

Rosefield Solar Farm

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Decommissioning Waste
(Clean)

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1. Indicative Waste

1.1. Introduction

- 1.1.1. This document has been updated at Deadline 4 in response to the comments received from Buckinghamshire Council in their **Response to comments on the Local Impact Report [REP3-055]**. The document references have not been updated from the original submission. Please refer to the **Guide to the Application [EN010158/APP/1.2.10]** for the list of current versions of documents.
- 1.1.2. **Table 1** sets out the indicative waste generation during the construction, operation (including maintenance) and decommissioning phase of the Proposed Development. The associated assumptions are detailed below.

1.2. Methodology for Estimating Indicative Waste

- 1.2.1. The indicative volumes of construction packing waste associated with photovoltaic modules and string inverters have been derived using manufacturer data, shipping weights and unit net weights, with the difference between shipped and product weights attributed to packaging materials.
- 1.2.2. The International Energy Agency states that currently recycling technologies can recover up to 95% of materials from crystalline silicon PV modules¹, which account for the majority of the global PV market.
- 1.2.3. Total waste generation has been updated to include worker waste based on a rate of 200kg per person per year. This value is derived from current English household waste values per person which are assumed to be 377kg per year and factoring it down to account for the time workers will be on-site. This calculation has been based on 600 staff during the construction phase, which is the maximum number of construction staff as outlined in **ES Volume 1, Chapter 3: Proposed Development Description [EN010158/APP/6.1.4]**.
- 1.2.4. The total cardboard and plastic volume combines the anticipated worker waste with packaging in **Table 1**.

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1.3. Photovoltaic Module Packaging Waste

- 1.3.1. The Proposed Development will include approximately 518,000 photovoltaic modules. The indicative waste is based on typical palletised deliveries of Jinko Solar 144 half cell modules. Each module has a net weight of approximately 32kg, and a standard pallet contains 36 modules, resulting in a combined module weight of 1,152kg excluding packaging.
- 1.3.2. One pallet weighs approximately 1,205kg. The difference between the delivered pallet weight and the module weight, amounts to approximately 53kg per pallet, this has been attributed to packaging materials.

1.4. String Inverter Packaging Waste

- 1.4.1. The Proposed Development will include approximately 1,020 string inverters. Packaging waste associated with the delivery of string inverters has been estimated using manufacturer weight data. The shipping weight of each inverter is reported as 152.5kg, and the net weight of the inverter unit is 116kg. The difference between these values, amounting to approximately 36.5kg per inverter, has been attributed to packaging materials.
- 1.4.2. Of the total estimated packaging weight per inverter, it is assumed that approximately 25kg comprises the timber pallet, with the remaining 11.5kg comprising carboard and plastic materials.

1.5. Stone Waste

- 1.5.1. The estimated stone waste detailed in **Table 1** considers removal of the construction compounds at the end of the construction phase and removal of infrastructure at the end of the decommissioning phase.

Table 1: Indicative Construction, Operation (including maintenance) and Decommissioning Waste

Construction Phase				
	Recycle	Unit	Landfill	Unit
Damaged Solar PV modules	95	Tonnes	5	Tonnes
Stone	3,150	Tonnes	na	
Steel	110	Tonnes	na	
Wood	1,175	Tonnes	na	
Cardboard and Plastic	140	Tonnes	59	Tonnes
Total	4,670	Tonnes	5	Tonnes
Operation (including maintenance) Phase				
	Recycle	Unit	Landfill	Unit
Damaged Solar PV modules	133	Tonnes	7	Tonnes
Replaced String Inverters	248	Tonnes	13	Tonnes
Replaced Battery units	35,910	Tonnes	1,890	Tonnes
Replaced BESS MVS	1,140	Tonnes	60	Tonnes
Steel	1	Tonnes	na	
Wood	371	Tonnes	na	
Cardboard and Plastic	35	Tonnes	8	Tonnes
Total	37,838	Tonnes	1,978	Tonnes

Decommissioning Phase				
	Recycle	Unit	Landfill	Unit
Solar PV modules	18,950	Tonnes	997	Tonnes
String Inverters	83	Tonnes	4	Tonnes
Battery units	17,955	Tonnes	945	Tonnes
BESS MVS	570	Tonnes	30	Tonnes
Stone	12,600	Tonnes	5,400	Tonnes
Concrete	59,786	Tonnes	na	
Steel	11,035	Tonnes	na	
Cable	318	Tonnes	18	Tonnes
Cardboard and Plastic	0.3	Tonnes	0.1	Tonnes
Total	108,397.3	Tonnes	1,974.1	Tonnes



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