

**ROSEFIELD HEARING**

**EXAMINING AUTHORITY'S SECOND WRITTEN QUESTIONS AND REQUESTS**

**EXQ2**

**issued 5/6/26**

**Q2 6.6.**

Question to A E J & F J Claridge

3. Does the removal of plot 2/6 address any of your concerns set out to date, including in relation to the operation of your farm?

**ANSWER:**

**The removal of plot 2/6 is welcomed and addresses our concerns.** It will allow us to continue to operate at the farm without interference to machinery movements within the yard which forms core day to day functioning of the livestock enterprise. Diesel storage is also within this area which obviously would have been a health and safety concern to all.

**Q2 15.8**

Question to A E J & F J Claridge

**ALC REPORT**

...to provide specific comments in relation to the applicant's assessment of your land as set out in the ALC Report. Does the report accurately reflect your understanding of the quality of soils across your holding?

**ANSWER:**

We have referred to the Rosefield Solar Farm, Environmental statement – Volume 4 Land Classification.

After examination we have some concerns on how the soil results have been logged and allocated as we note that on the parcel of land we are referring to it has a "Soil/Land grade description pit (45)."

It also shows points on our land e.g. 47,52,46, 51 & 64 has having been "auger" tested!

We also note that the Desk Based Study did mention that some land was not able to be surveyed due to Access Restrictions and we do fall under this as **WE HAVE NOT GIVEN ANY PERMISSION TO HAVE ANY INTRUSIVE SURVEY UNDERTAKEN.**

**ANNEX 1 – AGRICULTURAL CLASSIFICATION MAP**

shows our land in Light Green – Soil type 3b (do not consider this accurate)

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**ANNEX 2 – SOIL ASSOCIATION MAP**

shows our land in light yellow – Allocated Evesham 2

**ANNEX 3A - AUGER AND PIT LOCATION MAP (ADAS)**

shows our land (45) in Light yellow as being Surveyed land!!!

(This we believe this is an untrue statement and misleading)

**CONCLUSION:** We do not consider the report accurately reflects our understanding of the quality of soils across our holding.

We would consider that surrounding land to our holding does get waterlogged but the field in question “The best field on the farm”, has been managed over the last 50 years which has resulted in good soil structure and the land is free draining.

A road has been laid up to this field in recent years to enable us to access it when other fields are not able to be used or travelled upon. As we have stated this field is drier than other fields that surround it.

Crops grown on this land over the years have been cereals, grass, maize and oil seed rape and have yielded higher than any other land we farm. We have been awarded numerous prizes for crops grown on this field when entering the North Bucks Agricultural Association competitions.

**Finally, we consider the Soil type to be Soil Type 3a which is good quality Agricultural not 3b Moderate quality.**

**We feel untrue and misleading statements have been given, for example “surveyed land when it has not been surveyed”.**

**John Claridge**

**21<sup>st</sup> June 2026**