

From: andy.cowflatt

Sent: Monday, July 20, 2026 16:10

To: Light Valley Solar

Subject: Fw: RE: Light Valley Solar (EN0110012) - Procedural Decision regarding your procedural deadline B submission

Further to your email of 14 July (below) please see my submission which I request you process.

Submission ID: S667A6388

I AM UNABLE TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC MEETING AS I AM OVERSEAS ON THE DATE IT IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE

PLACE.

I am writing to you about is my grave concern about the safety of proposed routing of construction traffic to the Solar Farm

site; I write this from with a background of having been for 30 years involved in risk management, so I think I have an

informed perspective.

As I understand it the main route for construction traffic will be straight through the village of West Haddlesey, the route

chosen is totally unfit for purpose and there is a very high inherent risk to the local population by what is proposed.

The backers to this project propose to send heavy vehicles and related construction traffic along a route with the following

serious risk factors:

1. A turn at a very tight crossroads on the A19 at Chapel Haddlesey (a known accident blackspot with restricted visibility

where tragically a road traffic fatality has occurred in only the last couple of weeks). This turn is too narrow for vehicles of

the size anticipated – these vehicles will turn immediately onto residential properties on both sides of the street outside

which cars are parked.

2. The vehicles will pass the Doorstep Village Green - a facility regularly used by residents including young children.

3. The vehicles will be required to make right angled right and then left turns – this will present a difficulty with manoeuvre

and present risk to oncoming vehicles.

4. They will then proceed past a Church Hall which again is regularly in use and outside which vehicles are parked when

the car park is full.

5. They will then pass a Primary School which fronts onto the street without any foot path.

6. They will then cross a single track Grade 2 listed bridge that has no footpath for pedestrians.

7. Passing through the village they will need to negotiate many parked cars on either side of the road, they will pass a

local restaurant and camp site exit in West Haddlesey itself.

8. The route lies in an east / west direction – at sunrise and sunset at certain times of the year visibility is extremely poor

due to the sun – my own neighbour was tragically killed on this stretch of road when she was knocked off her cycle by a

van who did not see her due to the sun.

The route proposed is heavily utilised by children, dog walkers, equestrians, hikers, cyclists and people enjoying the Selby

Canal towpath.

If this route is adopted there is a very, very high risk someone will be seriously injured or worse – and there are safer

routes to the site which I suspect are not being explored as there may be a need to develop short stretches of road to

enable heavy vehicle access.

Subsequent to my submission above LVS have been dismissive of some of my points; they drafted a response email which contained the following errors (I quote their response **in bold** where relevant together with why it is inaccurate):

1. **“The chosen route via the A19 through West Haddlesey was identified as the most direct access to the site.”** The most direct route is not the safest;

2. **“Road safety has been assessed using the latest available accident data (2014–2024), which shows only two slight incidents at the A19 / Millfield Road junction.”** The accident data used excludes the fatality that occurred near to the junction in the last month and also the fatality that I

referred to in my original email (which took place prior to 2014; but note that the road is completely unchanged since it did occur). I fail to see how two deaths can be considered as “slight incidents”;

3. **“Deliveries will also be time-restricted, with no movements before 9:30am or after 4:30pm, helping to avoid school drop-off and pick-up periods and reduce interaction with peak local activity. This commitment would also avoid the breakfast club timescales and be ahead of the pickup times for afterschool clubs when parents are dropping off or collecting children.”**

Reading LVS’s own assessment a large part of the traffic increase will have nothing to do with “deliveries” – it will be contractors traveling to the site.

4. No where in the material provided is the issue of the East to West visibility issues arising at sun rise and sun set addressed – these were a material factor in the second fatality referred to above.

If this routing it is not changed there is a high chance someone will get seriously injured or worse.

From: Light Valley Solar <lightvalleysolar@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

Sent: 14 July 2026 16:01

To: Andy Smith [REDACTED]

Cc: Light Valley Solar <lightvalleysolar@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: Light Valley Solar (EN0110012) - Procedural Decision regarding your procedural deadline B submission

Good afternoon

Following from our recent call, please see attached your have your say submission that was submitted for procedural deadline B and consequently not accepted.

As advised, please reply or email us your new submission (along with any amendments you would like to make) by **deadline 1, Tuesday 11 August 2026 at 23:59** and this will be processed alongside the other deadline 1 submissions once the deadline has closed.

Kind regards,



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From: Andy Smith [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 15:21
To: Light Valley Solar <lightvalleysolar@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Light Valley Solar (EN0110012) - Procedural Decision regarding your procedural deadline B submission

I thought I had already done this!!!!

You wrote to say you were not considering it !!!

You really need to give people more help than this.

Sent from my iPhone

On 14 Jul 2026, at 15:02, Light Valley Solar
<lightvalleysolar@planninginspectorate.gov.uk> wrote:

Good afternoon

Thank you for your email.

The draft examination timetable sets out the proposed programme for examining the application. It includes key dates for submitting comments and evidence, responding to questions, and attending any hearings. The timetable helps all participants understand how the examination is expected to proceed and when they may need to take part.

We note the concerns you have raised regarding construction traffic and road safety, and we recognise the professional experience you bring to those comments.

For clarity, the Examining Authority (ExA) can only formally consider submissions when they are made at the relevant stage of the examination process and submitted by the applicable deadline. This is the point at which the ExA is able to consider the type of safety-related matters you have highlighted.

If you wish the ExA to take your comments into account as part of the examination, you may submit them as a written representation at deadline 1.

Please be assured that submissions received in accordance with the examination timetable are provided to the ExA for consideration.

Kind regards,

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 12:53

To: Light Valley Solar <lightvalleysolar@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

Cc: Light Valley Solar <lightvalleysolar@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: Light Valley Solar (EN0110012) - Procedural Decision regarding your procedural deadline B submission

This does not correlate with the fact my comments on the routing of vehicles to the site via West Haddlesey have been ignored.

FYI these comments were provided on the basis of a 30 year career in risk management.

They are not made as an objection but as a need to consider the safety of local residents. The route chosen is dangerous - there have been 2 road traffic fatalities on it in conditions that will apply during the building process yet the developer only sees "minor casualties" in the data they have reviewed because the deaths occurred outside the limited time period they considered!

Your process falls woefully short if all you do is ignore people and refer them to links in emails.

Appalling and potentially actionable if God forbid someone gets killed.

Sent from my iPhone

On 14 Jul 2026, at 12:32, Light Valley Solar
<lightvalleysolar@planninginspectorate.gov.uk> wrote:

Good morning

Thank you for your email.

I understand your concerns and appreciate that attending hearings can be difficult.

While hearings provide an opportunity for oral submissions, the examination is primarily a written process. Any written representations or comments you submit will be given the same consideration and weight as oral representations made at a hearing.

Further information on how to participate in the examination and submit representations is available on our advice pages on [how to have your say during examination](#) and [submitting representations or comments](#).

I hope this helps to reassure you that you can participate fully in the examination process without needing to attend the scheduled meetings.

Kind regards,

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From: andy.cowflatt [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, July 10, 2026 13:53
To: Light Valley Solar <lightvalleysolar@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Light Valley Solar (EN0110012) - Procedural Decision regarding your procedural deadline B submission

Much as I would welcome the opportunity to participate in the meetings you are scheduling I am unable to do so as I am working – I am self employed and if I don't work I earn nothing.

Your degree of social exclusion amazes me and I would like to formally complain about it.

Regards,

C A Smith