

The Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero c/o The Planning Inspectorate Temple Quay House Temple Quay Bristol BS1 6PN

## 13 May 2024

Dear Secretary of State,

Peartree Hill Solar Farm Project: Wednesday 15 May to Wednesday 26 June 2024.

Section 46 of the Planning Act 2008 Notification to the Secretary of State of a proposed Application for development consent.

RWE Renewables UK Solar & Storage Limited ("RWE") writes to provide the Secretary of State with notification under section 46 of the Planning Act 2008 ("the 2008 Act") of RWE's intention to commence statutory consultation under section 42, section 47 and section 48 of the 2008 Act, the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedures) Regulations 2009 and the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 in relation to its proposed application for a Development Consent Order ("DCO"). The application will seek development consent to authorise the construction, operation and maintenance of Peartree Hill Solar Farm, located in the East Riding of Yorkshire ("the Proposed Development").

The Proposed Development comprises six land areas where solar panels and battery storage energy systems are proposed, and a grid cable connection corridor to National Grid's Creyke Beck substation which is located in Cottingham to the south of the site.

## **Consultation Information**

The statutory consultation period will start on **Wednesday 15 May 2024** and end at **11:59pm on Wednesday 26 June 2024**.

In accordance with section 46 of the 2008 Act, RWE hereby supplies the Secretary of State with a link

containing copies of the following material RWE has sent in hard copy to all relevant consultees identified in accordance with section 42 of the 2008 Act:

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- Templates of the letter sent to the section 42 consultees and any supporting materials:
- Copy of the consultation newsletter;
- Copy of the combined section 47 and 48 notice;
- Copy of the consultation brochure; and
- Peartree Hill Solar Farm response form and freepost envelope.

All consultees have been provided with a link to the project website <a href="www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk">www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk</a> where they can access the full suite of consultation documents which includes, in addition to the above and with the exception of the template section 42 letters:

- Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC");
- Peartree Hill Solar Farm Preliminary Environmental Information Report ("PEIR"), including figures and visualisations;
- Peartree Hill Solar Farm PEIR Non Technical Summary;
- Peartree Hill Solar Farm land area plans; and
- Peartree Hill Solar Farm non-statutory consultation report and documentation produced for non-statutory consultation.

The materials are available to download free of charge from the website for the duration of the statutory consultation period.

In addition to the website, consultation materials will be available at series of public consultation events and at deposit locations within the vicinity of the Proposed Development, as indicated on the section 47/48 notice.

RWE will also publish a notice in both local and national newspapers as required under sections 47 and 48 of the 2008 Act in order to publicise the proposed application and give notice of the publication of the SoCC. A copy of this combined section 47/48 notice is available (as above).

I would be grateful for confirmation of safe receipt of this letter and accompanying items. Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us by email at <a href="mailto:info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk">info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk</a>, or by telephone on

Yours sincerely,

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