



Transboundary screening undertaken by the Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) on behalf of the Secretary of State (SoS) for the purposes of regulation 32 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (The 2017 EIA Regulations)

Project name:	Castle Way Energy
Address/Location:	The rural expanse between Derby, Uttoxeter and Ashbourne.
Planning Inspectorate Ref:	EN0110037

TRANSBOUNDARY SCREENING

Document(s) used for transboundary screening:	Castle Way Energy Scoping Report ('the Scoping Report')
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The Inspectorate on behalf of the SoS has considered the proposed development which comprises a solar photovoltaic (PV) electricity generating station of over 100MW and associated development comprising Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), substations, grid connection infrastructure and other infrastructure integral to the construction, operation and maintenance, and decommissioning phases. The proposed development plans to connect to the National Grid at the existing Willington 400kV substation.

The Inspectorate concludes that the proposed development **is unlikely to have a significant effect either alone or cumulatively on the environment in a European Economic Area State**. In reaching this conclusion the Inspectorate has identified and considered the proposed development's likely impacts including consideration of potential pathways and the extent, magnitude, probability, duration, frequency and reversibility of the impacts.

The Inspectorate considers that the likelihood of transboundary effects resulting from the proposed development is so low that it does not warrant the issue of a detailed transboundary screening. However, this position will remain under review and will have regard to any new or materially different information coming to light which may alter that decision.

Action:	No further action required at this stage.
Date:	29/07/2026
Note:	The SoS' duty under regulation 32 of The 2017 EIA Regulations continues throughout the application process.

Note:

The Inspectorate's screening of transboundary issues is based on the relevant considerations specified in the annex to its Advice Page, Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects: Advice on Transboundary Impacts and Process, available at: '[Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects: Advice on Transboundary Impacts and Process](#)'.