

29th July 2025

Will Threlfall Senior Project Development Manager Lime Down Solar Park Limited Unit 25.7 Coda Studios 189 Munster Road London SW6 6AW

Development Management County Hall **Bythesea Road** Trowbridge Wiltshire **BA14 8JN**

Dear Mr Threlfall,

RE: Lime Down Solar Park Nationally Significant Infrastructure Scheme (PINS Reference: EN010168) - Lack of Information for Wiltshire Council Consideration and Input

Wiltshire Council is concerned with the lack of information being shared with its officers in relation to the Lime Down Solar Park Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) scheme. This is adversely impacting the council's ability to ascertain the likely impacts of the scheme and to ensure that sufficient mitigation is proposed in advance of the DCO application submission and its subsequent examination to minimise any adverse impacts on Wiltshire and its communities.

The council identified a vast array of further assessment and other information required to be considered by Wiltshire Council in order for it to reach a view on the project in its Statutory Consultation response, as submitted on 19th March 2025. This outstanding information was captured in the first iteration of the Issues Tracker, and the council stated in its response of 4th June 2025 that: "Whilst we agree that the issues have the potential to be resolved, this is obviously dependent on the further information and assessment being provided to the Council to review and is likely to require further discussion between our respective technical teams, before it can be agreed that the issue is / can be resolved".

At the most recent Steering Group meeting between Island Green Power and Wiltshire Council held on 8th July 2025, it was indicated that selective information would be shared with the council towards the end of July and during August. As it remains your intention to submit the DCO application on 19th September 2025, this provides limited time for any of the council's concerns or comments on the information that will be submitted to it for review to be addressed within the DCO application. Furthermore, given the selective nature of the information proposed to be shared, the council may be unable to provide meaningful advice on the scheme due to not receiving the breadth of information it requires to do so.

Wiltshire Council requires Island Green Power to urgently provide its officers with all of the outstanding information it requires, as identified in the council's Statutory Consultation







response. If necessary, Island Green Power should amend its programme, to ensure that it has sufficient time to consider and address the council's feedback in advance of the submission of the DCO application. This is especially important given that Island Green Power has refused to hold the further supplementary statutory consultation as strongly recommended within the council's Statutory Consultation and Adequacy of Consultation Milestone responses. Failure to do so will require all previously identified issues to be considered during the DCO Examination, which will place undue burden on the council's resources given the strict timetable and short deadlines likely to be imposed on all parties.

Furthermore, Wiltshire Council is seeking Island Green Power's assurance that its full DCO application will be shared with the council upon submission to the Planning Inspectorate. This will enable the council to begin its review of the application in advance of publication. which will benefit all parties including the Examining Authority, as the council will be able to more effectively inform the principal issues for examination.

I trust that Island Green Power is able to provide the information and assurances sought above to ensure that the council has all that it requires to fulfil its statutory role in relation to this scheme. Please do not hesitate to contact me, should you wish to discuss.

Yours sincerely,



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Please note that this letter has been copied to the Planning Inspectorate.



