

One Earth Solar Farm

Potential Main Issues for the Examination [EN010159]

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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose of this document

- 1.1.1 This Potential Main Issues for Examination ('PMIE') document has been prepared by One Earth Solar Farm Ltd (the 'Applicant') to accompany an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) ('DCO Application') for One Earth Solar Farm (the 'Proposed Development') made to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero pursuant to the Planning Act 2008.
- 1.1.2 This document has been prepared and submitted in compliance with the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects: 2024 Pre-application Prospectus (September 2024) and Regulation 5(2)(q) of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 ('the APFP Regulations') which states: "*The application must be accompanied by... any other documents considered necessary to support the application*".
- 1.1.3 The purpose of this document is to provide the Examining Authority ('ExA') with a summary of the main residual issues with key stakeholders remaining at the time of the DCO Application submission. This document has been prepared alongside relevant statutory bodies and local authorities, and has been shared and the contents agreed, where possible, prior to the submission of the DCO Application. This document has been presented in the format provided by the Planning Inspectorate. The issues set out in chapter 3 do not constitute a definitive list of matters likely to be raised during the DCO Examination and does not preclude stakeholders from raising further concerns during the planning process.
- 1.1.4 It is anticipated that a number of the issues outlined in this document may be resolved between the submission of the DCO Application and Examination, including once stakeholders have had an opportunity to review the DCO Application and through the evolution of matters, including the negotiation of 'protective provisions' where necessary. It is the Applicant's intention to continue to work with stakeholders throughout the DCO Examination to resolve issues wherever possible.

1.2 Potential Main Issues for Examination

- 1.2.1 The tables below set out the remaining main issues with each of the relevant statutory bodies and local authorities, that have not been resolved prior to submission of the DCO Application.
- 1.2.2 The tables provide an overview of the issues held by the statutory bodies and local authorities, where this issue is addressed in the DCO Application and the Applicant's position on the likelihood of the issue being resolved prior to or during

the Examination. The tables include a Red/Amber/Green (RAG) rating to highlight the likelihood of each issue being resolved. The following consideration has been applied to each colour:

- > Red – fundamental disagreements which are unlikely to be resolved during Examination.
- > Amber – issues which are in discussion and may be resolved during Examination.
- > Green – issues that are likely to be resolved prior to or during Examination.

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2. Bassetlaw District Council Potential Main Issues

Ref	Environmental Aspect	Description of issue	Affected stakeholder(s)	Signposting (to application evidence)	RAG	Likelihood of the issue being resolved during the Examination
BDC1	Cultural Heritage	Impact on heritage assets in Fledborough and Ragnall	Historic England Bassetlaw Nottinghamshire County Council	Mitigation agreed and integrated into the illustrative landscape masterplan included in the outline Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (oLEMP) (see Volume 7: Other Documents [EN010159/APP/7.7]) Consultation discussions (see Appendix 10.3 of ES Volume 2, Chapter 10: Cultural Heritage [EN010159/APP/6.10])	Green	High
BDC2	Landscape and Visual	The Affected Stakeholder raised questions about different terms within	Via East Midlands, on behalf of Bassetlaw District Council	With regard to Appendix 11.2 of the ES Volume 2, Chapter 11: Landscape and Visual [EN010159/APP/6.11], the LVIA methodology has been	Amber	High

		<p>landscape and visual assessment criteria.</p> <p>The Affected Stakeholder raised a question regarding the approach to assessing visual sensitivity including susceptibility of PRow users.</p> <p>The Affected Stakeholder raised a question about the influence of duration and reversibility on judgements about magnitude of change.</p>		<p>updated to address most questions raised.</p> <p>With regard to the influence of duration and reversibility on the judgements about magnitude of change, regard has been given to the LITGN-2024-01 GLIVA3-N&C, which clarifies <i>‘it is likely that the size/scale of effect will be the most important factor, with geographical extent and duration/reversibility considered as ‘modifiers’.</i></p>		
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