



OIKOS MARINE & SOUTH SIDE DEVELOPMENT

Some background

What is the Oikos facility?

The Oikos facility on Canvey Island is an existing nationally significant bulk liquid, oil and fuel import, storage and distribution harbour facility. A facility has been operating on the site since 1936, a period of more than 80 years.

All of the operational development which will be carried out as part of the OMSSD project will be within the boundary of the existing facility. Namely on two of the jetties and on the southern landside part of the port estate.

What happens at the Oikos facility?

The Oikos Terminal is an operational harbour facility which imports, stores and distributes various fuel and bulk liquid products - including aviation fuel to major airports including Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted.

Products arrive at the facility by ship. Currently, onward distribution of products from the site mainly takes place via underground fuel distribution pipelines, although some onward distribution also takes place via road tankers.



Why is the Oikos facility important?

For various reasons, the UK now requires more fuel products than it can produce. As a result, the country relies upon the import of fuel products from other countries.

Facilities such as the Oikos Terminal are needed to maintain the security of the UK fuel supply and as such, the Oikos facility makes a significant contribution to the provision of a reliable – and vital – fuel supply across the country.

In addition to its established connections to the national fuel pipelines, the Oikos facility benefits from direct access to the deep-water channel of the River Thames and is also well-served by the existing good links to the strategic road network via the A130, the A13 and M25.

