

Application by Green Hill Solar Farm Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the proposed Green Hill Solar Farm

Agenda for Open Floor Hearing 1 (OFH1):

Hearing	Date and Time	Location
Open Floor Hearing 1 (OFH1)	Tuesday 9 December 2025 Seating available from 17:30pm Hearing Starts at 18:00pm Online Registration Process from 17:30pm	Blended event at the Hilton Northampton, 100 Watering Lane, Collingtree, Northampton NN4 0XW and by virtual means using Microsoft Teams Full instructions on how to join online or by phone will be provided in advance to those who have pre-registered

If you would just like to observe the hearing online, then you can either:

1. watch a livestream of the event - a link to the livestream will be made available on the [project webpage](#) shortly before the event is scheduled to begin; and/ or
2. watch the recording of the event which will be published on the [project webpage](#) shortly after the event has finished.

Please contact the Case Team at Greenhill@planninginspectorate.gov.uk if you require any support to observe, attend, or speak at open floor hearing 1.

Anyone wishing to make an oral representation at open floor hearing 1 or attend it in person, who has not already advised the Case Team of this, should do so as soon as possible.

Agenda for Open Floor Hearing 1	
Item 1	Welcome, opening remarks and introductions
Item 2	The purpose of the hearing and how it will be conducted
Item 3	Confirmation of those who have notified the Examining Authority (ExA) of a wish to be heard at the hearing
Item 4	<p>Oral representations from interested parties (IPs) and any non-IPs</p> <p>Each IP who has indicated a wish to speak will be invited forward in turn to speak at a table set up in front of the ExA, or via Microsoft Teams if attending online.</p> <p>Each non-IP who has indicated a wish to speak will then, at the ExA's discretion and if time permitting, be invited forward in turn to speak at a table set up in front of the ExA, or via Microsoft Teams if attending online.</p> <p>Oral representations should be up to 10 minutes long.</p> <p>If many people wish to speak, the ExA may further restrict the time available to each speaker.</p> <p>Oral representations should provide further detail, explanation and corroborative evidence on the matters raised in the speaker's relevant representation.</p> <p>The ExA may ask questions of the speaker</p>
Item 5	<p>Responses by the applicant</p> <p>The applicant will be invited to respond to matters raised and to questions arising from the ExA either orally after all IPs/ non-IPs have spoken, or in writing by deadline 3 - 17 December 2025.</p>
Close of Open Floor Hearing 1	

The agenda is subject to change at the discretion of the ExA, although in making any changes, the ExA will be mindful of the need to provide opportunities for fair involvement to all relevant parties.

Purpose of the open floor hearing

The purpose of the hearing is to give interested parties an opportunity to make oral representations about the application. The hearing is subject to the powers of control of the ExA, as set out in the Planning Act 2008 (PA2008) and supporting legislation.

The ExA will invite parties to speak and may ask questions as it considers necessary. All comments, questions and answers are to be directed to the ExA and not directly to any other party.

Timing

The ExA will keep to the agenda as much as possible. The hearing is not expected to go on beyond 19:00pm.

Anyone who is not able to provide all their oral submissions by the close of the hearing should follow it up in writing.

Registration Process

Parties who have registered to speak (both in person and virtually) will receive a Joining Instruction email shortly before the hearing which will include a link to the virtual event on Microsoft Teams, and a telephone number should they need to participate by telephone. To enable the hearing to start on time at **18:00pm** those attending virtually should join promptly at **17:30pm** to ensure that all virtual attendees can complete the registration process in good time.

Procedure at the OFH

Guidance under the PA2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 provides that it is for the ExA to probe, test and assess the evidence through direct questions of persons making oral representations at hearings. Questioning at the hearing will be led by the ExA. Cross questioning of a person giving evidence by another person will only be permitted if the ExA decides it is necessary to ensure representations are adequately tested or that an IP has had a fair chance to put its case.