

Application by Lime Down Solar Park Limited for an order granting development consent for the Lime Down Solar Project

Case reference: EN010168

Examining Authority's note of access required site inspection 1 (ARSI1) to which the application relates on 18 September 2026.

Examining Inspectors David Love and Ben Northover (appointed as members of the Examining Authority (ExA) for the application for the Lime Down Solar Project) undertook the inspection on 18 September 2026. This note is a brief record to inform the Applicant, Interested Parties and any other parties of the actions taken by the ExA.

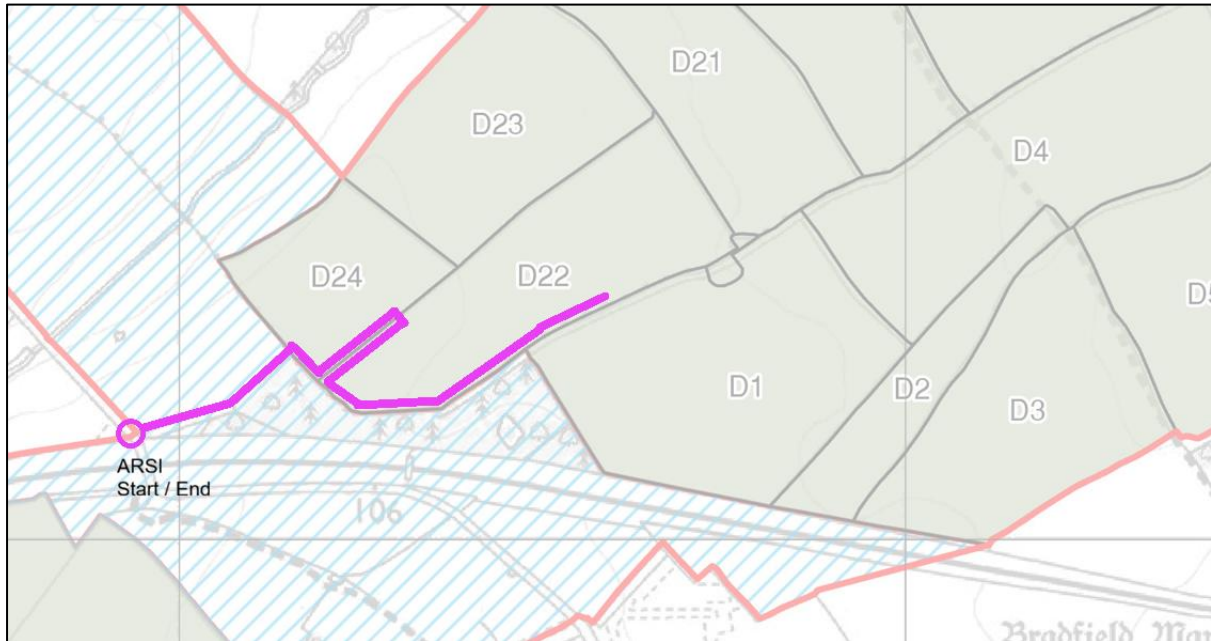
The inspection was undertaken on foot in privately owned fields where access was granted by the landowner. A route was planned in advance having regard to issues raised in oral and written submissions into the examination relating to the proposed 400 kilovolt (kV) substation and Battery Energy Storage System (BESS). These locations were included in the itinerary for the accompanied site inspection (ASI) on 11 June 2026 but due to crops growing in the fields it was not possible to access these locations on the ASI.

Particulars of ARSI1

Weather: overcast but dry.

Visibility: good.

The Field Boundaries and Numbering Plan [\[APP-078\]](#) has been used as a base map to plot the route that was taken by the ExA:



- The ExA started route at Hill Hayes Lane observing viewpoint 44 (viewpoint locations can be seen on the Applicant's Viewpoint Location Plan [\[APP-099\]](#) in the examination library).
- The ExA walked the edge of the field to the south-west of field D24 to access fields D24 and D22 (the proposed location for the 400kV substation).
- The ExA could see into field D1 (the location of the BESS) from field D22 but it was not possible to access field D1 as there is no break in the hedgerow from field D22.
- The ExA returned to Hill Hayes Lane by the same route.

End of ARSI1.