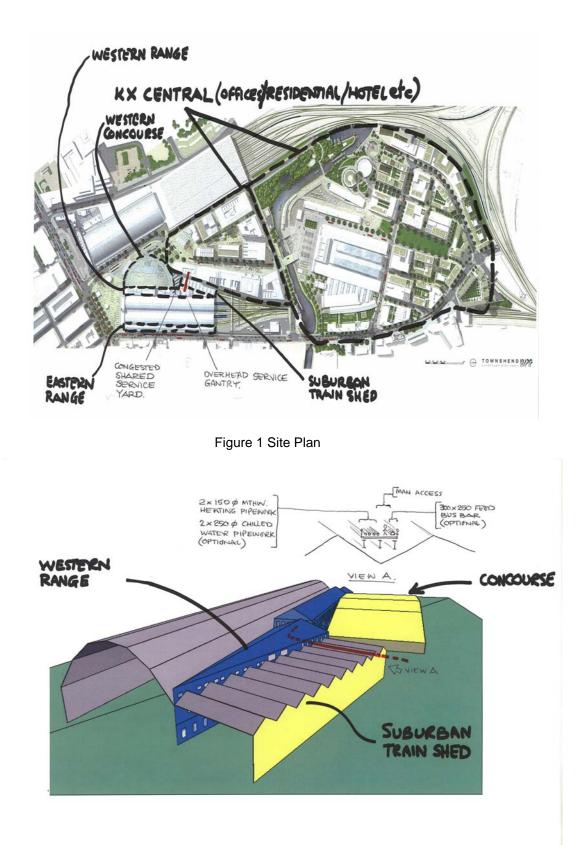


Figure 2 Routing Isometrics

7 PLANT ROOM REQUIREMENTS

Applying the maximum heat loads identified in Section 2 with a MTHW district heating feed from KX Central we would estimate that a dedicated plant room of approximately 70 to 90m² would be required to accommodate heat exchanges and associated controls equipment. Space and location requirements will be assessed at subsequent design stages.

8 OBSERVATIONS

Boilers would need to be fitted into the KX Concourse development to allow the station and concourse to operate immediately. The design life of the boilers is 20/25 years and therefore connection to KXC before they were life expired would not be cost effective.

9 CONCLUSION

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