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Application by Green Hill Solar Farm Ltd. for an Order granting Development Consent for a proposed solar development on land between Northampton and Wellingborough

CPRE Northamptonshire Responses to New and Updated Documents Deadline 2, 19th November 2025

Introduction

This documentation contains comments from CPRE Northamptonshire on the updated documentation and Local Impact Reports.

EN010170-001021-GH8.1.5 Applicant Responses to Relevant Representations

We were surprised to see that this refers to our Relevant Representation but note that it only superficially addresses the contents. We trust there will be updates in due course that address the substantive issues raised by CPRE.

EN010170-001041-LOCAL IMPACT REPORT_WEST NORTHANTS COUNCIL & EN010170-000758-07.11.25 GHSF NNC LIR

We are pleased to note that the Local Impact Reports support our conclusions that:

- there would be an adverse impact upon the landscape
- there would be an adverse change to the landscape character
- they judge that the landscape impacts would be greater than the applicant suggests
- local roads need to be assessed for glint and glare not least because some are heavily used
- the community benefit scheme should form a part of the DCO
- a bond or other mechanism is required to secure decommissioning

However, we believe that WNC para 4.169 mistakenly suggests that the permissive paths could be a legacy because the Outline Decommissioning Statement states that they would be removed.

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