



## Adequacy of Consultation Representation Proforma

Under *Section 55(4)(b) of the Planning Act 2008* (PA2008) the Planning Inspectorate, on behalf of the Secretary of State, must take any adequacy of consultation representation (AoCR) received from a local authority consultee into account when deciding whether to accept an application for development consent, and this will be published should the application be accepted for examination.

An AoCR is defined in s55(5) in PA2008 as “a representation about whether the applicant complied, in relation to that proposed application, with the applicant’s duties under sections 42, 47 and 48”.

<b>Project name</b>	Great North Road Solar and Biodiversity Park
<b>Date of request</b>	Tuesday 1 July 2025
<b>Deadline for AOCR</b>	Tuesday 15 July 2025
<b>Return to</b>	<a href="mailto:GreatNorthRoadSolar@planninginspectorate.gov.uk">GreatNorthRoadSolar@planninginspectorate.gov.uk</a>

Please complete the proforma outlining your AoCR on the above NSIP.

<b>Local Authority</b>	Nottinghamshire County Council
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In the opinion of the local authority, has the applicant complied with the legislative requirements listed below?

*Please note that this is specifically about the statutory consultation(s) undertaken.*

<b>Assessment of Compliance - Required</b>	
<b>S42 Duty to consult</b>	Yes
<b>S47 Duty to consult local authority</b>	Yes
<b>S48 Duty to publicise</b>	Yes

If you would like to give more detail on any of the above, please do so below.

*Please keep it as succinct as possible and refer to facts and evidence related to consultation, rather than the merits of the application.*



Additional comments - <i>Not compulsory</i>	
<b>S42 Duty to consult</b>	
<b>S47 Duty to consult local authority</b>	
<b>S48 Duty to publicise</b>	
<b>Any other comments</b>	<p>The applicant has fulfilled the requirements under Sections 42, 47 and 48 of the Planning Act 2008 insofar that they have consulted with prescribed bodies, including Nottinghamshire County Council, they have produced and implemented a detailed Statement of Community Consultation (SOCC) in consultation with the host authorities, and publicised their consultation in accordance with the regulations.</p> <p>The Council County has some reservations about the approach taken with respect to the Targeted Consultation (TC) which took place 8th May to 6th June 2025, and which did not apply the same rigour as set out in the SOCC for the Phase Two Statutory Consultation. However, these concerns were raised with the applicant, and it is our understanding that the applicant has subsequently contacted the affected parish councils to provide them with an opportunity to further discuss the proposed amendments to the scheme. This would alleviate our concerns regarding inadequate community engagement for the TC.</p>