

# The Droves Solar Farm

## Figure 6.10: PP1-16 and PPa-g Winter Photograph Panels (Part B)

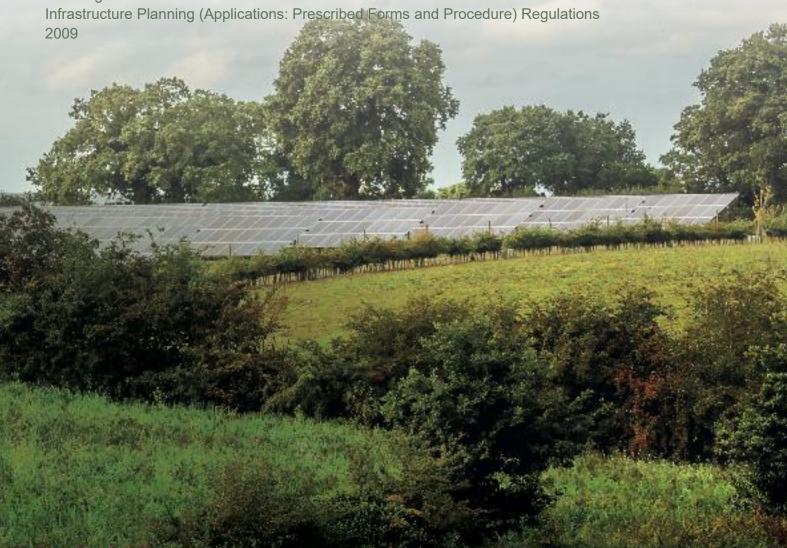
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### Representative Viewpoint 7 - South Acre Road and Peddars Way and Norfolk Coastal Path

Existing View - This view is representative of PRoW users of the Peddars Way and Norfolk Coast Path and also for road users along South Acre Road. Views are partially contained to the immediate context by adjacent hedgerow, however gaps between existing trees and field access point off South Acre Road allow views southwards towards rising ground. Farming structures and overhead transmission lines are clearly visible from this viewpoint. A combination of rising landform and existing vegetation to the south restrict views beyond the adjacent field parcels.

Scale of Effect - The elements of the Scheme that would be most visible from this viewpoint would be new pylons associated with proposed Grid Connection Infrastructure. New pylons would be visible alongside and to the south of existing overhead lines. These larger elements would be visible on the skyline and protrude up and above existing hedgerow in the context of this viewpoint. The proposed Solar PV Arrays may be partially visible beyond existing hedgerow but not prominent features of the view.

In the short term, the proposed Grid Connection Infrastructure would be partially visible, protruding up and being visible above existing hedgerow in the context of this viewpoint, to the south and south-west. This would present a Medium Scale of effect. In the medium and long term, the proposed Grid Connection Infrastructure would be partially visible to the south. Maintenance of hedgerow to heights of 3 metres would mostly screen views of new pylons further to the south-west. This would present a Medium-Small Scale of effect.

Round Covert woodland block



Representative Viewpoint 8 - South Acre Road and Peddars Way and Norfolk Coastal Path

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Woodland block at the southern
edge of Field 27

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#### Representative Viewpoint 8 - South Acre Road and Peddars Way and Norfolk Coast Path

**Existing View –** This view is representative of PRoW users along the Peddars Way and Norfolk Coast Path and also for road users along South Acre Road, towards Great Palgrave. The route is partially vegetated however field access points allow mid to long distance views westwards towards the Site. Woodland blocks and well vegetated fields parcels within the Site dominate the skyline, with Bartholomew's Hills Plantation visible in the mid ground. Existing wind turbines and traffic along the A1065 are also visible from this location.

**Scale of Effect –** The Scheme would be partially visible between the A1065 and Round Covert woodland block. Proposed Solar PV Arrays would be visible beyond hedgerow aligning fields within the east of the Site. The proposed Substations within the north of the Site would be barely perceptible due to a combination of undulating landform and presence of existing hedgerow, trees and woodland in the local landscape. The proposed Grid Connection Infrastructure would be visible above the vegetated skyline, alongside existing pylons.

In the short and medium terms, new hedgerow tree planting within the Site and along the A1065 would not yet have reached full maturity and therefore proposed Solar PV Arrays would be clearly visible within the Site. The proposed Grid Connection Infrastructure elements would be visible on the skyline, alongside existing pylons. The scale of effect would be **Medium-Small**. In the long term, full establishment and maturation of new trees and hedgerow infill would partially filter views towards the proposed Solar PV Arrays, reducing the scale of effect to **Small**. The proposed Grid Connection Infrastructure elements would remain visible on the skyline, alongside existing pylons.

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Representative Viewpoint 9 - River Road, West Acre

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River Road Eight Acre Plantation

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#### Representative Viewpoint 9 - River Road, West Acre

Existing View - This view is representative of PRoW users along the Nar Valley Way and road users along River Road. Eight Acre Plantation is visible on the skyline alongside existing development within West Acre. The Site is barely perceptible from this location due to the wooded context of the Site, which restricts views further southwards. Field boundary vegetation is visible upon rising ground to the south.

Scale of Effect - Existing woodland and vegetation in the context of the Site and along its northern boundary would largely restrict views of the Scheme from this locality. Proposed Solar PV Arrays would likely not be visible and are situated south of Eight Acre Plantation, within Field 1. Views of the Scheme would be limited for PRoW users of the Nar Valley Way and road users travelling south along River Road.

In the short, medium and long terms, the scale of effect would be **negligible**, with very little to no visibility of the Scheme from this location within the wider landscape to the north of the Site.

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Representative Viewpoint 10 - Narford Lane, Narford

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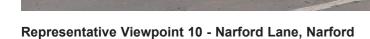
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**Existing View -** This view is representative of road users along Narford Lane, adjacent to Narford Hall registered park and garden. The Site is not visible from this locality due to the intervening hedgerow in the foreground and wooded backdrop situated upon rising ground to the south, Twenty Acre Plantation and Three Sisters Plantation are visible on the skyline, with the Site situated beyond.

**Scale of Effect -** The Scheme would be barely perceptible from this location. Existing vegetation in the foreground screens views towards the Site. The larger elements of the Scheme would not be visible from this locality.

In the short, medium and long term, the scale of change would be negligible to none.

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Representative Viewpoint 11 - PRoW Narford RB1, Narford

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#### Representative Viewpoint 11 - PRoW Narford RB1, Narford

Existing View - This view is representative of PRoW users along Narford RB1. There are middle distance direct views of the western edge of the Site, visible between Eyetrap Plantation and Fourteen Acre Plantation. Existing farming structure are partially visible on the skyline, situated within the Site. A small section of the western Site area is visible from this locality, with the remainder of the Site screened by woodland blocks and vegetated field parcels in the Site's immediate context.

Approximate extent of Order limits

Scale of Effect - Existing woodland and vegetation in the context of the Site and along its western boundary would largely restrict views of the Scheme from this locality. Proposed Solar PV Arrays would potentially be visible for users of this PRoW. The proposed Solar PV Arrays would be partially visible above existing hedgerow in the landscape, between Eyetrap and Twenty Acre Plantation.

In the short, medium and long terms, the scale of effect would be **small**, with potential views of proposed Solar PV Arrays situated along the western edge of the Scheme, within Field 3. It is unlikely that the proposed Grid Connection Infrastructure would be perceptible from this location.

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Pylon and overhead lines along the northern Site Boundary

Pylon and overhead lines along the South Acre Hall northern Site Boundary



Representative Viewpoint 12 - Castle Acre Priory, Castle Acre

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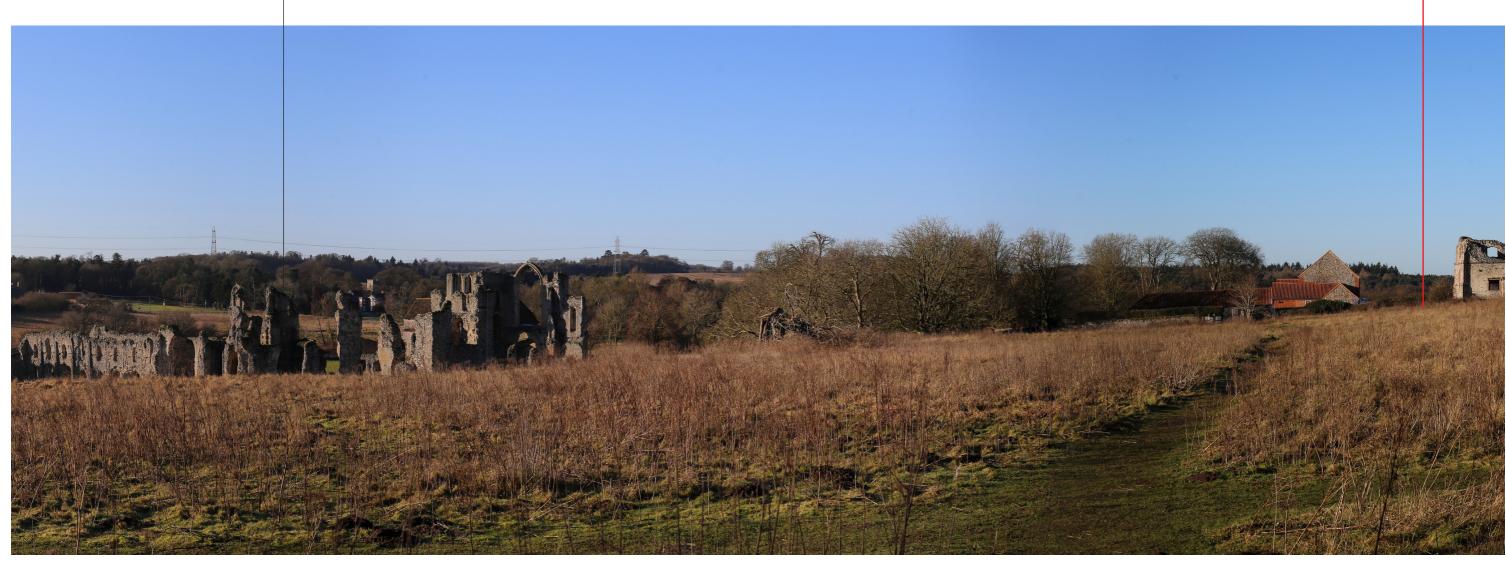
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Approximate extent of Order limits

#### Representative Viewpoint 12 - Castle Acre Priory, Castle Acre

Existing View - This view is representative of visitors to Castle Acre Priory and users of permissive routes connecting to South Acre Road. There are filtered mid-ground views towards the Site. The Priory is clearly visible in the foreground set against a backdrop comprising a well wooded skyline with overhead transmission lines rising up from the trees. Existing wind turbines are also visible on the skyline. South Acre Hall is partially visible in the valley, with land rising again to the south towards the Site. Bartholomew's Hills Plantation is visible on the skyline as a large woodland block.

Scale of Effect - There would be limited visibility of the proposed Solar PV Arrays in the short term, as the proposed Solar PV Arrays would generally blend into the wooded skyline. The maturation and establishment of mitigation planting would further screen views of the proposed Solar PV Arrays in the medium and long term durations. The proposed Grid Connection Infrastructure would be visible across all durations, protruding up upon the wooded skyline, alongside the existing pylons and overhead lines. Where there are potential views of the Scheme from this part of the study area, near to Castle Acre Priory and the Nar Valley Way, the wooded character of the skyline and valley landscape to the south would prevail.

In the short, medium and long terms, the scale of effect would be Medium-Small.

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