



Planning Inspectorate

Application by Frodsham Solar Ltd for an order granting development consent for the Frodsham Solar Project

Agenda for compulsory acquisition hearing 1 (CAH1):

Hearing	Date and Time	Location
CAH1	<p>Tuesday 24 February 2026</p> <p>Hearing starts at 9.30am</p> <p>Registration and seating available at venue from 9.00am and virtual Registration Process from 9.15am</p>	<p>All hearings will be blended events at:</p> <p>Forest Hills Hotel Frodsham, Bellemonte Road, Overton Hill, Frodsham, Cheshire WA6 6HH</p> <p>and</p> <p>By virtual means using Microsoft Teams</p> <p>Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered</p>

Agenda items

- 1. Welcome, introductions, arrangements for the hearing**
- 2. Purpose of the compulsory acquisition hearing**
- 3. Agenda**

3a	The applicant to briefly introduce the powers within the Order and the amendments/ updates that have taken place during the Examination
3b	<p>The applicant to update the Examination on outstanding negotiations for land and rights. This will be guided by the latest versions of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">Land and Rights Negotiations TrackerStatutory Undertaker Negotiations Tracker

3c	The ExA will hear from Affected Persons who have registered to speak
3d	If not dealt with under 3b, the applicant to provide an update on Protective Provisions, with subsequent discussions with any/ all attending statutory undertakers for whom the Protective Provisions are relevant
3e	Any other matters that the ExA wishes to raise in respect of land and rights

4. Next steps

5. Closing

Purpose of CAH

Attendees

The ExA would find it helpful if the following parties could attend this hearing:

- Applicant
- Cadent Gas Limited
- Cheshire West and Chester Council
- Environment Agency
- Essar Oils
- Frodsham Wind Farm Limited
- INOVYN Chlorvinyls Limited
- Liverpool Bay CCS Limited
- National Highways
- National Grid Electricity Transmission PLC
- SP Manweb PLC
- United Utilities Water Ltd

However, this does not indicate that other parties will not be able to contribute. All affected persons (AP) and interested parties (IP) are invited to attend and make oral representations on the matters set out in the agenda, subject to the ExA's ability to control the hearing.

The ExA has sought to provide sufficient detail to assist the parties to prepare for the hearing. The details set out above are indicative and the ExA may find it necessary to include additional agenda items or to amend the order in which the items are dealt with.

Anyone wishing to attend the hearing in person, who has not already advised the case team of this, should do so as soon as possible.

The event will be livestreamed and a link for watching the livestream will be posted on the [project webpage](#) of the National Infrastructure Planning website closer to the hearing date. IPs and members of the public who wish to observe the hearing can therefore view and listen to the hearing using the livestream, or view and listen to the recording, after it has concluded.

Timing

The ExA will be timekeeping to ensure effective use of hearing time; the hearing should not extend beyond 12:15pm to enable APs and IPs a break prior to the issue specific hearing that commences at 1.30pm.

Anyone who is not able to provide all their oral submissions by the close of the hearing should follow it up in writing.

Registration process

Parties who have registered to speak (both in person and virtually) will receive a joining instruction email shortly before the hearing which will include a link to the virtual event on Microsoft Teams, and a telephone number should they need to participate by telephone. To enable the hearing to start on time at **9.30am** those attending virtually should join promptly at **9.15am** to ensure that all virtual attendees can complete the registration process in good time.

Procedure at CAH

Guidance under the Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 provides that it is for the ExA to probe, test and assess the evidence through direct questions of persons making oral representations at hearings. Questioning at the Hearing will be led by the ExA. Cross questioning of a person giving evidence by another person will only be permitted if the ExA decides it is necessary to ensure representations are adequately tested or that an IP has had a fair chance to put its case.