



Thames Water Relevant Representations

Rosefield Solar Farm
Development Consent Order
Planning Inspectorate Ref: EN010158

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Introduction

These representations are made on behalf of Thames Water Utilities Limited (“TWUL”) in respect of the application for development consent (“Application”) submitted for the Rosefield Solar Farm (“the Proposed Scheme”) by Rosefield Energyfarm Ltd. This application was accepted by the Secretary of State under section 55 of the Planning Act 2008 (“the 2008 Act”) on 23rd October 2025.

TWUL is appointed under Chapter 1 of Part II of the Water Industry Act 1991 as the water and sewerage undertaker for the Thames Valley region, which includes part of the area comprising the Proposed Scheme. As such, TWUL was notified of acceptance of the Proposed Scheme under the 2008 Act. TWUL owns and operates water and sewerage infrastructure that lies within the Order limits of the Proposed Scheme, including water mains and sewers.

General Concerns

TWUL acknowledges the Applicant’s engagement with us to date; however, TWUL continues to have concerns regarding the Proposed Scheme. To alleviate these concerns, we require further engagement and resolution of the following key issue:

1. **Asset Protection:** TWUL’s clean water distribution mains exist within the Proposed Scheme’s Order limits. Clashes with the Applicant’s proposed road widening and road surface replacement works have been identified in two locations: Claydon Road and Snake Lane/Fiddlers Field. TWUL requires the Applicant’s confirmation that they will be in full compliance with TWUL’s “Guidance For Working Near Our Assets” document, including but not limited to:

- Prohibiting driven piles within 15 meters of public sewers;
- Prohibiting development within 5 meters of trunk water mains or 3 meters of water distribution mains.

Conclusion

TWUL reserves the right to provide further representations during the examination process as additional details become available. In the meantime, TWUL looks forward to working with the Applicant to resolve this concern and ensure that the Proposed Scheme can proceed without detriment to TWUL’s assets and operations.



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