

CORRECTION NOTICE
SPRINGWELL SOLAR FARM ORDER 2026 (S.I. 2026/ No. 419)
SCHEDULE 4 TO THE PLANNING ACT 2008
CORRECTION OF ERRORS IN DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER
DATE: 22 SEPTEMBER 2026

The Secretary of State received a request dated 19 May 2026 on behalf of Springwell Energyfarm Limited (“the Applicant”) for the correction of errors in the Springwell Solar Farm Order (“the Order”), under section 119 of, and Schedule 4 to, the Planning Act 2008.

The Secretary of State has made the following corrections to the Order:

Corrections to the Articles

1. Article 2 (Interpretation) – definition of “Navenby Substation area plan”

“Navenby Substation area plan” means the document of that name identified in the table at Schedule 13 and which is certified by the Secretary of State as the book of reference for the purposes of this Order;

Correction requested by the Applicant: Delete “book of reference” and insert “Navenby Substation area plan” before “for the purposes of this Order”.

Secretary of State’s rationale: Typographical correction to the correct certified document.

2. Article 26 (Acquisition of subsoil only), paragraph (1)

The undertaker may acquire compulsorily so much of, or such rights in, the subsoil of the land referred to in paragraph 21(1) of article 21 (compulsory acquisition of land) as may be required for any purpose for which that land may be acquired under that provision instead of acquiring the whole of the land.

Correction requested by the Applicant: Substitute “21(1)” with “(1)”.

Secretary of State’s rationale: Corrected paragraph referencing pursuant to the Statutory Instrument Practice style guide (5th edition, November 2017).

Corrections to Schedule 1

3. Schedule 1 (Authorised development), paragraph 1, definition of “mounting structure”

“mounting structure” means a frame or rack made of galvanised steel, anodised aluminium or other material designed to support the solar panels and mounted on piles driven into the ground, helical piles or pillars fixed to a concrete foundation;

Correction requested by the Applicant: Replace “panels” with “PV modules”.

Secretary of State’s rationale: Following the amendment of the defined term from “solar panel” to “solar PV module” in the Order, correction made here to the definition of “mounting structure” for consistency.

Corrections to Schedule 2

7. Schedule 2 (Requirements), Requirement 20(2)(e) (Electrical noise)

parameters or requirements that would need to be met by any replacement or modification of the electrical equipment that is the subject of the management plan being submitted for approval under sub-paragraph (1), together with protocols through which the undertaker must:

(i) notify the Ministry of Defence of any replacement or modification of electrical equipment (such notification to provide confirmation that the electrical equipment complies with the approved management plan) using the evidence, methodologies or accredited standards referred to under sub-paragraph 20(2)(c); and

(ii) seek the Ministry of Defence’s prior approval if the undertaker intends to replace electrical equipment that is the subject of the approved management plan and such equipment would not be in accordance with the approved management plan. All submissions for prior approval are to be supported with a relevant assessment(s) using evidence, methodologies or accredited standards referred to under sub-paragraph 20(2)(c).

Correction requested by the Applicant: Replace both references to “20(2)(c)” with “(2)(c)”.

Secretary of State’s rationale: Corrected paragraph referencing pursuant to the Statutory Instrument Practice style guide (5th edition, November 2017).

Corrections to Schedule 15

8. Schedule 15 (Protective Provisions), Part 7 (For the Protection of National Grid Electricity Transmission plc as Electricity Undertaker), paragraph 67(2)(a)

(2) Subject to sub-paragraph (3) or to the extent otherwise agreed in writing between the undertaker and NGET, where the benefit of this Order is transferred or granted to another person under article 37 (consent to transfer the benefit of the Order) –

(a) any agreement of the type mentioned in subparagraph (1) has effect as if it had been made between NGET and the transferee or grantee (as the case may be); and

Correction requested by the Applicant: Replace “subparagraph” with “sub-paragraph”.

Secretary of State's rationale: Corrected paragraph referencing pursuant to the Statutory Instrument Practice style guide (5th edition, November 2017).

9. Schedule 15 (Protective Provisions), Part 7 (For the Protection of National Grid Electricity Transmission plc as Electricity Undertaker), paragraph 81(6)

(a) Works executed under sub-paragraphs (2) or (3) must be executed in accordance with the plan, submitted under sub-paragraph (1) or as relevant sub-paragraph (6), as approved or as amended from time to time by agreement between the undertaker and NGET and in accordance with such reasonable requirements as may be made in accordance with sub-paragraphs (6) or (8) by NGET for the alteration or otherwise for the protection of the apparatus, or for securing access to it, and NGET will be entitled to watch and inspect the execution of those works.

(b) Where NGET requires any protective works to be carried out by itself or by the undertaker (whether of a temporary or permanent nature) such protective works, inclusive of any measures or schemes required and approved as part of the plan approved pursuant to this paragraph, must be carried out to NGET's satisfaction prior to the commencement of any authorised development (or any relevant part thereof) for which protective works are required and NGET must give notice its requirement for such works within 42 days of the date of submission of a plan pursuant to this paragraph (except in an emergency).

(c) If NGET in accordance with sub-paragraphs (6) or (8) and in consequence of the works proposed by the undertaker, reasonably requires the removal of any apparatus and gives written notice to the undertaker of that requirement, paragraphs 67, 68, 75 and 78 to 80 apply as if the removal of the apparatus had been required by the undertaker under paragraph 79(2).

(d) Nothing in this paragraph precludes the undertaker from submitting at any time or from time to time, but in no case less than 56 days before commencing the execution of the specified works, a new plan, instead of the plan previously submitted, and having done so the provisions of this paragraph shall apply to and in respect of the new plan.

(e) The undertaker will not be required to comply with sub-paragraph (1) where it needs to carry out emergency works as defined in the 1991 Act but in that case it must give to NGET notice as soon as is reasonably practicable and a plan of those works and must comply with sub-paragraphs (6), (7) and (8) insofar as is reasonably practicable in the circumstances and comply with sub-paragraph (11) at all times.

(f) (At all times when carrying out any works authorised under the Order, the undertaker must comply with NGET's policies for development near overhead lines EN43-8 and HSE's guidance note 6 "Avoidance of Danger from Overhead Lines". Correction requested by the Applicant: Substitute the paragraph numbers (a)-(f) to sub-paragraph numbers (7)-(12) and deletion of open bracket at the beginning of paragraph (6)(f).

Correction requested by the Applicant: Substitute the paragraph numbers (a)-(f) to sub-paragraph numbers (7)-(12) and deletion of open bracket at the beginning of paragraph (6)(f).

Secretary of State's rationale: Correction of numbering and correction of typographical error.

10. Schedule 15 (Protective Provisions), Part 8 (For the Protection National Grid Electricity Distribution (East Midlands) Plc), paragraph 94(1)

If, in the exercise of the powers conferred by this Order, the undertaker requires that apparatus is relocated or diverted, that apparatus must not be removed under this Part of this Schedule and any right of NGED to maintain that apparatus in that land must not be extinguished until alternative apparatus has been constructed, alternative rights acquired or granted for the alternative apparatus and the alternative apparatus is in operation and access to it has been provided if necessary to the reasonable satisfaction of NGED in accordance with sub-paragraphs (2) to ((10) or with such alternative or supplementary provisions as the undertaker and NGED may agree between them.

Correction requested by the Applicant: For “((10)”, substitute “(10)”.

Secretary of State's rationale: Typographical correction.

11. Schedule 15 (Protective Provisions), Part 10 (For the Protection of Exolum Pipeline System Ltd), paragraph 119(6)(a)

The following sub-paragraphs (7) and (8) only apply if—

(a) Exolum fails to comply with its obligations under paragraph 10 to remove any redundant Apparatus; and

(b) the undertaker has served notice on Exolum specifying the default; and

(c) Exolum has failed to remedy the default within 28 days.

Correction requested by the Applicant: For “paragraph 10”, substitute “sub-paragraph (5)”.

Secretary of State's rationale: Correction of cross-reference.

12. Schedule 15 (Protective Provisions), Part 10 (For the Protection of Exolum Pipeline System Ltd), paragraph 123(1)

Subject to the following provisions of these paragraphs 123 to 122, the undertaker must pay to Exolum the reasonable and properly incurred costs and expenses (including reasonable staffing costs if work is carried out in-house) incurred by Exolum in, or in connection with—

Correction requested by the Applicant: Substitute “these paragraphs 123 to 122” with “this paragraph 123”.

Secretary of State's rationale: Amended to ‘this paragraph’ to correct the cross-reference error.

13. Schedule 15 (*Protective Provisions*), Part 11 (*For the Protection of Operators of Electronic Communications Code Networks*)

Correction requested by the Applicant: Substitute “Operators of Electronic Communications Code Networks” with “British Telecommunications Plc”.

Secretary of State’s rationale: Change of title to reflect that Schedule 15, Part 11 was negotiated between the Applicant and British Telecommunications PLC (including Openreach Limited who are appointed to manage British Telecommunications PLC’s assets). Standard protective provisions for Operators of Electronic Communications Code Networks are present at Schedule 15, Part 2 of the Order.

Changes not made by the Secretary of State

Corrections to the Table of Contents

4. Table of Contents – Numbering

- 22. *Compulsory acquisition of land.*
- 23. *Time limit for exercise of authority to possess land temporarily or to acquire compulsorily.*
- 24. *Compulsory acquisition of rights.*
- 25. *Private rights [etc...]*

Correction requested by the Applicant: All article numbering subsequent to Article 21 be reduced by one number (i.e. 22 becomes 21 etc.).

Secretary of State’s rationale: This error is not in the registered version of the Order; the Secretary of State therefore considers that there is no error to correct.

Correction to the Preamble

5. Preamble

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 114(g), 115(h), 117(i), 120(j), 122(k), 123(l) and 140 of the 2008 Act, makes the following Order.

Correction requested by the Applicant: Remove the full stop after “Order” and replace with an em dash.

Secretary of State’s rationale: The full stop after “Order” is not a grammatical error.

Correction to an Article

6. Article 6 (Disapplication and modification of statutory provisions), paragraph (5), subparagraph (c)

(c) not required to complete or enable the maintenance, use or operation of any part of the development authorised by this Order (and which is not itself development authorised by this Order),

Correction requested by the Applicant: Delete “not”.

Secretary of State’s rationale: The amendment to the wording made by the Secretary of State was intentional in this instance to ensure that TCPA applications are not used to circumvent the change process set out in the Planning Act 2008.

Explanatory Note

7. Explanatory Note

This Order authorises Springwell Energy farm Limited (referred to in this Order as the undertaker) to construct, operate, maintain and decommission a ground mounted solar photovoltaic generating station with a gross electrical output capacity over 50 megawatts and associated development. The Order would permit the undertaker to acquire, compulsorily or by agreement, land and rights in land and to use land for this purpose.

Correction requested by the Applicant: Replace “Energy farm” with “Energyfarm”.

Secretary of State’s rationale: This correction will not be made through a corrections order as the Explanatory Note is not part of the Development Consent Order, this change will be made via a correction slip.