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### **Peartree Hill Solar Farm**

## **Change Application Consultation Report**

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#### 1 Introduction

#### 1.1 Purpose of this Report

- 1.1.1 This Consultation Report (the Report) forms part of a Change Request prepared by RWE Renewables UK Solar and Storage Limited (the Applicant) to seek changes to the accepted application for a Development Consent Order (DCO Application) for Peartree Hill Solar Farm (the Proposed Development).
- 1.1.2 This Report describes the consultation undertaken by the Applicant in advance of submitting the Change Application and demonstrates the Applicant's compliance with relevant statutory requirements and the Planning Inspectorate's Guidance Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects: Changes to an application after it has been accepted for examination (published 8 August 2024) (the Change Guidance)¹. The Report outlines the approach to consultation and summarises the feedback the Applicant has received in response to the consultation activities and explains how the Applicant has had due regard to the feedback in considering its proposals. A series of annexes to this report include documents relevant to the consultation, such as consultation letters and responses.

#### 1.2 Background to the Change Application

- 1.2.1 The Proposed Development is a solar photovoltaic (PV) electricity generating and storage facility with an export capacity of 320 megawatts (MW) and associated infrastructure, located in East Riding of Yorkshire. The Proposed Development comprises areas of solar PV modules connected by a series of underground cables. The Proposed Development would establish a grid connection via underground cabling to the National Grid Creyke Beck Substation, which would transfer the electricity to the national electricity network.
- 1.2.2 The DCO Application for the Proposed Development was accepted by the Planning Inspectorate for Examination on Friday 21 March 2025. The DCO Application is currently in Examination, which started on Tuesday 22 July 2025 and is due to close on Monday 22 December 2025.
- 1.2.3 Since the submission of the DCO Application, the Applicant has continued to engage with stakeholders and review all Interested Parties examination

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nationally-significant-infrastructure-projects-changes-to-an-application-af-ter-it-has-been-accepted-for-examination">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nationally-significant-infrastructure-projects-changes-to-an-application-af-ter-it-has-been-accepted-for-examination</a>



submissions with a view to addressing their comments and agreeing common ground where possible, and progressing with examination. The proposed changes are a result of this ongoing process.

- 1.2.4 The Applicant has previously made two change requests.
- 1.2.5 On 3 June 2025 the Applicant, in accordance with the Change Guidance, notified the Examining Authority (ExA) of an intended request to submit two changes/corrections to the application for development consent for the Peartree Hill Solar Farm [AS-004]. The ExA responded to the Applicant's proposed change application on 6 June 2025 [PD-005]. On 9 July 2025, the Applicant submitted a Change Notification [PDA-001] seeking the ExA's consent to include the proposed changes/corrections to the application currently being examined.
- 1.2.6 On 6 August 2025, the Applicant submitted to the ExA its second Notification of the Applicant's intention to submit a Change Application (Change Notification) [AS-015] regarding seven further changes to be made to the DCO Application. The ExA confirmed receipt of the Change Notification and set out its response and advice on the procedural implications of the proposed changes in a procedural decision dated 12 August 2025 [PD-010]. On 10 September the Applicant submitted to the ExA its Second Change Application [REP2-149]. This was accepted on 19 September 2025 [PD-011].
- 1.2.7 On 23 September 2025 the Applicant wrote to the ExA [AS-017] providing notification of its intention to submit a Change Application for a small number of further changes to be submitted on or around Deadline 4.
- 1.2.8 These changes are in response to submissions made during the examination raising concerns about the potential for disturbance to bird species caused by users of permissive paths (including dogs) having unrestricted access to the ecological mitigation areas. The notification [AS-017] provided details of the changes and the proposed approach to consultation.
- 1.2.9 The ExA responded to the change notification on 30 September 2025 [PD-015] and stated in its response:

"The ExA is satisfied with the applicant's proposals for consultation. Any responses to the consultation must be sent to the applicant, and not to the Planning Inspectorate. The applicant should then provide evidence of its consultation and any responses to it as part of the formal change request. If the ExA decides to accept the changes into the examination, all interested parties will have an opportunity to make representations on the changed application as the examination progresses."



1.2.10 The Applicant submitted its **Change Application (October 2025) [EN010157/APP/8.16]** and supporting documents to the ExA at Deadline 4, on 31 October 2025, including this Report. This Report uses a numbering system which continues on from the changes in the previous change notifications.

#### 1.3 Overview of the proposed changes

- 1.3.1 The Change Application (October 2025) [EN010157/APP/8.16] proposes four changes to the DCO Application as summarised below:
  - Change 10 Change to permissive path route around Field D18.
  - Change 11 Change to remove permissive path route around Field E6 and to extend permissive path route around Fields E7 and E8.
  - Change 12 a package of analogous changes comprised of:
    - a. Moving the permissive path that runs through the proposed biodiversity mitigation area between Fields D16 and D17 closer to the edge of Field D16.
    - b. Realignment of the permissive path in Field B2 closer to the eastern edge of this field.
    - c. Moving the permissive path at the north of Field B8 closer to the northern edge of the field so that it is to the edge of the proposed biodiversity mitigation area in this field.
    - d. Moving permissive paths throughout Land Area F closer to the edge of the fields (this includes Fields F9, F10, F14 and F16).
  - Change 13 Installation of post and wire fencing between permissive paths and ecological mitigation areas. The total length of the proposed additional post and wire fencing is approximately 6km and would be up to 1m in height.

#### 1.4 Overview of the consultation

- 1.4.1 The Applicant carried out early and proportionate engagement with key stakeholders on the Proposed Changes, including non-statutory consultation and engagement in relation to Changes 10 to 13 to reflect the Change Guidance.
- 1.4.2 This Report has been prepared in accordance with the Change Guidance, which requires a consultation report in support of a change application to:
  - confirm who has been consulted in relation to the proposed change and explain how and why they have been consulted
  - include details of how the applicant has considered the content of the consultation responses received



• include copies of all consultation responses received, including any responses to publicity about the proposed change. These should be included as an annex to the consultation report.

#### 1.5 Structure of this Report

- 1.5.1 This Report is set out in a chronological order as far as is possible, detailing the engagement and consultation activities that the Applicant has carried out prior to submitting the Change Application.
- 1.5.2 It is organised into chapters; a short summary of what can be found in each is provided below:
  - Chapter 1 Introduction provides an introduction to the Report and its purpose.
  - Chapter 2 Approach to consultation reports on the activities undertaken in respect of the consultation on the changes and how this is compliant with relevant guidance.
  - Chapter 3 Summary of responses received to consultation provides a summary of feedback received in response to the consultation and explains how the Applicant has had regard to this feedback.
  - Chapter 4 Conclusion sets out the conclusions of this Report.

#### 1.6 Data protection

- 1.6.1 The Applicant is aware that this Report will be published on the National Infrastructure Planning website. As such, the Applicant has avoided the inclusion of personal data relating to individuals.
- 1.6.2 The Applicant must ensure that it complies with the Data Protection Act 2018, which came into force on 25 May 2018 following the introduction of the General Data Protection Regulation in 2016.
- 1.6.3 Personal details in this Report have been handled responsibly and where necessary redacted to ensure that the Applicant complies with the requirements of the Data Protection Act 2018 in the production and publication of this Report.



## 2 Approach to consultation

- 2.1.1 This Chapter (Chapter 2) sets out the approach to consultation for each Proposed Change.
- 2.1.2 The Applicant has followed the approach to engagement and consultation which was proposed in the Change Notification [AS-017], having regard to the ExA's procedural decisions comments received on 30 September 2025 [PD-015].

#### 2.2 Who the Applicant consulted and how

- 2.2.1 The Applicant considers the proposed changes to permissive paths are of public interest to those living in the vicinity of the changes. As such the Applicant decided to undertake a targeted consultation aimed at those who may use the permissive paths.
- 2.2.2 The consultation ran for 28 days from Wednesday 24 September to Wednesday 22 October 2025.
- 2.2.3 The Applicant identified the following bodies and groups as the appropriate consultees in relation to the proposed changes:
  - Persons with an interest in the land (PILs) affected by the proposed changes (Appendix A-4).
  - Prescribed consultees and relevant local authorities for the purposes of section 42(1)(a) and (b) of the Planning Act 2008 (Appendix A-1).
  - Other properties within the vicinity of the changes (these properties were determined by mapping the boundaries of the proposed changes and then extending this boundary in order to capture properties that were in reasonably close proximity of the proposed changes). Figure 1 shows the consultation zone used to identify properties in the vicinity of the changes.
  - Organisations or individuals who had commented on the permissive paths in the statutory consultation, who the Applicant has contact details for (Appendix A-2).
  - Key elected members (Appendix A-3)
- 2.2.4 Figure 1 shows the consultation zone used to identify properties in the vicinity of the changes.



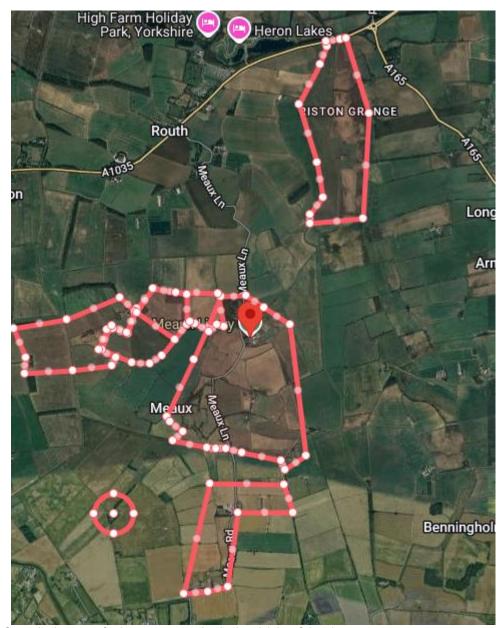


Figure 1 Consultation zone for letter to properties in the vicinity of the changes

- 2.2.5 The Applicant produced a short 8-page consultation brochure outlining the changes, including extracts of plans presented in the DCO Application and those showing the proposed changes to support understanding. A copy of the consultation brochure can be found at Appendix B of this Report.
- 2.2.6 The Applicant also produced a short feedback form asking for comments on the changes. A copy of the feedback form is found at Appendix C of this Report.



- 2.2.7 The brochure was uploaded to the project website www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk in the document library and the feedback form was uploaded as an online form to complete for the start of consultation on Wednesday 24 September. The homepage of the project website was also updated to signpost visitors to the documents. Screenshots of the website can be found at Appendix D of this Report.
- 2.2.8 The PILs, prescribed parties and consultation zone were sent a covering letter and hard copy of the consultation brochure on Tuesday 23 September. A copy of the covering letter can be found at Appendix E of this Report.
- 2.2.9 On Wednesday 24 September emails were sent to those prescribed parties, organisations or individuals who had commented on the permissive paths in the statutory consultation, who the Applicant has contact details for, and key elected members about the targeted consultation. These emails can be found at Appendix F of this Report.
- 2.2.10 In addition, copies of the consultation brochure and feedback form were placed at Beverley Library as a deposit location, as shown at Appendix G of this Report. Site notices were also put up with a QR code to the project website, a copy of the site notice and photographs of them in situ can be found at Appendix H of this Report.
- 2.2.11 The Applicant ran a social media advert throughout the duration of the consultation to interest people in the targeted consultation. The advert had over 29,000 views and 263 link clicks. A copy of the social media advert can be found at Appendix I of this Report.
- 2.2.12 The Applicant considers that the targeted approach to consultation is commensurate with the scale and impacts of the proposed changes. In line with the Change Guidance, consultation has been undertaken with persons prescribed under section 42(1)(a) and (b) of the Planning Act 2008, as set out above. A period of 28 days was allowed for responses to the consultation, also reflecting the Change Guidance.

#### 2.3 Engagement with Natural England

2.3.1 In Natural England's relevant representation [RR-012] (item NE1b), they noted that the proposed permissive path network from the DCO Application included walking routes around mitigation areas 9 (Field D18) and 11 (Field E6) and advised that the presence of human disturbance may reduce the suitability of these mitigation areas for Special Protection Area (SPA) qualifying bird species. Natural England also requested clarification on whether the proposed permissive paths would be separated from the mitigation areas by fencing.



2.3.2 Consequently, the Applicant proposed changes to the relevant sections of the proposed permissive path network, which were shared with Natural England via email on 4 September 2025. Natural England responded on 10 September 2025 to confirm that they welcomed the proposed changes, specifically the removal of the permissive path loops around Fields D18 and E6, and to provide further comments, such as advising that all footpaths should be separated from the relevant mitigation areas with stock proof fencing. The amendments were discussed further with Natural England in an online meeting on 11 September 2025 and subsequently refined by the Applicant, resulting in Changes 10 to 13 as set out in section 1.3 of this Report. Natural England confirmed via email on 8 October that they welcome the proposed changes, including the implementation of post and wire fencing between all permissive footpaths and wintering/breeding bird mitigation areas, and provided further advice, which is reflected in Table 3-1 below.



# 3 Summary of responses received to consultation

- 3.1.1 This Chapter (Chapter 3) sets out the how the Applicant has considered the content of the consultation responses received.
- 3.1.2 Parties could respond to the consultation by:
  - Completing a feedback form online at Peartreehillsolar.co.uk
  - Returning a paper copy of a feedback form to PEARTREE HILL SOLAR FARM (no stamp required)
  - Emailing info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk
  - Writing Freepost PEARTREE HILL SOLAR FARM (no stamp required)
- 3.1.3 In total 15 responses were received to the consultation, including one late response which was accepted from East Riding of Yorkshire Council. These included:
  - 9 responses from statutory parties
  - 1 from a non-statutory organisation
  - 1 from a landowner. The landowner response was not from someone whose land was directly impacted by the changes but has an interest in the Proposed Development
  - 4 number from members of the public, including 2 completed online feedback forms.
- 3.1.4 The list of organisations who responded is as follows:
  - Beverley and North Holderness Internal Drainage Board
  - Coal Authority (Mining Remediation Authority)
  - East Riding of Yorkshire Council
  - East Riding of Yorkshire and Kingston Upon Hull Joint Local Access Forum (JLAF) (non-statutory consultees)
  - Historic England



- Natural England
- Northern Gas Networks
- North Lincolnshire Council
- Tickton and Routh Parish Council
- UK Health Security Agency
- 3.1.5 Appendix J includes copies of all written consultation responses received as part of the consultation regarding the changes. The response to issues raised in the consultation responses and the Applicant's response is covered in Section 3.2.

#### 3.2 Response to issues raised

- 3.2.1 Table 3-1 provides the verbatim consultation responses from statutory and non-statutory organisations and the Applicant's response.
- 3.2.2 Table 3-2 provides the consultation responses from members of the public via email and feedback form and the Applicant's response.



Table 3-1 Consultation comments from statutory and non-statutory organisations and the Applicant's response

Row ID		Relevant change	Comment	Applicant's Response
Beverle	<u> </u>		rnal Drainage Board	
1	Beverley and North Holderness Internal Drainage Board	All changes	In relation to Board maintained watercourses, the Board wishes to make the applicant aware that when the Board refers to maintenance activities, this will include the use of heavy tracked machinery.	The Applicant notes this comment.
2	Beverley and North Holderness Internal Drainage Board	Field D18	The Board does not maintain any watercourses around the perimeter or within field D18. The Board would make the applicant aware that there appears to be an ordinary watercourse which surrounds the perimeter of field D18.  For any ordinary watercourses (i.e. ones which the Board do not maintain), the Board would request a minimum of 3 metres from the bank top to be left completely clear of any new buildings, structures, solar panels, fences, walls, planting, or hardstanding. This is to ensure there is sufficient room for maintenance works to the watercourse by the riparian owner in the future.	The Applicant notes the comment and will engage further with the Board to ensure arrangements are in place to safeguard the Applicant's ability to deliver the Proposed Development.  The design has followed the easement requirements of the IDB and the Environment Agency.  The Board also benefits from protections secured via the protective provisions set out in Schedule 12, Part 3 (For the protection of the drainage authorities) of the Draft Development Consent Order (DCO) [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8].
3	Beverley and North	Field E6/E7/E8	The Board maintained watercourse known as Meaux and West Drain, also	As set out in the <b>Outline Landscape</b> and Ecological Management Plan



	Holderness Internal			(LEMP) [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] which is secured by Requirement 9 of
	Drainage Board		The Board does not anticipate the installation of this section of post and wire fencing will interfere with the Board's maintenance activities.	locations where crossings are required to be installed or where existing crossing
			However, the Board would reiterate its	points or culverts require upgrading).
			position that 9 metres from the top of the embankment should be kept wholly clear of any new buildings, structures, solar panels, fences, walls, planting, or hardstanding. This is to ensure that the Board has sufficient access to the watercourse to conduct maintenance works. In addition, the Board want to ensure that there is nothing installed that	To the extent that any work was proposed in, on, under, over or within 9m from bank top of a watercourse under the control of the Board, this would need to be agreed with the Board pursuant to the protective provisions set out in Schedule 12, Part 3 (For the protection of the drainage authorities) of the Draft Development DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8].
4	Beverley and North Holderness Internal Drainage Board	Field B2/B3	The Board notes that the applicant intends to place a post and wire fence around the perimeter of Field B2 which has been proposed as a biodiversity mitigation area. The Board would make the applicant aware that the Riston Pumping Station is situated in the southwestern corner of Field B2, and the Board maintained watercourse	As set out and secured in the <b>Outline LEMP [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8],</b> the design of the Proposed Development includes a minimum 10m offset from all watercourses (other than locations where crossings are required to be installed or where existing crossing points or culverts require upgrading).



known as the Arnold and Riston Drain field B2. The Board would ask that 9 metres is kept wholly clear of solar panels, planting, fencing, hardstanding etc. from the top of the embankment as per the Board's requirements for maintenance activities.

There is an existing access track within Fields B2/3 which runs along the Arnold and Riston Drain up to the pumping station. The Board would ask that this existing access is kept in place, or the applicant provides an appropriate alternative access to the watercourse and stage and submitted to East Riding of pumping station which is suitable for heavy tracked machinery in order for maintenance activities to be carried out.

To the extent that any work was also runs along the southern boundary of proposed in, on, under, over or within 9m from bank top of a watercourse under the control of the Board, this would need to be agreed with the Board pursuant to the protective provisions set out in Schedule 12, Part 3 (For the protection of the drainage authorities) of the **Draft DCO** [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8].

> The Applicant notes the Board's comments regarding permeability of access tracks. Internal access track design, including materials, will be confirmed as part of the detailed design Yorkshire Council for approval as part of Requirement 3 of the **Draft DCO** [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8]. As set out in the **Outline Construction Environmental Management** Plan [EN010157/APP/7.2 Revision 6] which is secured by Requirement 4 of the Draft Development Consent Order [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8], if Type 1 material is used for surfacing of access tracks, the Applicant will submit a drainage strategy for the relevant works to the Board. The Applicant will continue to liaise with the Board on this matter.



5	Povorlov and	Fields B8/B9	The Board maintained watercourse	As set out in the <b>Outline LEMP</b>
5	,	rieius bo/b9		
	North		known as Arnold and Riston Drain runs	[EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] which
	Holderness			is secured by Requirement 9 of the <b>Draft</b>
	Internal			Development Consent Order
	Drainage Board		known as Riston Drain runs along the	[EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8], the
				design of the Proposed Development
			B8. The proposed post and wire fencing	includes a minimum 10m offset from all
				watercourses (other than locations where
			The proposed additional post and wire	crossings are required to be installed or
			fencing along the western boundary of	where existing crossing points or culverts
			Field F9 will run alongside the Board	require upgrading).
			maintained watercourse known as North	
			Wray.	To the extent that any work was
				proposed in, on, under, over or within 9m
				from bank top of a watercourse under the
				control of the Board, this would need to
				be agreed with the Board pursuant to the
				protective provisions set out in Schedule
			panels, and planting etc. For any	12, Part 3 (For the protection of the
				drainage authorities) of the <b>Draft DCO</b>
			district, 3 metres should be kept wholly	[EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8].
			•	[LINO 10 13 //AFF/3.1 Revision 6].
			clear of any hardstanding, planting or	
			fencing, and 9 metres clear of solar	
C	Dayarlay, and	Ciald D46	panels.	As set out in the Outline LEMP
6	,	Field B16		As set out in the Outline LEMP
	North			[EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] which
	Holderness			is secured by Requirement 9 of the <b>Draft</b>
	Internal		middle and along the western boundary of	
	Drainage Board			the design of the Proposed Development
			fencing on the eastern boundary of D16	includes a minimum 10m offset from all



Mining	Remediation Au Mining Remediation	ı <b>thority (Coal</b> All changes	to leave 9 metres clear of solar panels from the top of the embankment of any watercourse within the Board's district.	watercourses (other than locations where crossings are required to be installed or twhere existing crossing points or culverts require upgrading).  To the extent that any work was proposed in, on, under, over or within 9m from bank top of a watercourse under the control of the Board, this would need to be agreed with the Board pursuant to the protective provisions set out in Schedule 12, Part 3 (For the protection of the drainage authorities) of the Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8].
	Authority (Coal		On this basis we have no specific	
East Ric	Authority) ding of Yorkshi	re Council	comment to make.	
8		All changes	ERYC's Ecologist is satisfied that the revisions address the previous concerns in relation to recreational disturbance of the mitigation areas. The post and rail fence should be of a form that does not allow the free passage of dogs off leads into the mitigation areas. It is noted that the document confirms that the fence would 'form a barrier' to movement.	The Applicant notes this comment. As set out in the updated Outline LEMP [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] which is secured by Requirement 9 of the Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8], mitigation area fencing would comprise post and wire fencing installed alongside permissive paths which run adjacent to and through ground nesting bird and Humber Estuary SPA/Ramsar mitigation



areas. The post and wire fencing will be 1m high with a 75mm-by-75mm mesh to prevent deer being harmed. The fencing will not include barbed wire or straining wire above the mesh to reduce potential injury to wildlife, path users, dogs and horses. The wire fencing will be installed to ground level but not buried to allow mammals such as badger to pass underneath. The height of the fence will allow deer to safely jump over and pass through the area.

The updated **Outline LEMP**[EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] also sets out that where hedgerows prevent permissive path users and dogs entering the bird mitigation areas, rather than installing fencing, the hedgerows will be managed to ensure the hedgerows remain dense from ground level. In the event any hedgerows have gaps wide enough for people or dogs to enter the mitigation areas they will be gapped up with fast growing thorny native hedgerow species such as hawthorn.

The updated **Outline LEMP**[EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] is submitted at Deadline 4.



9	East Riding of	All changes	All of the changes appear sensible in	An online meeting was held between the
	Yorkshire		terms of protecting areas of biodiversity,	Applicant and East Riding of Yorkshire
	Landscape		but some of them seem to potentially	Council's landscape consultant on 28
	consultant		compromise the amenity value of the	October 2025.
			permissive footpaths. Despite the fencing	
			being lightweight and low-level, the user	It was explained that changes were
			experience would be compromised, in	made to permissive paths following
			comparison to an impression of walking	consultation with Natural England who
			through an open field. Where the	raised concerns about users of
			permissive path has been re-routed	permissive paths (including dogs)
			around the edge of a solar field, as	encroaching onto, and therefore reducing
			opposed to an open mitigation field, this	the efficacy of, ecological mitigation
			sense would be heightened by the	areas.
			perception of industrial panels.	
				The potential for additional planting at
				some specific locations was discussed to
				help soften views of the Proposed
				Development. It was agreed to add
				further hedgerows either side of the
				permissive path between Fields E1 and
				E2, as captured within item ERYC34 of
				the Draft Statement of Common
				Ground with East Riding of Yorkshire
				Council [EN010157/APP/9.2 Revision
				<b>4]</b> . which is submitted at Deadline 4. The
				Applicant is also exploring the feasibility
				of increasing the separation between the
				permissive path and the solar PV
				modules at the southern extent of Field
				D17 to allow for hedgerow planting and
				will continue to liaise with East Riding of



				Yorkshire Council on this matter, as captured within item ERYC34 of the Draft Statement of Common Ground with East Riding of Yorkshire Council [EN010157/APP/9.2 Revision 4]. which is submitted at Deadline 4
10	East Riding of Yorkshire Landscape consultant	All changes	There are several notes stating 'The path would also be available for horse riders', where the orange dotted line graphics used relate to the key noted 'available for pedestrians only'. Greater clarity is needed, and assurance that proposed routes for horse riders are connected well to each other, and able to be accessed using the bridleway network.	Environmental Masterplan [EN010157/APP/6.3 Revision 4] has a different key on each page depending on what features are shown – on those pages where the permissive path is for



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				circuit of permissive paths within Land Areas D and E will be made available for horse riding. The section of permissive path in the north-eastern section of Field D18 has been retained in order to allow access to the wider permissive path network from Meaux Livery, on the other side of Meaux Lane.
11	East Riding of Yorkshire Landscape consultant	All changes	With reference to British Horse Society Advice note "Advice on Width, area and height on routes used with horses", where paths are available for horse riders, post and rail wooden fencing should be used.	As set out in the first item in the Natural England section of this table (row ID 29), Natural England have advised that the mitigation area fencing should be "sufficiently robust to prevent the movement of dogs and people between the permissive footpaths and the wintering/breeding bird mitigation areas". As such, and as set out within the updated Outline LEMP [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8], it is proposed that mitigation area fencing would comprise post and wire stock proof fencing with a maximum height of 1m. The fencing will not include barbed wire or straining wire above the mesh to reduce potential injury to wildlife, path users, dogs and horses.  The updated Outline LEMP [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] is submitted at Deadline 4 and commits the



				Applicant to aligning with East Riding of Yorkshire and British Horse Society guidance, as far as reasonably practicable. The approval process of the final Landscape and Environmental Management Plan is secured by Requirement 9 of the Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8] and requires approval from ERYC.
12	East Riding of Yorkshire Landscape consultant	All changes	The detailed cross-section of the footpaths should be considered, to prevent them becoming undesirable 'alleyways', with a reasonable width granted to them.	A commitment has been added to the updated <b>Outline LEMP</b> [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8], which is submitted at Deadline 4, to state that where permissive paths are to be made available for horse riding (i.e. in Land Areas D and E), they will be built to have a minimum useable width of 3m. Where the permissive paths run between hedges, fences, walls or other such boundaries, they will have a minimum useable width of 4m, allowing for the strip immediately adjacent to the hedge, fence, wall or other boundary being unusable, in line with East Riding of Yorkshire and British Horse Society guidance, as far as reasonably practicable.
13	East Riding of Yorkshire	All changes	Generally:  • Paths should be designed according to ERYC and British	A commitment has been added to the Outline LEMP [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8], which is submitted at



Landscape	Horse Society guidance (links and Deadline 4, to state that where
consultant	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Consultant	extracts below). permissive paths are to be made
	Where paths are bounded on both available for horse riding (i.e. in Land
	sides by either panels and/or Areas D and E), they will be built to have
	hedges, a generous path width a minimum useable width of 3m. Where
	should be allowed for, where the permissive paths run between
	possible greater than the minimum hedges, fences, walls or other such
	widths advised by ERYC guidance boundaries, they will have a minimum
	(see below). useable width of 4m, allowing for the strip
	Where paths are adjacent to solar immediately adjacent to the hedge,
	panels, there should be a planted fence, wall or other boundary being
	hedgerow buffer, incorporating unusable, in line with East Riding of
	hedgerow trees, where possible Yorkshire and British Horse Society
	without shading panels. guidance, as far as reasonably
	Where paths give direct visibility to practicable.
	solar panels, albeit sometimes The approval process of the final
	separated by mitigation fields, Landscape and Environmental
	hedge planting should be provided Management Plan is secured by
	adjacent to the solar array (rather Requirement 9 of the <b>Draft DCO</b>
	than adjacent to the path, which [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8] and
	could result in requires approval from ERYC.
	undesirable 'alleyways'). Hedge planting is located adjacent to
	Where paths are also available to solar infrastructure as far as reasonably
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	Widthe enedia be followed, where
	possible allowing a more
	generous width than the minimum. locations it is not feasible for hedgerow to be planted adjacent to solar PV panels
	where visible from permissive paths due
	to the need to consider other factors,



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				such as not sterilizing farmland, not
				creating 'alleyways', avoiding negative
				impacts on biodiversity mitigation
				measures and not impacting the overall
				capacity of the Proposed Development.
				Specific locations for hedgerow planting
				were suggested by East Riding of
				Yorkshire Council's landscape consultant
				and were discussed during the meeting
				on 28 October 2025. Details of the
				outcomes of these discussions are
				provided in the rows below in relation to
				Fields E7 and E8, the southern boundary
				of D17, F14, D16/D17, and B8. A
				summary is provided in ERYC34 in the
				Draft Statement of Common Ground
				with East Riding of Yorkshire Council
				[EN010157/APP/9.2 Revision 4], which
				is submitted at Deadline 4.
14	East Riding of	All changes	Where fences are being introduced, the	ES Volume 3, Figure 3.4: Indicative
	Yorkshire		plans should be updated to acknowledge	Environmental Masterplan
	Landscape		that the land parcel will no longer be	[EN010157/APP/6.3 Revision 4] has
	consultant		available as 'community accessible'.	been updated and is submitted at
				Deadline 4 to identify that where
				mitigation area fencing is proposed to
				separate permissive paths from
				mitigation areas, the land parcel will no
				longer be available as community
				accessible land. Fields C8 and the
				northern section of Field B8 are no



15	East Riding of Yorkshire Landscape	E8 and D17	Fields E7 and E8, and the southern boundary of D17: these locations do not indicate a planting buffer between path	longer under consideration as community accessible land. Field F17 remains under consideration as community accessible land and has been identified as an ecological enhancement (rather than mitigation) area, as shown on ES Volume 3, Figure 7.1: Designated sites and ecological mitigation and enhancement areas [EN010157/APP/6.3 Revision 4]. The slight reduction in the overall quantum of bird mitigation land available following this amendment does not alter the conclusions of the assessment within ES Volume 2, Chapter 7: Biodiversity [EN010157/APP/6.2 Revision 3].  An online meeting was held between the Applicant and East Riding of Yorkshire Council's landscape consultant on 28
				Council's landscape consultant on 28
			allow a path wide enough for the intended use, and a planting buffer between path and panels.	It was agreed that there was insufficient space along the southern boundary of Fields E7 and E8 to introduce a planting buffer.
				The Applicant is exploring the feasibility of increasing the separation between the permissive path and the solar PV modules at the southern extent of Field



				D17 to allow for hedgerow planting and will continue to liaise with East Riding of Yorkshire Council on this matter, as captured within item ERYC34 of the Draft Statement of Common Ground with East Riding of Yorkshire Council [EN010157/APP/9.2 Revision 4]. which is submitted at Deadline 4.
16	East Riding of Yorkshire Landscape consultant	Field F14	Field F14: It is unclear, due to the image resolution on the PDF, but it appears that the intention on the northern boundary of F14 may be that the path is bounded by solar panels to the north, and hedgerow to the south. The hedgerow would be more appropriately located on the southern boundary of the biodiversity mitigation, closer to the solar panels, allowing a visual relationship with the mitigation field, and more open aspect to the path. On the southern boundary of F14, the panels have been extended to border the path much more closely, resulting in this path being closely bounded on both sides. As above, the width of the path should be sufficient to compensate.	An online meeting was held between the Applicant and East Riding of Yorkshire Council's landscape consultant on 28 October 2025.  It was explained that a good quality hedgerow marks the northern boundary of Field F14 and that the permissive path was moved to the north of the hedgerow to avoid an area of biodiversity mitigation in order to minimise disturbance from users of the permissive path (including dogs) on the mitigation area. Introducing a new hedgerow to the north of the permissive path would create an 'alleyway'.  It was agreed that no further action / changes to the design were required.  This is captured in item ERYC34 in the Draft Statement of Common Ground



			with East Riding of Yorkshire Council [EN010157/APP/9.2 Revision 4], which is submitted at Deadline 4.
17	East Riding of Yorkshire Landscape consultant	field D16 to the west, which is appropriate. However, the proposed hedgerow trees previously indicated between D16 and D17 have disappeared rather than relocated; these should be reinstated, either along the new hedgerow, as an addition to the existing hedgerow, or as individual trees within the	Applicant and East Riding of Yorkshire Council's landscape consultant on 28 October 2025.  It was explained that this area was required as biodiversity mitigation for ground nesting birds and that adding trees here would be inappropriate as it would reduce the efficacy of the
			It was agreed that no further action / changes to the design were required.  This is captured in item ERYC34 in the Draft Statement of Common Ground with East Riding of Yorkshire Council [EN010157/APP/9.2 Revision 4], which is submitted at Deadline 4.
18	East Riding of Yorkshire Landscape consultant	house, where we have previously suggested that better screening would	An online meeting was held between the Applicant and East Riding of Yorkshire Council's landscape consultant on 28 October 2025.  It was explained that the permissive path was relocated at the request of Natural



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			shorter section of the existing boundary. Additional hedgerow and tree planting should be incorporated along the boundary between the mitigation area and the solar panels. This would provide an open relationship between the footpath and mitigation field, but visually filter views from the path to the nearest panels, and provide layers of filtering for the house to the panels in area B8.	as not to sterilize agricultural land. It was
				is submitted at Deadline 4.
19		All changes	Government Standards	The Applicant notes this comment.
	Yorkshire		https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/g	
	Landscape			A commitment has been added to the
	consultant		hment data/file/1179630/Technical Stan	
			dard -	Revision 8], which is submitted at
			Public rights of way Redacted.pdf	Deadline 4, to state that where
			Minimum width	permissive paths are to be made
			6.1.4 Appropriate legal widths for	available for horse riding (i.e. in Land
			each type of public right of way shall be discussed with the	Areas D and E), they will be built to have a minimum useable width of 3m. Where



		byway or a byway open to all	the permissive paths run between hedges, fences, walls or other such boundaries, they will have a minimum useable width of 4m, allowing for the strip immediately adjacent to the hedge, fence, wall or other boundary being unusable, in line with East Riding of Yorkshire and British Horse Society guidance, as far as reasonably practicable.  The suggested Technical Standard – Public Rights of Way (HS2-HS2-HW-STD-000-000002) guidance will also be taken into consideration at the detailed design stage.  The approval process of the final Landscape and Environmental Management Plan is secured by Requirement 9 of the Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8] and requires approval from ERYC.
East Riding of Yorkshire Landscape consultant	All changes		



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it shall be assumed that the widths of public rights of way are:

- Public Footpath 2m
- Public Bridleway 3m

Where it is desirable to enclose a right of way within new boundaries, extra width should be provided to ensure clear open verges to facilitate good visibility and an open aspect for users, and to negate the effects of encroachment by adjacent vegetation.

- +0.5m per side for low open fences, such as post and rail or post and netting, fences etc and walls. In these cases it is of the lower fence cannot be raised. A restrictive covenant should be placed on the owners of the properties, backed up by a planning condition. In cases where Landscape and Environmental that lower height cannot be protected then a width of 4m will have to be preserved (see below)
- +1m per side for all hedges and high, close boarded fences etc. and walls. This includes security

permissive paths are to be made available for horse riding (i.e. in Land Areas D and E), they will be built to have a minimum useable width of 3m. Where the permissive paths run between hedges, fences, walls or other such boundaries, they will have a minimum useable width of 4m, allowing for the strip immediately adjacent to the hedge, fence, wall or other boundary being unusable, in line with East Riding of Yorkshire and British Horse Society guidance, as far as reasonably practicable.

Further consideration will be given to the suggested East Riding Coast and important to ensure that the height Countryside Public Rights of Way and Planning Guidance Document at the detailed design stage.

> The approval process of the final Management Plan is secured by Requirement 9 of the **Draft DCO** [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8] and requires approval from ERYC.



			fencing such as palisade, paladin and chain-link fencing etc if fences are to be erected on both sides then the council would be looking to ensure that the following minimum widths are protected:  • Public footpaths 4m • Bridleways 5m	
21	East Riding of Yorkshire Landscape consultant	All changes	(British Horse Society Advice notes) https://www.bhs.org.uk/media/2gnexyyf/dimensions-1124.pdf Advice on Width, area and height on routes used with horses The intention of the widths recommended here is to provide a useable width of minimum 3 metres for a bridleway or 4 metres for a byway, at all seasons. If the way is alongside or between hedges, fences, walls or other boundary, a useable width is likely to require an additional half a metre alongside the boundary, giving an overall width of 4 metres (bridleway) or 5 metres (byway) between fences or hedges. This is	Deadline 4, to state that where permissive paths are to be made available for horse riding (i.e. in Land



particularly adjacent to barbed wire or thorny plants or where ground vegetation suggested British Horse Society will build up and could hide debris, trip hazards or dog mess.

The Society encourages Order Making Authorities to adopt a standard width of 5 Management Plan is secured by metres for diverted bridleways and byways. 5 metres allows for a commodious width remaining if a route is requires approval from ERYC. 'corridor fenced' of a route even if use increases and to allow ease of access for maintenance.

The Society encourages Order Making Authorities to adopt a standard of 5 metres width for new bridleways and restricted byways whenever possible but recognises that a lesser width may be necessary to create any way in some cases.

For 'greenways' and routes considered to be of strategic importance, more than 5 metres allows comfortable space for different types of user, particularly if use by cyclists at speed is anticipated As a general guide the following types of fencing are suitable for horses and can be used safely alongside rights of way, in order of preference:

Further consideration will be given to the Guidance at the detailed design stage.

The approval process of the final Landscape and Environmental Requirement 9 of the **Draft DCO** [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8] and



			Post and rail wooden fencing     Wire fencing (both straight and barbed) is less desirable and potentially injurious.	
22	East Riding of Yorkshire Landscape consultant	All changes	ar-0825.pdf Advice on Solar farms near routes used by equestrians  Unless the recorded width of the bridleway or byway is greater, a minimum useable width of 4m between fences is recommended, meaning fencing at no less than 5m apart to allow for the strip immediately adjacent to the fence being unusable, and with vegetation cut through the full width. This mitigates the enclosed effect of the corridor of the right of way between high fences.  Where a bridleway or byway has been previously unfenced, it is likely that the used width has been at least 4m as users do not risk passing each other more closely than necessary, particularly on multi-use routes where horses, bicycles, pedestrians and dogs may be present.	available for horse riding (i.e. in Land Areas D and E), they will be built to have a minimum useable width of 3m. Where the permissive paths run between hedges, fences, walls or other such



				[EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8] and requires approval from ERYC.
23	East Riding of Yorkshire	All changes	Other Internal ERYC Consultees. All other ERYC internal consultees have advised they have no comments to make on the proposed changes, the subject of this targeted consultation.	The Applicant notes this comment.
East Ric	ding of Yorkshi	re and Kingst	on Upon Hull Joint Local Access Forum	(JLAF)
24	JLÄF	All changes	1. The primary focus of East Riding of Yorkshire and Kingston upon Hull Joint Local Access Forum (ERoY&KuHJLAF) is on Public Rights of Way (PRoW). However, it has a broad statutory interest in public access to the countryside and this includes both 'access land' and 'permitted paths.  2. The ERoY&KuHJLAF recognises the concern for the prospective disturbance of wildlife, particularly nesting birds, that might arise from the original alignment of a limited number of the proposed permitted paths.	The Applicant notes this comment.
25	JLAF	All changes		While the proposed changes would see the removal of some permissive paths, they also include the addition of others to retain connectivity across the Site. If



			information boards at the entry points. This will (a) alert users to the permissive paths (b) describe their length and location and (c) in the case of cul-de-sac paths, minimise disappointment and/or annoyance from users reaching the terminus and having to double back.	permissive path provision of approximately 800m but there would remain a considerable network of approximately 11.8km of permissive paths to be bought forward as part of the Proposed Development. The Applicant confirms that connectivity with existing PRoW would be retained.  As set out in the Outline LEMP [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] which is secured by Requirement 9 of the Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8], the waymarking of permissive paths is yet to be determined, but the Applicant would explore options in consultation with the Community Liaison Group, which will be established for the duration of the construction period.
26	JLAF	ŭ	5. Whilst ERoY&KuHJLAF does not object to the proposed changes to the permissive path provision, we do consider that the changes represent a reduction in the only countryside access enhancements currently being offered within the project proposals (eg. reduction in length, some loss of circular nature, additional wire fencing), and they would	While the proposed changes would see the removal of some permissive paths, they also include the addition of others to retain connectivity across the Site. If progressed, the proposed changes would result in an overall reduction in



			permissive access proposals. The aesthetic of access along the permissive paths will be diminished by the proximity of security fencing and the ranks of solar panels.	approximately 11.8km of permissive paths to be bought forward as part of the Proposed Development. The Applicant confirms that connectivity with existing PRoW would be retained.  The mitigation area fencing will be low profile (up to 1m in height) post and wire fencing. Therefore, no significant landscape and visual effects are anticipated as a result of the proposed changes.
27	JLAF	All changes	number of public rights of way within the development area, ERoY&KuHJLAF would still expect to see more PROW/public access enhancements included within the project provision, in addition to the permissive path proposals. The solar farm development would substantially change the landscape and the amenity value for users of the public rights of way. We would therefore draw attention to our separate correspondence relating to the Statement of Common	maintain and improve connectivity in and around the Site and in the local area through connecting to existing PRoW. This is in accordance with the Overarching National Policy Statement for Energy (EN-1), which states that applicants should "take appropriate mitigation measures to address adverse



improvements either on-site or off-site in the parishes affected by the development. consider what opportunities there may be to improve or create new access " and the National Policy Statement for Renewable Energy Infrastructure (EN-3), which states that "applicants should"
consider and maximise opportunities to facilitate enhancements to the public rights of way and the inclusion, through site layout and design of access, of new
opportunities for the public to access and cross proposed solar development sites (whether via the adoption of new public rights of way or the creation of permissive paths), taking into account,
where appropriate, the views of landowners."  The Outline LEMP [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8 ], which is secured by
Requirement 9 of the <b>Draft DCO</b> [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8], states that the surfacing and waymarking of permissive paths are yet to be
determined, but the Applicant would explore options in consultation with the Community Liaison Group. The Applicant will also consult with the Community Liaison Group regarding waymarking of
existing PRoW that cross the Site.  Beyond this, no enhancement of existing



				PRoW is proposed given that effects of the Proposed Development on PRoW are not significant, taking into account the measures proposed in the Outline Rights of Way and Access Management Plan [REP2-144] which is secured by Requirement 10 of the Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8].  The new permissive paths are restricted to the Land Areas (and not the grid connection cable route) as this land will remain in the control of the Applicant for the lifetime of the Proposed Development.
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28	Historic England		Historic England has no objection to the proposed changes to the application, relating to modification of some permissive path routes. This should not be interpreted as comment on the merits of the application.	The Applicant notes this comment.
	England			
29	Natural England	changes	Natural England welcome the changes proposed, specifically the removal of the permissive path loops around Fields D18 and E6, and the implementation of post and wire fencing between all permissive footpaths and wintering/breeding bird mitigation areas. Natural England advise	The Applicant notes this comment. As set out in the updated <b>Outline LEMP</b> [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] which is secured by Requirement 9 of the <b>Draft DCO</b> [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8] and requires approval by East Riding of Yorkshire Council, mitigation area



that it should be ensured that the post and wire fencing used is sufficiently robust to prevent the movement of dogs and people between the permissive footpaths and the wintering/breeding bird mitigation areas. Where footpaths are separated from mitigation areas by hedgerows, we advise that it should be ensured that the hedge is sufficiently dense to prevent the movement of dogs and people onto the mitigation site.

fencing would comprise post and wire fencing installed alongside permissive paths which run adjacent to and through ground nesting bird and Humber Estuary SPA/Ramsar mitigation areas. The post and wire fencing will be 1m high with a 75mm-by-75mm mesh to prevent deer being harmed. The fencing will not include barbed wire or straining wire above the mesh to reduce potential injury to wildlife, path users, dogs and horses. The wire fencing will be installed to ground level but not buried to allow mammals such as badger to pass underneath. The height of the fence will allow deer to safely jump over and pass through the area.

The updated **Outline LEMP**[EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] also sets out that where hedgerows prevent permissive path users and dogs entering the bird mitigation areas, rather than installing fencing, the hedgerows will be managed to ensure the hedgerows remain dense from ground level. In the event any hedgerows have gaps wide enough for people or dogs to enter the mitigation areas they will be gapped up with fast growing thorny native hedgerow species such as hawthorn.



				The updated <b>Outline LEMP</b>
				[EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] is
0.0		A.I. I.		submitted at Deadline 4.
30	Natural	All changes	Natural England would encourage fencing	
	England		to be accompanied by 'positive' signage highlighting the reasons for the fencing,	[EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8], which is submitted at Deadline 4 and secured
			including, for example, pictures of the	by Requirement 9 of the <b>Draft DCO</b>
			relevant bird species, in order to improve	[EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8],
			public engagement with the restrictions.	mitigation area fencing will be
				accompanied by appropriate signage
				highlighting the reasons for it and the
				purpose of the mitigation areas, including
				information on relevant bird species for
31	Natural	All abanges	M/s note that alternative (dearning) areas	the benefit of permissive path users.
31	Natural England	All changes	We note that alternative 'dog run' areas away from the bird mitigation areas may	The Applicant does not propose to pursue the idea of 'dog run' areas as this
	Lingianu			may cause conflict with any
			enabling public enjoyment of the site. We	livestock and other areas created and
			therefore advise that it may be	managed for ground nesting birds.
			appropriate to consider whether there are	
			other areas within the site design that	
			would be suitable for dogs to be off lead.	
Norther		Ta	h.a	
32	Northern Gas	All changes	NGN has a number of gas assets in the	Northarm Can Nativersia has not
			vicinity of some of the identified "site development" locations. It is a possibility	Northern Gas Networks has not
			that some of these sites could be	requested bespoke protective provisions.  They will benefit from the general
			recorded as Major Accident Hazard	protective provisions for the protection of
			Pipelines(MAHP), whilst other sites could	



contain High Pressure gas and as such there are Industry recognised restrictions 1 of the **Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1** associated to these installations which would effectively preclude close and certain types of development. The regulations now include "Population Density Restrictions" or limits within certain distances of some of our "HP" assets.

The gas assets mentioned above form part of the Northern Gas Networks "bulk supply" High Pressure Gas Transmission" system and are registered with the HSE as Major Accident Hazard Pipelines. Any damage or disruption to these assets is likely to give rise to grave safety, environmental and security of supply issues.

NGN would expect you or anyone involved with the site (or any future developer) to take these restrictions into account and apply them as necessary in consultation with ourselves. We would be happy to discuss specific sites further or provide more details at your locations as necessary.

If you give specific site locations, we would be happy to provide gas maps of undertakers set out at Schedule12. Part Revision 8].



			the area which include the locations of our assets.  (In terms of High Pressure gas pipelines, the routes of our MAHP's have already been lodged with members of the local Council's Planning Department)	
	incolnshire Cou	uncil		
33	North Lincolnshire Council	All changes	I can confirm that after consultation with our internal technical consultees that North Lincolnshire Council has no comments or objections to raise in respect of this project with the proposed development not likely to result in any significant impact upon North Lincolnshire.	The Applicant notes this comment.
	and Routh Par			
34	Tickton and Routh Parish Council	All changes	The Parish Council considered the proposed Peartree Hill Solar Farm Permissive Paths Targeted Consultation at the meeting on Monday 20 October and RESOLVED: No comment.	The Applicant notes this comment.
	Ith Security Age	ency		
35	UK Health Security Agency	All changes	We have no additional comments at this stage. We note that we have replied to earlier consultations, as listed below, and this response should be read in conjunction with that earlier correspondence.	The Applicant notes this comment.



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Table 3-2 Consultation comments from members of the public and landowners and the Applicant's response

	Relevant	ant Comment Applicant's Response				
se ID	change					
LO01	Field B8	Regarding the changes of the permissive paths located in field B8 It has now been moved closer to our boundary hedge and we have great concern that when people walk with their dogs down the permissive paths on to monk dyke they will stray through the hedge and cause harm or worry our sheep and lambs.  We ask that there is an additional fence placed at the back of the hedge to stop any such incidents happening and that there is enough room left for the hedge to be maintained /cut back over the 40 years.	The Applicant acknowledges the concerns raised and has amended the fencing layout to add an additional section of 1m high post and wire fencing running adjacent to the hedge of the northern boundary of Field B8 to ensure no dogs will be able to stray through the hedge.  This amendment is reflected in the updated ES Volume 3, Figure 3.4: Indicative Environmental Masterplan [EN010157/APP/6.3 Revision 4] which is submitted at Deadline 4. Further details on the mitigation area fencing are set out in the Outline LEMP [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] which is secured by Requirement 9 of the Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8].			
LO01	Field B8	We would also like the access for the public walking off Carr Lane in to field B8 to use the existing gate way near the bridge (see picture green gate) and not accessible through our silver boundary gate as we close this gate to keep any stray dogs entering our fields if they were to walk further down Carr Lane or if any livestock was to escape.  (Please see Red mark for old gateway entrance) And where to start with fence.	The Applicant acknowledges the suggestion and has routed the permissive path to finish at the existing gateway near the bridge. As set out in the <b>Outline LEMP [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8]</b> which is secured by Requirement 9 of the <b>Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8]</b> , the surfacing and waymarking of permissive paths is yet to be determined, but the Applicant would explore options in consultation with the Community Liaison Group. It is envisioned that the detail of any new gates and signage/waymarking arrangements will also be discussed with neighbouring property as part of this process. Further details will be provided at the detailed			



		fence to run from the original gate way off Carr Lane travel west and around our	design stage and set out in the Landscape and Ecological Mitigation Plan, which is secured by Requirement 9 of the <b>Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8]</b> and requires approval by East Riding of Yorkshire Council.
PE01		in their right minds would want to walk on paths looking at enormous solar panels sitting in our once beautiful green fields, surrounded by hideous fences as far as the eye can see. You are ruining the countryside and damaging wildlife.	The DCO Application is supported by ES Volume 2, Chapter 11: Landscape and Visual [APP-047] which provides an assessment of the impacts and associated mitigation required as a result of the Proposed Development, so that the effects on visual amenity are avoided or reduced wherever practicable. The Applicant has considered the landscape character of the site and its relationship with nearby communities to identify the potential effects on the local landscape and visual amenity. The maximum height of the solar panels is three metres, which is the equivalent of a well-maintained hedgerow.  The Applicant has also prepared and submitted a Design Approach Document [EN010157/APP/5.7 Revision 2] which outlines the approach taken to the design development of the Proposed Development, including how the design has been shaped and influenced by the local landscape, and with local communities and their enjoyment of the local area in mind.
PE01	All changes	Whilst having the potential to reduce emissions in this country, worldwide you must be increasing emissions by the very fact that these panels are coming from	The carbon payback period of the Proposed Development has been calculated, which enables the number of years' worth of Greenhouse Gas (GHG) savings from the Proposed Development to be calculated. This is included in the ES Volume 2, Chapter 8: Climate [APP-044].



		the other side of the world, using coal fired power to produce them.	
PE01	All changes	This is all about capital gains for the few and hypocritical in every way	<ul> <li>Whilst the Applicant is a commercial entity, the Proposed Development has a range of benefits to the community and UK as a whole. If consented, the Proposed Development would generate approximately 320 MW of clean, green, electricity; enough energy to power approximately 136,000 homes every year. This represents a significant contribution to local and national climate commitments, by helping to decarbonise our energy mix, reduce bills and improve the UK's energy security.</li> <li>In addition, the Proposed Development would also: <ul> <li>Support the UK's net zero targets by displacing over 11,400,000 tonnes of CO2 from equivalent fossil fuel energy - that equates to taking c. 166,000 cars off the road for a year.</li> <li>Deliver over 50% Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) to be delivered on-site, providing new and improved habitats, such as wildflower meadows, grassland areas, bird and bat nesting boxes.</li> <li>Provide additional opportunities for public recreation, with approximately 11.8 km of proposed new permissive paths across the site.</li> <li>Provide up to 19.5 km of proposed new hedgerows and trees, including a mix of mature and semimature tree planting to further improve visual screening and habitat creation.</li> <li>Establish a Community Benefit Fund of up to £4.2 million to support local community groups and initiatives.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



			Generate around £18.5 million generated in business rates over the lifetime of Peartree Hill, to be used by East Riding of Yorkshire Council to fund important local services.
PE02	All changes	Thank you for the update, unfortunately the map/diagram of the area in your booklet isn't clear enough (perhaps on my PC zoomed to 300%) to show the orange broken line that indicates the new permissive paths.  Is there a better document that shows them that you can provide.	The Applicant responded to the member of public informing that high-resolution versions of the individual plans included in the brochure are available to view separately on the documents page on the project website at:  https://peartreehillsolar.co.uk/documents/  The Applicant also offered print out these maps in A4 and post them to the member of public. The respondent confirmed they had located the documents on the website.
Feedba ck form 01	All changes	This will greatly impact not only our area to ride horses in whilst our hacking we see an array of wildlife including birds of prey and deer that will be impacted by this	Following the proposed changes, the proposed permissive path routes in Land Areas D and E will still be available for use by horse riders.
Feedba ck form 01	All changes	The solar farm as a whole is going to greatly impact wildlife including birds and deer in the area which will impact the biodiversity of the area as a whole. I am strongly against solar panels being installed in this area	Impacts on wildlife are assessed in ES Volume 2, Chapter 7: Biodiversity [EN010157/APP/6.2 Revision 3].  During construction, there would be a temporary, short-term loss of agricultural land, suitable for foraging and roosting birds associated with the Humber Estuary Special Protection Area/Ramsar site. Mitigation for this loss of land is detailed in the Outline LEMP [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8] and mitigation to reduce the effect of visual and noise disturbance on birds is detailed in a the Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan



[EN010157/APP/7.2 Revision 6]. Therefore, effects are considered to be not significant.

With the implementation of mitigation measures, ES Volume 2, Chapter 7: Biodiversity [EN010157/APP/6.2 Revision 3] concludes that the effects of the Proposed Development on ground-nesting birds would be Significant during construction and decommissioning, and would be Not Significant (Beneficial) during operation. The Habitats Regulations Assessment – Information to Inform Appropriate Assessment [REP3-014] concludes that there would be no adverse effects (alone or in-combination) on the integrity of the European sites as a result of the Proposed Development.

As set out in the **Outline LEMP [EN010157/APP/7.5 Revision 8]** which is secured by Requirement 9 of the **Draft DCO [EN010157/APP/3.1 Revision 8]**, the proposed mitigation land, which includes grassland and the creation of wader scrapes, as part of the design is considered to be sufficient to mitigate effects of the Proposed Development on both ground-nesting birds and bird species associated with the Humber estuary.

The design of the Proposed Development, including buffers from hedgerows and riparian boundaries and with fields fenced in cells in most instances, to avoid fencing running around the entire boundary of each Land Area, will provide sufficient room for deer to move through the landscape.



Feedba	FF02	Points raised in form:	The proposed changes would see the removal of some
ck form		There should be more permissive	permissive paths and the addition of others. If progressed,
2		paths not fewer as our access to	the proposed changes would result in an overall reduction in
		the countryside in which we live is	permissive path provision of approximately 800m but there
			would remain a considerable network of approximately
		<ul> <li>This should not happen as we are</li> </ul>	11.8km of permissive paths to be bought forward as part of
		being restricted in our access to	the Proposed Development.
		the countryside in which we live	
		<ul> <li>Paths should not be reduced</li> </ul>	The Applicant confirms that connectivity with existing PRoW
		<ul> <li>More paths needed</li> </ul>	would be retained.



## 4 Conclusion

- 4.1.1 This Report has been submitted in accordance with the Change Guidance, which requires that any application for an order granting development consent must be accompanied by a Consultation Report. It provides a detailed account of the change application consultation and engagement activities carried out by the Applicant.
- 4.1.2 No matters were raised in relation to the Proposed Changes which would lead the Applicant to conclude that the changes would not improve the Proposed Development or that they should not be taken forward.
- 4.1.3 The Applicant submits that it has carried out adequate and meaningful consultation which is proportionate to the nature and extent of the Proposed Changes and has provided interested parties the opportunity to absorb, understand and comment on the Proposed Changes in the course of Examination.
- 4.1.4 The Applicant confirms that it will continue to engage with interested parties in respect of the Proposed Changes.

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## Appendix A-1 List of prescribed parties

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
Government							
The Welsh Ministers (Welsh Government)	All proposed applications likely to affect land in Wales	N			Not consulted as the application does not affect land in Wales		
The Scottish Executive (Scottish Government)	All proposed applications likely to affect land in Scotland	N			Not consulted as the application does not affect land in Scotland		
The relevant Northern Ireland Department	All proposed applications likely to affect land in Northern Ireland	N			Not consulted as the application does not affect land in Northern Ireland		
The Secretary of State for Defence	All proposed applications likely to affect the current or future operation of a site identified in a safeguarding map and all developments in the marine area	Υ	24/09/2025	Ministry of Defence	The Secretary of State for Defence was consulted as the application may affect current or future operation of a site identified in a safeguarding map	N	22/10/2025
The relevant parish council, or, where the	All proposed applications	Y	24/09/2025	Catwick Parish Council	Consulted as a Parish Council where the Proposed Development will be sited	N	22/10/2025

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
application relates to land in Wales or Scotland		Y	24/09/2025	Riston Parish Council	Consulted as a Parish Council where the Proposed Development will be sited	N	22/10/2025
the relevant community council		Y	24/09/2025	Tickton and Routh Parish Council	Consulted as a Parish Council where the Proposed Development will be sited	Y	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Wawne Parish Council	Consulted as a Parish Council where the Proposed Development will be sited	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Leven Parish Council	Consulted as a Parish Council where the Proposed Development will be sited	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Woodmansey Parish Council	Consulted as a Parish Council where the Proposed Development will be sited	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Swine Parish Council	Consulted as a Parish Council where the Proposed Development will be sited	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Brandesburton Parish Council	Consulted as a Parish Council where the Proposed Development will be sited	N	22/10/2025

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		Y	24/09/2025	Cottingham Parish Council	Consulted as a Parish Council where the Proposed Development will be sited	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Skidby Parish Council	Consulted as a Parish Council where the Proposed Development will be sited	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Beverley Town Council	Consulted as a Parish Council where the Proposed Development will be sited	N	22/10/2025
		Υ	24/09/2025	Molescroft Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Bishop Burton Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Walkington Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Υ	24/09/2025	Rowley Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025

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		Y	24/09/2025	Willerby Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Υ	24/09/2025	Kirk Ella and West Ella Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Υ	24/09/2025	Swanland Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Welton Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Leconfield Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Υ	24/09/2025	Lockington Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Beswick Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025

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		Y	24/09/2025	Watton Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Ellerby Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Rise Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Sigglesthorne Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Seaton Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Coniston and Thirtleby Parish Council Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Bilton Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025

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		Υ	24/09/2025	Skirlaugh Parish Council	Consulted as neighbouring Parish Council	N	22/10/2025
Environment				<u> </u>	1		1
The Environment Agency	All proposed applications likely to affect land in England	Y	24/09/2025	The Environment Agency	The Environment Agency were consulted as the application is likely to affect land in England	N	22/10/2025
The Scottish Environment Protection Agency	All proposed applications likely to affect land in Scotland	N			Not consulted as the application does not affect land in Scotland		

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
Natural Resources Wales	All proposed applications likely to affect land in Wales	N			Not consulted as the application does not affect land in Wales		
Natural England	All proposed applications likely to affect land in England	Y	24/09/2025	Natural England	Natural England were consulted as the application is likely to affect land in England	Y	22/10/2025
Scottish Natural Heritage (known as NatureScot)	All proposed applications likely to affect land in Scotland	N			Not consulted as the application does not affect land in Scotland		
The Forestry Commission	All proposed applications likely to affect the protection or expansion of forests and woodlands in England	Y	24/09/2025	Forestry Commission (Yorkshire & North East)  Forestry Commission	Proposed Development may affect the protection or expansion of forests and woodlands in England	N	22/10/2025
The Relevant AONB Conservation Boards	All proposed applications likely to affect an AONB that is managed by a conservation board	N			Not consulted as the Proposed Development does not fall within or within proximity of AONB		

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
The Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England (known as Historic England)	All proposed applications likely to affect land in England	Y	24/09/2025	Historic England	Historic England were consulted as the application is likely to affect land in England	Y	22/10/2025
Royal Commission On Ancient and Historical Monuments Of Wales	All proposed applications likely to affect the historic environment in Wales	N			Not consulted as The Proposed Development is not in Wales		
The Joint Nature Conservation Committee	All proposed applications likely to affect the marine environment	N			Not consulted as the application is not likely to affect the marine environment		
The Maritime and Coastguard Agency	All proposed applications likely to affect the maritime or coastal environment, or the shipping industry	N			Not consulted as the application is not likely to affect the maritime or coastal environment, or the shipping industry		

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
The relevant internal drainage board	All proposed applications likely to increase the risk of	Y	24/09/2025	Beverley and North Holderness Internal Drainage Board	The Proposed Development is likely to increase flooding in an area managed by the IDB	Y	22/10/2025
	flooding in that area or where the proposals relate to an area known to be an	Y	24/09/2025	Witham and Humber Internal Drainage Board	The Proposed Development is likely to increase flooding in an area managed by the IDB	N	22/10/2025
	area of flood risk	Y	24/09/2025	South Holderness Internal Drainage Board	The Proposed Development is likely to increase flooding in an area managed by the IDB	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	North East Lindsey Drainage Board	The Proposed Development is likely to increase flooding in an area managed by the IDB	N	22/10/2025
The Canal and River Trust	All proposed applications likely to have an impact on inland waterways or land adjacent to inland waterways in England and Wales	Y	24/09/2025	The Canal and River Trust	The Proposed Development likely to have an impact on inland waterways or land adjacent to inland waterways	N	22/10/2025
The British Waterways Board (known as	All proposed applications likely to have an impact on inland waterways or	N			Not consulted as the application does not affect land in Scotland		

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
Scottish Canals)	land adjacent to inland waterways in Scotland						
Trinity House	All proposed applications likely to affect navigation in tidal waters	N			Proposed Development does not affect navigation in tidal waters		
Transport	•					•	•
The relevant Highways Authority	All proposed applications likely to have an impact on the	Y	24/09/2025	East Riding of Yorkshire Council	Consulted as the relevant Highways Authority as the application is likely to have an impact on the road network or the volume of traffic in the vicinity of the proposals	N	22/10/2025
	road network or the volume of traffic in the vicinity of the proposal	Y	24/09/2025	City of Hull Highways	Consulted as the relevant Highways Authority as the application is likely to have an impact on the road network or the volume of traffic in the vicinity of the proposals	N	22/10/2025
The Secretary of State for Transport	All proposed applications likely to affect road or	Y	24/09/2025	Secretary of State for Transport	Consulted as Secretary of State for Transport	N	22/10/2025
	transport operation and/or planning on roads for which the Secretary of State for Transport is the	Y	24/09/2025	National Highways	Consulted as the relevant Highways Authority as the application is likely to have an impact on the road network or the volume of traffic in the vicinity of the proposals	N	22/10/2025

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
	highway authority						
Integrated Transport Authorities (ITAs) and Passenger Transport Executives (PTEs)	All proposed applications likely to affect transport within, to or from the relevant integrated transport area of the ITA or PTE	N			No. There are no relevant ITA or PTEs		
Transport for London	All proposed applications likely to affect transport within, to or from Greater London	N			No. Not within Greater London		
The Civil Aviation Authority	All proposed applications relating to airports or which are likely to affect an airport or its current or future operation	Y	24/09/2025	The Civil Aviation Authority	The CAA were consulted as the application is likely to affect an airport or its current or future operation	N	22/10/2025

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
Health							
Health and Safety Executive	All proposed applications	Y	24/09/2025	Health and Safety Executive	The Health and Safety Executive are to be consulted for all applications	N	22/10/2025
The United Kingdom Health Security Agency, an executive agency of the Department of Health and Social Care	All proposed applications likely to involve chemicals, poisons or radiation which could potentially cause harm to people and are likely to affect significantly public health	Y	24/09/2025	Health Security Agency	Proposed Development may involve chemicals, poisons or radiation.	Y	22/10/2025
NHS England	All proposed applications likely to affect land in England	Y	24/09/2025	NHS England	NHS England are to be consulted all Proposed Developments in England	N	22/10/2025
	and Wales	Y	24/09/2025	NHS England - North Yorkshire and Humber	NHS England are to be consulted all Proposed Developments in England	N	22/10/2025
The National Health Service Trusts (Wales)	All proposed applications likely to affect land in Wales	N			Proposed Development is not located in Wales		

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
The relevant Health Board (Scotland)	All proposed applications likely to affect land in Scotland	N			Proposed Development is not located in Scotland		
The relevant local health board (Wales)	All proposed applications likely to affect land in Wales	N			Proposed Development is not located in Wales		
Other Statutory unde	.a100.02						
The Relevant Integrated Care Board	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	Y	24/09/2025	NHS Humber and North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
The National Health Service Commissioni ng Board	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	Υ	24/09/2025	NHS England	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
The Relevant NHS Trust	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	Y	24/09/2025	Yorkshire Ambulance Trust	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
Railways	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions	Y	24/09/2025	Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
	as statutory undertakers	Y	24/09/2025	Highways England Historical Rail Estate	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
Light Railway	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N			No identified relevant undertakers		
Road Transport (Transport for London and Statutory road toll undertakers`	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	Y	24/09/2025	The Humber Bridge Board		N	22/10/2025
Canal and Inland Navigation Authorities	All proposed applications likely to affect their	ons Trust	The Canal and River Trust	The Proposed Development likely to have an impact on inland waterways or land adjacent to inland waterways	N	22/10/2025	
	functions as statutory undertakers	Y	24/09/2025	Driffield Navigational Trust		N	22/10/2025

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
Water Transport (Statutory ferry toll undertakers)	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N			No identified relevant undertakers		
Dock or Harbour Authority	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	Y	24/09/2025	Associated British Ports	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
Pier	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N			No identified relevant undertakers		
Lighthouse (Trinity House)	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N			No identified relevant undertakers		
Hydraulic Power	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as	N			No identified relevant undertakers		

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
	statutory undertakers						
Licence Holder (Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Transport Act 2000)	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	Y	24/09/2025	NATS En-Route Safeguarding	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
Universal Service Provider (Royal Mail)	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	Y	24/09/2025	Royal Mail Group	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
Relevant statutory Undertakers: The relevant	All proposed applications likely to affect their	Y	24/09/2025	Regulator of Social Housing and Homes England	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
Homes and Communities Agency	functions as statutory undertakers	Y	24/09/2025	Homes England	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
Relevant statutory Undertakers: The relevant water and	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application	Y	24/09/2025	Yorkshire Water	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025

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sewage undertakers	is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers						
Relevant statutory Undertakers: The relevant	relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers  Y	Y	24/09/2025	Aurora Utilities	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
public gas transporter		Y	24/09/2025	Cadent Gas Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	National Gas Transmission Ltd	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Υ	24/09/2025	CNG Services Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Energy Assets Pipelines Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	ES Pipelines Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025

Υ	24/09/2025	ESP Connections	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker	N	22/10/2025
			as the application is likely to affect their		
			functions as statutory undertakers		

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
		Y	24/09/2025	ESP Networks Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	ESP Pipelines Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Fulcrum Pipelines Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Green Gen Cymru	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	GTC Pipelines Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Harlaxton Gas Networks Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Independent Pipelines Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025

Y	24/09/2025	Indigo Pipelines	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker	N	22/10/2025
		Limited	as the application is likely to affect their		
			functions as statutory undertakers		

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
		Y	24/09/2025	Last Mile Gas Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Leep Gas Networks Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Quadrant Pipelines Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Scotland Gas Networks PLC	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Southern Gas Networks Plc	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Wales and West Utilities Ltd	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	National Gas	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025

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		Y	24/09/2025	Northern Gas Networks	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	Y	22/10/2025
		Υ	24/09/2025	Mua Gas Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Severn Gas Transportation Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
Relevant Statutory undertakers: Relevant	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as	Y	24/09/2025	Creyke Beck Power Station	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
Electricity Generators with CPO Powers	the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	Υ	24/09/2025	SSE Generation Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
Relevant Statutory undertakers: The relevant	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as	Y	24/09/2025	Aidien Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
electricity distributor with CPO Powers	the application is likely to affect their functions	Y	24/09/2025	Energy Assets Networks Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
	as statutory undertakers	Y	24/09/2025	UK Power Distribution Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	UK Power Networks	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Υ	24/09/2025	National Energy System Operator (formerly National Grid Electricity Systems Operator Limited)	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	National Grid Electricity Distribution	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	National Grid PLC	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	National Grid Ventures	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Fulcrum Electricity Assets Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025

Y	24/09/2025	Independent Power	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker	N	22/10/2025
		Networks Limited	as the application is likely to affect their		
			functions as statutory undertakers		

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
		Y	24/09/2025	Eclipse Power Network Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Energy Assets Networks Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Harlaxton Energy Networks Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Independent Distribution Connection Specialists Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Independent Power Networks Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Leep Electricity Networks Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	ESP Electricity Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
		Y	24/09/2025	The Electricity Network Company Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	UK Power Distribution Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Utility Assets Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Vattenfall Networks Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Last Mile Electricity	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Northern Powergrid (North East) Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
		Y	24/09/2025	Northern Powergrid	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Indigo Power Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Western Power Distribution (East Mids) PLC	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Stark Infra-Electricity Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Mua Electricity Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Squire Energy Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Electricity North West	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
		Y	24/09/2025	SP Energy Networks	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Optimal Power Networks Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Advanced Energy Networks Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Humbly Grove Energy Services	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Inovyn Enterprises Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Saltfleetby Energy Limited	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Green Generation Energy Networks Cymru	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025

		Y	24/09/2025	Aurora Utilities Ltd	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Stark Works	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
Relevant Statutory undertakers: The relevant	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as	Y	24/09/2025	National Grid Electricity Transmission	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
electricity transmitter with CPO powers	transmitter is likely to affect their functions	Y	24/09/2025	National Energy System Operator (formerly National Grid Electricity Systems Operator Limited)	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	National Grid PLC	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
The Coal Authority	All proposed applications that lie within areas of past, present, or future coal mining	Y	24/09/2025	The Coal Authority	Proposed Development could be within areas of past, present, or future coal mining	Y	22/10/2025
The Crown Estate Commission ers	All proposed applications likely to impact on the Crown Estate	Y	24/09/2025	Crown Estate	The Crown Estate Commissioners were consulted as the proposed application is likely to impact on the Crown Estate	N	22/10/2025
The relevant police authority	All proposed applications	Υ	24/09/2025	Humberside Police Force	Consulted as the relevant police authority	N	22/10/2025
The relevant ambulance service	All proposed applications	Y	24/09/2025	Yorkshire Ambulance Service	Consulted as the relevant ambulance service	N	22/10/2025

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
The relevant fire and rescue authority	All proposed applications	Y	24/09/2025	Humberside Fire and Rescue	Consulted as the relevant fire and rescue authority	N	22/10/2025
A person who manages any property, rights or interests to which section 90B(5) of the Scotland Act 1998 applies	All applications likely to impact on the property, rights and interests managed by the person to which section 90B(5) of the Scotland Act 1998 applies	N			Not consulted as the application does not affect land in Scotland		
Additional Cor	nsultees Consulted	under Sec	ction 42				inds
Relevant statutory Undertakers: The relevant NHS Foundation Trusts)	All proposed applications likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	Y	24/09/2025	Humber Teaching NHS Foundation Trust	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
		Y	24/09/2025	Yorkshire Ambulance Trust	Consulted as a relevant statutory undertaker as the application is likely to affect their functions as statutory undertakers	N	22/10/2025
The relevant police and crime	All cases	Y	24/09/2025	Office of the Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner for Humberside	Consulted as the relevant Police and Crime Commissioner	N	22/10/2025

Consultee	Circumstances when consultees must be consulted	Consulte d Y or N	Date Consulted	Organisation/Contact	Reason for inclusion/exclusion	Responded to the targeted consultation Y or N	End date provided for comments
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Public Health	All proposed	Υ	24/09/2025	Office for Health	Public Health England was replaced by UK Health	N	22/10/2025
England, an	applications			Improvement and	Security Agency and Office for Health		
executive	likely to involve			Disparities	Improvement and Disparities		
agency of the	chemicals,						
Department	poisons or						
of Health	radiation which						
	could potentially						
	cause harm to						
	people and						
	likely to affect						
	significantly						
	public health						

## Section 42(1)(b) Consultee List

Туре	Local Authority	Date Consulted	Responded	End date provided for comments
"A" Section 43	Hull City Council	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Consultees (lower-tier local	North Yorkshire Council	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
authority, national park, London	City of York Council	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
borough, etc. that shares a boundary with	North Lincolnshire Council	24/09/2025	Υ	22/10/2025
a "B" (host) authority))	City of Doncaster Council	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
"B" Section 43 Consultees (a lower-tier district council or a Unitary Council who is a host authority for the development and any associated development)	East Riding of Yorkshire Council	24/09/2025	Y	22/10/2025

# Appendix A-2 List of relevant organisations

Consultee	Date Consulted	Responded to the targeted consultation?	End date provided for comments
<b>Beverley Ramblers</b>	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
<b>British Horse Society</b>	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
CPRE North and East Yorkshire	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
East Riding of Yorkshire and Kingston upon Hull Joint Local Access Forum (JLAF)	24/09/2025	Y	22/10/2025
Weel Solar Action Group	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025

# Appendix A-3 List of key elected members

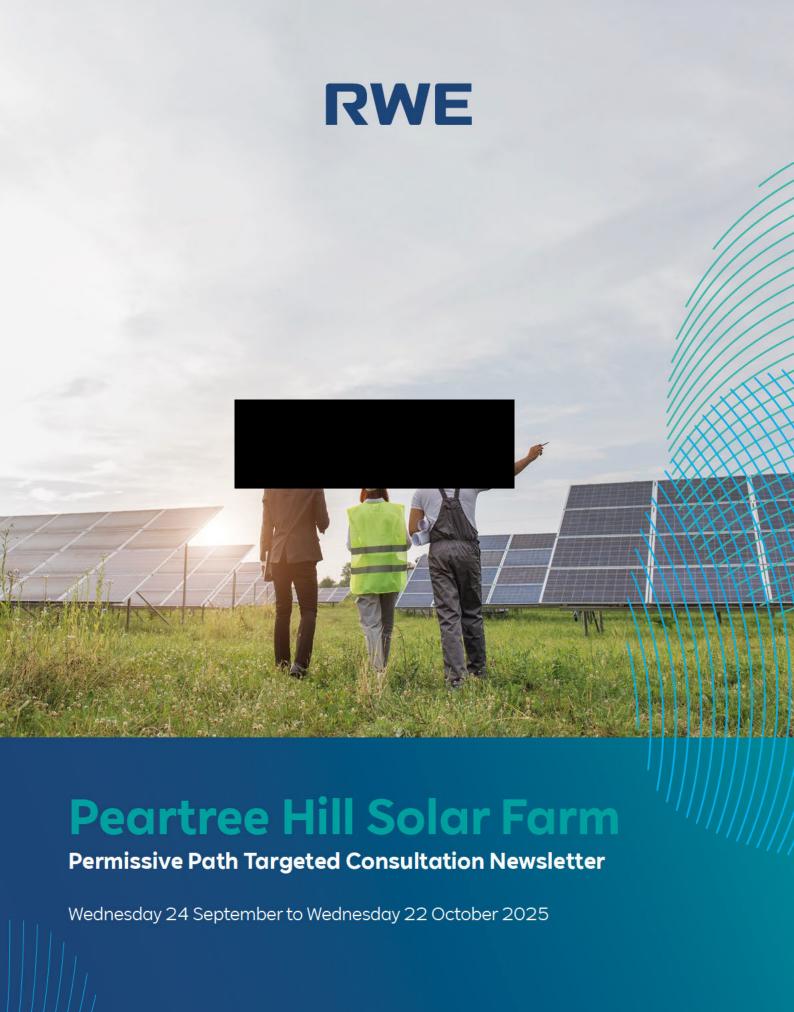
Consultee	Organisation/role	Date Consulted	Responded to	End date
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			consultation?	comments
Graham Stuart	MP for Beverley	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
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Sir David Davis	MP for Goole and	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
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Charlie	MP for	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Dewhurst MP	Bridlington and			
\$	The Wolds	***	st	
Councillor Anne	East Riding of	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Handley	Yorkshire			
	Council - Leader			
Councillor Gary	East Riding of	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
McMaster	Yorkshire			
	Council -			
	Member for			
	Planning,			
	Housing &			
26	Infrastructure	×	9	
Councillor Paul	East Riding of	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
West	Yorkshire			
	Council -			
	Member for			
	<b>Environment and</b>			
	Transport			
Councillor John	Ward Member for	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Holtby	Mid Holderness		Tre	
Councillor	Ward Member for	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Amanda Talbot	Mid Holderness		×	
Councillor	Ward Member for	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Samantha	Mid Holderness			
White	2	7	\$	
Councillor Paul	Ward Member for	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Smith	<b>Beverley Rural</b>	*	×	
Councillor	Ward Member for	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Diana Stewart	<b>Beverley Rural</b>			
Councillor	Ward Member for	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Jeremy Wilcock	Beverley Rural			
Councillor	Member for East	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Jonathan Bibb	Wolds and			
	Coastal			
Councillor	Member for East	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Denise Howard	Wolds and			
	Coastal			

Councillor Jonathan Owen	Member for East Wolds and	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Councillor Tony Henderson	Member for Minster and Woodmansey	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Councillor Tom Astell	Member for Minster and Woodmansey	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Councillor Eliza Whittaker	Member for Minster and Woodmansey	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Councillor Alex Duke	Member for Cottingham North	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
Councillor James Redshaw	Member for Cottingham North	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025

# Appendix A-4 List of PILs

Plot number	Date Consulted	Responded to the targeted consultation?	End date provided for comments
6-2, 7-1, 9-4	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
8-1	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
3-12, 8-1	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
9-9, 12-3	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
12-6, 12-8, 12-9	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
3-1	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025
1-3	24/09/2025	N	22/10/2025

# Appendix B Targeted consultation brochure



Peartree Hill Solar Farm (the Proposed Development) is a solar and battery storage project located near Beverley in East Riding of Yorkshire that would provide up to 320MW of clean energy, enough to power the equivalent of approximately 167,000 homes.

The Proposed Development is classed as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under the Planning Act 2008. RWE is therefore required to make an application to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to seek consent to construct, operate, maintain and decommission the Proposed Development.

Earlier this year we submitted an application for a DCO to the Planning Inspectorate. The DCO Application was accepted for examination by the Planning Inspectorate on Friday 21 March 2025. The examination started on Tuesday 22 July 2025.

In response to submissions made to the Planning Inspectorate as part of the examination, we have identified some potential changes to the proposed permissive path routes within the Proposed Development design. We are seeking feedback on these changes through a targeted consultation.

This targeted consultation gives you the opportunity to comment on the proposed changes and will run from Wednesday 24 September to 11:59pm on Wednesday 22 October 2025.



Responses to this targeted consultation should be submitted in the following ways:

- Completing a feedback form online at peartreehillsolar.co.uk or by returning a paper copy to our Freepost address: Freepost PEARTREE HILL SOLAR FARM (no stamp required)
- Emailing us at info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk
- Writing to us at Freepost PEARTREE HILL SOLAR FARM (no stamp required)

Please provide any feedback you have by 11:59pm on Wednesday 22 October 2025.

### What is a permissive path?

Permissive paths are routes which would be made available for use by the public during the lifetime of the Proposed Development but would not become a permanent right of way.

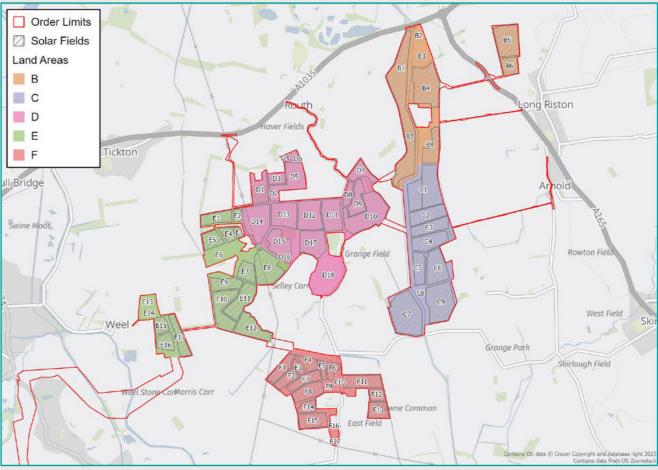
## Description of proposed changes

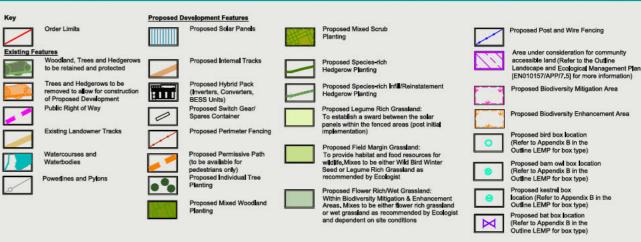
During the course of the examination process, submissions have been made<sup>[1]</sup> raising concerns about the potential for disturbance to bird species caused by users of permissive paths (including dogs) having unrestricted access to ecological mitigation areas, particularly those located in Fields D18 and E6.

Fields D18 and E6 have been identified as ground nesting and wintering bird mitigation areas for the relevant bird species associated with the Humber Estuary Special Protection Area (SPA)/Ramsar site identified in the Habitats Regulations Assessment. [2] To address the concerns raised during the examination, the Applicant is therefore proposing to modify some of the proposed permissive path routes.

The changes would see the removal of some permissive paths and the addition of others. If progressed, the changes would result in an overall reduction in permissive path provision of approximately 800m but there would remain a considerable network of approximately 11.8km of permissive paths to be bought forward as part of the Proposed Development.

## Map of Peartree Hill Solar Farm (including field numbers)





<sup>1</sup> Natural England's Relevant Representation [RR-012]: https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010157/representations/100001676

<sup>2</sup> This document provides evidence to determine the potential for the Proposed Development to impact on European Sites. The latest version of the document can be located at the following link: https://nsip-documents.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/published-documents/EN010157-000487-5.3%20Habitats%20Regulations%20Assessment%20Information%20to%20

The plans on the following pages show the proposed changes. The permissive paths are shown in a yellow/orange dashed line and proposed post and wire fencing is shown in a dark blue line.

## Change to permissive path around Field D18

Details in DCO application: Our application included a permissive path loop around Field D18, which has been identified as an ecological mitigation area for wintering birds. The path would also be available for horse riders.

#### Image of plans presented in the DCO application Image of the proposed change





Proposed change: This change involves the removal of the permissive path loop around Field D18 but retention of a small section in the north-east of the field to allow access from Meaux Livery, on the other side of Meaux Lane, to the rest of the permissive path network. This section of permissive path would be fenced off to prevent access to the mitigation area from the path. The proposed permissive path will still be available for use by horse riders.

## Change to remove permissive path around Field E6 and extension of permissive paths around E7 and E8

**Details in DCO application:** Our application included a permissive path loop around Field E6, which has been identified as an ecological mitigation area for wintering birds. The path would also be available for horse riders.

#### Image of plans presented in the DCO application Image of the proposed change





Proposed change: This change involves the removal of the permissive path loop around Field E6. Installation of a fence line within Field E6 along the boundary to prevent access to the mitigation area to the east of the permissive path. Relocation of the section of permissive path along the east of Field E6 to the other side of the hedge, which would prevent access to Field E6, and extending the path around Fields E7 and E8 to join up with the rest of the network. This change would compensate for the loss of permissive path loops around Field E6 and D18. The proposed permissive path will still be available for use by horse riders.

Post and wire fencing would be up to 1m in height in order to form a barrier between permissive path users (including dogs) and the ecological mitigation areas identified in this change. No significant Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment effects are anticipated as a result of the fencing proposed.

## Other changes

In addition, there are a number of minor amendments which have been discussed with Natural England in order to reduce disruption to relevant bird species.

The first change involves moving the permissive path that runs through the proposed biodiversity mitigation area between Fields D16 and D17 closer to the edge of D16. The image of the proposed change also now shows the proposed post and wire fencing between the new proposed permissive path route and the proposed mitigation areas, as shown by the dark blue line.

Image of plans presented in the DCO application

Before D17 D16

Image of the proposed change



The second change involves moving the permissive path in Field B2 closer to the east edge of this field, as shown by the yellow/orange dashed line. The image of the proposed change also shows the proposed post and wire fencing to be located between the permissive paths and mitigation areas, as shown by the dark blue line.

Image of plans presented in the DCO application Image of the proposed change





The third change involves moving the permissive path at the north of Field B8, closer to the northern edge of the field and to the edge of the proposed biodiversity mitigation area in this field. The proposed post and wire fencing between the new path route and proposed mitigation areas is shown by a dark blue line.

## Image of plans presented in the DCO application Image of the proposed change

# **B7** Before



The fourth change involves moving the permissive paths throughout Land Area F closer to the edges of the fields where necessary (F15, F16, F14, F9, F10) as shown by the yellow/orange dashed line. The image of the proposed change also shows indicative post and wire fencing between paths and mitigation areas in Fields F14, F9, F10 and F16, as shown by the dark blue line.

#### Image of plans presented in the DCO application Image of the proposed change





## Additional post and wire fencing

As part of the changes to the Proposed Development, additional post and wire fencing is being proposed between permissive paths and ecological mitigation areas. This will provide further protection for ecological mitigation areas located along the permissive path routes from disturbance by users of the paths including dogs running into the areas.

The total length of the proposed additional post and wire fencing is approximately 6km and it will be up to 1m in height. Due to the fencing's low profile, no significant landscape and visual effects are anticipated as a result of this fencing.

## How to provide comments

We are conducting this targeted consultation to provide impacted people with the opportunity to give their views on the revisions to the permissive paths proposed as part of the Proposed Development.

If you have any comments on the proposed changes, you can submit feedback in the following ways:

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Please provide any feedback you have by 11:59pm on Wednesday 22 October 2025.

After the targeted consultation closes, we will carefully review and take into account all responses received. If the changes are taken forward, RWE will make a formal request to the Examining Authority to change the DCO application currently being examined. A Consultation Report would be submitted as part of any change request. The Examining Authority would then review our change request and make a decision whether or not to accept it.

## **Examination period**

The examination of applications for development consent under the Planning Act 2008 is undertaken by an Examining Authority appointed by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State.

The overriding aim of an examination is to ensure that the proposals and issues are proportionately, and reasonably, considered.

Following the closure of the examination, the Examining Authority must submit a report and recommendation to the Secretary of State to enable the Secretary of State to reach and publish a decision on whether to grant consent for the Proposed Development.

The examination for Peartree Hill Solar Farm began in July and is due to close in December 2025.

All documents relating to the examination can be found on the Planning Inspectorate's project page: https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010157

## **Expected project timeline**

March 2025 Application accepted

July 2025 Start of examination

December 2025 End of examination

Spring 2026 Determination of Development Consent Order by the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero



## Contact us

If you have any questions, suggestions, or would like to provide feedback on our proposals, our dedicated team is here to assist you.

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# Appendix C Targeted consultation feedback form

## RWE

## **Peartree Hill Solar Farm**

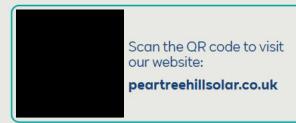
## Permissive Path Targeted Consultation feedback form

Wednesday 24 September to Wednesday 22 October 2025



The Examining Authority will review our change request and make a decision whether or not to accept it as part of the examination of the Peartree Hill Solar Farm application.

Details on the proposed changes can be found in our targeted consultation newsletter.



Thank you for taking part in our consultation.

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Please provide any feedback you have by 11:59pm on Wednesday 22 October 2025.

After the targeted consultation closes, we will carefully review and take into account all responses received. A Consultation Report will be submitted to the Examining Authority as part of our change request. RWE Renewables UK Solar & Storage is seeking views on some proposed changes to permissive path routes. Following this consultation, if the changes are taken forward, RWE will request a formal change to the DCO application which is currently being considered by an Examining Authority appointed by the Planning Inspectorate.

## **About you**

We will only use these details to contact you and update you on the proposals. You don't have to fill in this section if you'd rather we didn't contact you.

## Your details

Title (Miss/Mrs/Ms/Mr/Other):	Email:	
First Name or Initial:	Address:	
Surname:		
Organisation (if applicable):		
Telephone:	Postcode:	
I confirm I am over 13 years old and agree to the privacy	y statement* (see back page)	
1 How would you describe your interest in Peartr	ree Hill Solar Farm?	
Local resident		
Local representative		
Potentially affected landowner or occupier		
Local business owner		
Local interest group member (please name below)		
Statutory organisation (please name below)		
Other (please specify below)		
Please add further detail, if required		



2	Do you have comments on the proposed removal of the permissive path loop around Field D18?
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3	Do you have any comments on the proposed removal of the permissive path around Field E6 and or the extension of permissive paths around Fields E7 and E8?
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4	Do you have any comments on our proposed changes for Peartree Hill Solar Farm, outlined on pages 5 and 6 of the Permissive Paths Targeted Consultation newsletter?
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5	Do you have any other comments on our permissive path and additional fencing proposals?
Cor	mments



## **Privacy Statement**

Cavendish Consulting is working on behalf of RWE Renewables UK Solar & Storage to undertake community consultation on plans for Peartree Hill. By filling in this form, you are agreeing that Cavendish Consulting can hold and process your personal data in relation to this Development Consent Order application.

Your personal data will not be used for any other purpose without your consent. All personal information received will be handled in accordance with the privacy policy which can be found at **peartreehillsolar.co.uk/privacy.** 

#### **Data Protection**

We process all personal data in accordance with the UK General Data Protection Regulation, the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679 (together the "GDPR") and the Data Protection Act 2018. Your personal data will not be transferred outside the European Economic Area (the EU member states plus Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein).

You can see our full Privacy Policy at the following website address: **peartreehillsolar.co.uk/privacy**.

If you have any questions or concerns about the way we are processing your personal data, please contact us on **01482 695 004** or via email at **info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk**.

Thank you for taking part in our consultation.

## Appendix D Website screenshots

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**Documents** 

Note: During the Examination the latest documentation and submissions about the project will be available on the project page of Planning Inspectorate's National Infrastructure Planning website.





Documents





## Permissive paths targeted consultation

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Peartree Hill Solar Farm Permissive Paths Targeted Consultation Feedback Form	<b>⊥</b> Download	
BEFORE and AFTER Moving permissive path in Field B2	<b>→</b> Download	
BEFORE and AFTER Moving permissive path in Field B8	<b>⊥</b> Download	View
BEFORE and AFTER Moving permissive path in Fields D16 D17	<b>⊥</b> Download	
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#### Wednesday 24 September to Wednesday 22 October 2025

RWE Renewables UK Solar & Storage is seeking views on some proposed changes to permissive path routes. Following this consultation, if the changes are taken forward, RWE will request a formal change to the DCO application which is currently being considered by an Examining Authority appointed by the Planning Inspectorate.

If you have any comments on the proposed changes, you can submit feedback in the following ways:

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- Writing to us at Freepost PEARTREE HILL SOLAR FARM (no stamp required)

Please provide any feedback you have by 11:59pm on Wednesday 22 October 2025.

After the targeted consultation closes, we will carefully review and take into account all responses received. A Consultation Report will be submitted to the Examinina Authority as part of our change request. The Examining Authority will review our change request and make a decision whether or not to accept it as part of the examination of the Peartree Hill Solar Farm application.

## How to stay involved

The Development Consent Order application has been accepted by the Planning Inspectorate for examination. You can take part in the examination if you have registered as an interested party. Members of the public that have made a relevant representation during the relevant representation period will:

- have the right to send further comments and provide evidence during the examination of the application,
- have the right to request to speak at hearings.
- hear about events and decisions made during the process and
- hear about the progress of the application

The deadline for relevant representations was 30 May 2025 at 23.59.

Updates about Peartree Hill Solar Farm will be posted on the Planning Inspectorate's website

Officer Documents plays.

Note: During the Examination the latest documentation and submissions about the project will be available on the project page of <u>Planning Inspectorate's National Infrastructure Planning website</u>.

Q1. How would you describe your  Local resident	interest in Peartree Hill Solar Farm?
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# Appendix E Cover letter sent to PILs, prescribed parties and consultation zone



Tuesday 23 September 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

### Peartree Hill Solar Farm Permissive paths targeted consultation on proposed application for development consent

We are writing to you regarding the proposed Peartree Hill Solar Farm located on land to the east of Beverley (the Proposed Development).

Earlier this year we submitted an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to the Planning Inspectorate. The DCO Application was accepted for examination, the next stage of the planning process, by the Planning Inspectorate on Friday 21 March 2025. The examination started on Tuesday 22 July 2025.

You may be aware that, as part of the Proposed Development, RWE intends to create an extensive network of permissive paths. Permissive paths are routes which would be made available for use by the public during the lifetime of the Proposed Development but would not become a permanent right of way.

During the course of the examination, submissions have been made to the Planning Inspectorate raising concerns about the potential for disturbance to bird species caused by users of permissive paths (including dogs) having unrestricted access to neighbouring ecological mitigation areas. To address these concerns, RWE is proposing to modify some of the permissive path routes currently identified in the DCO Application.

We are seeking feedback on these potential changes through a targeted consultation.

This targeted consultation gives you the opportunity to comment on the proposed changes and will run from **Wednesday 24 September 2025 to 11:59pm on Wednesday 22 October 2025**.

The enclosed brochure details the proposed changes to the identified permissive path routes. It also explains the rationale for each change.

#### **RWE Generation UK plc**

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The targeted consultation brochure is also available to view at <a href="https://www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk/documents/">www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk/documents/</a> and will remain available throughout the targeted consultation period.

#### **Make your comments**

If you have any comments on the proposed changes forming part of this targeted consultation, you can submit this feedback in the following ways:

- Completing a feedback form online at peartreehillsolar.co.uk or by returning a paper copy to our Freepost address: Freepost PEARTREE HILL SOLAR FARM (no stamp required)
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Please provide any feedback you have **by 11:59pm on Wednesday 22 October 2025.** 

RWE requests that when responding you please indicate who is making the response, and provide an address to which any correspondence relating to the representation may be sent.

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If you have any questions on the content of this letter or the Proposed Development please contact us on the details above, info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk or call us on 01482 695 004.

Yours sincerely,

Development Project Manager RWE Renewables, Solar and Storage

### **Appendix F**

Email sent prescribed parties, organisations or individuals who had commented on the permissive paths in the statutory consultation, who the Applicant has contact details for, and key elected members about the targeted consultation

From:
To:
Subject:
Date: 24 September 2025 12:00:00

targeted consultation

#### Peartree Hill Solar Farm: Permissive paths targeted consultation

Good morning,

We are writing to you regarding the proposed Peartree Hill Solar Farm located on land to the east of Beverley (the Proposed Development).

Earlier this year we submitted an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to the Planning Inspectorate. The DCO Application was accepted for examination, the next stage of the planning process, by the Planning Inspectorate on Friday 21 March 2025. The examination started on Tuesday 22 July 2025.

You may be aware that, as part of the Proposed Development, RWE intends to create an extensive network of permissive paths. Permissive paths are routes which would be made available for use by the public during the lifetime of the Proposed Development but would not become a permanent right of way.

During the course of the examination, submissions have been made to the Planning Inspectorate raising concerns about the potential for disturbance to bird species caused by users of permissive paths (including dogs) having unrestricted access to neighbouring ecological mitigation areas. To address these concerns, RWE is proposing to modify some of the permissive path routes currently identified in the DCO Application.

We are seeking feedback on these potential changes through a targeted consultation.

This targeted consultation gives you the opportunity to comment on the proposed changes and will run from Wednesday 24 September 2025 to 11:59pm on Wednesday 22 October 2025.

The <u>brochure</u> details the proposed changes to the identified permissive path routes. It also explains the rationale for each change.

The targeted consultation brochure is also available to view at <a href="https://www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk/documents/">www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk/documents/</a> and will remain available throughout the targeted consultation period.

#### Make your comments

If you have any comments on the proposed changes forming part of this targeted consultation, you can submit this feedback in the following ways:

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If you have any questions on the content of this email or the Proposed Development please contact us by replying to this email or call us on 01482 695 004.

Yours sincerely,

Development Project Manager RWE Renewables, Solar and Storage From: info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk

To:
Subject:
Date: 24 September 2025 12:19:00

#### Good afternoon,

We are writing to provide an update on our application for Peartree Hill Solar Farm, a proposed new solar farm in East Riding of Yorkshire. We would also like to offer you an update briefing on the project.

As you may be aware, RWE submitted an application for development consent to the Planning Inspectorate on Friday 21 February 2025. The application was accepted for examination by the Planning Inspectorate on Friday 21 March 2025. The examination started on Tuesday 22 July 2025 and is due to be completed in December 2025.

#### Peartree Hill Solar Farm examination and upcoming hearings

During the examination a number of documents are submitted to the Examining Authority appointed by the Planning Inspectorate and a series of hearings take place. All the latest documentation and submissions about the project are available on the Planning Inspectorates project page: <a href="https://national-infrastructure-">https://national-infrastructure-</a>

<u>consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010157</u>. The Examination Library is a useful resource to help understand the documents which have been submitted during the examination, the latest version can be found here.

Following the Preliminary Meeting and Open Floor Hearing held by the Examining Authority in July, the next round of Hearings will take place on Tuesday 21 October to Thursday 23 October at Tickton Grange Hotel, Main St, Tickton, Beverley, HU17 9SH and using Microsoft Teams (full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided by the Planning Inspectorate in advance to those who have pre-registered).

The hearings are run by the Examining Authority and all details on how to take part are included on the Planning Inspectorate's website: <a href="https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010157">https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010157</a>

#### Targeted consultation on permissive paths

We are continuing to refine our design in light of issues raised at the examination and have undertaken a series of targeted consultations recently with those impacted by some small order limit changes.

We are now seeking views on some further potential changes to the project.

You may be aware that, as part of the proposals for Peartree Hill Solar Farm, RWE intends to create an extensive network of permissive paths. Permissive paths are routes which would be made available for use by the public during the lifetime of the Proposed Development but would not become a permanent right of way.

During the course of the examination, submissions have been made raising concerns about the potential for bird species caused by users of permissive paths (including dogs) having unrestricted access to neighbouring ecological mitigation areas. To address these concerns, RWE is proposing to modify some of the permissive path routes currently identified in the DCO application.

We have today launched a targeted consultation as part of which we are seeking views on these potential changes.

You can view a copy of the targeted consultation brochure <a href="here">here</a>. You can also view the proposed changes on our project website at: <a href="https://peartreehillsolar.co.uk/documents/">https://peartreehillsolar.co.uk/documents/</a>

If you have any comments on the proposed changes, you can submit feedback in the following ways:

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Please provide any feedback you have by 11:59pm on Wednesday 22 October 2025.

After the targeted consultation closes, we will carefully review and take into account all responses received. If the changes are taken forward, RWE will make a formal request to the Examining Authority to change the DCO application currently being examined. A Consultation Report would be submitted as part of any change request. The Examining Authority would then review our change request and make a decision whether or not to accept it.

#### Offer of meeting

We are keen to ensure stakeholders and members of the community understand how the project is progressing. If it would be helpful to receive a briefing on the latest updates, please don't hesitate to get in touch and we'll be happy to arrange something in person or via Teams.

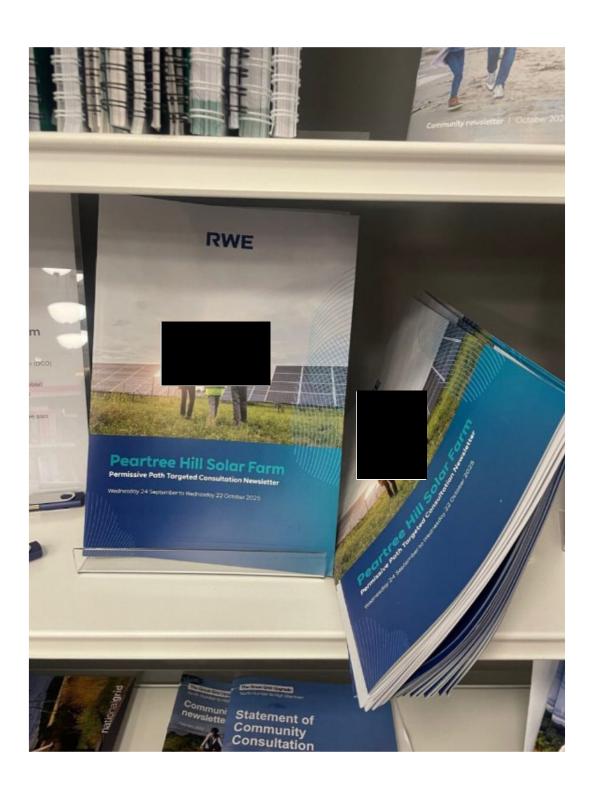
If you have any questions you can contact the communications team via email at <a href="mailto:info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk">info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk</a> or via telephone at **01482 695 004**.

Kind regards

**Peartree Hill Communications Team** 

### **Appendix G**

**Photo of consultation materials at Beverley Library** 



## Appendix H Copy of site notices and photos



### RWE RENEWABLES UK SOLAR & STORAGE LIMITED PEARTREE HILL SOLAR FARM

#### PROPOSED CHANGE TO APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT CONSENT

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

RWE Renewables UK Solar and Storage Limited (RWE) is progressing proposals to build Peartree Hill Solar Farm, a solar and battery storage project on land to the east of Beverley, in the administrative boundary of East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

RWE submitted an application for development consent to the Planning Inspectorate on Friday 21 February 2025. The application was accepted for examination by the Planning Inspectorate on Friday 21 March 2025. The examination started on Tuesday 22 July 2025.

As part of the proposals for Peartree Hill Solar Farm, RWE intends to create an extensive network of permissive paths. Permissive paths are routes which would be made available for use by the public during the lifetime of the Proposed Development, but would not become a permanent right of way. RWE has identified some potential changes to the proposed permissive path routes currently identified within the development consent application. We are seeking feedback on these potential changes through a targeted consultation.

Please scan the QR code or visit <a href="www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk/documents">www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk/documents</a> to view the plans of the proposed changes to the permissive path routes. This information will be available from <a href="Wednesday 24 September 2025">Wednesday 24 September 2025</a> to <a href="11:59pm">11:59pm</a> on <a href="Wednesday 22 October 2025</a>.

Further information about the project may also be found at the following web address: <a href="www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk">www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk</a>



#### **Make your comments**

If you have any comments on the potential changes, you can submit this feedback in the following ways:

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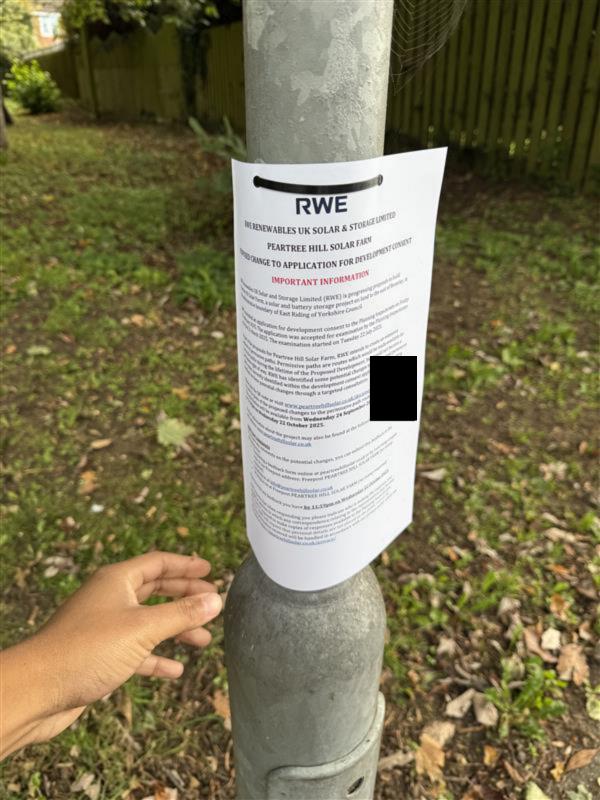
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Development please contact us on info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk or call us on
01482 695 004.











## Appendix I Social media advert

## Peartree Hill Solar Farm

Have your say on our targeted consultation on permissive paths

During the Planning Inspectorate's examination of our application, concerns were raised about the potential impact of permissive path users (including dogs) on nearby ecological mitigation areas. To address this, we are proposing some changes to the planned path routes and are now seeking your feedback through a targeted consultation.

77 Consultation period: Wednesday 24 September – 11:59pm Wednesday 22 October 2025

Find out more & view the brochure:

www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk/documents/

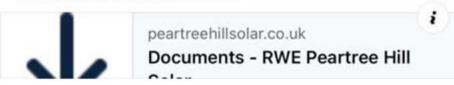
How to share your feedback:

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Email us at info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk

Write to us (Freepost PEARTREE HILL SOLAR FARM – no stamp required)

Please send us your comments by the consultation deadline: 22 October 2025.



### **Appendix J-1 Beverley and North Holderness Internal Drainage Board response to the targeted consultation**

**Subject:** Paths Consultation

**Date:** 20 October 2025 14:45:32

Attachments: image001.jpg image002.png

Permissive Paths Consultation Response - Beverley and North Holderness Internal Drainage Board.pdf

#### Good Afternoon,

Please find attached the Beverley and North Holderness Internal Drainage Board Response to the Permissive Paths Consultation.

#### Kind regards,



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#### BEVERLEY & NORTH HOLDERNESS INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

(A Member of the York Consortium of Drainage Boards)

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025

By e-mail only to: <a href="mailto:info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk">info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk</a>

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find below the Beverley and North Holderness Internal Drainage Board (BNH IDB) response to the 'permissive paths targeted consultation on proposed application for development consent'.

In relation to Board maintained watercourses, the Board wishes to make the applicant aware that when the Board refers to maintenance activities, this will include the use of heavy tracked machinery.

#### Change to permissive path around Field D18

#### **Proposed Change**

This change involves the removal of the permissive path loop around Field D18 but retention of a small section in the north-east of the field to allow access from Meaux Livery, on the other side of Meaux Lane, to the rest of the permissive path network. This section of permissive path would be fenced off to prevent access to the mitigation area from the path. The proposed permissive path will still be available for use by horse riders.

#### **BNH IDB Response**

The Board does not maintain any watercourses around the perimeter or within field D18. The Board would make the applicant aware that there appears to be an ordinary watercourse which surrounds the perimeter of field D18.

For any ordinary watercourses (i.e. ones which the Board do not maintain), the Board would request a minimum of 3 metres from the bank top to be left completely clear of any new buildings, structures, solar panels, fences, walls, planting, or hardstanding. This is to ensure there is sufficient room for maintenance works to the watercourse by the riparian owner in the future.

### Change to remove permissive path around Field E6 and extension of permissive paths around E7 and E8

#### **Proposed Change**

This change involves the removal of the permissive path loop around Field E6. Installation of a fence line within Field E6 along the boundary to prevent access to the mitigation area to the east of the permissive path. Relocation of the section of permissive path along the east of Field E6 to the other side of the hedge, would prevent access to Field E6, and extending the path around Fields E7 and E8 join up with the rest of the network. This change would compensate for the loss of permissive path loops around E6 and D18. The proposed permissive path would still be available for use by horse riders.

#### **BNH IDB Response**

The Board maintained watercourse known as Meaux and West Drain, also known as "Turnbull Dike", runs along the northern edge of Field E9 and the southern boundary of fields E7 and E8.

The Board does not anticipate the installation of this section of post and wire fencing will interfere with the Board's maintenance activities. However, the Board would reiterate its position that 9 metres from the top of the embankment should be kept wholly clear of any new buildings, structures, solar panels, fences, walls, planting, or hardstanding. This is to ensure that the Board has sufficient access to the watercourse to conduct maintenance works. In addition, the Board want to ensure that there is nothing installed that will destabilise the embankments of the watercourse.

#### **Other Changes**

#### **Proposed Changes**

#### Other Changes

'In addition, there are a number of minor amendments which has been discussed with Natural England in order to reduce disruption to relevant bird species.'

'The first change involves moving the permissive path that runs through the proposed biodiversity mitigation area between fields D16 and D17 closer to the edge of D16. The image of the proposed change also now shows the proposed post and wire fencing between the new proposed permissive path route and the proposed mitigation areas, as shown by the dark blue line.'

'The second change involves moving the permissive path in Field B2 closer to the east edge of this field, as shown by the yellow/orange dashed line. The image of the proposed change also shows the proposed post and wire fencing to be located between the permissive paths and mitigation areas, as shown by the dark blue line.'

'The third change involves moving the permissive path at the north of Field B8, closer to the northern edge of the field and to the edge of the proposed biodiversity mitigation area in this field. The proposed post and wire fencing between the new path route and proposed mitigation area is shown by a dark blue line.'

'The fourth change involves moving the permissive paths throughout Land Area F closer to the edges of the fields where necessary (F15, F16, F14, F9, F10) as shown by the yellow/orange dashed line. The image of the proposed change also shows indicative post and wire fencing between paths and mitigation areas in Fields F14, F9, F10, and F16, as shown by the dark blue line.'

#### Additional Post and Wire Fencing

'As part of the changes to the Proposed Development, additional post and wire fencing is being proposed between permissive paths and ecological mitigation areas. This will provide further protection for ecological mitigation areas located along the permissive path routes from disturbance by users of the paths including dogs running into the areas.



The total length of the proposed additional post and wire fencing is approximately 6km and it will be up to 1m in height. Due to the fencing's low profile, no significant landscape and visual effects are anticipated as a result of this fencing.'

#### **BNH IDB Response**

The Board notes that the applicant intends to place a post and wire fence around the perimeter of Field B2 which has been proposed as a biodiversity mitigation area. The Board would make the applicant aware that the Riston Pumping Station is situated in the southwestern corner of Field B2, and the Board maintained watercourse known as the Arnold and Riston Drain also runs along the southern boundary of field B2. The Board would ask that 9 metres is kept wholly clear of solar panels, planting, fencing, hardstanding etc. from the top of the embankment as per the Board's requirements for maintenance activities.

There is an existing access track within Fields B2/3 which runs along the Arnold and Riston Drain up to the pumping station. The Board would ask that this existing access is kept in place, or the applicant provides an appropriate alternative access to the watercourse and pumping station which is suitable for heavy tracked machinery in order for maintenance activities to be carried out.

The Board maintained watercourse known as Arnold and Riston Drain runs along the eastern boundary of Field B8, and the Board maintained watercourse known as Riston Drain runs along the southern and western boundary of Field B8. The proposed post and wire fencing will run alongside these watercourses. The proposed additional post and wire fencing along the western boundary of Field F9 will run alongside the Board maintained watercourse known as North Wray.

For any Board maintained watercourse, the Board would ask that 9 metres from the top of the embankment is kept wholly clear of hardstanding, fencing, solar panels, and planting etc. For any ordinary watercourses within the Board's district, 3 metres should be kept wholly clear of any hardstanding, planting or fencing, and 9 metres clear of solar panels.

The Board maintained watercourse known as Routh and Meaux Drain, also known as Caresticks, runs through the middle and along the western boundary of Field D16. Whilst the proposed new fencing on the eastern boundary of D16 should not interfere with the Board's activities, the Board would reiterate the applicant's previously agreed commitment to leave 9 metres clear of solar panels from the top of the embankment of any watercourse within the Board's district.



#### **Conclusion**

The Board's comments have been made following consideration of the information provided by the applicant through consultation and the Planning Inspectorate. Should these details change, the Board would wish to be re-consulted.



## Appendix J-2 Coal Authority (Mining Remediation Authority) response to the targeted consultation

From:
To:

**Subject:** Peartree Hill Solar Farm, NEAR BEVERLEY, IN EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE

**Date:** 29 September 2025 08:02:50

Attachments: Coal Authority Response 29-09-2025 080238202.pdf





Following receipt of your consultation on 24 September 2025, please find attached our response.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact the Planning team on the number below.

Regards

The Coal Authority Planning Team

https://www.gov.uk/coalauthority



200 Lichfield Lane Mansfield Nottinghamshire NG18 4RG

**T**: 01623 637 119 (Planning Enquiries)

**E**: planningconsultation@coal.gov.uk

**W**: www.gov.uk/coalauthority

For the attention of:

Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project

[By email: info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk]

29 September 2025

Dear

Re: Peartree Hill Solar Farm

### Proposing to modify some of the permissive path routes; Near Beverley, In East Riding Of Yorkshire

Thank you for your notification of 24 September 2025 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

The site to which this submission relates is not located within the defined coalfield. On this basis we have no specific comment to make.

Yours

**The Coal Authority Planning Team** 

## **Appendix J-3 East Riding of Yorkshire Council** response to the targeted consultation

Subject: Re: Peartree Hill Solar Farm: Permissive paths targeted consultation

Pate: 28 October 2025 17:37:35

Good evening

Apologies for responding after the deadline. Please see below comments from ERYC on the third proposed changes.

**ERYC's Ecologist** is satisfied that the revisions address the previous concerns in relation to recreational disturbance of the mitigation areas. The post and rail fence should be of a form that does not allow the free passage of dogs off leads into the mitigation areas. It is noted that the document confirms that the fence would 'form a barrier' to movement.

#### **ERYC's Landscape Consultant** has provided the following comments:

- All of the changes appear sensible in terms of protecting areas of biodiversity, but some of them seem to potentially
  compromise the amenity value of the permissive footpaths. Despite the fencing being lightweight and low-level, the user
  experience would be compromised, in comparison to an impression of walking through an open field. Where the permissive
  path has been re-routed around the edge of a solar field, as opposed to an open mitigation field, this sense would be
  heightened by the perception of industrial panels.
- There are several notes stating 'The path would also be available for horse riders', where the orange dotted line graphics used
  relate to the key noted 'available for pedestrians only'. Greater clarity is needed, and assurance that proposed routes for horse
  riders are connected well to each other, and able to be accessed using the bridleway network.
- With reference to British Horse Society Advice note "Advice on Width, area and height on routes used with horses", where paths are available for horse riders, post and rail wooden fencing should be used.
- The detailed cross-section of the footpaths should be considered, to prevent them becoming undesirable 'alleyways', with a reasonable width granted to them.
- Generally:

o Paths should be designed according to ERYC and British Horse Society guidance (links and extracts below).

o Where paths are bounded on both sides by either panels and/or hedges, a generous path width should be allowed for, where possible greater than the minimum widths advised by ERYC guidance (see below).

o Where paths are adjacent to solar panels, there should be a planted hedgerow buffer, incorporating hedgerow trees, where possible without shading panels.

o Where paths give direct visibility to solar panels, albeit sometimes separated by mitigation fields, hedge planting should be provided adjacent to the solar array (rather than adjacent to the path, which could result in undesirable 'alleyways').

o Where paths are also available to horse riders, the British Horse Society guidance on appropriate widths should be followed; where possible allowing a more generous width than the minimum.

- Where fences are being introduced, the plans should be updated to acknowledge that the land parcel will no longer be available as 'community accessible'.
- Fields E7 and E8, and the southern boundary of D17: these locations do not indicate a planting buffer between path and panels. The panels should be located at a sufficient distance from the path to allow a path wide enough for the intended use, and a planting buffer between path and panels.
- Field F14: It is unclear, due to the image resolution on the PDF, but it appears that the intention on the northern boundary of F14 may be that the path is bounded by solar panels to the north, and hedgerow to the south. The hedgerow would be more appropriately located on the southern boundary of the biodiversity mitigation, closer to the solar panels, allowing a visual relationship with the mitigation field, and more open aspect to the path. On the southern boundary of F14, the panels have been extended to border the path much more closely, resulting in this path being closely bounded on both sides. As above, the width of the path should be sufficient to compensate.
- Fields D16/D17: The proposed hedgerow has been relocated to the west side of the relocated path, between it and the solar
  field D16 to the west, which is appropriate. However, the proposed hedgerow trees previously indicated between D16 and D17
  have disappeared rather than relocated; these should be reinstated, either along the new hedgerow, as an addition to the
  existing hedgerow, or as individual trees within the proposed biodiversity mitigation area.
- Field B8 the footpath is to the south of a house, where we have previously suggested that better screening would reduce the impact of the solar farm. The proposed hedgerow and trees that were previously shown appear to have been downgraded to an enhancement of a shorter section of the existing boundary. Additional hedgerow and tree planting should be incorporated along the boundary between the mitigation area and the solar panels. This would provide an open relationship between the footpath and mitigation field, but visually filter views from the path to the nearest panels, and provide layers of filtering for the house to the panels in area B8.

Government Standards

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/1179630/Technical\_Standard\_-Public rights of way Redacted.pdf

Minimum width

- 6.1.4 Appropriate legal widths for each type of public right of way shall be discussed with the highway authority, with any variances to be considered on a case-by-case basis to take account of local constraints and landscape character. However, the absolute minimum requirements are given below
- 6.1.7 Bridleways which are cross-field paths shall have a width not less than 2 metres.
- 6.1.8 Any other public right of way (e.g. a bridleway which is not a cross<sup>-</sup>field path, a restricted byway or a byway open to all traffic) shall have a width not less than 3 metres.

ERYC Public Rights of Way and Planning Guidance Document https://downloads.eastriding.org.uk/corporate/pages/about-public-rights-of-way/ER\_Countryside\_Public\_Rights\_of\_Way%20and\_Planning\_Guidance\_Document.pdf

it shall be assumed that the widths of public rights of way are:

- · Public Footpath 2m
- · Public Bridleway 3m

Where it is desirable to enclose a right of way within new boundaries, extra width should be provided to ensure clear open verges to facilitate good visibility and an open aspect for users, and to negate the effects of encroachment by adjacent vegetation.

- ·+0.5m per side for low open fences, such as post and rail or post and netting, fences etc and walls. In these cases it is important to ensure that the height of the lower fence cannot be raised. A restrictive covenant should be placed on the owners of the properties, backed up by a planning condition. In cases where that lower height cannot be protected then a width of 4m will have to be preserved (see below).
- ·+1m per side for all hedges and high, close boarded fences etc. and walls. This includes security fencing such as palisade, paladin and chain-link fencing etc.
- ... if fences are to be erected on both sides then the council would be looking to ensure that the following minimum widths are protected:
- · Public footpaths 4m
- · Bridleways 5m

The British Horse Society Guidance

(British Horse Society Advice notes)

Advice on Width, area and height on routes used with horses

The intention of the widths recommended here is to provide a useable width of minimum 3 metres for a bridleway or 4 metres for a byway, at all seasons. If the way is alongside or between hedges, fences, walls or other boundary, a useable width is likely to require an additional half a metre alongside the boundary, giving an overall width of 4 metres (bridleway) or 5 metres (byway) between fences or hedges. This is because any user will avoid the ground immediately adjacent to the boundary, particularly adjacent to barbed wire or thorny plants or where ground vegetation will build up and could hide debris, trip hazards or dog mess.

The Society encourages Order Making Authorities to adopt a standard width of 5 metres for diverted bridleways and byways. 5 metres allows for a commodious width remaining if a route is 'corridor fenced' of a route even if use increases and to allow ease of access for maintenance.

The Society encourages Order Making Authorities to adopt a standard of 5 metres width for new bridleways and restricted byways whenever possible but recognises that a lesser width may be necessary to create any way in some cases.

For 'greenways' and routes considered to be of strategic importance, more than 5 metres allows comfortable space for different types of user, particularly if use by cyclists at speed is anticipated

As a general guide the following types of fencing are suitable for horses and can be used safely alongside rights of way, in order of preference:

1. Post and rail wooden fencing

Wire fencing (both straight and barbed) is less desirable and potentially injurious.

Advice on Solar farms near routes used by equestrians

Unless the recorded width of the bridleway or byway is greater, a minimum useable width of 4m between fences is recommended, meaning fencing at no less than 5m apart to allow for the strip immediately adjacent to the fence being unusable, and with vegetation cut through the full width. This mitigates the enclosed effect of the corridor of the right of way between high fences.

Where a bridleway or byway has been previously unfenced, it is likely that the used width has been at least 4m as users do not risk passing each other more closely than necessary, particularly on multi-use routes where horses, bicycles, pedestrians and dogs may be present.

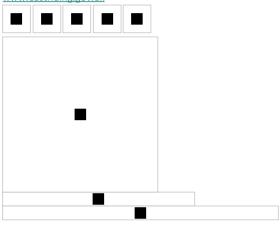
Other Internal ERYC Consultees. All other ERYC internal consultees have advised they have no comments to make on the proposed changes, the subject of this targeted consultation.

Many Thanks



Please note my working days are Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday





From: info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk <info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk>

**Sent:** 24 September 2025 12:05

To: Planning <planning@eastriding.gov.uk>

Subject: Peartree Hill Solar Farm: Permissive paths targeted consultation

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Peartree Hill Solar Farm: Permissive paths targeted consultation

Good morning,

We are writing to you regarding the proposed Peartree Hill Solar Farm located on land to the east of Beverley (the Proposed Development).

Earlier this year we submitted an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to the Planning Inspectorate. The DCO Application was accepted for examination, the next stage of the planning process, by the Planning Inspectorate on Friday 21 March 2025. The examination started on Tuesday 22 July 2025.

You may be aware that, as part of the Proposed Development, RWE intends to create an extensive network of permissive paths. Permissive paths are routes which would be made available for use by the public during the lifetime of the Proposed Development but would not become a permanent right of way.

During the course of the examination, submissions have been made to the Planning Inspectorate raising concerns about the potential for disturbance to bird species caused by users of permissive paths (including dogs) having unrestricted access to neighbouring ecological mitigation areas. To address these concerns, RWE is proposing to modify some of the permissive path routes currently identified in the DCO Application.

We are seeking feedback on these potential changes through a targeted consultation.

This targeted consultation gives you the opportunity to comment on the proposed changes and will run from Wednesday 24 September 2025 to 11:59pm on Wednesday 22 October 2025.

The brochure details the proposed changes to the identified permissive path routes. It also explains the rationale for each change.

The targeted consultation brochure is also available to view at <a href="https://www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk/documents/">www.peartreehillsolar.co.uk/documents/</a> and will remain available throughout the targeted consultation period.

Make your comments

Appendix J-4 East Riding of Yorkshire and Kingston
Upon Hull Joint Local Access Forum (JLAF) response
to the targeted consultation

From: East Riding & Kingston Upon Hull Local Access Forum

To: <a href="mailto:info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk">info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk</a>

**Subject:** Targeted Consultation Response - Permissive Paths - Peartree Hill Solar Farm

 
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 20 October 2025 12:02:23

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RWE DCO App - JLAF Response 20.10.25 - Permissive Paths.pdf

Please find attached a consultation response from the East Riding of Yorkshire and Kingston upon Hull Joint Local Access Forum (JLAF) relating to the Permissive Paths Targeted Consultation (Peartree Hill Solar Farm).

We trust the response will be of assistance and would be grateful if you could please acknowledge receipt in the first instance.

Best regards.



#### **RWE DCO Application**

#### **Peartree Hill Solar Farm**

#### **Targeted Consultation on Permissive Paths**

1. The primary focus of East Riding of Yorkshire and Kingston upon Hull Joint Local Access Forum (ERoY&KuHJLAF) is on Public Rights of Way (PRoW). However, it has a broad

statutory interest in public access to the countryside and this includes both 'access land' and 'permitted paths.

- 2. The ERoY&KuHJLAF recognises the concern for the prospective disturbance of wildlife, particularly nesting birds, that might arise from the original alignment of a limited number of the proposed permitted paths.
- 3. The loss of circularity arising from the proposed changes to the permitted paths is regrettable and likely to dissuade some use of the paths. However, the essential connection of the permitted paths with pre-existing PRoW appears to have been retained.
- 4. ERoY&KuHJLAF considers it essential to alert prospective users of the permissive paths to their non-circular or cul-de-sac nature by siting weather-proof information boards at the entry points. This will (a) alert users to the permissive paths (b) describe their length and location and (c) in the case of cul-de-sac paths, minimise disappointment and/or annoyance from users reaching the terminus and having to double back.
- 5. Whilst ERoY&KuHJLAF does not object to the proposed changes to the permissive path provision, we do consider that the changes represent a reduction in the only countryside access enhancements currently being offered within the project proposals (eg. reduction in length, some loss of circular nature, additional wire fencing), and they would therefore be a downgrade on the initial permissive access proposals. The aesthetic of access along the permissive paths will be diminished by the proximity of security fencing and the ranks of solar panels.
- 6. Given the size, scale and lifespan of the solar farm development, and the number of public rights of way within the development area, ERoY&KuHJLAF would still expect to see more PROW/public access enhancements included within the project provision, in addition to the permissive path proposals. The solar farm development would substantially change the landscape and the amenity value for users of the public rights of way. We would therefore draw attention to our separate correspondence relating to the Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) and in particular to our request for a one-off financial contribution to be provided to East Riding of Yorkshire Council, to effect PROW/access improvements either on-site or off-site in the parishes affected by the development.

We trust that these comments are clear and helpful. Members of the Forum would be happy to discuss the comments further should you wish.

East Riding of Yorkshire and Kingston upon Hull Joint Local Access Forum

### RWE DCO Application Peartree Hill Solar Farm Targeted Consultation on Permissive Paths

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East Riding of Yorkshire and Kingston upon Hull Joint Local Access Forum

20 October 2025

## **Appendix J-5 Historic England response to the targeted consultation**

Yorkshire ePlanning
Peartree Hill Solar Farm: Permissive paths targeted consultation
26 September 2025 09:13:53
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Historic England advice 20250926.pdf

Dear Sirs,

Please find attached our response to the seven proposed changes to the application.

Kind regards,



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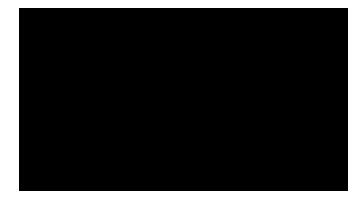


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Direct Dial:

Our ref: PL00796006

Date: 26 September 2025

Dear

### Proposed Peartree Hill Solar Farm Proposed changes to application for development consent

Thank you for your email of 24 September 2025 regarding the above application development.

Historic England has no objection to the proposed changes to the application, relating to modification of some permissive path routes. This should not be interpreted as comment on the merits of the application.

If you would like further advice from us on the proposed changes, please contact us to explain your request.

Yours sincerely







## **Appendix J-6 Natural England response to the targeted consultation**

From:
To: ||solar.co.uk

**Subject:** ar Farm: Permissive paths targeted consultation

**Date:** 08 October 2025 14:45:03

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

### Dear Mr Mike Greslow,

Thank you for consulting Natural England on the permissive paths targeted consultation, in your email dated 24 September 2025.

Natural England welcome the changes proposed, specifically the removal of the permissive path loops around Fields D18 and E6, and the implementation of post and wire fencing between all permissive footpaths and wintering/breeding bird mitigation areas. Natural England advise that it should be ensured that the post and wire fencing used is sufficiently robust to prevent the movement of dogs and people between the permissive footpaths and the wintering/breeding bird mitigation areas. Where footpaths are separated from mitigation areas by hedgerows, we advise that it should be ensured that the hedge is sufficiently dense to prevent the movement of dogs and people onto the mitigation site.

Natural England would encourage fencing to be accompanied by 'positive' signage highlighting the reasons for the fencing, including, for example, pictures of the relevant bird species, in order to improve public engagement with the restrictions.

We note that alternative 'dog run' areas away from the bird mitigation areas may also be effective at reducing impacts and enabling public enjoyment of the site. We therefore advise that it may be appropriate to consider whether there are other areas within the site design that would be suitable for dogs to be off lead.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Many thanks,

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### **Appendix J-7 Northern Gas response to the targeted consultation**

From: Before You Dig

To: <a href="mailto:info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk">info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk</a>; <a href="mailto:Before You Dig">Before You Dig</a>

**Subject:** RE: EXT:Peartree Hill Solar Farm: Permissive paths targeted consultation

**Date:** 25 September 2025 09:42:23

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NGN has a number of gas assets in the vicinity of some of the identified "site development" locations. It is a possibility that some of these sites could be recorded as Major Accident Hazard Pipelines(MAHP), whilst other sites could contain High Pressure gas and as such there are Industry recognised restrictions associated to these installations which would effectively preclude close and certain types of development. The regulations now include "Population Density Restrictions" or limits within certain distances of some of our "HP" assets.

The gas assets mentioned above form part of the Northern Gas Networks "bulk supply" High Pressure Gas Transmission" system and are registered with the HSE as Major Accident Hazard Pipelines.

Any damage or disruption to these assets is likely to give rise to grave safety, environmental and security of supply issues.

NGN would expect you or anyone involved with the site (or any future developer) to take these restrictions into account and apply them as necessary in consultation with ourselves. We would be happy to discuss specific sites further or provide more details at your locations as necessary.

If you give specific site locations, we would be happy to provide gas maps of the area which include the locations of our assets.

(In terms of High Pressure gas pipelines, the routes of our MAHP's have already been lodged with members of the local Council's Planning Department)

Kind regards,



### **Appendix J-8 North Lincolnshire Council response to the targeted consultation**

From: To:

Subject: North Lincolnshire Response to Notice of Proposed Provision for the Compulsory Acquisition of Additional

land and Permissive paths targeted consultation

Date: 22 October 2025 16:33:42 Attachments: Outlook-rc0dfvaf.png

Consultation Letter CON20251211.pdf

### Good Afternoon,

Please find the attached response from North Lincolnshire Council in response to Notice of Proposed Provision for the Compulsory Acquisition of Additional land and Permissive paths targeted consultation

### Kind Regards



https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/



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PEARTREE HILL Solar Farm

# North Lincolnshire Council

www.northlincs.gov.uk
Church Square House
30-40 High Street
Scunthorpe
North Lincolnshire
DN15 6NL

North Lincolnshire Council Reference: CON/2025/1211

Regulations 7 and 8 of the Infrastructure Planning (Compulsory Acquisition) Regulations 2010 (as amended) (2010 Regulations)

Notice of Proposed Provision for the Compulsory Acquisition of Additional land

and

Permissive paths targeted consultation

Location: The Proposed Development is located north-west of Leven (12 miles north of Hull), and between the villages of Tickton, Riston, Wawne and Woodmansey.

Officer:

Thank you for your email dated 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025 giving North Lincolnshire Council (NLC) the opportunity to feedback on the Peartree Hill Solar Farm.

I can confirm that after consultation with our internal technical consultees that North Lincolnshire Council has no comments or objections to raise in respect of this project with the proposed development not likely to result in any significant impact upon North Lincolnshire.



## Appendix J-9 Tickton and Routh Parish Council response to the targeted consultation

From: Tickton & Routh Parish Clerk
To: info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk

Subject: Targeted consultation on permissive paths

Date: 22 October 2025 12:37:31

### Good afternoon

The Parish Council considered the proposed Peartree Hill Solar Farm Permissive Paths Targeted Consultation at the meeting on Monday 20 October and **RESOLVED**: **No comment.** 

### Kind regards



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### **Appendix J-10 UK Health Security Agency response** to the targeted consultation

From: Nsipconsultations

To: <a href="mailto:info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk">info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk</a>

Cc: Nsipconsultations

Subject: UK Health Security Agency"s Response - Peartree Hill Solar Farm - Targeted Consultation

**Date:** 16 October 2025 10:26:28

Attachments: <u>image001.jpg</u>

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### Dear Sir/Madam

Please find attached the UK Health Security Agency's response to the above consultation.

### Kind regards



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Environmental Hazards and Emergencies Department Seaton House, City Link London Road Nottingham, NG2 4LA nsipconsultations@ukhsa.gov.uk www.gov.uk/ukhsa

Your Ref: EN010157 Our Ref: 93662

Freepost PEARTREE HILL SOLAR FARM

16th October 2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project Peartree Hill Solar Farm (Ref: EN010157) Permissive Paths Targeted Consultation

Thank you for your letter of 24<sup>th</sup> September 2025 inviting the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) to provide comments relating to the above Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP). *Please note that we request views from the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID) and the response provided is sent on behalf of both UKHSA and OHID.* 

We have no additional comments at this stage. We note that we have replied to earlier consultations, as listed below, and this response should be read in conjunction with that earlier correspondence.

Request for Scoping Opinion 29/11/2023
Public Consultation: Section 42 24/06/2024
Registration of Interest 27/05/2025
Proposed changes to application 28/08/2025

Yours faithfully,

On behalf of UK Health Security Agency <a href="mailto:nsipconsultations@ukhsa.gov.uk">nsipconsultations@ukhsa.gov.uk</a>

Please mark any correspondence for the attention of National Infrastructure Planning Administration.

### **Appendix J-11 Response to the targeted consultation from landowner**

From: To:

info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk

Subject: Footpaths

Date: 22 October 2025 00:03:40

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### Dear Sir /Madam

Regarding the changes of the permissive paths located in field B8

It has now been moved closer to our boundary hedge and we have great concern that when people walk with their dogs down the permissive paths on to monk dyke they will stray through the hedge and cause harm or worry our sheep and lambs.

We ask that there is an additional fence placed at the back of the hedge to stop any such incidents happening and that there is enough room left for the hedge to be maintained /cut back over the 40 years.

We would also like the access for the public walking off Carr Lane in to field B8 to use the existing gate way near the bridge (see picture green gate) and not accessible through our silver boundary gate as we close this gate to keep any stray dogs entering our fields if they were to walk further down Carr Lane or if any livestock was to escape.

(Please see Red mark for old gateway entrance) And where to start with fence. So, to summarise we are asking for a fence to run from the original gate way off Carr Lane travel west and around our field boundary meeting Monk dyke at the other end.

Kind regards

### Appendix J-12 Responses to the targeted consultation from members of the public

From:
To:
Subject:
Pear tree hill Solar Farm
Date:
25 September 2025 00:14:41

No pear trees, and no farm in anyones wildest stretch of their imaginations. Who in their right minds would want to walk on paths looking at enormous solar panels sitting in our once beautiful green fields, Surrounded by hideous fences as far as the eye can see. You are ruining the countryside and damaging wildlife. Whilst having the potential to reduce emissions in this country, world wide you must be increasing emissions by the very fact that these panels are coming from the other side of the world, using coal fired power to produce them.

ital gains for the few and hypocritical in every way

From:
To: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ar.co

**Subject:** Re: Peartree Hill Solar Farm project update

**Date:** 25 September 2025 10:51:03

Thank you for the update,

unfortunately the map/diagram of the area in your booklet isn't clear enough(perhaps on my PC zoomed to 300%) to show the orange broken line that indicates the new permissive paths.

Is there a better document that shows them that you can provide.

Kind regards



On 24/09/2025 12:15, info@peartreehillsolar.co.uk wrote:

Good afternoon,

We are writing to provide an update on our application for Peartree Hill Solar Farm, a proposed new solar farm in East Riding of Yorkshire.

As you may be aware, RWE submitted an application for development consent to the Planning Inspectorate on Friday 21 February 2025. The application was accepted for examination by the Planning Inspectorate on Friday 21 March 2025. The examination started on Tuesday 22 July 2025 and is due to be completed in December 2025.

### Peartree Hill Solar Farm examination and upcoming hearings

During the examination a number of documents are submitted to the Examining Authority appointed by the Planning Inspectorate and a series of hearings take place. All the latest documentation and submissions about the project are available on the Planning Inspectorates project page: <a href="https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010157">https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010157</a>. The Examination Library is a useful resource to help understand the documents which have been submitted during the examination, the latest version can be found <a href="https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010157">https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010157</a>. The Examination

Following the Preliminary Meeting and Open Floor Hearing held by the Examining Authority in July, the next round of Hearings will take place on Tuesday 21 October to Thursday 23 October 2025 at Tickton Grange Hotel, Main St, Tickton, Beverley, HU17 9SH and using Microsoft Teams (full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided by the Planning Inspectorate in advance to those who have pre-registered).

The hearings are run by the Examining Authority and all details on how to take part are included on the Planning Inspectorate's website: <a href="https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010157">https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010157</a>

### Targeted consultation on permissive paths

We are continuing to refine our design in light of issues raised at the examination and have undertaken a series of targeted consultations recently with those impacted by some small order limit changes.

full_name
Organisation (if applicable):
N/A
address
postcode
email
Q1. How would you describe your interest in Peartree Hill Solar Farm?
Other (please specify below)
Other
My horse is kept in the area and we regularly hack on the land
Q2. Do you have comments on the proposed removal of the permissive path loop around Field D18?
This will greatly impact not only our are to ride horses in whilst our hacking we see an array of wildlife including birds of prey and deer that will be impacted by this
Q5. Do you have any other comments on our permissive path and additional fencing proposals?
The solar farm as a whole is going to greatly impact wildlife including birds and deer in the area which will impact the biodiversity of the area as a whole. I am strongly against solar panels being installed in this area
Consent
✓ I agree to the privacy statement, set out at the end of the form.

About you
full_name
address
postcode
Phone
email
Q1. How would you describe your interest in Peartree Hill Solar Farm?
Local resident
Q2. Do you have comments on the proposed removal of the permissive path loop around Field D18?
There should be more permissive paths not fewer as our access to the countryside in which we live is being negatively impacted.
Q3. Do you have any comments on the proposed removal of the permissive path around Field E6 and/or the extension of permissive paths around Fields E7 and E8?
This should not happen as we are being restricted in our access to the countryside in which we live
Q4. Do you have any comments on our proposed changes for Peartree Hill Solar Farm, outlined on pages 5 and 6 of the Permissive Paths Targeted Consultation newsletter?
Paths should not be reduced
Q5. Do you have any other comments on our permissive path and additional fencing proposals?
More paths needed
Consent
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