

Application for Development Consent by Sunnica Ltd for the Sunnica Energy Farm

Case Ref: EN010106

Examining Authority's Note of an Unaccompanied Site Inspection on 28th July 2022

Background

As an Examining Inspector and member of the panel appointed as the Examining Authority (ExA) for the Sunnica Energy Farm project I undertook an unaccompanied Site Inspection on 28 July 2022 to observe and gain an understanding of the character of the southern part of the Chippenham Park Avenue (part of the Registered Park and Garden) immediately to the south of the application site.

The visit was made on foot, on publicly accessible land and highway. I undertook the Site Inspection on my own. There were several Network Rail and Jockey Club estates employees present in the area, but I did not engage in conversation with any individuals.

Weather conditions were good, being dry, bright and sunny, with light cloud and clear visibility throughout.

Details of the inspection

Leaving the Bedford Lodge Hotel, I walked northwards alongside the A1304 Bury Road as far as the former lodge cottage of, and formal entrance to, Chippenham Park. I followed a public right of way along the Park Avenue, as far as the railway line, pausing to observe the views across the gallops and training grounds to the north, east and west.

I returned to the Bedford Lodge Hotel along the same route.

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