

Frodsham Solar Consultation Report Appendix 2: Statement of Community Consultation Materials

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1 Draft SoCC



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Frodsham Solar

Statement of Community Consultation

Draft for consultation

April 2023

1. Introduction

We are proposing a new solar development situated north of Frodsham in Cheshire.

The solar project will support the urgent need to decarbonise our electricity system by delivering sustainable, homegrown and low-cost energy to the region. The proposals will also enhance the local environment and biodiversity and provide benefits to local communities. The project is called Frodsham Solar.

This document, known as a Statement of Community Consultation (“SoCC”), has been prepared in accordance with Section 47(1) of the Planning Act 2008 and associated guidance¹ to explain how we intend to consult the local community.

The approach to consultation set out in this document has been consulted upon with Cheshire West and Chester Council and Halton Borough Council in accordance with Section 47(2) of the Planning Act 2008. We have had regard to the comments that they have made.

We recognise consultation to be a vital stage in the development of our proposals. We want to receive feedback and work with stakeholders to refine our proposals for Frodsham Solar. This will allow us to develop our plans responsibly and in a manner that supports local community interests.

This SoCC outlines how we will consult during the ‘pre-application stage’ before we submit our Development Consent Order (“DCO”) application for the project to the Planning Inspectorate. There is more information on the DCO process in Section 9 of this SoCC and on the Planning Inspectorate’s website².

¹https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/418009/150326_Pre-Application_Guidance.pdf

²<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-infrastructure-planning-guidance>

2. About Us

The applicant for this project will be Frodsham Solar Ltd., which is part of Peel Cubico Renewables.

Peel Cubico Renewables is a joint venture partnership between natural resources and energy business Peel NRE and global renewable energy company Cubico Sustainable Investments (Cubico).

Peel NRE, part of Peel L&P, is at the heart of the nation’s activity around clean growth and the circular economy – helping the UK achieve net zero by 2050 and supporting regions in their actions to achieve climate emergency targets.

Peel NRE has a strong track record of engaging with local communities and is invested in the North West, with strong ties to its communities.

Cubico is one of the world’s largest privately-owned renewable energy companies.

Cubico has nearly 3 gigawatts (GW) of renewable energy projects installed across 12 countries in Europe, the Americas and Australia, with more than 3 GW in construction and development. It brings expertise in financing, route to market, construction and operation.

Our mission is to accelerate change to combat the climate crisis.

Peel Cubico Renewables is dedicated to leading the UK’s renewable energy generation, supporting national net zero carbon targets.



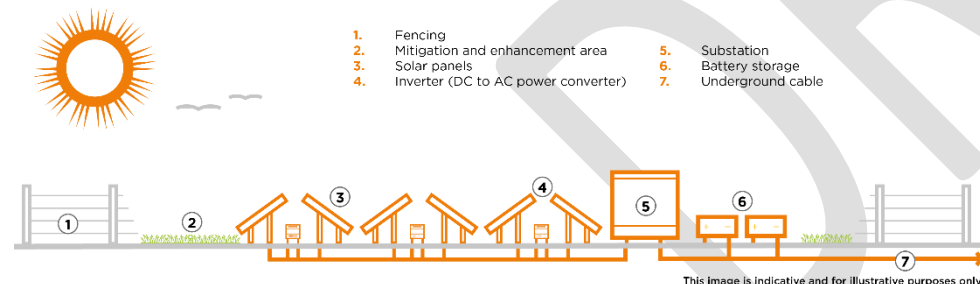
3. Frodsham Solar

The proposals for Frodsham Solar include:

- A ground-mounted solar array (solar panels).
- An anticipated potential output from the solar array of over 50 MW.
- Built infrastructure such as substations, transformers and inverters.
- Electrical connection infrastructure into the existing Frodsham Substation, adjacent to the River Weaver, and to local industrial installations.
- An on-site battery energy storage system (BESS).
- Landscape and ecological Mitigation and enhancement measures, including consideration of new permissive paths during the lifetime of the scheme.
- Other ancillary works including access, fencing, and drainage.

The current proposed site boundary is presented as Figure 2 (on page 6) - this may be refined as the project develops. The proposal is situated on land to the north of the M56 and east of Frodsham Wind Farm.

Figure 1: Components of a typical solar project



Frodsham Solar has the potential to:

- Export approximately 100 megawatts (MW) of clean electricity to SP Energy Networks, who are responsible for distributing electricity across Cheshire and Merseyside. For context, 100 MW is equivalent to powering approximately 34,000³ homes.
- Export electricity directly to local industry, in addition to the regional network.
- Bolster UK energy security with the use of a battery energy storage system (BESS) to store electricity and discharge when it is needed.
- Support regional ambitions and commitments, such as the Net Zero North West Industrial Cluster and Invest Net Zero Cheshire.
- Support the Government's vision for the delivery of low-carbon infrastructure to support industrial decarbonisation by 2030 and contribute to the Government's commitment to ensure the UK is net zero by 2050.
- Showcase the level of innovation locally, as seen within the Cheshire Science Corridor Enterprise Zone.

³ Based on Ofgem's estimation that the typical household in Britain uses 2,900 kWh of electricity.

Figure 2: Proposed Site Boundary



4. Our public consultation process

We are undertaking an iterative consultation process for Frodsham Solar. The feedback and information we receive will help inform the design of the project that we submit to the Planning Inspectorate for approval.

What will we consult on?

The aim of our pre-application public consultation is to ensure that both community and technical consultees have a chance to understand and influence our proposal. We will seek feedback to help develop our proposal. This will include potential issues such as, but not limited to:

- Temporary impacts during construction, such as traffic and noise.
- Operational impacts, such as upon wildlife, landscape, and views.
- Benefits, such as the opportunity for biodiversity and recreational improvements.

Our consultation will consist of at least two phases:

- A Phase One community consultation, lasting six weeks, which will be held from Thursday 1 June 2023 to Thursday 13 July 2023.
- A Phase Two community consultation, which will also last longer than the statutory minimum of 28 days, planned for Winter 2023.

This SoCC applies to both phases of consultation.

Phase One consultation (Thursday 1 June 2023 to Thursday 13 July 2023)

This consultation will introduce our early-stage proposals for Frodsham Solar to the community. We are looking to receive feedback on our concept plan and input based on the community's knowledge of the local area, allowing us to refine our proposals.

The feedback received, together with information from our environmental and technical surveys and discussions with technical stakeholders, will further inform the development of our design.

At the start of Phase One consultation, we will be submitting our EIA Scoping Report to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS), who will be running a 42-day consultation, in parallel with our Phase One consultation. PINS' consultation will involve technical stakeholders, local planning authorities and parish councils to gather feedback on the Applicant's proposals for how it intends to carry out its EIA, to form their Scoping Opinion. This means that communities will not be involved in the EIA Scoping Report consultation. Details of our EIA Scoping Report is outlined in Section 9 of this SoCC.

Phase Two consultation (anticipated to be Winter 2023)

This statutory consultation will allow us to update the local community and stakeholders on our proposal for Frodsham Solar, as well as those land interests we have identified through the land referencing process. We will consult on our more developed proposals together with the results from the ongoing environmental and technical surveys that have been carried out to date, which will be published in our Preliminary Environmental Information Report ("PEIR").

More specific details of Phase Two consultation will be publicised through the appropriate channels listed in Section 6. We will consider feedback we receive from Phase One consultation on the consultation process when designing our Phase Two consultation.

Consultation reporting

As part of the DCO application to be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate, planned for Spring 2024, we will publish a Consultation Report that:

- Describes our consultation process, as well as the on-going engagement with stakeholders and land interests that will take place throughout the pre-application process.
- Explains how we have adhered to legal requirements.
- Details how we have worked with Local Planning Authorities to ensure our consultation is suitable for the area through the proposals set out in this SoCC.
- Details the feedback and consultation responses we have received.

- Responds to the feedback we have received, including explaining how we have had regard to feedback and how it has influenced our proposals.

During the pre-application phase we will share a high-level document summarising the responses we have received during the first phase of consultation, and how we are considering this feedback.

Examination

Additionally, anybody can formally comment on our proposals for Frodsham Solar, when the DCO application is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate. The Planning Inspectorate will invite the public's views on the proposal and those who wish to will be able to register and submit their views for consideration during the examination. Guidance on the process can be found on the Planning Inspectorate's website at: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice>

5. Who will we consult?

Our consultation process is open to anyone who may be interested in, or in any way feels impacted by, our proposal for Frodsham Solar.

We are seeking to actively engage with the widest possible range of individuals and groups. We want our consultation to be accessible for everyone to respond, regardless of their personal circumstances.

The local community

Figure 3 shows a Consultation Zone, which centres on the proposed site and extends to nearby towns, villages and settlements considering existing infrastructure and boundaries, comprising of over 11,000 addresses. Properties within the Consultation Zone will directly receive a consultation postcard (set out in Section 6) to notify them of upcoming consultation from us in the post. Information events will be held at locations within the Consultation Zone, and relevant organisations, such as parish councils and community groups, who we will liaise with the Councils to identify, will be notified of consultation opportunities.

Other interested stakeholders

We recognise that there may be some interested individuals or parties who are not within the Consultation Zone. We are committed to ensuring that these interested parties still have an opportunity to view our proposals and have their say. We will publicise consultation opportunities to communities beyond the Consultation Zone by advertising in local media (as described in section 6) and maintaining a register of interested individuals.

Informative consultation materials will be published online and available to view and either be collected or sent to parties via our contact details, as explained in section 6.

As well as the Phase 1 and Phase 2 community consultations, we will be engaging with a range of statutory and non-statutory consultees on Frodsham Solar throughout the consultation exercises and beyond, including:

- Owners, tenants and occupiers of the land included within the DCO application.
- MPs, Local Planning Authorities and Parish Councils.
- Statutory stakeholders, such as Natural England, the Environment Agency and Historic England.
- Local interest, community and environmental groups

Town and Parish Councils within the Consultation Zone who we will engage with include:

- Frodsham Town Council
- Helsby Parish Council
- Ince Parish Council
- Elton Parish Council
- Sutton Weaver Parish Council
- Alvanley Parish Council
- Dunham-on-the-Hill and Hapsford Parish Council
- Hale Parish Council

Seldom Heard groups

We have developed our consultation with the intention of being accessible to all groups in the community. We recognise that some individuals or groups may have difficulties taking part in the consultation process for a range of reasons. We have identified a number of 'gateway organisations' representing potentially seldom heard groups in the consultation area. These organisations will be contacted directly via email or phone ahead of both phases of consultation to ensure that our approach best meets the needs of their members. These identified groups are listed in Table 1, but we will liaise with the Councils to identify if any further groups should be contacted.

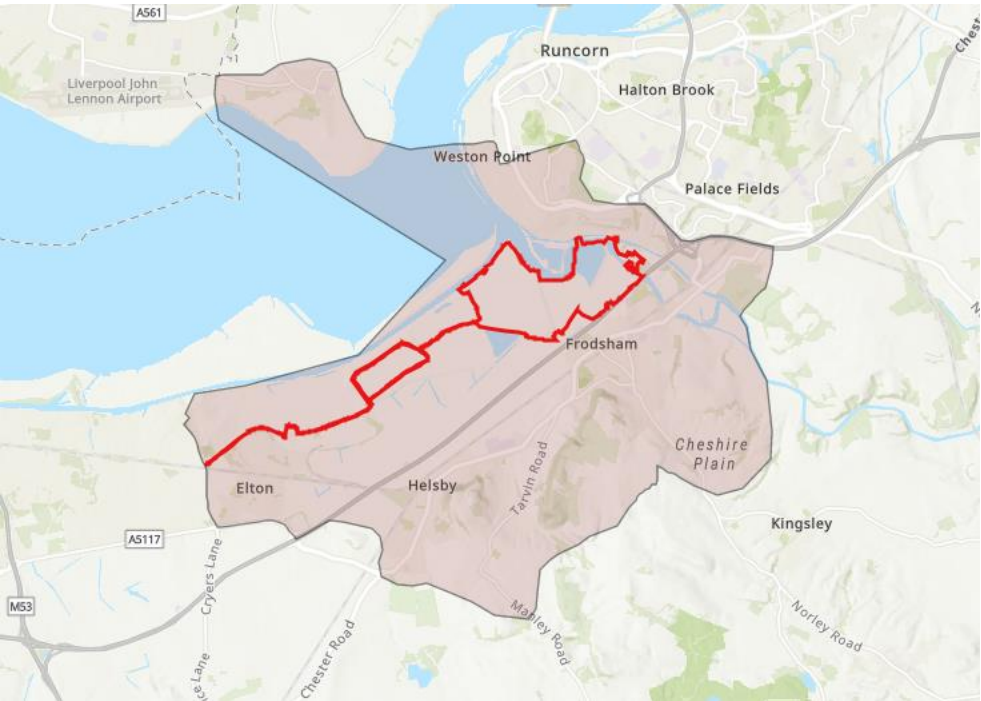
Ongoing engagement

Anyone is welcome to get in touch with us at any point between now and the submission of our application. Our contact details are listed in Section 11 of this SoCC and will remain open throughout the pre-application phase.

Through these channels throughout the pre-application phase, you will be able to speak to a member of our consultation team to ask questions and provide feedback.

Table 1: Gateway organisations representing potentially seldom heard groups	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cheshire Community Action Age UK Cheshire Age UK Mid Mersey Cheshire Change Hub Frodsham WI MIND Halton Bee Friends Frodsham Cheshire, Halton and Warrington Race & Equality Centre Cheshire West Communities Together The Traveller Movement Friends, Families and Travellers Leonard Cheshire Scouts Cheshire Frodsham Primary Academy School Frodsham Manor House Primary School Frodsham CE Primary School British Deaf Association 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Healthbox Healthwatch Halton Healthwatch Cheshire West iMap Centre Deafness Support Network Making Space The Port Men in Sheds Cheshire Autism Practical Support Halton and St Helens Voluntary and Community Action Halton Speak Out (Brookvale Community Centre) Vibe UK Halton Youth Cabinet Elton Primary School and Nursery

Figure 3: Frodsham Solar Consultation Zone



Comprises of over 11,000 addresses within the Cheshire West and Chester and Halton Borough authority areas, including every address within the Frodsham parish.

6. How will we consult?

The consultation activities described in this section of the SoCC ensure inclusive, meaningful and open consultation. The activities include a range of methods to ensure our consultation can be accessed by all members of the community.

Our Phase One consultation, planned to take place between Thursday 1 June 2023 and Thursday 13 July 2023, and our Phase Two consultation, planned to take place in Winter 2023, will be carried out in the following ways:

Meetings and events

In-person information events will be held at locations within the Consultation Zone (see Figure 3). They will be advertised in consultation materials, across local media, and by issuing publicity materials to identified public venues (referred to as local information points).

For example, we will hold at least three in-person information events during our Phase One consultation, including events in each of Frodsham, Helsby and Elton. We are also exploring a potential event venue in Runcorn, and we will liaise with local Councils to identify a suitable venue. Subject to venue availability, we will be seeking to organise in-person information events on weekends and in evenings.

[table of events for Phase 1 to be inserted when finalised]

Members of the Frodsham Solar team will be at these events to answer questions and discuss the proposals in more detail. Project materials setting out the proposals (as they stand at each Phase) will be displayed and available to take away.

A Webinar will be held for any member of the public to join via internet or telephone during Phase One consultation and will be considered at Phase Two. Participants will be invited to submit questions. Members of the Frodsham Solar project team will respond to the questions put forward during the webinar whilst the webinar is carried out.

Meetings and briefing sessions may be arranged with local parish councils, elected members and key local stakeholder groups during the two consultation periods that are present within the Consultation Zone and, if requested by them, the wider area.

Literature

Consultation postcards will be sent to properties within the Consultation Zone, to notify local residents and businesses of the proposal and consultation opportunities, including how to access the project website and communications channels and how to find out more details about information events.

Consultation leaflets will be produced and made available at the start of both phases of consultation. These leaflets will be available online, sent to Community Access Points, and available to take away from our information events.

These leaflets will publicise the Phase One and Phase Two consultation opportunities and summarise the information being consulted on. This will include the details of the consultation period and the activities being undertaken, such as dates, times and locations of information events and webinars.

Feedback forms will be made available for community members to respond to the consultation. This also includes those outside the Consultation Zone who wish to provide feedback. These will be available online and in hard copy at Community Access Points, information events, and by request. Feedback forms will be able to be returned free of charge using the Frodsham Solar FREEPOST address (**FREEPOST FS PCR CONSULTATION**).

Communication Channels

As well as through the feedback form, written feedback can be made to the following project communication channels during consultation periods:

Project email: info@frodshamsolar.co.uk

Freepost Address: FREEPOST FS PCR CONSULTATION

During consultation periods, questions and requests for more information can be made to the communication channels above, as well as through calling the project's freephone information line on 0808 175 4004 (open 09:00-17:00, Monday-Friday. A voicemail service will operate for out of office hours).

Our project website and online information

A dedicated project website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk) is live and will be kept updated for stakeholders to find out more information and provide their feedback and to host the consultation materials.

Consultation material will be presented digitally, providing information consistent with that available at events and through hard copy materials.

Advertising and local notices

- **Local press adverts** will be placed in the Chester Chronicle and Chester Standard to inform local communities of the forthcoming phases of consultation. Adverts will include contact information and information event dates, times and locations. In Phase 2, formal notices will also be placed in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008.
- **Local existing information points** such as village halls, places of worship, shops and civic buildings will be provided with posters containing consultation information. These information points will be agreed with the LPAs and the host venues prior to consultation start for each phase.

Parish councils will be provided with digital materials to enable them to advertise and promote the consultation via their own websites, social media and online community forums.

Local media engagement

We will be promoting our phases of consultation by engaging with local media outlets, including The Chester Chronicle and Chester Standard. This will promote the consultation to a wider audience and further ensure that

interested individuals and parties have an opportunity to comment on our proposals.

Should any changes to our consultation activities be required due to unforeseen events outside of our control, new details will be publicised in line with the methods set out in section 6 of this SoCC.

7. Community Access Points

Hard copies of this document and relevant Phase One and Phase Two consultation materials, will be available at the following locations:

Location	Opening Times
Frodsham Community Centre Fluin Ln, Frodsham WA6 7QN	Mon – Sun: 8am – 11pm
Elton Community Centre School Ln, Elton, Chester CH2 4PU	Mon – Sat: 10am – 1pm
Cheshire West and Chester Council Office (Ellesmere Port) The Portal, Wellington Road, Ellesmere Port, CH65 0BZ.	Mon – Fri: 8am – 5pm

Due to varying reasons, some public buildings may be accessible by appointment only, or opening times may vary. Please check with venues for up-to-date information.

All documents are available on our project website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk) or USB and hard copies can be posted on request (fees may apply).

8. The planning process

Frodsham Solar is classified as a **Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (“NSIP”)** as it has a **proposed generating capacity of over 50 MW**. As an NSIP we must apply for a DCO.

The DCO application will be dealt with by the Planning Inspectorate, the agency responsible for managing the examination process for NSIPs. It will then, if accepted, be examined by an independent Examining Authority, who will make a recommendation to the Secretary of State (“SoS”). The SoS will then review this before deciding whether to grant a DCO.

For more information on this process, or for advice on how to respond to our pre-application consultation, stakeholders can view the Planning Inspectorate’s Advice Note 8 at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Advice-note-8.0.pdf>

Pre-application

Frodsham Solar must consult with the community and statutory consultees (such as the host Local Planning Authorities) in compliance with the Planning Act 2008. To demonstrate this to the Planning Inspectorate, we will submit a Consultation Report alongside the DCO application, containing details of our method for consulting, the feedback submitted in response to the consultation, and how this has influenced our proposals.



Acceptance

The Planning Inspectorate, on behalf of the Secretary of State, has 28 days to decide whether the application meets the required standards to proceed to examination, including whether our consultation has been adequate.



Pre-Examination

Stakeholders and the public will be notified that the application has been accepted and will be invited by the project to register as an interested party and will be kept informed of progress and opportunities to put their case forward. Inspectors will hold a preliminary meeting and set the timetable for examination.



Examination

Stakeholders and the public can send their comments in writing and can request to speak at a public hearing. The Planning Inspectorate has six months to carry out the examination.



Decision

A recommendation to the Secretary of State will be issued by the Examining Authority within three months. The Secretary of State then has a further three months to issue a decision on the proposal.



Post-decision

Once a decision has been issued by the Secretary of State, there is a six-week period for legal challenge on the decision.

9. Environmental Information

Peel Cubico Renewables will undertake an Environmental Impact Assessment (“EIA”) for Frodsham Solar. The scope and methodology for this assessment will be informed by feedback from relevant regulatory and environmental bodies.

The following reports (listed below) will be consulted on as part of the EIA process and as the DCO application is prepared:

Scoping Report

Our Scoping Report is planned to be published in parallel with the Phase One consultation and will outline the processes we will undertake to assess any potential impacts to the existing environment.

Feedback on this from statutory consultees, such as Local Planning Authorities, will be provided in a Scoping Opinion, which will be published by the Planning Inspectorate. The Planning Inspectorate will not seek feedback from the community on their Scoping Opinion. Both of these documents will be available to view on the Planning Inspectorate’s website.

Preliminary Environmental Information Report

The PEIR will build upon the findings from the previous scoping documents and the feedback received through the Phase One consultation and engagement with stakeholders.

It will incorporate findings of the surveys and preliminary environmental assessments that have been carried out to date. This will enable consultees to develop an informed view of the likely potential impacts that Frodsham Solar may have on the local environment. In our Phase Two consultation, we will seek feedback on the findings of the PEIR.

Environmental Statement (“ES”)

The ES will advance the content of the PEIR and continue to incorporate the responses from the Phase Two consultation, stakeholder engagement and results of the surveys undertaken. It will also describe any changes to the project and any mitigation measures that need to be implemented. The ES will form part of the DCO application for submission.

10. Indicative consultation timeline

Early Summer 2023: Publication of Statement of Community Consultation.

Summer 2023: Phase One consultation on initial proposals.

Autumn 2023: Feedback analysis, interim reporting and ongoing engagement.

Spring 2024: DCO Application & PINS Acceptance decision.

Autumn 2025: Secretary of State Decision.

2028: Frodsham Solar becomes operational.

Early Summer 2023: Public communication of proposals and opening of communications channels.

Summer 2023: EIA Scoping Report and Opinion.

Winter 2023: Phase two consultation on more detailed proposals and Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR).

Summer 2024: Spring 2025: PINS Examination.

2026: Construction

All future dates are indicative and subject to change.

11. Contact Us

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you would like to find out more information about Frodsham Solar using any of the methods below.



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Email: info@frodshamsolar.co.uk

Freephone information line: 0808 175 4004

Freepost: FS PCR CONSULTATION

Website: www.frodshamsolar.co.uk

Should anybody require any documents in large print, audio or braille then please contact us at the details provided. All graphics and maps in this document are for illustrative purposes only.

2 Letter to local authorities sent alongside draft SoCC

Cheshire West and Chester Council
The Portal
Wellington Road
Ellesmere Port
Cheshire
CH65 0BA

Sent via email to:

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04 April 2023

Dear Rob Charnley and Nick Smith,

Frodsham Solar: Section 47 Planning Act (2008) Consultation on Draft Statement of Community Consultation with Local Planning Authorities

Frodsham Solar Ltd is proposing a new solar project situated north of Frodsham. The proposed development, known as “Frodsham Solar”, will support the urgent need to decarbonise our electricity system and has the potential to directly deliver reliable and sustainable low-cost energy into local industry.

The proposals for Frodsham Solar have an anticipated potential output from the solar array of over 50 MW. Accordingly, it will be classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) and must comply with the Development Consent Order (DCO) regime as defined in the Planning Act 2008 (‘2008 Act’).

As part of our duty to consult the local community on the proposals for Frodsham Solar, we have prepared a draft Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC). The draft SoCC outlines how communities can engage throughout the development process and explains how we intend to consult with communities in the vicinity of the project.

Local authorities have an important role in the 2008 Act process. In accordance with Section 47(2) of the 2008 Act, Frodsham Solar Ltd is required to consult with the host local authorities for the project on the draft SoCC, as defined by Section 43(1) of the 2008 Act. We are seeking the views on the SoCC from local authorities with an administrative boundary that our proposed consultation zone extends into. This includes your administration and Halton Borough Council. Your input will be used to ensure that the people who may be interested in the proposed development can take part in a thorough, accessible and effective consultation exercise.

We recognise that effective and appropriate consultation is of critical importance to this project. As a local authority, we strongly welcome your local knowledge and insight to advise us on how best to conduct community consultation. You are invited to comment on any aspect of the SoCC and its consider as you consider appropriate. In particular, we seek your guidance to inform:

- **Section 4 – Our public consultation process:** we welcome your comments and suggestions on our iterative and phased approach to consultation.
- **Section 5 – Who will we consult?:** we welcome your comments and suggestions on our approach to ensuring accessible consultation. Please do let us know of any parish and town councils (beyond those we have listed), community or “seldom heard” groups you advise us engaging with. We will be contacting these groups ahead of our Phase One consultation, to ensure our activities are well-publicised and accessible. Please also note the extent of our Consultation Zone, shown in Figure 3.
- **Section 6 – How will we consult?:** we welcome your comments and suggestions on our proposed range of consultation and publicity activities. This includes the proposed channels of consultation, and number of in-person and online information events we will hold, and the local newspapers we will be using to publicise our consultation. We also welcome your views on the location of our in-person information events, which we are currently proposing to take place at:
 - Frodsham Community Centre
 - Helsby Community Centre
 - Elton Community Centre
 - A potential event in Runcorn, with suggested venues of St John's Church (Weston) or 1st Weston and Weston Point Scouts Hut
- **Section 7 – Community Access Points:** we welcome your comments and suggestions on our proposed community access points and guidance on accessing these facilities.

In accordance with Section 47(3) of the 2008 Act, a statutory 28 days for comments is normally provided which will commence on the day after the local authority receives the consultation documents. Recognising that this period includes Easter weekend, and the associated Bank Holidays, we have extended the statutory period and kindly request all comments to the draft SoCC to be received **no later than Friday 5 May 2023**.

Following receipt of all comments from the local authorities, we will seek to incorporate comments and suggestions and, as required in Section 47(5) of the 2008 Act, have regard had to all comments received.

Frodsham Solar Ltd intends to publicise the SoCC in May 2023, following the local elections on 4 May 2023. The SoCC will be publicised across our consultation zone and the wider area through local media, local notices and online via our dedicated project website.

Shortly after publicising our SoCC, we intend to launch our Phase One consultation. This will be further publicised in line with the methods set out in the SoCC, including sending a Community Consultation Leaflet to the agreed consultation zone. This will provide information on our proposals and Stage Two consultation opportunities. As set out in the draft SoCC, we will be holding a series of community consultation

activities during the phase one consultation period, to present our early-stage design, mitigation, and enhancement proposals for Frodsham Solar. This will involve utilising a range of digital and non-digital channels.

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We invite all comments to the attached draft SoCC be received no later than **Friday 5 May 2023** via our project email address below:

Project email: info@frodshamsolar.co.uk

Please do not hesitate to get in contact with the project team at any time using the email address provided.

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted signature]

Development Manager, Frodsham Solar

Halton Borough Council
Municipal Building
Kingsway
Widnes
WA8 7QF

Sent via email to:

 halton.gov.uk

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- **Section 7 – Community Access Points:** we welcome your comments and suggestions on our proposed community access points and guidance on accessing these facilities.

In accordance with Section 47(3) of the 2008 Act, a statutory 28 days for comments is normally provided which will commence on the day after the local authority receives the consultation documents. Recognising that this period includes Easter weekend, and the associated Bank Holidays, we have extended the statutory period and kindly request all comments to the draft SoCC to be received **no later than Friday 5 May 2023**.

Following receipt of all comments from the local authorities, we will seek to incorporate comments and suggestions and, as required in Section 47(5) of the 2008 Act, have regard had to all comments received.

Frodsham Solar Ltd intends to publicise the SoCC in May 2023, following the local elections on 4 May 2023. The SoCC will be publicised across our consultation zone and the wider area through local media, local notices and online via our dedicated project website.

Shortly after publicising our SoCC, we intend to launch our Phase One consultation. This will be further publicised in line with the methods set out in the SoCC, including sending a Community Consultation Leaflet to the agreed consultation zone. This will provide information on our proposals and Stage Two consultation opportunities. As set out in the draft SoCC, we will be holding a series of community consultation activities during the phase one consultation period, to present our early-stage

design, mitigation, and enhancement proposals for Frodsham Solar. This will involve utilising a range of digital and non-digital channels.

More specific details of Phase Two consultation will be publicised through the appropriate channels, as listed in the SoCC. We will consider feedback we receive from Phase One consultation on the consultation process when designing our Phase Two consultation.

At the start of Phase One consultation we will be submitting our EIA Scoping Report to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS), who will be running a 42-day consultation in parallel with our Phase One consultation. PINS' consultation will gather feedback from yourselves as a local planning authority, technical stakeholders and parish councils to inform their EIA Scoping Opinion. We encourage you to feedback to PINS on our Scoping Report, focussing on the intended methods for the project's EIA methodology, whilst we would encourage feedback on all other aspects of Frodsham Solar to come through the methods as set out in the SoCC.

We invite all comments to the attached draft SoCC be received no later than **Friday 5 May 2023** via our project email address below:

Project email: info@frodshamsolar.co.uk

Please do not hesitate to get in contact with the project team at any time using the email address provided.

Yours sincerely,

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Development Manager, Frodsham Solar

3 Published SoCC



Frodsham Solar

Statement of Community Consultation

May 2023

1. Introduction

We are proposing a new solar development situated north of Frodsham in Cheshire.

The solar project will support the urgent need to decarbonise our electricity system by delivering sustainable, homegrown and low-cost energy to the region. The proposals could also enhance the local environment and biodiversity and provide benefits to local communities. The project is called Frodsham Solar.

This document, known as a Statement of Community Consultation (“SoCC”), has been prepared in accordance with Section 47(1) of the Planning Act 2008 and associated guidance¹ to explain how we intend to consult the local community.

The approach to consultation set out in this document has been consulted upon with Cheshire West and Chester Council and Halton Borough Council in accordance with Section 47(2) of the Planning Act 2008. We have had regard to the comments that they have made.

We recognise consultation to be a vital stage in the development of our proposals. We want to receive feedback and work with stakeholders to refine our proposals for Frodsham Solar. This will allow us to develop our plans responsibly and in a manner that supports local community interests.

This SoCC outlines how we will consult during the ‘pre-application stage’ before we submit our Development Consent Order (“DCO”) application for the project to the Planning Inspectorate. We will also be undertaking an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) on the proposals. There is more information on the DCO and EIA process in Sections 8 and 9 of this SoCC and on the Planning Inspectorate’s website².

¹https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/418009/150326_Pre-Application_Guidance.pdf

²<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-infrastructure-planning-guidance>

2. About Us

The applicant for this project will be Frodsham Solar Ltd., which is part of Peel Cubico Renewables.

Peel Cubico Renewables is a joint venture partnership between natural resources and energy business Peel NRE and global renewable energy company Cubico Sustainable Investments (Cubico).

Peel NRE, part of Peel L&P, is at the heart of the nation’s activity around clean growth and the circular economy – helping the UK achieve net zero by 2050 and supporting regions in their actions to achieve climate emergency targets.

Peel NRE has a strong track record of engaging with local communities and is invested in the North West, with strong ties to its communities.

Cubico is one of the world’s largest privately-owned renewable energy companies.

Cubico has nearly 3 gigawatts (GW) of renewable energy projects installed across 12 countries in Europe, the Americas and Australia, with more than 3 GW in construction and development. It brings expertise in financing, route to market, construction and operation.

Our mission is to accelerate change to combat the climate crisis.

Peel Cubico Renewables is dedicated to leading the UK’s renewable energy generation, supporting national net zero carbon targets.



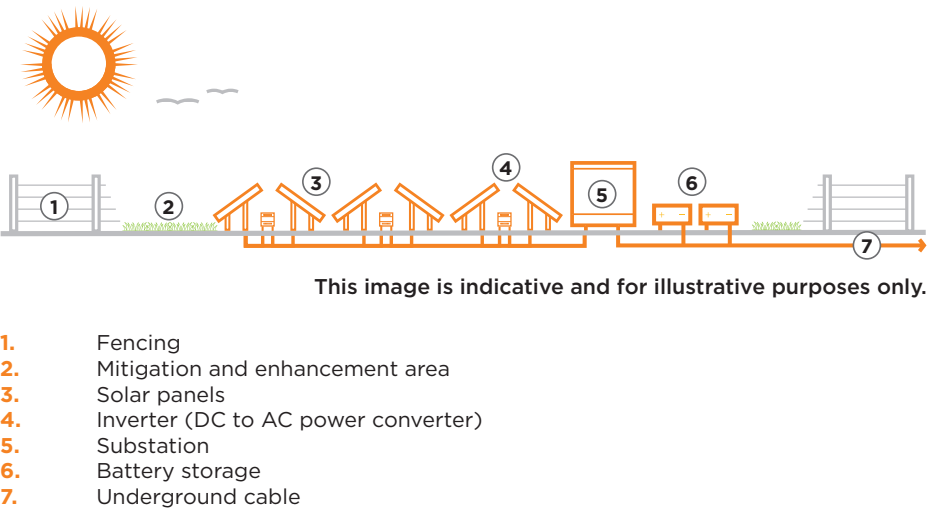
3. Frodsham Solar

The proposals for Frodsham Solar include:

- A ground-mounted solar array (solar panels).
- An anticipated potential output from the solar array of over 50 MW.
- Built infrastructure such as substations, transformers and inverters.
- Electrical connection infrastructure into the existing Frodsham Substation, adjacent to the River Weaver, and to local industrial installations.
- An on-site battery energy storage system (BESS).
- Landscape and ecological Mitigation and enhancement measures, including consideration of new permissive paths during the lifetime of the scheme.
- Other ancillary works including access, fencing, and drainage.

The current proposed site boundary is presented as Figure 2 (on page 6) - this may be refined as the project develops. The proposal is situated on land to the north of the M56, including an area of land beneath the eastern cluster of turbines of Frodsham Wind Farm.

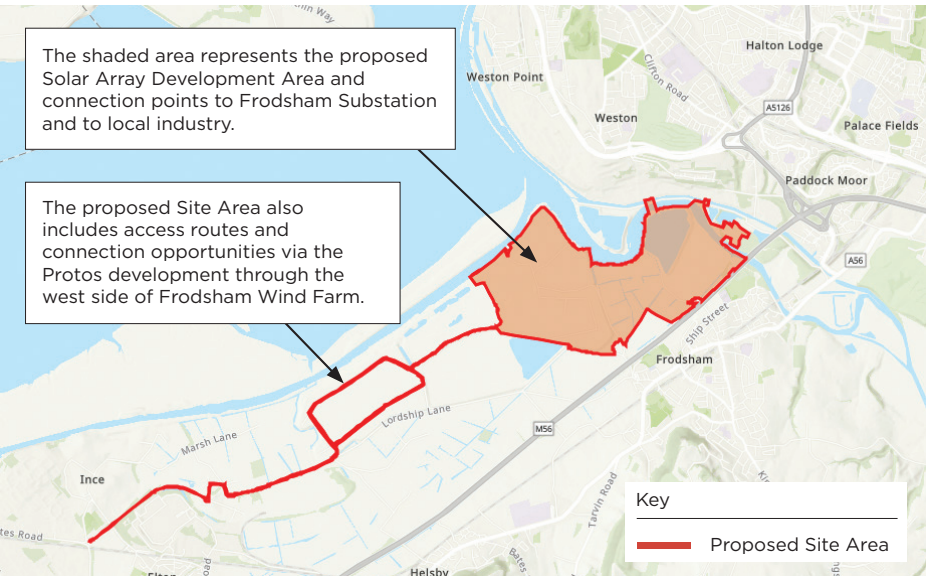
Figure 1: Components of a typical solar project



Frodsham Solar has the potential to:

- Export approximately 100 megawatts (MW) of clean electricity to SP Energy Networks, who are responsible for distributing electricity across Cheshire and Merseyside. For context, 100 MW is equivalent to powering approximately 34,000³ homes.
- Export electricity directly to local industry, in addition to the regional network.
- Bolster UK energy security with the use of a battery energy storage system (BESS) to store electricity and discharge when it is needed.
- Support regional ambitions and commitments, such as the Net Zero North West Industrial Cluster and Invest Net Zero Cheshire.
- Support the Government's vision for the delivery of low-carbon infrastructure to support industrial decarbonisation by 2030 and contribute to the Government's commitment to ensure the UK is net zero by 2050.
- Showcase the level of innovation locally, as seen within the Cheshire Science Corridor Enterprise Zone.

Figure 2: Proposed Site Boundary



³Based on Ofgem's estimation that the typical household in Britain uses 2,900 kWh of electricity.

4. Our Public Consultation Process

We are undertaking an iterative consultation process for Frodsham Solar. The feedback and information we receive will help inform the design of the project that we submit to the Planning Inspectorate for approval.

Any feedback on our methods of consultation is encouraged and will be considered by our team. Comments on our community consultation are best provided to us for consideration in the first instance, so that they can be addressed when designing future consultation activities. When we submit our DCO application, Local Planning Authorities will be invited to provide an Adequacy of Consultation Representation.

What will we consult on?

The aim of our pre-application public consultation is to ensure that both community and technical consultees have a chance to understand and influence our proposal. We will seek feedback to help develop our proposal. This will include potential issues such as, but not limited to:

- Temporary impacts during construction, such as traffic and noise.
- Operational impacts, such as upon wildlife, landscape, and views.
- Benefits, such as the opportunity for biodiversity and recreational improvements.

Details to inform responses on these topic areas – such as visual plans, descriptions of design parameters, and proposed mitigation measures – will be presented through the materials and activities described in Section 6.

Our consultation will consist of at least two phases:

- A Phase One community consultation, lasting six weeks, which will be held from Thursday 1 June 2023 to Thursday 13 July 2023.
- A Phase Two community consultation, which will also last longer than the statutory minimum of 28 days, planned for Winter 2023.

This SoCC applies to both phases of consultation.

Phase One consultation

(Thursday 1 June 2023 to Thursday 13 July 2023)

This consultation will introduce our early-stage proposals for Frodsham Solar to the community. We are looking to receive feedback on our concept plan and input based on the community's knowledge of the local area, allowing us to refine our proposals.

The feedback received, together with information from our environmental and technical surveys and discussions with technical stakeholders, will further inform the development of our design.

At the start of Phase One consultation, we will also be submitting our EIA Scoping Report to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS), who will be running a 42-day consultation, in parallel with our Phase One consultation. PINS' consultation will involve technical stakeholders, local planning authorities and parish councils to gather feedback on the Applicant's proposals for how it intends to carry out its EIA, to form their Scoping Opinion. This is further outlined in Section 9 of this SoCC.

Phase Two consultation

(anticipated to be Winter 2023)

This statutory consultation will allow us to update the local community and stakeholders on our proposal for Frodsham Solar, as well as those land interests we have identified through the land referencing process. We will consult on our more developed proposals together with the results from the ongoing environmental and technical surveys that have been carried out to date, which will be published in our Preliminary Environmental Information Report ("PEIR").

More specific details of Phase Two consultation will be publicised through the appropriate channels listed in Section 6. We will consider feedback we receive from Phase One consultation on the consultation process when designing our Phase Two consultation.

Ongoing engagement

Our free to use communication lines will remain open throughout the pre-application consultation period, so that engagement with stakeholders can continue outside of defined phases of consultation. The project website will also be kept updated with relevant project information and materials. This includes any changes to the project that may or may not require a formal targeted consultation period. We will discuss the details of any further consultations that may be needed with the Local Planning Authorities.

During the pre-application phase we will share a high-level document summarising the responses we have received during the first phase of consultation. This document will be made publicly available on the project website and provided in hard copy by request. Key stakeholders, such as relevant local planning authorities and parish councils, and anyone who has registered to be kept informed will be notified of the document being published.

Consultation reporting

As part of the DCO application to be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate, planned for Spring 2024, we will publish a Consultation Report that:

- Describes our consultation process, as well as the ongoing engagement with stakeholders and land interests that will take place throughout the pre-application process.
- Explains how we have adhered to legal requirements.
- Details how we have worked with Local Planning Authorities to ensure our consultation is suitable for the area through the proposals set out in this SoCC.
- Details the feedback and consultation responses we have received.
- Responds to the feedback we have received, including explaining how we have had regard to feedback and how it has influenced our proposals.

Examination

Additionally, anybody can formally comment on our proposals for Frodsham Solar when the DCO application is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate. The Planning Inspectorate will invite the public's views on the proposal and those who wish to will be able to register and submit their views for consideration during the examination. Guidance on the process can be found on the Planning Inspectorate's website at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice>

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

Throughout the pre-application consultation period, all stakeholder personal details will be stored in compliance with the GDPR by Counter Context, acting on behalf of the Frodsham Solar project team, and will not be shared with any third parties.

5. Who Will We Consult?

Our consultation process is open to anyone who may be interested in, or in any way feels impacted by, our proposals for Frodsham Solar.

We are seeking to actively engage with the widest possible range of individuals and groups. We want our consultation to be accessible for everyone to respond, regardless of their personal circumstances.

The local community

Figure 3 shows a Consultation Zone, which centres on the proposed site and extends to nearby towns, villages and settlements considering existing infrastructure and boundaries. The zone comprises over 11,000 addresses. Properties within the Consultation Zone will directly receive a consultation postcard (set out in Section 6) to notify them of upcoming consultation from us in the post. Information events will be held at locations within the Consultation Zone, and relevant organisations, such as parish councils and community groups, will be notified of consultation opportunities.

Other interested stakeholders

We recognise that there may be some interested individuals or parties who are not within the Consultation Zone. We are committed to ensuring that these interested parties still have an opportunity to view our proposals and have their say. We will publicise consultation opportunities to communities beyond the Consultation Zone by advertising in local media (as described in Section 6) and maintaining a register of interested individuals. Informative consultation materials will be published online and available to view and either be collected or sent to parties via our contact details, as explained in Section 6.

As well as our two phases of community consultation, we will be engaging with a range of statutory and non-statutory consultees on Frodsham Solar throughout the consultation exercises and beyond, including:

- Owners, tenants and occupiers of the land included within the DCO application.
- MPs, Local Planning Authorities and Parish Councils.
- Statutory stakeholders, such as Natural England, the Environment Agency and Historic England.
- Local interest, community and environmental groups

Town and Parish Councils within the Consultation Zone who we will engage with include:

- Frodsham Town Council
- Helsby Parish Council
- Ince Parish Council
- Elton Parish Council
- Sutton Weaver Parish Council
- Alvanley Parish Council
- Dunham-on-the-Hill and Hapsford Parish Council
- Hale Parish Council

Seldom Heard groups

We have developed our consultation with the intention of being accessible to all groups in the community. We recognise that some individuals or groups may have difficulties taking part in the consultation process for a range of reasons. We have identified a number of 'gateway organisations' representing potentially seldom heard groups in the consultation area. These organisations will be contacted ahead of both phases of consultation to ensure that our approach best meets the needs of their members. These identified groups are listed in Table 1.

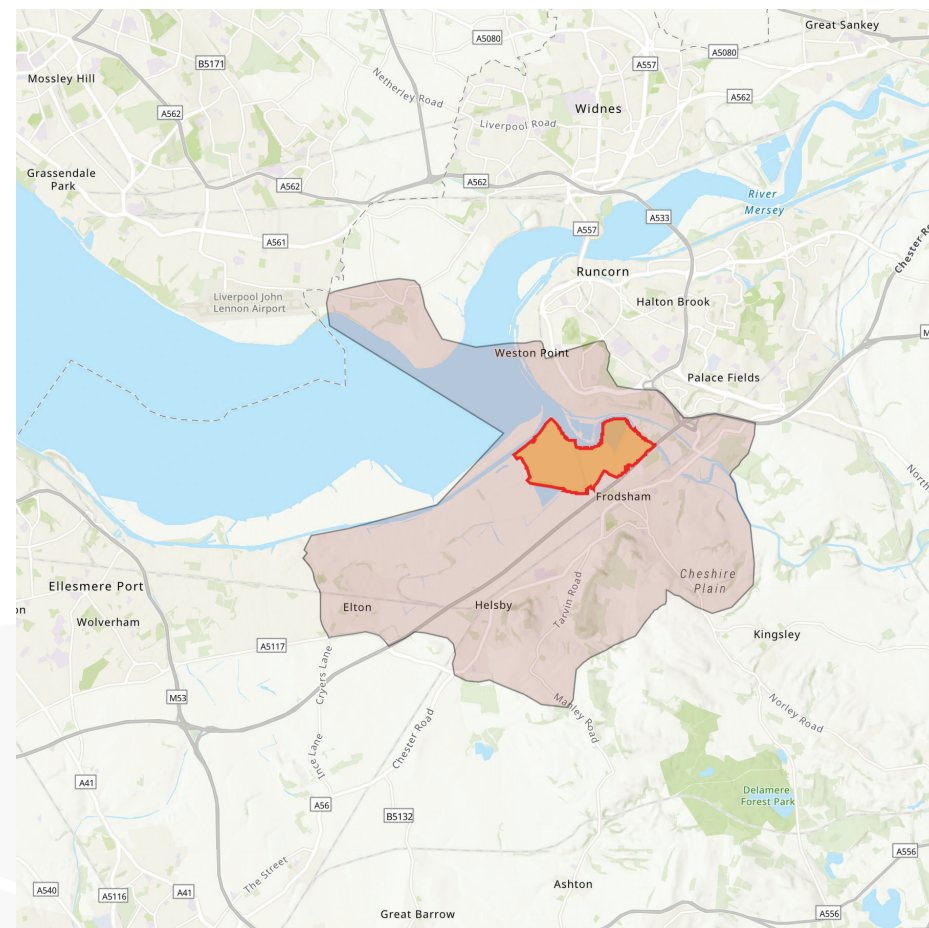
Ongoing engagement

Anyone is welcome to get in touch with us at any point between now and the submission of our application. Our contact details are listed in Section 11 of this SoCC and will remain open throughout the pre-application phase. Through these channels you will be able to speak to a member of our consultation team to ask questions and provide feedback.

Table 1: Gateway organisations representing potentially seldom heard groups

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| • Cheshire Community Action | • Frodsham Manor House Primary School |
| • Age UK Cheshire | • Frodsham CE Primary School |
| • Age UK Mid Mersey | • British Deaf Association |
| • Cheshire Change Hub | • Healthbox |
| • Frodsham WI | • Healthwatch Halton |
| • MIND Halton | • Healthwatch Cheshire West |
| • Bee Friends Frodsham | • iMap Centre |
| • Cheshire, Halton and Warrington Race & Equality Centre | • Deafness Support Network |
| • Cheshire West Communities Together | • Making Space |
| • The Traveller Movement | • The Port Men in Sheds |
| • Friends, Families and Travellers | • Cheshire Autism Practical Support |
| • Leonard Cheshire | • Halton and St Helens Voluntary and Community Action |
| • Scouts Cheshire | • Halton Speak Out (Brookvale Community Centre) |
| • Frodsham Primary Academy School | • Vibe UK |
| | • Halton Youth Cabinet |
| | • Elton Primary School and Nursery |

Figure 3: Frodsham Solar Consultation Zone



Comprises of over 11,000 addresses within the Cheshire West and Chester and Halton Borough authority areas, including every address within the parish of Frodsham.

6. How Will We Consult?

The consultation activities described in this section of the SoCC ensure **inclusive, meaningful and open consultation**. The activities include a range of methods to ensure our consultation can be accessed by all members of the community.

Our Phase One consultation, planned to take place between Thursday 1 June 2023 and Thursday 13 July 2023, and our Phase Two consultation, planned to take place in Winter 2023, will be carried out in the following ways:

Meetings and events

In-person information events will be held at locations within the Consultation Zone (see Figure 3). They will be advertised in consultation materials, across local media, and by issuing publicity materials to identified public venues (referred to as local information points). We have organised in-person information events across a range of days and times.

Location	Date & Time
Helsby Community Centre Lower Robin Hood Lane, Frodsham, WA6 0BW	Saturday 17th June 12pm – 4pm
Christchurch Hall Sandy Lane, Weston Point, Runcorn, WA7 4EU	Tuesday 20th June 3pm – 7pm
Frodsham Community Centre Fluin Ln, Frodsham, WA6 7QN	Wednesday 21st June 2pm – 7pm
Elton Community Centre School Lane, Elton, Chester, CH2 4PU	Thursday 22nd June 11am – 4pm
Frodsham Community Centre Fluin Lane, Frodsham, WA6 7QN	Friday 23rd June 2.30pm – 7pm
Online Community Webinar Zoom	Monday 26th June 5.30pm – 7pm

Members of the Frodsham Solar team will be at these events to answer questions and discuss the proposals in more detail. Project materials setting out the proposals (as they stand at each phase) will be displayed and available to take away.

A Webinar will be held for any member of the public to join via internet or telephone during Phase One consultation and will be considered at Phase Two. Participants will be invited to submit questions. Members of the Frodsham Solar project team will respond to the questions put forward during the webinar whilst the webinar is carried out. A recording of the webinar presentation will be made available on the project website.

Meetings and briefing sessions may be arranged with local parish councils, elected members and key local stakeholder groups during and in-between the two phases of community consultation.

Literature

Consultation postcards will be sent to properties within the Consultation Zone, to notify local residents and businesses of the proposal and consultation opportunities, including how to access the project website and communications channels and details of information events.

Consultation leaflets will be produced and made available at the start of each phase of consultation. These leaflets will be available online, by collection from Community Access Points, and available to take away from our information events.

These leaflets will publicise the Phase One and Phase Two consultation opportunities and summarise the information being consulted on. This will include the details of the consultation period and the activities being undertaken, such as dates, times and locations of information events.

Feedback forms will be made available for community members to respond to the consultation. This also includes those outside the Consultation Zone who wish to provide feedback. These will be available online and in hard copy at Community Access Points, information events, and by request. Feedback forms will be able to be returned free of charge using the Frodsham Solar FREEPOST address (**FREEPOST FS PCR CONSULTATION**).

Communication Channels

As well as through the feedback form, written feedback can be made to the following project communication channels during consultation periods:

Email: info@frodshamsolar.co.uk

Freepost Address: FREEPOST FS PCR CONSULTATION

During consultation periods, questions and requests for more information can be made to the communication channels above, as well as through calling the project’s freephone information line on 0808 175 4004 (open 09:00-17:00, Monday-Friday. A voicemail service will operate for out of office hours).

Our project website and online information

A dedicated project website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk) is live and will host consultation materials. The website will be kept updated for stakeholders to find out more information and provide their feedback.

Consultation material will be presented digitally, providing information consistent with that available at events and through hard copy materials.

Advertising and local notices

- **Local press adverts** will be placed in the Chester Chronicle and Chester Standard to inform local communities of phases of consultation. Adverts will include contact information and information event dates, times and locations. For Phase Two consultation, formal notices will also be placed in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008.
- **Local information points** such as village halls, places of worship, shops and civic buildings will be provided with posters containing consultation information for each phase of consultation.

Parish councils will be provided with digital materials to enable them to advertise and promote the consultation via their own websites, social media and online community forums.

Local media engagement

We will be promoting our phases of consultation by engaging with local media outlets, including The Chester Chronicle and Chester Standard. This will promote the consultation to a wider audience and further ensure that interested individuals and parties have an opportunity to comment on our proposals.

Should any changes to our consultation activities be required due to unforeseen events outside of our control, new details will be publicised in line with the methods set out in Section 6 of this SoCC.

7. Community Access Points

Hard copies of this document and relevant Phase One and Phase Two consultation materials, will be available at the following locations:

Location	Date & Time
Frodsham Library Princeway, Frodsham, WA6 6RX	Mon – Fri: 9am – 6pm Sat: 9:30am – 1pm
Helsby Library Lower Robin Hood Lane, Helsby, WA6 0BW	Mon and Fri: 9.30am – 5pm Tues and Weds: 9.30am – 7pm Saturday: 9.30am - 1pm
Ellesmere Port Library Civic Way, Ellesmere Port, CH65 0BG	Mon, Thurs and Fri: 9am – 7pm Tues and Weds: 9am – 5pm Sat: 9am – 1pm

Due to varying reasons, some public buildings may be accessible by appointment only, or opening times may vary. Please check with venues for up-to-date information.

All documents are available on our project website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk) or USB and hard copies can be posted on request (fees may apply).

8. The Planning Process

Frodsham Solar is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (“NSIP”) as it has a proposed generating capacity of over 50 MW. As an NSIP we must apply for a DCO.

The DCO application will be dealt with by the Planning Inspectorate, the agency responsible for managing the examination process for NSIPs. If accepted, it will then be examined by an independent Examining Authority, who will make a recommendation to the Secretary of State (“SoS”). The SoS will then review this before deciding whether to grant a DCO.

For more information on this process, or for advice on how to respond to our pre-application consultation, stakeholders can view the Planning Inspectorate’s Advice Note 8 at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Advice-note-8.0.pdf>

Pre-application

Frodsham Solar must consult with the community and statutory consultees (such as the host Local Planning Authorities) in compliance with the Planning Act 2008. To demonstrate this to the Planning Inspectorate, we will submit a Consultation Report alongside the DCO application, containing details of our method for consulting, the feedback submitted in response to the consultation, and how this has influenced our proposals.



Acceptance

The Planning Inspectorate, on behalf of the Secretary of State, has 28 days to decide whether the application meets the required standards to proceed to examination, including whether our consultation has been adequate.



Pre-Examination

Stakeholders and the public will be notified that the application has been accepted and will be invited by the project to register as an interested party and will be kept informed of progress and opportunities to put their case forward. Inspectors will hold a preliminary meeting and set the timetable for examination.



Examination

Stakeholders and the public can send their comments in writing and can request to speak at a public hearing. The Planning Inspectorate has six months to carry out the examination.



Decision

A recommendation to the Secretary of State will be issued by the Examining Authority within three months. The Secretary of State then has a further three months to issue a decision on the proposal.



Post-decision

Once a decision has been issued by the Secretary of State, there is a six-week period for legal challenge on the decision.

9. Environmental Information

We will undertake an Environmental Impact Assessment (“EIA”) for Frodsham Solar. The scope and methodology for this assessment will be informed by feedback from relevant regulatory and environmental bodies.

A Scoping Report and PEIR (explained below) will be consulted on as part of the EIA process and as the DCO application is prepared.

We intend to coordinate the timing of community consultation phases to align with the publication of the Scoping Report and the PEIR. This will allow community members to consider and provide feedback to us directly on relevant EIA information in parallel to statutory consultees. All comments will be considered.

Scoping Report
<p>Our Scoping Report is planned to be published in parallel with the Phase One consultation and will outline the processes we will undertake to assess any potential impacts to the existing environment.</p> <p>Feedback on this from statutory consultees, such as Local Planning Authorities, will be provided in a Scoping Opinion, which will be published by the Planning Inspectorate.</p> <p>Both of these documents will be available to view on the Planning Inspectorate’s website.</p>
Preliminary Environmental Information Report (“PEIR”)
<p>The PEIR will build upon the findings from the scoping documents and the feedback received through the Phase One consultation and engagement with stakeholders.</p> <p>It will incorporate findings of the surveys and preliminary environmental assessments that have been carried out to date, including assessing cumulative impacts. This will enable consultees to develop an informed view of the likely potential impacts that Frodsham Solar may have on the local environment. In our Phase Two consultation, we will seek feedback on the findings of the PEIR.</p>
Environmental Statement (“ES”)
<p>The ES will advance the content of the PEIR and continue to incorporate the responses from the Phase Two consultation, stakeholder engagement and results of the surveys undertaken. It will also describe any changes to the project and any mitigation measures that need to be implemented.</p> <p>The ES will form part of the DCO application for submission.</p>

10. Indicative Consultation Timeline



11. Contact Us

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you would like to find out more information about Frodsham Solar using any of the methods below.



Email: info@frodshamsolar.co.uk



Freephone information line: 0808 175 4004



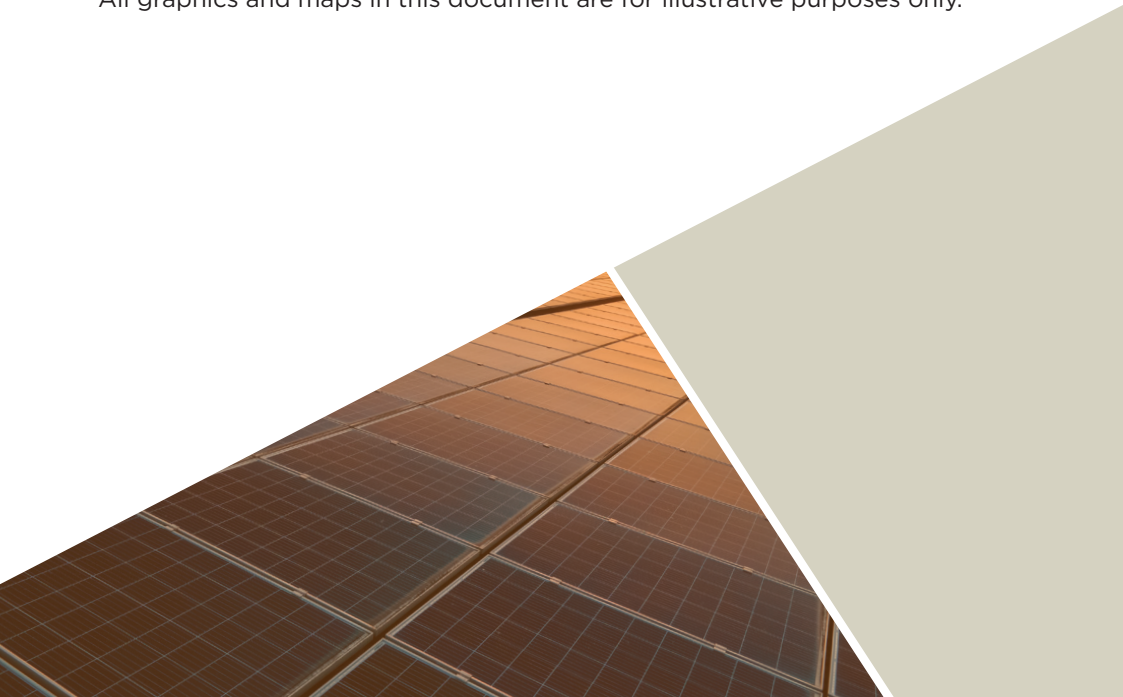
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Website: www.frodshamsolar.co.uk

Should anybody require any documents in an alternative format, such as translated language, large print, audio or braille, then please contact us at the details provided.

All graphics and maps in this document are for illustrative purposes only.



4 Evidence of final SoCC hosted on the website document library

Website URL: <https://www.frodshamsolar.co.uk/#document-library>



5 Copies of Section 47 notice, as placed in newspapers

Frodsham Solar

Notice publicising a Statement of Community Consultation (“SoCC”) in accordance with section 47(6) of the Planning Act 2008.

Notice is hereby given that **Frodsham Solar Limited (Company Number 14432433)**, whose registered office is **Venus Building 1 Old Park Lane, Trafford City, Manchester, United Kingdom, M41 7HA (“the Applicant”)** has produced a **Statement of Community Consultation (“SoCC”)** in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008.

The project

1. The Applicant is proposing to make an application under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero for a Development Consent Order to authorise a new solar energy generation station and an associated on-site Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) (“Frodsham Solar”) on land at Frodsham Marsh, Frodsham, Cheshire West and Chester. The project also includes the associated infrastructure for connection to the local electricity distribution network, as well as private wire electricity connections to nearby businesses that would utilise the renewable energy generated by Frodsham Solar.
2. Frodsham Solar would allow for the generation and export of over 50 megawatts (MW) of electricity, as well as the storage of electricity in the BESS. In doing so, Frodsham Solar will support the urgent need to decarbonise our electricity system by delivering sustainable, homegrown and low-cost energy to the region.
3. The Applicant is committed to working closely with stakeholders and the local community to develop the project by having regard to the feedback received through consultation.
4. The Applicant is part of Peel Cubico Renewables, a joint venture partnership between natural resources and energy business Peel NRE and global renewable energy company Cubico Sustainable Investments.

Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)

5. The Applicant has a duty to consult the local community under section 47 of the Planning Act 2008. The Applicant has, therefore, prepared a SoCC that explains how people living in the vicinity of the proposed project boundary will be consulted throughout the pre-application process.
6. The consultation process is designed to provide information about Frodsham Solar and give the opportunity for local communities to have their say and help develop the final design for the project.
7. The Applicant has consulted relevant Local Planning Authorities on the contents of the SoCC and duly considered the comments made regarding the proposed approach to consultation.
8. This notice provides formal notification of the publication of the SoCC which can be viewed on the project website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk) and is also available to view free-of-charge from the Community Access Points listed in this notice.

The consultation process

9. The Applicant will carry out a first phase of community consultation on their initial proposals between 01 June - 13 July 2023.
10. The Applicant will also undertake a second phase of community consultation on more developed plans,

including a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR). This is intended to take place from Winter 2023 and will be publicised closer to the time in line with the methods described in the SoCC.

11. Each phase of consultation will include a series of activities, which will be available and accessible to all interested members of the local community. Consultation materials will be available to access at information events (listed below), Community Access Points (listed below), on the project website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk) and by request (contact details below).
12. Consultation materials can also be made available by request in alternative formats, such as large print, translated language, audio or braille, by contacting the Applicant using the details below. Please note that there may be a charge for hard copies of the PEIR.
13. Feedback can be submitted online via the project website, in writing using the contact details below or at an information event. Response deadlines for each phase of consultation will be publicised. The deadline for phase one consultation feedback will be 13 July 2023.

Community Access Points

Venue	Opening hours
Frodsham Library Princeway, Frodsham, WA6 6RX	Mon - Fri: 9am - 6pm Sat: 9.30am - 1pm
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Upcoming information events

Venue	Date & Time
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Christchurch Hall, Weston Point Sandy Lane, Weston Point, Runcorn, WA7 4EU	Tuesday 20th June 3pm - 7pm
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Elton Community Centre School Lane, Elton, Chester, CH2 4PU	Thursday 22nd June 11am - 4pm
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Online Community Webinar Register via www.frodshamsolar.co.uk	Monday 26th June 5.30pm - 7pm

Peel Cubico

 RENEWABLES

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1. The Applicant is proposing to make an application under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero for a Development Consent Order to authorise a new solar energy generation station and an associated on-site Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) ("Frodsham Solar") on land at Frodsham Marsh, Frodsham, Cheshire West and Chester. The project also includes the associated infrastructure for connection to the local electricity distribution network, as well as private wire electricity connections to nearby businesses that would utilise the renewable energy generated by Frodsham Solar.

2. Frodsham Solar would allow for the generation and export of over 50 megawatts (MW) of electricity, as well as the storage of electricity in the BESS. In doing so, Frodsham Solar will support the urgent need to decarbonise our electricity system by delivering sustainable, homegrown and low-cost energy to the region.

3. The Applicant is committed to working closely with stakeholders and the local community to develop the project by having regard to the feedback received through consultation.

4. The Applicant is part of Peel Cubico Renewables, a joint venture partnership between natural resources and energy business Peel NRE and global renewable energy company Cubico Sustainable Investments.

5. The Applicant has a duty to consult the local community under section 47 of the Planning Act 2008. The Applicant has, therefore, prepared a SoCC that explains how people living in the vicinity of the proposed project boundary will be consulted throughout the pre-application process.

6. The consultation process is designed to provide information about Frodsham Solar and give the opportunity for local communities to have their say and help develop the final design for the project.

7. The Applicant has consulted relevant Local Planning Authorities on the contents of the SoCC and duly considered the comments made regarding the proposed approach to consultation.

8. This notice provides formal notification of the publication of the SoCC which can be viewed on the project website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk) and is also available to view free-of-charge from the Community Access Points listed in this notice.

9. The Applicant will carry out a first phase of community consultation on their initial proposals between 01 June – 13 July

10. The Applicant will also undertake a second phase of community consultation on more developed plans, including a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR). This is intended to take place from Winter 2023 and will be publicised closer to the time in line with the methods described in the SoCC.





11. Each phase of consultation will include a series of activities, which will be available and accessible to all interested members of the local community. Consultation materials will be available to access at information events (listed below), Community Access Points (listed below), on the project website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk) and by request (contact details below).

12. Consultation materials can also be made available by request in alternative formats, such as large print, translated language, audio or braille, by contacting the Applicant using the details below. Please note that there may be a charge for hard copies of the PEIR.

13. Feedback can be submitted online via the project website, in writing using the contact details below or at an information event. Response deadlines for each phase of consultation will be publicised. The deadline for phase one consultation feedback will be 13 July 2023.

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Helsby Library Lower Robin Hood Lane, Helsby, WA6 0BW	Mon: 9.30am – 5pm Tues & Weds: 9.30am – 7pm Thurs: Closed Fri: 9.30am – 5pm Sat: 9.30am – 1pm
Ellesmere Port Library Civic Way, Ellesmere Port, CH65 0BG	Mon: 9am – 7pm Tues & Weds: 9am – 5pm Thurs & Fri: 9am – 7pm Sat: 9am – 1pm

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 Call our Freephone information line: **0808 175 4004**
 Write to us at: **FS PCR CONSULTATION**
 Email us at: **info@frodshamsolar.co.uk**

The following have been received by **Cheshire West and Chester Council** and can be viewed online.
Any comments should be made by **16.06.2023** using the online comment facility or by writing to **Development Management The Portal Wellington Road Ellesmere Port Cheshire CH65 0BA**. The applications below are advertised under the provisions of the DMP0 2015/LBCA 1990.

23/01415/FUL By Mr and Mrs Still for the proposed stable at Castleview Huxley Lane Tiverton Chester CW6 9NF.

23/01416/FUL By Mr Tony Bellion for the change of use of the hall into two residential dwellings (retrospective) at Ince Manor Marsh Lane Ince CH2 4NW.

23/00954/FUL By Mrs Alyson Shaw for the replacement of 11 metal framed windows with UPVC windows, range to match style and colour of existing windows, including cross bars and monkey tail window latches at Websters Cottage 39 High Street Tarvin Chester CH3 8EE.

23/01412/FUL By Mr Simon Bushell for a painting of wall with white masonry paint, handpainted text based mural applied by signwriter at The Forum Shopping Centre Northgate Street Chester CH1 2BY.

22/04461/S73 By Pulford Developments Limited for erection of mixed use development comprising of 23 dwellings and 23 commercial units (B1) following demolition of the existing buildings on the site – variation of condition 2 (approved drawings) of 19/02685/S73 to reflect elevational changes, installation of Air Source Heat Pumps and solar panels at Lyndale Farm Wrexham Road Pudding CH4 9DG.

23/01080/LBC By Dr Joshua Exley for the like-for like replacement of two existing casement windows and a 3/4 sized door to the Dovecote annex at The Dovecote Old Hall Farm, Old Hall Lane Puddington Neston CH64 5SP.

23/00829/LBC By John Davies Associates for the replacement of existing windows to southern elevation and to undertake minor prior to paint repairs and redecoration of windows on the western elevation at 2 Queen Street Chester CH1 3LG.

23/01484/FUL and 23/01485/LBC By Eurythmic Design for single storey side extension with glazed link, internal refurbishment and alterations to the main Farmhouse. External works to include removal of front boiler room, new side door, existing front window opening widened, existing door removed and opening widened for french doors to the front elevation, existing rear door and window to be replaced with a window, block up existing rear door, new rear window, conservation rooflight to rear roof. Part demolition and refurbishment of outbuildings, removal of farmhouse south boundary low wall and associated landscaping works at Greenwalls Farm House Church Road Doddleston Chester CH4 9NG.

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(Public Footpaths 160, 161, 180, 181, 184, 235, 239, 240, 241, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249 Chester City along the rows and steps of Bridge Street, Watergate Street, Northgate Street and Eastgate Street)

TEMPORARY RESTRICTION/PROHIBITION OF PEDESTRIANS ORDER 2023

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Section 14 (1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, that the Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council proposes to make an Order the effect of which will be to temporarily restrict/prohibit pedestrians on the Rows and steps of Bridge Street, Eastgate Street, Watergate Street and Northgate Street. Chester.

The closure is necessary because works are proposed to be executed in the area of the Rows and Steps of those streets. The Order will come into force on 19 June 2023 and will continue in force for a period of six months or until works are complete, whichever is the sooner and will operate at varying times and locations when required for the works.

An alternative route will be in place.
This order does not prevent any pedestrians with access to premises situated on or adjacent to the public footpaths only accessible from the path or by any emergency vehicle.

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6 Published SoCC Addendum

Frodsham Solar

Notice publicising an addendum to a Statement of Community Consultation (“SoCC”), published in accordance with section 47(6) of the Planning Act 2008.

Notice is hereby given that Frodsham Solar Limited (Company Number 14432433), whose registered office is 70 St Mary Axe, London, United Kingdom, EC3A 8BE (“the Applicant”) has produced an addendum to their Statement of Community Consultation (“SoCC”), which was published in May 2023 in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008.

The project

1. The Applicant is proposing to make an application under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero for a Development Consent Order to authorise a new solar energy generation station and an associated on-site Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) (“Frodsham Solar”) on land at Frodsham Marsh, Frodsham, Cheshire West and Chester. The project also includes the associated infrastructure for connection to the local electricity distribution network, as well as a private wire connection, that would enable local businesses to utilise electricity generated.
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4. The Applicant is part of global renewable energy company Cubico Sustainable Investments.

Addendum to the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)

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6. The Applicant consulted relevant Local Planning Authorities on the contents of the SoCC and duly considered the comments made regarding the proposed approach to consultation.
7. The Applicant published the SoCC on 25 May 2023 in accordance with section 47(6) of the Planning Act 2008.
8. This notice provides formal notification of the publication of an addendum to the SoCC which the Local Planning Authorities have also reviewed. This addendum can be viewed on the project website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk) and is also available to view free-of-charge from the Community Access Points listed in this notice.
9. The addendum provides more detail of the upcoming Phase Two consultation on Frodsham Solar, and explains how this will be undertaken consistently with the principles and commitments set out in the SoCC.

The consultation process

10. The Applicant carried out a first phase of community consultation on their initial proposals between **01 June – 13 July 2023**.
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15. Feedback can be submitted online via the project website, in writing using the contact details below or at an information event, using the feedback form provided. The response deadline for Phase Two consultation feedback will be **19 December 2024** (on or before this date).

Community Access Points

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Frodsham Community Centre Fluin Ln, Frodsham, WA6 7QN	Monday 2 December 2.30pm – 6.30pm
Online Community Webinar Please contact the Applicant or visit the website for joining instructions.	Wednesday 4 December 6pm – 7.30pm

Contacting the Applicant

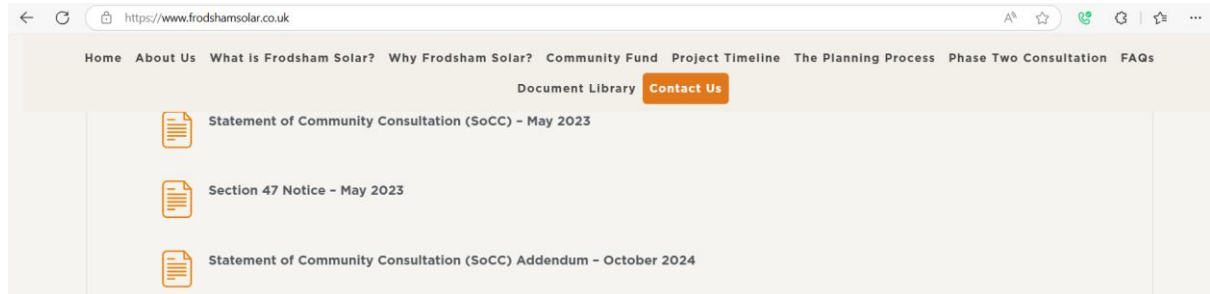
16. The Applicant can be contacted by:

- Emailing: info@frodshamsolar.co.uk
- Writing to: **FREEPOST FRODSHAM SOLAR**
- Calling: **0808 175 4004**

(open 09:00-17:00, Monday-Friday. A voicemail service will operate for out of office hours)

7 Evidence of SoCC Addendum hosted on the website document library

Website URL: <https://www.frodshamsolar.co.uk/#document-library>



8 Copies of Section 47 Notice displaying the SoCC Addendum

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ALCOHOL & Licensing

LICENSING ACT 2003 - NOTICE OF APPLICATION

APPLICANT: Mr Shwan Mohammad Azad

PREMISES: 46 Frodsham Street Chester CH1 3JL


An application has been made for the grant of a premises licence/club premises certificate to allow the following licensable activities to take place:-

SALE OF ALCOHOL BY RETAIL FOR CONSUMPTION OFF THE PREMISES

A copy of the application for the grant of the above licence is available for inspection at the office of The Licensing Team, Cheshire West and Chester Council, The Portal, Wellington Road, Ellesmere Port, CH65 0BA or can be viewed online at bit.ly/CWACApplicationsUnderConsultation or via the QR code below. The application can be viewed Monday to Friday 9am to 4.00pm, except bank holidays. For further information please email licensing@cheshirewest.gov.uk

Any person wishing to make representations in relation to this application must do so in writing to The Licensing Team, Cheshire West and Chester Council, The Portal, Wellington Road, Ellesmere Port, CH65 0BA no later than 12/11/2024, 28 consecutive days from the day after the application was given to the Licensing Authority.

It is an offence to knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application. The maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction is unlimited



Date: 15/10/2024

PLANNING

PLANNING NOTICE

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The applications below are advertised under the provisions of the DMP0 2015/LBCA 1990.

24/02909/FUL and 24/02910/LBC By Chapter of Chester Cathedral for the erection of temporary access ramp at 30 St Werburgh Street Chester CH1 2DY.

24/02387/LBC By used before for the erection of rear 40cm wall and iron railing, erection of banister and balustrade to existing steps to lower garden at Linden Grove 7 Lower Park Road Chester CH4 7BB.

24/03003/FUL By Mrs J Pollard for the construction of porch to front elevation at 11 Roadside Whitchurch Road Christleton Chester CH3 6AG.

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CHESHIRE WEST AND CHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC

TRO8071 Lodge Lane in Tiverton

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 that the Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council intend has made an Order the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit/restrict traffic on the following length of road in Tiverton to enable utility works to be carried out by United Utilities Water.

Lodge Lane – Nothing in the Order shall prevent driving upon the said lengths of road of any vehicle which is being used for the conveyance of persons goods or merchandise to or from any premises situate on or adjacent to the lengths of road or in connection with agriculture building construction works of repair and the like or use in an emergency of vehicles for fire brigade ambulance or police purposes. A through route will not always be available and any vehicles not requiring access to properties on the length of road should use the alternative routes. The Order will come into force on 18th November 2024 and will continue in force for a period not exceeding eighteen months or until the works which it is proposed to carry out have been completed whichever is the earlier. It is anticipated that the works will take approximately 9 weeks to complete.

Alternative routes for through traffic – Traffic should proceed via Lodge Lane, Rabbit Burrows Lane, Eaton Lane, Nantwich Road, Moss Lane

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC

TRO8073 Stretton Mill Lane in Carden

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 that the Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council has made an Order the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit/restrict traffic on the following length of road in Carden to enable utility works to be carried out by United Utilities Water.

Stretton Mill Lane – Nothing in the Order shall prevent driving upon the said lengths of road of any vehicle which is being used for the conveyance of persons goods or merchandise to or from any premises situate on or adjacent to the lengths of road or in connection with agriculture building construction works of repair and the like or use in an emergency of vehicles for fire brigade ambulance or police purposes. A through route will no always be available and any vehicles not requiring access to properties on the length of road should use the alternative routes. The Order will come into force on 25th November 2024 and will continue in force for a period not exceeding eighteen months or until the works which it is proposed to carry out have been completed whichever is the earlier. It is anticipated that the works will take approximately 12 days to complete.

Alternative routes for through traffic – Traffic should proceed via Stretton Mill Lane, Carden Lane

TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

(A540 CHESTER HIGH ROAD/QUARRY ROAD, HINDERTON)

(PROHIBITION OF RIGHT-HAND TURN) ORDER 2024

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 22nd October 2024 Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council made the above Order under the relevant sections of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 which comes into effect on the 31st October 2024.

The effect of the Order will be that no person shall cause or permit any vehicle other than a pedal cycle to proceed in a northerly direction on the A540 Chester High Road to make a right hand turn into Quarry Road.

The Order will revoke in full the Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council (A540 Chester High Road/Quarry Road, Hinderton) (Prohibition of Right Turn) (Experimental) (Order) 2024.

Any person who desires to question the validity of the Order or of any provision therein on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or on the grounds that any requirement of that Act or any regulation made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may within six weeks from the 22nd October 2024 make an application to the High Court for this purpose.

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC

TRO8096 Brassey's Contract Road in Malpas

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 that the Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council intend to make an Order the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit/restrict traffic on the following length of road in Malpas to enable utility works to be carried out by Cheshire West and Chester Council.

Brassey's Contract Road – Nothing in the Order shall prevent driving upon the said lengths of road of any vehicle which is being used for the conveyance of persons goods or merchandise to or from any premises situate on or adjacent to the lengths of road or in connection with agriculture building construction works of repair and the like or use in an emergency of vehicles for fire brigade ambulance or police purposes. A through route will not always be available and any vehicles not requiring access to properties on the length of road should use the alternative routes. The Order will come into force on 11th November 2024 and will continue in force for a period not exceeding eighteen months or until the works which it is proposed to carry out have been completed whichever is the earlier. It is anticipated that the works will take approximately 15 days to complete.

Alternative routes for through trafficTraffic should proceed via Brassey's Contract Road, Whitchurch Road, Rabout Malpas/Bickerton, Chester Road, Mates Lane, Wet Lane, Scar Lane

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC

St Anne Street in Chester

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 that the Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council intend to make an Order the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit/restrict traffic on the following length of road in Chester to enable St Anne Street/St Oswald's Way Junction Improvement works to be carried out by Cheshire West and Chester Council.

Saint Anne Street: Temporary suspension of parking in the layby (next to the Fire Station) – for the duration of the works – The Order will come into force on 4th November 2024 and will continue in force for a period not exceeding eighteen months or until the works which it is proposed to carry out have been completed whichever is the earlier. It is anticipated that the works will take approximately 8 weeks to complete. Highways Manager (Ref TRO18190) Transport and Highways Service, Highways Office, Guilden Sutton Lane, Guilden Sutton, Chester, Cheshire, CH3 7EX Tel: 0300 123 7036 Email: highways@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk 18th October 2024

PROVISION OF PUFFIN CROSSING – OVERPOOL ROAD, ELLESMERE PORT.

Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with Section 23(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council is proposing to install a Puffin crossing on Overpool Road, Ellesmere Port approximately 18 metres northwest of its junction with Summertrees Road.

A location plan of the proposals is available for viewing at The Portal, Wellington Road, Ellesmere Port. CH65 0BA.

Any person wishing to make comments on the proposals must do so in writing to the undersigned by 21st November 2024.

Highways Manager Transport and Highways Service, Highways Office, Guilden Sutton Lane, Guilden Sutton, Chester, Cheshire, CH3 7EX. Tel: 0300 123 7036
Email: highways@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

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OTHER

Frodsham Solar

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Contacting the Applicant

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Planning

Frodsham Solar
Section 48 of the Planning Act 2008
Notice publicising a proposed application for a Development Consent Order (“DCO”) to authorise a new solar energy generation station and an associated on-site Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) (“Frodsham Solar”) on land at Frodsham Marsh, Frodsham, Cheshire West and Chester.
Regulation 4 Infrastructure Planning (Applications Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009.
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2. The proposed design for Frodsham Solar would enable the generation of approximately 130 megawatts (MW) of electricity, as well as the storage of approximately 100 MW of electricity in a BESS. Frodsham Solar also includes the associated infrastructure for connection to the local electricity distribution network, as well as a private wire connection, that would enable local businesses to utilise electricity generated.
3. The proposed DCO will, among other things, authorise:
• Construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of a solar PV electricity generating facility with a capacity of over 50 MW;
• Associated and/or ancillary works including construction of a substation and connection to the SP Energy Networks Frodsham substation, landscaping, biodiversity areas, access tracks, construction facilities, and the creation of permissive paths;
• The permanent and/or temporary compulsory acquisition (if required) of land and/or rights;
• The overriding of easements and other rights over or affecting land;
• The application and/or disapplication of legislation relating to Frodsham Solar; and
• Such ancillary, incidental and consequential provisions, licenses, property rights, permits and consents as are necessary and/or convenient.
4. The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. This means that the proposed works involved constitute development for which an EIA is required and the proposed application for a DCO will therefore be accompanied by an Environmental Statement (ES). The Environmental Statement will provide a detailed description of Frodsham Solar and its likely significant environmental impacts. Information compiled to date about Frodsham Solar’s likely significant effects will be set out in a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) and will also be made available for consultation.
Accessing consultation documents
5. The Applicant is undertaking a phase of consultation on the proposals for Frodsham Solar between Thursday 07 November and Thursday 19 December 2024.
6. The consultation materials comprise a PEIR, a Non-Technical Summary of the PEIR, a Community Consultation Leaflet which explains the consultation process and summarises the details of Frodsham Solar including plans and maps showing the nature and location of the proposed DCO, and a Feedback Form inviting comments.
7. These consultation materials will be available free-of-charge on the Applicant’s website in the document library (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk) to read, download and print between Thursday 07 November and Thursday 19 December 2024.
8. Consultation materials will also be provided in paper copy or on USB by request to the Applicant (contact details provided below). Please note that a reasonable charge up to £500 may apply to providing printed copies of the PEIR.
9. Consultation materials can also be made available by request in alternative formats, such as large print, translated language, audio or braille, by contacting the Applicant using the details below.
10. Copies of consultation materials (excluding the PEIR) will also be available to view in person between Thursday 07 November and Thursday 19 December 2024 at the following public venues in the vicinity of Frodsham Solar. Please note that opening times have been checked, but they are dependent on the venue itself and may be subject to change.

Venue	Opening hours
Frodsham Library Princeway, Frodsham, WA6 6RX	Monday to Friday: 9am - 6pm Saturday: 9.30am - 1pm
Helsby Library Lower Robin Hood Lane, Helsby, WA6 0BW	Monday and Friday: 9.30am - 5pm Tuesday & Wednesday: 9.30am - 7pm Saturday: 9.30am - 1pm

Ellesmere Port Library
Civic Way, Ellesmere Port, CH65 0BG

Monday: 9am - 7pm
Tuesday & Wednesday: 9am - 5pm
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11. The Applicant will host public information events to provide opportunities to view the relevant documentation and speak with members of the project team. The details of the events are as follows:

Location	Date & Time
Christchurch Hall Sandy Lane, Weston Point, Runcorn, WAT 4EU	Monday 25 November 3pm - 7pm
Helsby Community Centre Lower Robin Hood Lane, Frodsham, WA6 0BW	Tuesday 26 November 2pm - 6.30pm
Elton Community Centre School Lane, Elton, Chester, CH2 4PU	Friday 29 November 3pm - 7pm
Frodsham Community Centre Fluin Ln, Frodsham, WA6 7QN	Saturday 30 November 1.30pm - 5.30pm
Frodsham Community Centre Fluin Ln, Frodsham, WA6 7QN	Monday 2 December 2.30pm - 6.30pm
Online Community Webinar Please contact the Applicant or visit the website for joining instructions.	Wednesday 4 December 6pm - 7.30pm

12. These public information events offer an opportunity to find out more about the Applicant’s updated proposals. Attendees do not need to register in advance to attend in-person events.
13. Attendees can register to attend the online community webinar by visiting the Applicant’s website or contacting the Applicant directly.
Responding to the consultation
14. Feedback can be provided through the Applicant’s website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk), where an online feedback form will be clearly linked.
15. Hardcopy feedback forms will be available to collect at the aforementioned public information events and public venues, to download from the Applicant’s website, and can be issued upon request to the contact details below. Completed feedback forms can be emailed or posted back to the Applicant at the details provided below or submitted at the public information events.
16. Any written responses can be sent to the Applicant by email to info@frodshamsolar.co.uk or by post to FREEPOST FRODSHAM SOLAR.
17. Any response or representation in respect of the proposed DCO must (i) be received by the Applicant on or before Thursday 19 December 2024, (ii) be made in writing, (iii) state the grounds of the response or representation, and (iv) indicate who is making the response or representation.
18. The Applicant will consider and have regard to all responses received during this time before submitting its application for a DCO. Responses and representations will form the basis of a Consultation Report that will be one of the factors taken into consideration by the Planning Inspectorate when deciding whether the Application can be accepted for examination. Therefore, in providing any comment, it should be borne in mind that the substance of it may be communicated to others as part of the Consultation Report and may be publicly available.
19. Personal details will be held securely and solely for purposes in connection with the statutory consultation, DCO process and further development of Frodsham Solar. Outside of these purposes the Applicant may be required to provide personal details if the Planning Inspectorate requests original responses. Otherwise, personal details will not be disclosed to any third parties. For further details please see the Applicant’s Privacy Policy on their website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk). A copy of the privacy policy can be provided upon request at the contact details below.
Contacting the Applicant
20. The Applicant can be contacted by:
• Emailing: info@frodshamsolar.co.uk
• Writing to: **FREEPOST FRODSHAM SOLAR**
• Calling: **0808 175 4004** (open 09:00-17:00, Monday-Friday. A voicemail service will operate for out of office hours)

Frodsham Solar
Notice publicising an addendum to a Statement of Community Consultation (“SoCC”), published in accordance with section 47(6) of the Planning Act 2008.
Notice is hereby given that Frodsham Solar Limited (Company Number 14432433), whose registered office is 70 St Mary Axe, London, United Kingdom, EC3A 8BE (“the Applicant”) has produced an addendum to their Statement of Community Consultation (“SoCC”), which was published in May 2023 in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008.
The project
1. The Applicant is proposing to make an application under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero for a Development Consent Order to authorise a new solar energy generation station and an associated on-site Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) (“Frodsham Solar”) on land at Frodsham Marsh, Frodsham, Cheshire West and Chester. The project also includes the associated infrastructure for connection to the local electricity distribution network, as well as a private wire connection, that would enable local businesses to utilise electricity generated.
2. Frodsham Solar would allow for the generation and export of over 50 megawatts (MW) of electricity, as well as the storage of electricity in the BESS. In doing so, Frodsham Solar will support the urgent need to decarbonise our electricity system by delivering sustainable, homegrown and low-cost energy to the region.
3. The Applicant is committed to working closely with stakeholders and the local community to develop the project by having regard to feedback received through consultation.
4. The Applicant is part of global renewable energy company Cubico Sustainable Investments.
Addendum to the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)
5. The Applicant has a duty to consult the local community under section 47 of the Planning Act 2008. The Applicant, therefore, prepared a SoCC that explains how people living in the vicinity of the proposed project boundary will be consulted throughout the pre-application process.
6. The Applicant consulted relevant Local Planning Authorities on the contents of the SoCC and duly considered the comments made regarding the proposed approach to consultation.
7. The Applicant published the SoCC on 25 May 2023 in accordance with section 47(6) of the Planning Act 2008.
8. This notice provides formal notification of the publication of an addendum to the SoCC which the Local Planning Authorities have also reviewed. This addendum can be viewed on the project website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk) and is also available to view free-of-charge from the Community Access Points listed in this notice.
9. The addendum provides more detail of the upcoming Phase Two consultation on Frodsham Solar, and explains how this will be undertaken consistently with the principles and commitments set out in the SoCC.
The consultation process
10. The Applicant carried out a first phase of community consultation on their initial proposals between **01 June - 13 July 2023**.

11. The Applicant will undertake a second phase of community consultation on more developed plans, including a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) (as Frodsham Solar is an EIA development), between **07 November - 19 December 2024**.
12. Consultation materials will be available to access on the project website (www.frodshamsolar.co.uk), at information events (listed below), Community Access Points (listed below), and by request (contact details below). A reasonable charge up to £500 may apply to providing printed copies of the PEIR.
13. Consultation materials can also be made available by request in alternative formats, such as large print, translated language, audio or braille, by contacting the Applicant using the details below.
14. Feedback can be submitted online via the project website, in writing using the contact details below or at an information event,, using the feedback form provided. The response deadline for Phase Two consultation feedback will be **19 December 2024** (on or before this date).

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