

13 July 2026

Dear Planning Inspectorate,

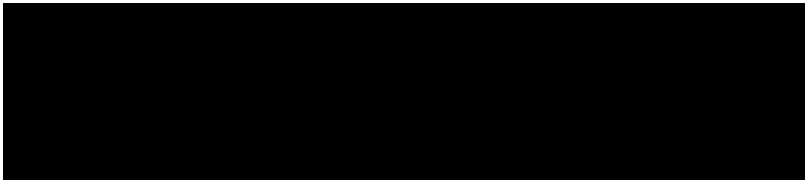
Our house directly overlooks the proposed southern section of the Botley West Solar Farm.

We wish to highlight that:

- To date, the Applicant has never contacted us or, to our knowledge, visited our property (beyond the end of its long driveway) to discuss or assess residential visual amenity.
- The existing Residential Visual Amenity Assessment submitted by the Applicant is demonstrably untrue and grossly misrepresents factual reality in respect of our property.
- The Applicant states that the visual impact on our property will be "low / minor / not significant" and that the proposed development "would not form a prominent feature in the view".
- Our property enjoys sweeping, elevated views across the whole of the proposed southern section of the project, both from the garden and all floors of the house.
- The elevated views our property enjoys are not limited to "upper floor windows" as the Applicant erroneously asserts in its submission (without any evidence).
- The proposed development would not be screened from view from our property by any contiguous mature vegetation.
- The proposed development would have a materially adverse impact on the visual amenity of our property.
- The Applicant has proposed no relevant mitigations which would change this.

We attach photos which clearly demonstrate the extensive adverse impact the development would have on the visual amenity of our family home, for decades to come.

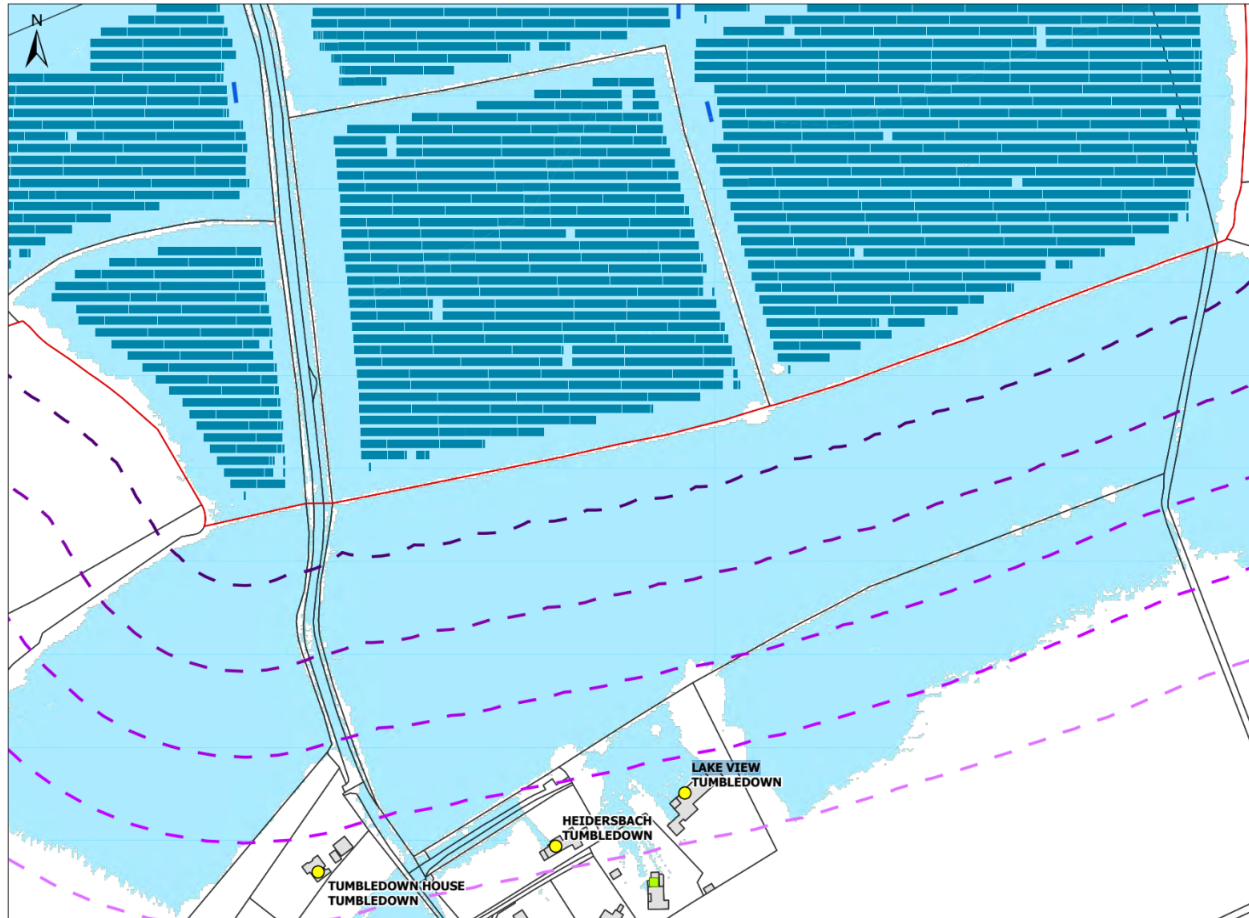
Thank you for considering our comments,



Edward & Sophie du Boulay

Attachment 1: Plan showing “zone of theoretical visibility”

This diagram was submitted by the Applicant itself,¹ and shows the “zone of theoretical visibility” in light blue - we can confirm that such visibility is “actual” not “theoretical”:



¹ Extract from “17.13 Residential Visual Amenity Assessment - Part 1” (12 November 2025).

Attachment 2: Views from Front Doorstep of Lake View House

These photos were taken in November 2025 from the front doorstep of Lake View House. The areas highlighted in pink are the land forming part of the proposed development area:

