APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER FOR THE PROPOSED ONE EARTH SOLAR FARM (APPLICATION REFERENCE: EN010159)

NOTIFICATION OF ISSUE SPECIFIC HEARING AND COMPULSORY ACQUISTION HEARING UNDER SECTIONS 91, 92, 93 and 94 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008 AND RULE 13(6) INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (EXAMINATION PROCEDURE) RULES 2010 (AS AMENDED)

Notice is hereby given that, at the dates, times and locations set out below, the following hearings will be held by the Examining Authority (on behalf of the Secretary of State (the 'Secretary of State')) for the examination of the application made by One Earth Solar Farm Ltd (company number 13078087) of Unit 2 Crossways Bicester Road, Kingswood, Aylesbury, England, HP18 0RA ("the Applicant") for a Development Consent Order under Sections 14(1)(a), 15(2) and 37 of the Planning Act 2008 ("the Application").

The Application is for development consent for the proposed One Earth Solar Farm ("the Proposed Development") which is a renewable energy project located on approximately 1,409 hectares of land within the administrative boundaries of Newark and Sherwood District Council, Bassetlaw District Council, West Lindsey District Council, Lincolnshire County Council, and Nottinghamshire County Council.

The Application (Reference No. EN010159) was submitted to the Secretary of State via the Planning Inspectorate on 27 February 2025 and was accepted for examination on 27 March 2025. The Examining Authority was appointed on 25 April 2025 to examine the Application. The Examination commenced on Tuesday 8 July 2025.

Hearing	Date	Time	Venue
Compulsory Acquisition Hearing	Wednesday 3 September 2025	Registration and seating are available from: 9am	Doubletree by Hilton Lincoln, Brayford Wharf North, Lincoln, LN1 1YW
		Virtual Registration Process from: 9am	By virtual means using Microsoft Teams.
		Hearing starts: 9:30am	Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have preregistered.
Issue Specific Hearing (ISH2) to cover the following topics: • Landscape	Wednesday 3 September 2025	Registration and seating are available from: 2:30pm	Doubletree by Hilton Lincoln, Brayford Wharf North, Lincoln, LN1 1YW
Agriculture land and best and		Virtual Registration Process from: 2:30pm	By virtual means using Microsoft Teams.
most versatile agricultural land		Hearing starts: 3pm	Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have preregistered.

Hearing	Date	Time	Venue
Issue Specific Hearing (ISH2) • Transport	Thursday 4 September 2025	Registration and seating available at venue from: 9:30am	Doubletree by Hilton Lincoln, Brayford Wharf North, Lincoln, LN1 1YW
 Hydrology, flood risk, water resources and the sequential test Biodiversity and ecology 		Virtual registration process from: 9:30am Hearing starts: 10am	By virtual means using Microsoft Teams. Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have preregistered.
 Waste management, planning and resource efficiency 			
 Cumulative assessment and timing of project 			

Details regarding attending and speaking at the Hearings are set out in the Examining Authority's Rule 13 and 16 notification available via the One Earth Solar Farm page of the Planning Inspectorate's website: https://nsip-

<u>documents.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/published-documents/EN010159-000528-</u> One%20Earth%20Solar%20-%20Rule%2013%20&%2016.pdf

Interested Parties wishing to speak at the Hearings listed above should notify the Planning Inspectorate in writing via the website link above by 21 August 2025. If you require assistance to register your attendance, please contact the Planning Inspectorate by calling 0303 444 5000 or by email oneearthsolarfarm@planninginspectorate.gov.uk and quote the Application's reference number: EN010159.

The Hearings will also be held as virtual events, and it will be possible to join them via any standard internet browser or alternatively by telephone dial-in. Full instructions on how to join online or by telephone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered.

Please note that Hearings will be recorded, and the recordings will be published on the One Earth Solar Farm page of the Planning Inspectorate's website as soon as practicable after each Hearing has taken place.

Further information regarding the Hearings, the examination of the Application, the full timetable, how and when to register to speak at the Hearings, and how and when to make written submissions will also be available on the One Earth Solar Farm page of the Planning Inspectorate's website (link above), or by contacting the Planning Inspectorate (details above).

Summary of the Proposed Development

The Proposed Development would be located on approximately 1,409 hectares of land near the settlements of North Clifton, South Clifton, Ragnall, Dunham, and Fledborough within the administrative boundaries of Newark and Sherwood District Council, Bassetlaw District Council, West Lindsey District Council, Lincolnshire County Council, and Nottinghamshire County Council. A map showing the location of the Proposed Development can be viewed on the National Infrastructure Planning website at the following link: https://nsip-documents.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/published-documents/EN010159-000118-2.1%20Location%20Plan.pdf.

The Proposed Development comprises the construction, operation (including maintenance), and decommissioning of solar photovoltaic (PV) arrays and battery storage, together with associated infrastructure and an underground cable connection to the proposed National Grid High Marnham Substation. The agreed grid connection for the Proposed Development would allow the export and import of up to 740 megawatts (MW) of electricity to the National Electricity Transmission System.

The Application is required because the Project is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project pursuant to sub sections 14(1)(a) and 15(1) and (2) of the Planning Act 2008, as an onshore generating station in England with a capacity exceeding 50 MW. As such, the decision whether to grant development consent will be made by the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero (the 'Secretary of State').

The DCO, if granted, would authorise the compulsory acquisition of land, interests in land and rights over land, and the powers to use land permanently and temporarily. The DCO would also authorise alterations to the layout of streets, the construction of accesses to the Proposed Development, the temporary closure and creation and enhancement of public rights of way, street works, removal of hedgerows, and the application, disapplication and modification of legislation.

Environmental Impact Assessment

The Proposed Development is Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development, as defined by the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 and accordingly an Environmental Statement (ES) accompanies the Application.

Application form and accompanying documents:

The Application form and the accompanying documents, plans and maps, including the ES, non-technical summary of the ES and draft DCO, are available to view electronically and download, free of charge, under the 'Documents' tab on the One Earth Solar Farm page of the Planning Inspectorate's National Infrastructure Planning website https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010159.

The Application documents will be available to view online at least until the Secretary of State makes its decision whether or not to grant the Development Consent Order.

If you require an electronic copy of the Application documents to be supplied on a USB stick, this can be provided free of charge (one device per household or business). Please use the contact details for the Applicant in this notice to request a USB stick. You can also contact the Applicant using these contact details if you have any enquiries in relation to the Application form and its accompanying documents, plans and maps.

The Application documents can be made available in hard copy format subject to a fee of:

- Consultation Report, Planning Statement and Statement of Need £750;
- Environmental Statement Report Volumes 1-3 £1,500; and
- Total cost for all documents (including files, covers and spines) £5,000.

The Applicant will also consider any reasonable requests for bespoke or hard copy documents and will accommodate such requests where it is feasible to do so and for which a reasonable charge may apply. In relation to any request, please contact the Applicant using the contact details in this notice.

Applicant's contact details

For further information about the Application, or to request copies of documents, the Applicant can be contacted by using the following details:

Freephone: 0800 169 6507 (9am-5pm Mon-Fri)

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Any details you provide to the Applicant via telephone or e-mail will be subject to its privacy policy linked here: https://oneearthsolarfarm.co.uk/privacy-policy/ and will be treated confidentially and processed and handled in accordance with the relevant data protection legislation.

One Earth Solar Farm Ltd