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Subject: **Relevant Representation and Information for Requirements — Light Valley Solar Development**

Please find enclosed my Relevant Representation (RR) and Information for Requirements (IFR) for the Light Valley Solar Development. These documents outline mandatory technical, safety, environmental, and operational requirements that must be addressed before any construction activity is permitted. I request that the Planning Inspectorate consider these representations in full.

RELEVANT REPRESENTATION (RR)

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1. Summary of Representation

This Relevant Representation outlines concerns regarding road safety, emergency access, construction traffic routing, environmental protection, and mandatory compliance requirements associated with the Light Valley Solar project. It identifies specific technical, operational, and safety issues that must be addressed before any construction activity is permitted.

2. Road Network Constraints & Safety Risks

The local road network consists mainly of rural one-track and two-track roads that cannot safely support 25–40 tonne construction vehicles. Key village routes — Sherburn in Elmet, South Milford, and Monk Fryston — include narrow corridors, blind bends, restricted junctions, and residential frontage.

The bypass is suitable for larger vehicles, but all alternative routes involve congestion points such as Peckfield roundabout, Sherburn traffic lights, and slow rural lanes.

Construction traffic presents risks including: • obstruction of emergency service routes • increased collision likelihood • roadside waiting and convoy behaviour • mud on road and surface degradation • noise and vibration impacts on residents

3. Emergency Access Reliability

Emergency corridors must remain unobstructed at all times. The project must demonstrate: • ambulance, fire, and police access routes • turning radii and passing points for emergency vehicles • diversion corridors • locations where two HGVs cannot pass

Any obstruction or delay to emergency services is unacceptable.

4. Mandatory Drawings, Evidence & Documentation

Before any works begin, the developer must supply: • fully detailed, scaled site drawings • road width measurements, verge widths, footpaths, junction geometry • drainage, watercourse, flood interaction and aquifer protection mapping • traffic routing plans • Bill of Materials for each site • daily lorry load calculations • hazard prevention measures • compliance logs and documentation control plans

These requirements are essential for assessing true project impact.

5. Construction Traffic Controls

The developer must implement: • defined traffic routing plans • vehicle movement restrictions • separation between construction traffic and public roads • controlled delivery windows • speed, convoy, and cut-through prevention • monitoring and communication of risks

No works may begin until all routing and movement controls are implemented.

6. Noise, Environmental & Community Impact

Noise assessments must cover construction traffic, plant operation, piling, excavation, reversing alarms, and night-time activity.

Environmental mapping must include: • groundwater sensitive areas • Principal Aquifer protection zones • flood interaction zones • clay cover locations

Residents must be provided with clear, factual information throughout the project.

7. Financial Transparency & Project Duration

The project is privately funded with no subsidies.

The developer must supply: • full project cost • cost per unit • duration in months/years for each site

This ensures the project delivers true value.

8. Compliance Responsibilities

Under COSMHSW regulations, the Principal Contractor is responsible for: • site compliance logs • documentation control • mandatory record keeping • planning, managing, monitoring, and coordinating health and safety

These responsibilities must be demonstrated clearly.

9. Conclusion

This Relevant Representation requests that the Planning Inspectorate require Light Valley Solar to meet all mandatory technical, safety, environmental, and operational requirements before any construction activity is permitted.

The concerns raised are factual, evidence-based, and focused on protecting residents, emergency services, and local infrastructure.

INFORMATION FOR REQUIREMENTS (IFR)

INTRODUCTION

This document sets out the essential information Light Valley Solar must provide before any construction traffic or site activity can begin. It defines the mandatory drawings, safety standards, routing controls, compliance records, and client supplied evidence required to assess the impact of the project on local roads, emergency access, residents, and the wider environment. No works may start until every requirement in this IFR has been met in full.

SECTION 1 — Detailed Site Drawings

Mandatory requirement for fully detailed, scaled, technically accurate **2D/3D** drawings.

Each site must produce: • full perimeter road mapping • all access points • **plan/elevation drawings** • scaled layout drawings with north arrow, scale bar, legend, revision number, date, reference code

Drawings must include: • road widths, verge widths, footpaths • turning radii, junction geometry, bridge widths • constrained sections where two HGVs cannot pass • ambulance, fire, police access routes • emergency diversion corridors • drainage channels, watercourses, flood zones • groundwater sensitive areas • Principal Aquifer protection zones • clay cover locations • subsurface works

Original Site Plans may be used to extract or add information.

Produce enlarged views showing solar panels in relationship to residents.

SECTION 2 — Health and Safety

SEE LIGHT VALLEY SOLAR QUALITY PLAN REQUIREMENTS. Must follow HSE Guidelines. No construction traffic may operate until Section 1 drawings are completed, reviewed, approved, issued, and integrated.

SECTION 3 — Noise, Road Conditions & Hazard Prevention

Noise impact assessments must cover construction traffic, plant operation, piling, excavation, reversing alarms, and night operations.

Road condition requirements include BOM creation, traffic plan, daily lorry loads, and mandatory restoration of damage.

Hazard prevention includes controls for speeding, convoys, cut throughs, reversing in narrow corridors, roadside waiting, emergency route obstruction, and mud on road.

No works may begin until all measures are implemented.

SECTION 4 — Road Network Analysis, Access Constraints & Traffic Flow Requirements

Includes road network analysis, rural road descriptions, traffic flow analysis, access constraints, emergency access integration.

No works may begin until all road network mapping and constraint identification is complete and approved.

SECTION 5 — Site Access, Traffic Routing, Vehicle Control & Movement Restrictions

HSE Safety Alerts require: • defined site access controls • traffic routing strategy • vehicle movement restrictions • separation between construction traffic and public roads • continuous monitoring • compliance with HSE guidance

No works may begin until all routing and movement controls are implemented.

SECTION 6 — Site Budgeting, Cost Control, Financial Transparency & Resource Allocation

Project is privately funded. Developer must supply total project cost, cost per unit, and duration for each site.

SECTION 7 — Site Compliance Logs, Documentation Control & Mandatory Record Keeping

Principal Contractor responsible under COSMHSW regulations.

SECTION 8 — Client Requirements, Communication Standards & Mandatory Information Provision

Targeted Consultation

Between Thursday 16th October and Thursday 20th November we consulted on 40 localised changes relating to: • Access Points • Visibility Splays • Passing Places • AIL Access • Cable Route • Permissive Paths

They have not addressed.

No works may begin until all required information has been provided to the client.

Communication Standards

• Example shows client out of touch. • Noise resident quoted 90 dB at 250 m — no guides offered. • Residents left without one-to-one dialogue. • Reluctance to provide meeting times, information, face-to-face dialogue. • Request from South Milford regarding water continuity.

Defines mandatory communication standards.

Mandatory Information Provision — Missing Evidence

Noise

• 91 dB 250 m buffer not published. • No setback distances. • No reply to 90 dB 250 m request.

Other Items

• Quality Plan • Health and Safety Document • Site H&S entries for last 6 months • Network Analysis for critical path • Project life quoted at 60 years — material analysis and coatings not confirmed

Defines mandatory information provision requirements.

SECTION 9 — Behavioural Hazards, Driver Conduct Controls & Enforcement Requirements

List below highlights these: • Unofficial convoys not allowed • Speed limits must be acknowledged • Cut throughs not allowed • Reversing in narrow corridors • Roadside waiting, emergency route obstruction, unsafe manoeuvres • Mandatory driver briefings, GPS verified routing • Staggered arrival times • Contractors must enforce behavioural controls • Monitor compliance, report deviations, remove repeat offenders • Continuous monitoring of speed • Routing, arrival patterns • Emergency access reliability, behavioural risk triggers •

Mud on road requires risk assessment • Queueing of service vehicles may cause blockages • Noise — check lorry vibration impact • Seismic checks if necessary • Agree compensation for dwelling damage



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