

The Drovers Solar Farm

Application Form

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PINS reference: EN0110013

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APFP Regulation Reg 5(1)

Planning Act 2008

Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009





Application for Development Consent for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects under the Planning Act 2008

* required information

Application Form

Please read guidance documents relating to the submission of applications prior to completing this form including [government guidance](#) and the Planning Inspectorate's [Advice Note Six: Preparation and submission of application documents](#).

* Do you have a reference number?

☒ Yes ☐ No

* Reference number EN0110013

1. Applicant

* Organisation The Drovers Solar Farm Limited

Address

* Building number or name Unit 25.7 Coda Studios

* Street 189 Munster Road

* City or town London

County or administrative area

* Postcode SW6 6AW

* Country United Kingdom

* Name of contact Harman Sond

* Telephone number

Fax number

* Email @islandgp.com

2. Agent

* Are you an agent acting on behalf of the Applicant?

☒ Yes ☐ No

* Organisation DWD Property and Planning Limited

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Address

* Building number or name	69
* Street	Carter Lane
* City or town	London
County or administrative area	
* Postcode	EC4V 5EQ
* Country	United Kingdom
* Name of contact	Emma-Jane Hayward
* Telephone number	
Fax number	
* Email	@dwd-ltd.co.uk

3. Fee

* State the arrangement for the application fee payment:

☒ BACS ☐ CHAPS ☐ Cheque

* Please provide payment reference details
PINS EN0110013

4. Confirming why the Planning Inspectorate should receive the application

* Brief statement to explain why this application is, or is to be treated as, a development for which development consent is required under the Planning Act 2008

The Scheme is a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) pursuant to sub-sections 14(1)(a), 15(1) and 15(2) of the Planning Act 2008 (PA 2008), being an onshore generating station in England with a capacity exceeding 50 megawatts. Section 115 of the PA 2008 further states that a DCO can include consent for 'associated development' which is development that is not an NSIP in its own rights but is associated with the NSIP.

5. Non-technical description of the Proposed Development

* Brief non-technical description of the Proposed Development

The Scheme comprises the construction, operation and maintenance, and decommissioning of a solar photovoltaic (PV) electricity generating station and Associated Development comprising Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), a Customer Substation, and Grid Connection Infrastructure, including a new National Grid Substation. A full description of the Scheme is provided in ES Chapter 5: The Scheme [APP/6.1] and is also described within the Planning Statement [APP/5.5].

6. Location or route of the Proposed Development

* Description of location of application site(s), or route of development (reference to appropriate plans)

The Scheme is located on approximately 840 hectares of land (the Site) within the administrative boundaries Breckland Council (BC) and Norfolk County Council (NCC), who are the host authorities. A more detailed description of the Site and its surroundings is provided in ES Chapter 3: Order limits and Context [APP/6.1]. The

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location of the Site is shown in the Location Plan [APP/2.1], where the Scheme would be located within the Order limits. The land where works will be carried out is shown on the Works Plan [APP/2.3].

* Is the site a single site or a linear site?

☒ Single site ☐ Linear site

Grid reference

* Easting 580489

* Northing 312373

* Document reference Location Plan [APP/2.1]

Add another reference

7. Associated Development

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* Associated Development is included within this application:

☒ Yes ☐ No

* Document reference draft Development Consent Order [APP/3.1]

* Document reference Explanatory Memorandum [APP/3.2]

Remove this reference

Add another reference

8. a) Consultation Report

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* Document reference Consultation Report [APP/5.1] and Consultation Report Appendices [APP/5.2]

Add another reference

8. b) Copies of newspaper notices

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* Document reference Copies of Newspaper Notices [APP/1.7]

Add another reference

9. Draft Development Consent Order

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* Document reference draft Development Consent Order [APP/3.1]

Add another reference

10. Explanatory Memorandum

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* Document reference

Explanatory Memorandum [APP/3.2]

Add another reference

11. Land Plan

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* Document reference

Land Plan [APP/2.2]

Add another reference

12. Works Plan

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* Document reference

Works Plan [APP/2.3]

Add another reference

13. Compulsory Acquisition of land or an interest in land or right over land

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* Issues are relevant for this application:

☒ Yes ☐ No

Statement of reasons
document reference

Statement of Reasons [APP/4.1]

Add another reference

Funding statement
document reference

Funding Statement [APP/4.2]

Add another reference

Book of Reference
document reference

Book of Reference [APP/4.3]

Add another reference

14. a) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)

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* Environmental Statement (ES) required:

☒ Yes ☐ No

* ES Document Reference

ES Volume 1 - Introductory Chapters
[APP/6.1]

* ES Document Reference

ES Volume 2 - Topic Chapters [APP/6.2]

Remove this reference

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* ES Document Reference

ES Volume 3 - Figures [APP/6.3]

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* ES Document Reference

ES Volume 4 - Appendices [APP/6.4]

Remove this reference

* ES Document Reference

ES Volume 5 - Commitments Register and
Non-Technical Summary [APP/6.5]

Remove this reference

Add another reference

14. b) Screening Opinion/ Direction and Scoping Opinion/ Direction



* Screening Opinion sought, or direction received:

☐ Yes ☒ No

* Scoping Opinion sought:

☒ Yes ☐ No

Document reference

ES Volume 4 Appendix 2.1: EIA Scoping
Opinion Request [APP/6.4]

Document reference

ES Volume 4 Appendix 2.2: Scoping
Opinion Response [APP/6.4]

Remove this reference

Add another reference

14. c) Publicity required under Regulation 13 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (or where the transitional provisions apply, Regulation 11 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009)



In addition to publishing the notice, a copy of the notice was sent to:

* the consultation bodies

☒ * Yes

* the persons notified to the Applicant in accordance with Regulation 11(1)(c) of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (or where the transitional provisions apply, Regulation 9(1)(c) of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009):

☒ Yes ☐ No, not applicable

15. European sites (to which Regulation 63 of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 and/ or Regulation 28 of the Conservation of Offshore Marine Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 applies) or a Ramsar site.



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* Report required for this application:

☒ Yes ☐ No

* Document reference **Shadow Habitats Regulations Assessment [APP/7.3]**

Add another reference

16. A plan, with accompanying information, identifying any statutory or non statutory sites or features of nature conservation, geological or landscape importance; habitats of protected species, important habitats or other diversity features; and water bodies in a River Basin Management Plan - together with an assessment of any effects likely to be caused by the Proposed Development.

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* Issues are relevant for this application:

☒ Yes ☐ No

* Document reference **Waterbodies River Basin Management Plan [APP/2.6]**

* Document reference **Statutory Ecology and Nature Conservation Features Plan [APP/2.7]**

Remove this reference

* Document reference **Non-Statutory Ecology and Nature Conservation Features Plan [APP/2.8]**

Remove this reference

Add another reference

17. A plan, with accompanying information, identifying any statutory or non statutory sites or features of the historic environment such as scheduled monuments, World Heritage sites, listed buildings and other historic structures, archaeological sites and registered battlefields, together with an assessment of any effects likely to be caused by the Proposed Development

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* Issues are relevant for this application:

☒ Yes ☐ No

* Document reference **Statutory Historic Environment Features Plan [APP/2.9]**

* Document reference **Non-Statutory Historic Environment Features Plan [APP/2.10]**

Remove this reference

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18. Flood Risk Assessment



* Flood Risk Assessment required:

☒ Yes ☐ No

* Document reference

ES Volume 4 Appendix 12.2: Flood Risk Assessment [APP/6.4]

Add another reference

19. Matters set out in section 79(1) (statutory nuisances etc) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990



* Statement required for this application:

☒ Yes ☐ No

* Document reference

Statutory Nuisance Statement [APP/5.3]

Add another reference

20. A plan with any accompanying information identifying any Crown land



* Issues are relevant for this application:

☐ Yes ☒ No

21. A plan identifying new or altered means of access, stopping up of streets or any diversions, extinguishments or creation or rights of way or public rights of navigation



* Issues are relevant for this application:

☒ Yes ☐ No

* Document reference

Streets Plan [APP/2.4]

* Document reference

Access and Rights of Way Plan [APP/2.5]

Remove this reference

Add another reference

22. Additional information for specific types of infrastructure



* Additional information is required to be submitted in accordance with Regulation 6 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009:

☒ Yes ☐ No

* Provide a brief description

Grid Connection Statement – a statement detailing who will be responsible for the designing and connection to the grid.

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* Document reference

Grid Connection Statement [APP/7.1]

Add another reference

Regulation 6 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedures) Regulations 2009 requires additional information to be submitted with the following types of development.

* Please check any of the following boxes that apply:

- ☒ Construction or extension of a non offshore generating station (Reg. 6 (1a))
- ☐ Construction or extension of an offshore generating station (Reg. 6 (1b))
- ☐ Highway related development (Reg. 6 (2) (part 1))
- ☐ Construction or alteration of a railway (Reg. 6 (2) (part 2))
- ☐ Construction or alteration of harbour facilities (Reg. 6 (3))
- ☐ Construction of a pipeline (Reg. 6 (4))
- ☐ Construction or alteration of a hazardous waste facility (Reg. 6 (5))
- ☐ Construction of a dam or reservoir (Reg. 6 (6))

Construction or extension of a non offshore generating station (Reg. 6 (1a))

* Provide a statement of who will be responsible for designing and building the connection to the electricity grid

Please refer to the Grid Connection Statement [APP/7.1].

* Is it a gas fuelled generating station?

☐ Yes ☒ No

23. Any other plans, drawings and sections necessary to describe the proposal for which development consent is sought, and any other documents, reports or information to support the application



Provide a brief description of any other plans, drawings and sections that are being submitted with this application

Location Plan [APP/2.1]
Hedgerow Plan [APP/2.11]

Document reference

Add another reference

Provide a brief description of any other documents considered necessary to support the application

Application Cover Letter [APP/1.1]
Guide to the Application [APP/1.3]
Electronic Application Index [APP/1.4]
Section 55 Checklist [APP/1.5]

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Pre-Application Programme Document [APP/1.6]
draft DCO Template Validation Report [APP/3.3]
Land and Rights Negotiations Tracker [APP/4.4]
Statement of Need [APP/5.4]
Planning Statement [APP/5.5]
Policy Compliance Document [APP/5.6]
Design Approach Document [APP/5.7]
Design Principles, Parameters and Commitments [APP/5.8]
Potential Main Issues for Examination [APP/5.9]
Equality Impact Assessment [APP/7.2]
Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment Report [APP/7.4]
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outline Operational Environmental Management Plan [APP/7.8]
outline Operational Traffic Management Plan [APP/7.9]
outline Decommissioning Strategy [APP/7.10]
outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan [APP/7.11]
outline Public Right of Way and Permissive Path Management Plan [APP/7.12]
outline Soil Management Plan [APP/7.13]
outline Battery Safety Management Plan [APP/7.14]
outline Employment, Skills and Supply Chain Strategy [APP/7.15]

Document reference **Application Cover Letter [APP/1.1]**

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Provide a brief description of any other information provided that is in support of the application, but which has not been explicitly required

See Guide to the Application [APP/1.3] for a full list of documents

Document reference	Guide to the Application [APP/1.3]
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24. Other consents/ licences required under other legislation



* Other consents/ licences are required:

☒ Yes ☐ No

* Provide a list of consents/licences

See Consents and Agreements Position Statement [APP/7.5]

You must cite the document references as appropriate

* Document reference

Consents and Agreements Position Statement [APP/7.5]

Add another reference

25. Declaration



I declare to the best of my knowledge that the information given in this form and enclosed maps, plans and other documents are true.

Please note there is a requirement for one hard copy of the form to be signed. Please ensure that when you submit you include at least one signed copy. Further copies do not require the hand written signature.

Signature

(For and on behalf of the Applicant)

* Name

HARMAN SOND

(In block letters)

* Date

19 / 11 / 2025

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* Organisation

The Droves Solar Farm Limited

* Position within the organisation

Project Development Manager

In order to complete this form, it must be checked to ensure all information has been entered correctly. Click the following button to check the form.

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