
To:

Our Ref: EN010157

RWE Renewables UK Solar and Storage Limited
The Crown Estate

9 June 2026

Dear Sir or Madam,

Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010

Application by RWE Renewables UK Solar and Storage Limited (“the Applicant”) for an Order granting Development Consent for the proposed Peartree Hill Solar Farm (“the Proposed Development”)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

1. Following the completion of the Examination on 6 January 2026, the Examining Authority submitted a Report and Recommendation in respect of its findings and conclusions on the above application to the Secretary of State on 2 April 2026. In accordance with section 107 of the Planning Act 2008, the Secretary of State has three months to determine the application.
2. There are issues on which the Secretary of State would be grateful if the **Applicant** and **The Crown Estate** could provide updates or information as appropriate.

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3. In response to the Secretary of State’s first information request of 30 April 2026, the Applicant and The Crown Estate provided a joint update stating that both parties were aiming to reach agreement shortly after the 14 May 2026. The Secretary of State has not received any subsequent update on this matter. The Secretary of State therefore requests confirmation as to whether Crown Consent has been granted for the Proposed Development.
4. The Secretary of State also requests that **the Applicant** provides an update regarding the relevant parties that have not yet reached an agreed position with the Applicant in respect to protective provisions.

DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE

5. The deadline for response is **23:59 on 16 June 2026**.
6. **Responses should be submitted by email only to PeartreeHillSolarFarm@planninginspectorate.gov.uk.**
7. Responses will be published on the Peartree Hill Solar Farm project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website as soon as possible after 16 June 2026: <https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010157>
8. This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's consideration of whether to grant or withhold development consent for the Proposed Development or any part of the project. Nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what the eventual decision might be or what final conclusions the Secretary of State may reach on any particular issue which is relevant to the determination of the application.

Yours faithfully,

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