

Worlington Parish Council would like to speak at the hearing.

General – the developer has provided insufficient information on many areas to allow a proper evaluation of the impact this includes Sunnica's recent submission to alter the grid connection.

We also feel that the announced scheduled timetable will be hard to adhere to as our parish do not hold Meetings in August and ask if there is a possibility that the dates could be pushed back.

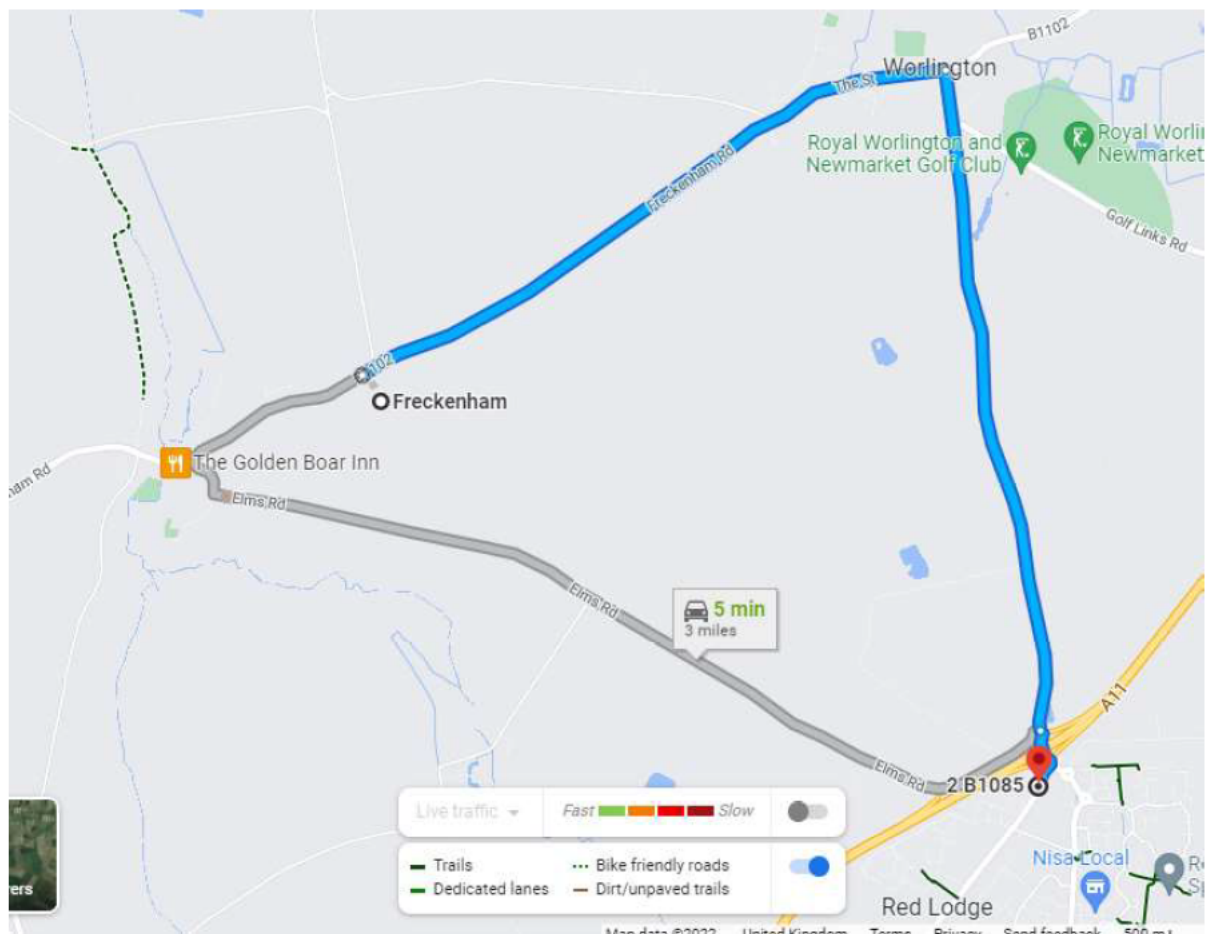
The below points are what we would like to discuss in further detail if at all possible. Though we would also like it noted that we are part of the Parish Alliance and are also in full support of the action group.

- Traffic disruption; the 2-3 years of construction, will present safety issues for residents. Worlington is divided by a village road with no crossings at any point. The Sunnica scheme will create around 1682 staff vehicle journeys and 202 HGV journeys daily, for 6 days a week. There is also concern of staff parking.
- Historic and listed buildings; Due to installation and traffic movements, there is concern for our historical/ listed buildings in Worlington including but not exclusively the war memorial and 59 The Street.
- Connection to other villages disrupted during the 2-3 years of construction, road closures and temporary traffic lights.
- Ongoing noise and dust pollution both during construction and when in use.
- Possible run off pollution to chalk streams both during and after construction.
- Loss of farm land, Loss of food security, loss of employment in the farming industry.
- Village & Farming heritage destroyed changing a centuries old farming community into an industrial area.
- No obvious community benefits despite the well-being of residents put at risk.
- Yet to be established if it is carbon neutral. Sunnica claim the site will be carbon neutral in 2-3 years after operation begins, yet there is little evidence to this and will be disputed.
- Green spaces and recreational areas being taken away including Green Lane Drove (U6006). Green lane is part of the ancient and historic Icknield Way. Lined with ancient trees and hedgerows. Despite its history, no archaeological survey appears to have been undertaken along this route.
- Flora and fauna Significant disruption to wildlife, potential loss / displacement of rare and protected species.
- Visual impact this scheme is too large and too spread out. Out of the four routes that enter/exit Worlington, 3 will be effected visually by this scheme. For our residents this will impact them daily. Sunnica's plans for mitigation is inadequate
- Decommissioning Sunnica are yet to provide any reassurance the area will be fully decommissioned.
- Battery safety risk to residents from toxic fumes as current legislation regarding batteries are insufficient for such large scale battery installations, Worlington is 'sandwiched' in close proximity to 2 of the large BESS compounds. Sunnica are yet to provide sufficient details so this risk is unquantifiable.
- Misrepresentation documents and maps are very misleading in size and scale. Inadequate consultation with residents during statutory consultation and lack of reply to emailed questions. This scheme has a 40 year life expectancy, which is far longer than the expected life expectancy of a solar farm. BESS expectancy's less.

Contact details for the parish: [REDACTED]

I would like to add my personal email as well as communication through this is a little problematic at this time. Cllr Paula Mackenzie (Maddie) [REDACTED] due to these complications I am writing this under my own personal unique number as I am not able to access Our parish one at present. 20030916 or 20030753 [REDACTED]

The highlighted route shown is what we would suggest for part of the site visit.

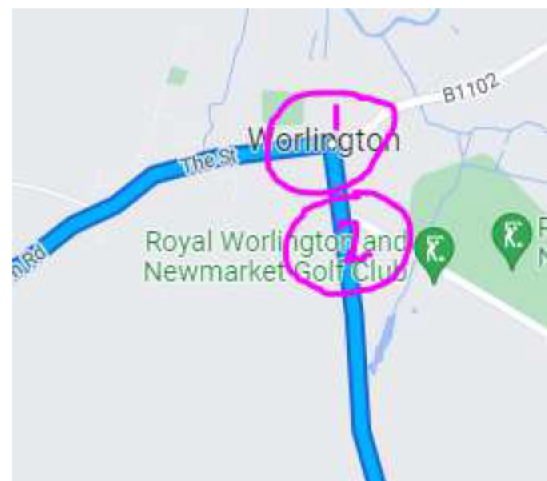


Freckenham

- ↑ Head north-east on Mildenhall Rd/B1102 towards Isleham Rd
Continue to follow B1102
1.6 mi
- ↘ Turn right onto Newmarket Rd
1.6 mi
- ↻ At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto Newmarket Rd/B1085
400 ft
- ↻ At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit and stay on Newmarket Rd/B1085
436 ft

2 B1085

Red Lodge, Bury Saint Edmunds IP28 8GH



1= No 59 -, historic building, this is a tight corner and not suitable for the proposed use. Turning lorries will put this building at risk

2 on the left is golf links road and opposite is the green lane track, both are unsuitable for proposed use. Green lane is a historical track. Green Lane Drove (U6006)

This route in a whole will give you an idea of the impact this development will have on our small village.