



Planning Inspectorate

Application by FVS Dean Moor Limited for proposed construction, operation, and decommissioning of a solar energy generating station comprising solar PV arrays, an on-site grid connection, associated infrastructure, and green infrastructure with a total capacity exceeding 50 megawatts (MW).

Case reference: EN010155

Examining Authority's note of unaccompanied site inspection (USI) to which the application or specified matters relates on 4 November 2025 and 5 November 2025

Examining Inspector Matthew Woodward, the panel/person appointed as the Examining Authority for the application detailed above, undertook the inspections on 4 and 5 November 2025.

The inspection was undertaken by car and foot on public roads and footpaths. The inspection was focused on the immediate environs of the site having regard to the work plans [[APP-007](#)], parameters plan [[APP-049](#)], constraints [[APP-072](#)].

Reference to view locations (VL) below are taken from [[APP-083](#)]. Road names are taken from [[APP-046](#)].

Description of visit

Tuesday 4 November 2025. The weather was cloudy with occasional rain.

Visit commenced at 3.30pm.

A familiarisation visit, primarily vehicle based. Drove the perimeter of the site including Dean Cross Road, Gilgarran Road, Branthwaite Road and Branthwaite Edge Road. Included a route through the settlement of Gilgarran. Stopped at various points along the way, including VL2a, VL2c, VL2b and VL6a and VL6b.

Drove along Branthwaite Road to the A595 in order to observe Lillyhall roundabout.

Visit concluded at 4.45 pm due to light.

Wednesday 5 November 2025. The weather was cloudy with frequent and often heavy rain.

Visit commenced at 9.45am.

Walked the northern part of the site following the informal tracks within the site, including Potato Pot wind farm.

Walked along Branthwaite Road and the northern boundary of the site. Walked along Gilgarran Road stopping at various points to view the northern and southern portions of the site.

Drove along Branthwaite Edge Road stopping and exiting the vehicle to view the site from various points within proximity of the properties at Bannockburn, Brookfield, Longcross Intack, Rigg House Farm and Jackie Hill.

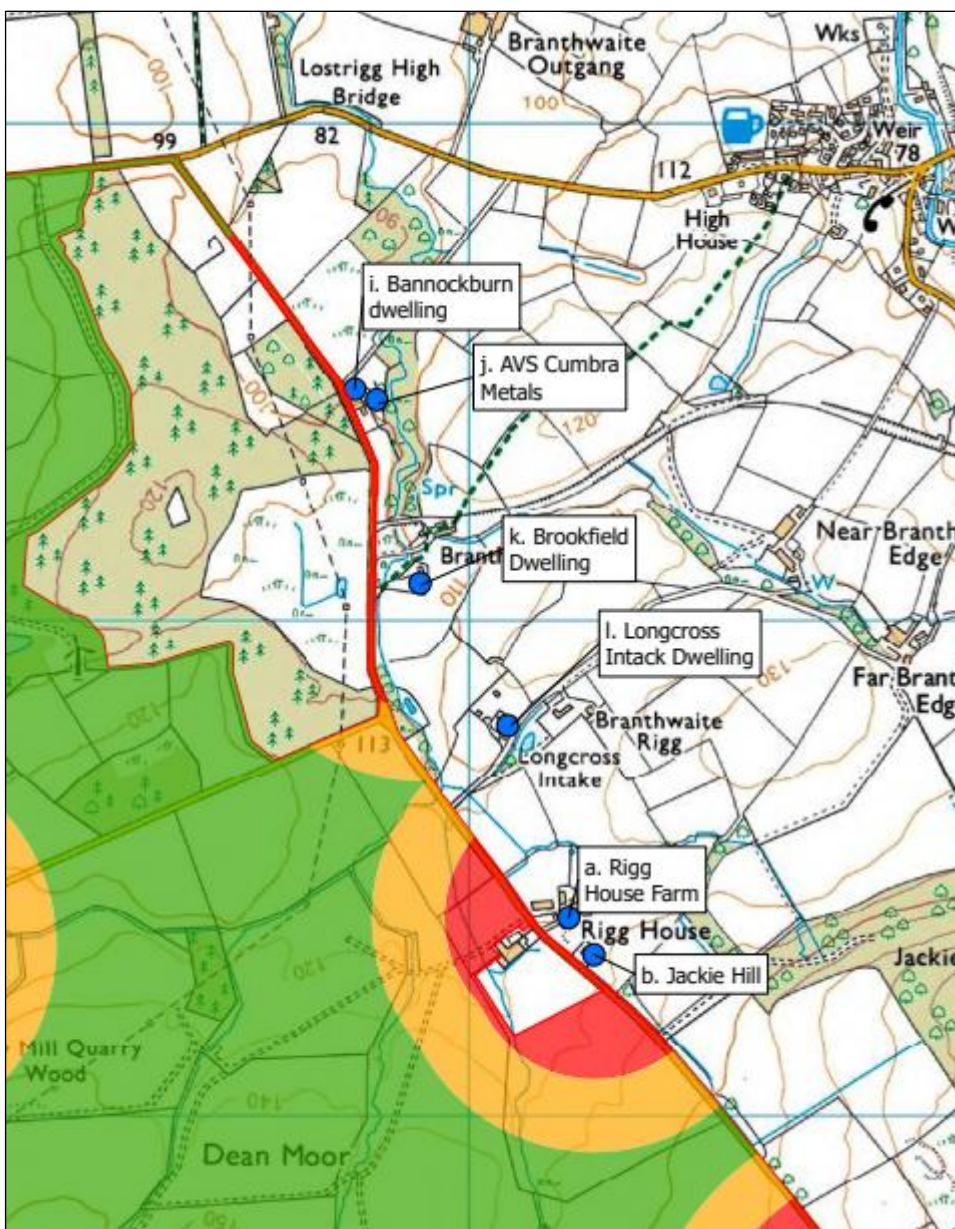


Figure 1 – location of properties which informed site visit locations along Branthwaite Edge Road [extract taken from [\[REP2-011\]](#) page 189.

Stopped at various points along Branthwaite Edge Road within proximity of the crossroad with Dean Cross Road. This included views of the site from the general location of VL6a and VL6b.

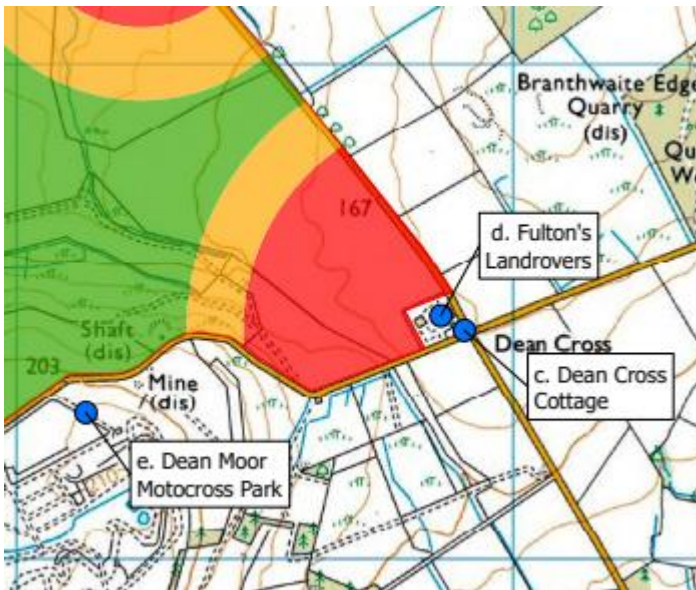


Figure 2 – map showing general extent of locations visited to view the site from proximity of the crossroads [extract taken from [\[REP2-011\]](#) page 189

Stopped at the entrance to Dean Moor motocross park and viewed the site from various points along Dean Cross Road between VL3c and VL6b.

Visit concluded at 12:30pm.

End of note.