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To: [East Pye Solar](#)
Subject: East Pye Solar (EN0110014) Site Visit
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Dear Planning Inspectorate

I am writing to request a site visit in site 7.

The footpaths in site 7 are heavily used by local people and will be significantly impacted by the proposals. I am gathering survey evidence from users of the footpaths on the impact which I will share as part of my individual submission.

Paths to visit:

Saxlingham FP9,10,11,12,14, 25, 29

Hempnall BR30, FP2

The network of footpaths around immediately west and predominantly east of Broaden Lane (Saxlingham FP9, 10, 11, 12, 29 and Hempnall FP3,4 and 5) are proposed to be heavily enclosed on all sides. The current open outlook should be noted by inspectors, particularly lovely views towards Saxlingham Grove from FP10. The interconnectedness of this network and the likely experience of path-users seeing field after field of panels should be noted, particularly before screening is established.

The route between Saxlingham and Hempnall (Saxlingham FP14 and Hempnall BR30) is a regularly used pedestrian route for access between the villages, with many people using it to get to Hempnall shop from Saxlingham. It has been used for centuries to connect the villages and is essential to avoid walking on Broaden Lane, which is not suitable for pedestrians. This path is earmarked for medium-term temporary closure which would leave no direct pedestrian route between Saxlingham and Hempnall for up to two years. A visit will be helpful to note the importance of the link between the villages. It will also illustrate that parts of these paths are currently relatively wooded, but will not be adequately screened from the development during the winter when the leaves fall. In addition, you will see that where these paths (Sax FP14 and Hempnall BR30) meet there is an area of woodland with a historic settlement, known as Mud Hall or Mud Hole, which doesn't appear to be reflected on the maps shared by East Pye.

There is also a regularly used route from Redwings horse sanctuary, south towards Fairstead Lane using (Saxlingham FP25 and Hempnall FP2). This should be visited to note the visual impacts and the impact of the temporary close of FP2 with no diversion proposed.

These routes, particularly FP14 and BR30, are used as transport links all year and therefore screening that is only effective in the spring and summer will not sufficiently mitigate the visual impact of the scheme. It would be helpful for those visiting the site to take note of what it would look like in the winter.

Thank you for your consideration.

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