

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

Issue Specific Hearing 8 – Socio-economics, Human Health, Ecology and Re-opening of ISH1 – 4 for new IPs/ APs

Date: 22 September 2026

Venue: National Self Build & Renovation Centre, Great Western Way, Swindon SN5 8UB; and Microsoft Teams

Action points arising

No	Party	Action	Deadline
Socio-economics			
1.	Dr Farrington	To include as part of her post-hearing submission the papers she mentioned regarding horse behaviour.	D7
2.	Applicant	To submit a copy of the study (Equine Canada, National Farm Animal Care Council (2013). Code of Practice for the care and handling of Equines. ISBN: 978-1-927392-40-9) which is cited as the source of 30m as a flight zone in [REP5-105] .	D7
3.	Applicant	To submit further evidence with respect to the 30m flight zone, noting that mitigation measures in table 3 of [REP5-105] rely upon that distance for noise sources and visual intrusion to horses.	D7
4.	Dr Farrington	To submit the research mentioned which shows impacts for flight zones are greater than 30m.	D7
5.	Dr Farrington	To submit information on the more subtle stress effects on thoroughbreds from activities such as construction noise (as opposed to the flight response).	D7
6.	Applicant.	To provide noise levels for tracker panels moving in unison (and potential implication on equine establishments), as discussed in the hearing, considering the Applicant's response to ExQ1 NV1.2 [REP3-128] , which noted that the noise assessment only considered the noise level of one tracker panel moving.	D7
7.	Applicant	To submit a plan showing distances of the proposed development (specifically edge of panel fields in D13 and D14) to the closest boundaries of West Park Farm.	D7

8.	Applicant	To provide an indication of implications of timetabling activities to mitigate harm to equine businesses.	D7
9.	Applicant	To update the outline Construction Environmental Management Plan (oCEMP) to include that an Independent Equine expert is to be appointed before the final detailed CEMP is submitted for approval so that that expert assists in informing the detail of the final CEMP.	D7
10.	Applicant	To provide details confirming if a BESS fire post event impact assessment on receptors is required by any regulatory body. If not, please provide a commitment to do so within the relevant management document(s) for future learning. Also provide confirmation that the Moss Landing review has been used in the assessment.	D7
11.	Mr Frost	To submit the Moss Landing case study of BESS fire impacts on animals.	D7
12.	Applicant	To produce additional modelling assessment and noise contour maps to understand the construction noise levels close to the boundaries of West Park Farm Stud and Ladyswood Stud, applying the worst case noise in the modelling (piling and excavation). Include a commentary on the noise impact on horses (from Dr Greene) in light of the revised noise assessment required by this action and what was previously stated in paragraph 4.2.8 of the Equine Business report [REP5-105] .	D7
13.	Applicant	To cross reference the Applicant's baseline data in the Equine Businesses report with the SLD's Appendix Z mapping data [REP6-082] .	D7
14.	Applicant	To submit the information referred to as 'currently available' in paragraph 6.1.11 of [REP5-105] , which informed the Applicant's conclusion in that paragraph that there would be no likely significant adverse effect on business viability.	D7
15.	Applicant	To update [REP5-105] to identify what impacts would amount to major, moderate, minor and negligible effects on equine businesses.	D7
16.	Applicant	To provide an update on potential mitigation measures that are being explored in relation to minimising impacts on the non-equine businesses, that can be secured in the oCEMP/ oCTMP.	
17.	Applicant	To provide specific mitigation measures implemented to reduce effects at Grittleton	

		House including clarification whether activities will cease for the full day of a wedding, and how this commitment will be secured.	
18.	Wiltshire Council	At ISH5, the Council advised it agreed 'no harm' to the setting of Grittleton House in heritage terms providing that there would be sufficient socio-economic mitigation measures. The Council is asked to confirm whether the agreed mitigation measures by the time of deadline 8 are sufficient to agree to 'no harm' in heritage terms to Grittleton House.	D8
19.	Applicant	To provide an update on potential alternative PRow routes that can be used to/ from Sherston (particularly to the south) and review and justify the potential commercial impact on The Angel, Sherston.	D7
20.	Applicant	To review business compensation funds provided to businesses in other NSIP schemes (e.g. Sizewell C, Lower Thames Crossing) and provide an update to the ExA on their view with regard to providing a similar fund.	D7
Human Health			
21.	Applicant, Wiltshire Council, NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board (ICB)	To submit agreed position with WC and ICB following the ICB submission at D6 [REP6-079]	D7
Ecology			
22.	Applicant	To submit the table prepared for, and displayed at, ISH8 showing the conservation status and risk level for various avian species.	D7
23.	Applicant	To review wording on mitigation measures as detailed in oLEMP, with regards to protecting nesting birds to ensure avoidance is the first priority.	D7
24.	Applicant	To review wording within the oEPMS on re-establishing habitat and ensure there is consistency between the different management plans (e.g. the oLEMP).	D7
25.	Applicant	To ensure, and if necessary, update the TPO and Hedgerow Plan [REP5-010] and the Hedgerow Removal Plan (annex A [REP6-039]), so they align with each other.	D7
26.	Applicant	To update the ExA, with regards to cumulative effects of hedgerow removal and how the	D7

		home range of dormice is taken into consideration in this impact assessment and oEPMS Method Statement 13 [REP6-039] .	
27.	Applicant	To update the oEPMS [REP6-039] regarding the timing of crayfish surveys.	D7