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Dear Jake Stephens,

Proposed Peartree Hill Solar Farm (Application Reference: EN010157)

Request to approve changes to the DCO Application

Further to the notification dated 23 September 2025 of an intended request to submit changes to the application for development consent in respect of Peartree Hill Solar Farm (“the **Proposed Development**”) [[AS-017](#)], the Applicant encloses a Change Application seeking the Examining Authority’s (“**ExA**”) consent to include the proposed changes to the application currently being examined.

The documents submitted with this Change Application comply with the requirements for information set out in the Planning Inspectorate’s guidance on changes to an application after it has been accepted for examination (August 2024) (“the **Changes Guidance**”). The Applicant can also confirm that the process for preparing this information complies with the Changes Guidance and the ExA’s Procedural Decision dated 30 September 2025 [[PD-015](#)]. Details of the Applicant’s compliance with Steps 1 to 4 of the Changes Guidance are included in Table 1 and compliance with the requirements of step 4 (information to include in the change application) are included in Table 2.

Preparing the Change Application

The Change Application has been prepared to comply with the steps set out in the Changes Guidance as follows:

Table 1 Compliance with Changes Guidance Steps 1 to 4

Changes Guidance step number	Changes Guidance requirement	Applicant’s compliance with Changes Guidance step

Step 1	Applicant decides to request a change to an application which has already been accepted for Examination and informs the ExA in writing (the Change Notification), setting out the information required to be included in the Change Notification.	The Applicant's Change Notification dated 23 September 2025 [AS-017] constituted Step 1.
Step 2	ExA provides advice to the Applicant about the procedural implications of the proposed change and about the need, scale and nature of consultation that the Applicant may need to undertake.	The ExA's Procedural Decision Letter of 30 September 2025 [PD-015] constituted Step 2.
Step 3	The Applicant carries out appropriate consultation about the proposed change.	The Applicant carried out consultation between 24 September 2025 and 22 October 2025. A Change Application 3 Consultation Report [EN010157/APP/8.17] is submitted with the Change Application. This sets out who was consulted in relation to the proposed changes, which included persons prescribed under section 42(1)(a) to (d) of the Planning Act 2008 who would be affected by the changes, in accordance with the Changes Guidance. The Consultation Report also includes details of how the Applicant has considered the content of the consultation responses received and provides in the form of an annex copies of all consultation responses received.
Step 4	Applicant makes a formal request to the ExA to change the application (the Change Application) by providing the relevant information.	This Change Application constitutes Step 4, and Table 2 describes where to find the relevant information set out in the Changes Guidance.

The relevant information

Step 4 of the Changes Guidance sets out the information required to be included in the change application. Details of how the Applicant has complied with those requirements is provided in Table 2.

Table 2 Applicant's compliance with Step 4 of the Changes Guidance

Document Reference Number	Title	Content and compliance with Step 4 of the Changes Guidance	Step 4 requirement
EN010157/APP/8.16		Sections 3 - 7 provide a confirmed description of the proposed changes.	Step 4, point 1.

	Change Application (October 2025)	Where these descriptions have changed from those provided with the change notification, the reasons for this are clearly explained.	
		Sections 3 - 7 also provide a confirmed statement setting out the reasons and need for making the proposed changes. This includes any information that was not included in the Change Notification.	Step 4, point 2.
		The Change Application (October 2025) [EN010157/APP/8.16] provides a full schedule of all documents and plans listing the revisions to each document and plan which would each occur because of the change (see Tables 4.2, 5.2, 6.2 and 7.2). Where there is no change to a document in connection with this change application, this is indicated in Appendix A (read with paragraph 1.1.9) of the Introduction to the Application [EN010157/APP/2.1 Revision 9] . Documents not being submitted with the Change Application have been greyed out within Appendix A.	Step 4, point 3.
		Paragraph 2.1.11 includes a statement identifying any impact the proposed changes would have on securing any consents or licences for the Proposed Development.	Step 4, point 4.
		Paragraph 2.1.7 confirms that there are no changes required to the draft DCO as a result of the Change Application.	Step 4, point 5
		Paragraph 2.2.1 confirms that none of the proposed changes include a request to include additional compulsory acquisition powers or require any changes to the nature of powers which the Applicant is seeking over the Order Land.	Step 4, point 6
		Section 8 of the Change Application confirms that the proposed changes would not result in any new or different likely significant environment effects. Accordingly, the requirements of step 5, point 7 do not apply to the Change Application.	Step 4, point 7
EN010157/APP/8.17	Change Application 3 Consultation Report	Consultation has been undertaken in relation to the proposed changes. Accordingly, a Change Application 3 Consultation Report [EN010157/APP/8.17] is provided with this Change Application.	Step 4, point 8.

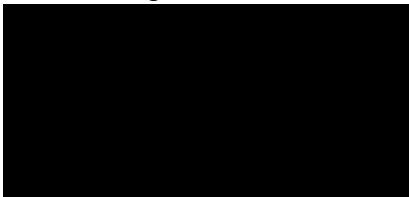


		This (a) confirms who has been consulted in relation to the proposed changes and explains how and why they have been consulted; (b) includes details of how the Applicant has considered the content of the consultation responses received; and (c) includes copies of all consultation responses received, including any responses to publicity about the proposed changes (as an annex to the report).	
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I trust that the information set out above and in the documents which accompany this submission are sufficient to enable the ExA to accept the Applicant's change application.

I would be grateful if you would please acknowledge safe receipt of this letter and the enclosed documents.

Kind regards,



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