



Application by Frodsham Solar Ltd (the applicant) for an order granting development consent for Frodsham Solar

The Examining Authority's (ExA's) record of the first unaccompanied site inspection

Issued on 19 August 2025

The ExA undertook its first unaccompanied site inspection over two days on 12 to 13 August 2025 on foot, on public roads and Public Rights of Way (PRoW). The routes were planned having regard to the applicant's Environmental Statement (ES) and enabled the ExA to obtain views of the application site and surrounding area.

References in square brackets, e.g. [\[APP-105\]](#), are to documents catalogued in the [Examination Library](#).

Viewpoint (VP) locations are as indicated on ES Figures 6-5a and 6-5b [\[APP-109\]](#).

PRoW are as indicated on the Access and Right of Way Plans Street Works [\[AS-008\]](#). The extent of the PRoW inspected were the sections between the relevant VP identified below and generally not the full length of the PRoW.

Date	Time	Weather conditions	Location / route
Tuesday 12 August 2025	11.30am (VP6)	Partly cloudy, dry, good visibility	VP6 Public footpath, near St Lawrence's Church, Frodsham Church of St Lawrence (Grade 1) Overton, St Lawrence (Frodsham) Conservation Area
Tuesday 12 August 2025	11.50am (VP9)	Partly cloudy, dry, good visibility	VP9 Frodsham Hill War Memorial
Tuesday 12 August 2025	12.50pm (VP8)	Partly cloudy, dry, good visibility	VP8 A56, Chester Road, Frodsham

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Tuesday 12 August 2025	1.50pm (VP7)	Partly cloudy, dry, good visibility	VP7 Castle Park, Frodsham Castle Park (Frodsham) Conservation Area Castle Park Registered Park and Gardens (Grade II)
Tuesday 12 August 2025	2.15pm (VP9)	Partly cloudy, dry, very good visibility	VP9 Frodsham Hill War Memorial
Wednesday 13 August 2025	9.15am (VP14)	Partly cloudy, dry, very good visibility	VP14 M56 Weaver Lane Overbridge
Wednesday 13 August 2025	9.48am (VP25) 10.17am (VP17)	Partly cloudy, dry, very good visibility	Frodsham FP93 PRoW VP25 public footpath adjacent to River Weaver VP17 public footpath within draft Order limits
Wednesday 13 August 2025	10.25am (VP23)	Partly cloudy, dry, very good visibility	Frodsham FP81 PRoW VP23 public footpath adjacent to River Weaver Note: views intermittently obscured by vegetation
Wednesday 13 August 2025	10.51am (VP18)	Partly cloudy, dry, very good visibility	Frodsham FP81 PRoW Frodsham FP91 PRoW Frodsham RB108 PRoW Frodsham RB102 PRoW VP18 Restricted byway leading to Frodsham Marsh Farm

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Wednesday 13 August 2025	11.32am (VP15)	Partly cloudy, dry, very good visibility	Frodsham RB102 PRoW Frodsham RB108 PRoW Frodsham RB99 PRoW Frodsham RB98 PRoW/ National Cycle Network Route 5 VP15 M56, Brook Furlong Overbridge
Wednesday 13 August 2025	12.23pm (VP15) 12.46pm (VP21)	Partly cloudy, dry, very good visibility	VP15 M56, Brook Furlong Overbridge Frodsham RB98 PRoW/ National Cycle Network Route 5 Frodsham RB101 PRoW/ National Cycle Network Route 5 VP21 Restricted byway, Straight Length
Wednesday 13 August 2025	1.13pm (VP20)	Partly cloudy, dry, very good visibility	Frodsham RB97 PRoW/ National Cycle Network Route 5 Frodsham RB103 PRoW VP20 Restricted byway Cross Lane
Wednesday 13 August 2025	1.40pm (VP15)	Partly cloudy, dry, very good visibility	Frodsham RB98 PRoW/ National Cycle Network Route 5 VP15 M56, Brook Furlong Overbridge