

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 inspections (USI) - 3 and 4 December 2025

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

The inspections were undertaken by car and foot on public roads and footpaths. Reference to view locations (VL) below are taken from [APP-083]. Road names are taken from [APP-046].

Description of visit

Wednesday 3 December 2025. The weather was cloudy with occasional heavy rain.

Visit commenced at 1:00pm.

From Felldyke walked a footpath route towards VL13a, VL13b and VL13c where elevated views of the wider landscape and part of the site were obtainable.

From the north side Loweswater, walked a footpath route to VL14 where elevated distant views of the wider landscape and part of the site were obtainable.

Visit concluded at 4:10pm.

Thursday 4 December 2025. The weather was cloudy with occasional light rain.

Note – this unaccompanied site inspection following an accompanied site inspection which was carried out during the morning, and concluded at approximately 12:40pm [EV12-001].

Unaccompanied site inspection commenced at 1:15pm.

Drove along Branthwaite Road, Branthwaite Edge Road, Dean Cross Road and Gilgarran Road to observe sequential views of the site, stopping occasionally along the route to observe the site from various viewpoints.

Visit concluded at 1:50pm.

End of note.