

OUSE & DERWENT INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

(A Member of the York Consortium of Drainage Boards)

Wednesday 5 August 2026

Planning Inspectorate
c/o QUADIENT
69 Buckingham Avenue
Slough
SL1 4PN

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application Number: EN0110012
Planning Application Description: Application by Light Valley Solar Limited for an order granting development consent for the Light Valley Solar project

The Board writes in relation to the above application.

The Board have reviewed the Applicant's Responses to our Relevant Representation [IDB-01 to IDB-13] and the Board are overall satisfied with the responses.

The Board await the below:

1. As set out at IDB-04, we await the amendment to Article 17 of the DCO to include the below additional provision:

"Where the undertaker discharges water into, or makes any opening into, a watercourse, public sewer or drain belonging to or under the control of a drainage authority (as defined in Part 3 of Schedule 15) the provisions of Part 3 of Schedule 15 shall apply instead".

2. Updated Design and Parameters Document confirming that planting within the 10m buffer on watercourses can only be on **one** side of the watercourses.

The IDB will specify which side on our Board maintained watercourses and for ordinary watercourses, the applicant must ensure that the planting is only on one side (to add to existing planting or create new planting). There must be one clear side where a machine can work and carry out maintenance works.

The Board is satisfied from reviewing the Crossings Schedule that the applicant appears to be using trenchless techniques for the cable crossing any watercourses within our district. This is welcomed and agreed.

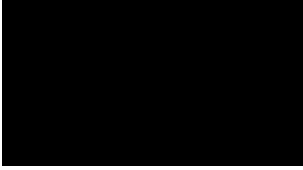
In addition, the Board note and are satisfied with the applicant's below response in respect of access tracks:

"Any access tracks constructed with Type 1 materials or similar will be treated as impermeable and a suitable drainage strategy will be developed and put in place to manage runoff from these areas in



accordance with the parameters outlined in the Outline Drainage Strategy (ODS) [APP-182] including discharge restrictions and attenuation requirements.”

Yours faithfully,



Senior Planning Officer

