

Application by Photovolt Development Partners (PVDP) on behalf of SolarFive Limited for an order granting development consent for Botley West Solar Farm

Agenda for open floor hearing (OFH):

Hearing	Date and Time	Location
Open Floor Hearing 2 (OFH2)	Wednesday 14 May 2025 Hearing Starts at 10:00am Registration and seating available at venue from 9:00am and virtual Registration Process from 9:30am	The King's Centre, Osney Mead, Oxford, OX2 0ES and By virtual means using Microsoft Teams Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered

1. Welcome, introductions, arrangements for the Hearing

2. Purpose of the Open Floor Hearing

3. Representations by Interested Parties

4. ExA's closing remarks

Purpose of OFH2

The main purpose of the Open Floor Hearing is to provide an opportunity for parties to put their views forward verbally to the Examining Authority. Oral representations should provide further detail and explanation of matters previously made in written submissions and not simply repeat matters already covered.

Attendees

Each Interested Party (IP) who has indicated a wish to speak will be invited in turn by the ExA to speak. Following each submission, the ExA may wish to ask the speaker questions.

The IPs who have registered to speak will be given five minutes within which to set out their case, after which the ExA may ask questions or seek clarifications. The calling/ running order for the Hearing is set out in **Annex A**, with some indicative timings to aid understanding.

The Applicant will be invited to respond to all of the points raised by the attendees at the end of the public speaking session in agenda item 3, though reserve the right to respond in writing by the next available deadline in the Examination timetable.

Registration Process

Parties who have registered to speak (both in person and virtually) will receive a Joining Instruction email shortly before the Hearing which will include a link to the virtual event on Microsoft Teams, and a telephone number should they need to participate by telephone. To enable the Hearing to start on time at **10:00am** those attending virtually should join promptly at **9:30am**. This will ensure that all virtual attendees can complete the registration process in good time.

Procedure at OFH2

Guidance under the Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 provides that it is for the ExA to probe, test and assess the evidence through direct questions of persons making oral representations at Hearings. Questioning at the Hearing will be led by the ExA. Cross questioning of a person giving evidence by another person will only be permitted if the ExA decides it is necessary to ensure representations are adequately tested or that an IP has had a fair chance to put its case.

Annex A – Hearing Running Order

Order	Name of Speaker	Indicative time speaker likely to speak*
1	ExA – Introductions, Agenda Items 1 and 2	10:00
2	Hanborough Parish Council	
3	BWSF Community Benefits Steering Group	
4	Cherwell Collective	10:30
5	CPRE - Oxfordshire	
6	ICOMOS-UK Cultural Landscapes and Historic Gardens Committee	
7	Low Carbon Hub IPS Ltd	11:00
8	Oxford Aviation Services	
9	David Sherratt	
10	BREAK	11:30
11	Harry St John	11:40
12	Jonathan Ford	
13	Karen Squibb-Williams - Dustin Dryden	12:00
14	Karen Squibb-Williams - John Wynne	
15	Miles Truly	
16	Richard Devereaux Cooke	12:30
17	Roderick Cooke	
18	Rosemary Lewis	
19	Stan Rosenberg	13:00
20	Steven Jenkins	13:10
21	LUNCH	13:20
23	Applicant's opportunity for oral responses to OFH submissions	14:10
24	Close of Event	14:30

* timings may differ depending on availability, ExA questions and other factors. Each speaker will have five minutes in which to present their case. You are advised to attend earlier than your advertised slot in case the pace of discussion has moved timings forward.