



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

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

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Examining Inspectors Claire Beloe and Jason Rowlands undertook an unaccompanied site inspection (USI) on 3 February 2026 on foot, following public roads and Public Rights of Way (PRoW) accompanied by Cameron Alford, the Planning Inspectorate's Case Officer for the project. The route was planned having regard to the applicant's Environmental Statement (ES) and suggested locations from Interested Parties (IPs) for the ExA to view stated within the relevant representations, which enabled the ExA to obtain views of the application site.

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

PRoW are as indicated on the Access and Right of Way Plans Street Works [\[AS-008\]](#).

Date	Time	Weather conditions	Location / route
Tuesday 3 February 2026	8.00am to 9:45am	Overcast, very good visibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Walked over Brook Furlong Overbridge towards the site of the proposed development and along Frodsham RB99 PRoW, in a generally northerly direction.- Walked along the length of Frodsham RB99 PRoW and Frodsham FP91 PRoW in a northerly direction and Frodsham FP81 PRoW in an easterly direction. Viewed Cell 1, land to the east of Cell 1 and the banks of the River Weaver.- Retraced steps and walked along Frodsham RB108 PRoW and Frodsham RB102 PRoW to Frodsham Marsh Farm. Viewed the banks of Cell 1 to the north-east along the Manchester Ship Canal and looked in a south-westerly direction towards the banks of Cell 2 and Cell 3 in the distance.

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Tuesday 3 February 2026	9.45am to 12:30pm	Overcast, very good visibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Retraced steps along Frodsham RB102 PRoW, Frodsham RB108 PRoW and Frodsham RB99 PRoW in a generally south-easterly direction. - Walked along Frodsham RB98 PRoW / National Cycle Network Route 5 and then the length of Frodsham RB98 PRoW in a westerly direction. Viewed Cell 3 from Frodsham RB98 PRoW. - Walked along Frodsham RB103 PRoW in a southerly direction and then along Frodsham RB106 PRoW / National Cycle Network Route 5 in a westerly direction to where it joins Frodsham RB107 PRoW and Ellesmere Port and Neston RB40 PRoW / National Cycle Network Route 5. Viewed part of Ellesmere Port and Neston RB40 PRoW / National Cycle Network Route 5. - Walked along Frodsham RB107 PRoW in a south-easterly direction and then Frodsham FP95 PRoW and Frodsham RB104 PRoW in a north-easterly direction. - Walked along Frodsham RB97 PRoW / National Cycle Network Route 5, Frodsham RB101 PRoW / National Cycle Network Route and Frodsham RB98 PRoW / National Cycle Network Route 5 in a generally easterly direction. Viewed the proposed Skylark Mitigation Area. - Walked over Brook Furlong Overbridge in a south-easterly direction towards Frodsham.