



Oaklands Farm Solar Park

Consultation Report

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RE: Oaklands Farm Solar Ltd: Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)

Attached herewith is a copy of the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) for the Oaklands Farm Solar Ltd proposals. It reflects our previous discussions with the authority and informal feedback received on behalf of South Derbyshire District Council and Derbyshire County Council in November 2021.

This document has been refined in line with comments received and a final version is now enclosed.

This letter constitutes formal notification that we are consulting you about what is to be contained within the SoCC, as stated in section 47(2) of the Planning Act 2008 (the Act). As you are a local authority as defined by section 43(1) of the 2008 Act, we would be grateful if you could provide us with any comments on the SoCC by 31st January 2022. This represents an extension to the required 28 day consultation period to account for the Christmas period.

We aim to publish the SoCC in early 2022, prior to statutory consultation commencing on the project in Spring 2022.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of this with the project team, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Yours sincerely

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2. Draft Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)

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Oaklands Solar Farm

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Statement of Community Consultation

Purpose of this document

- 1.1 This document, known as the Statement of Community Consultation (SOCC) provides information about the proposed strategy for consultation with local communities in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008 (the Act) for Oaklands Farm Solar Park, located between Walton-on-Trent and Rosliston in South Derbyshire (the Project). It explains how we have identified who to consult, the consultation methods proposed, the timescales for consultation and how consultants can help shape the Project.
- 1.2 This document was issued to the relevant local councils: South Derbyshire District Council and Derbyshire County Council (the host local authorities) in draft, in order to obtain their feedback ahead of the formal 28-day consultation taking place.
- 1.3 The document was then issued formally to South Derbyshire District Council and Derbyshire County Council in accordance with section 47(2) of the Act, in order to obtain their response within that 28-day period. It was also shared in draft at the same time to a number of other stakeholders, such as East Staffordshire Borough Council, North West Leicestershire District Council, Lichfield District Council, Leicestershire County Council and Staffordshire County Council as well as the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) for their information.
- 1.4 The SoCC is being advertised in the Derby Telegraph and Burton Mail and is available on the Project website.
- 1.5 As well as local community consultation, Oaklands Farm Solar Limited (the Applicant) is also consulting statutory consultees under section 42 of the Act. Information on this consultation process is outside the scope of this document. It will be undertaken in accordance with the Planning Act 2008 and will be reported in the Consultation Report submitted as part of the formal application for Development Consent.

Introduction

- 1.6 Oaklands Farm Solar Limited ("the Applicant") intends to submit an application for permission to construct and operate Oaklands Farm Solar Park with the Proposed Development", a proposed solar photovoltaic (PV) and battery storage electricity generating facility. The Proposed Development is located in South Derbyshire local authority area and close to the boundaries of East Staffordshire Borough and Lichfield District, south east of Walton-on-Trent and south of Drax Power Station ("the Site"). The redline boundary of the Site for the Proposed Development is shown in Appendix 1.
- 1.7 The Proposed Development comprises the construction and operation of a solar farm and associated infrastructure, including battery storage and connection to the national grid. The Proposed Development falls within the definition of a 'Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project' (NSIP) under Section 14(1)(a) and 15(1) and (2) of the Planning Act 2008 ('the Act') as the construction of a generating station in England with a capacity of more than 50 megawatts (MW). It is anticipated at present that the solar park will have a combined installed capacity of approximately 200MW of which 160MW (maximum) will be generated via solar PV and 37.5 MW (maximum) will be energy storage.
- 1.8 Consultation is an important part of the planning and development process. The Act requires developers to publicise their proposals widely as well as consulting with the local community, local authorities, statutory bodies and persons with an interest in land potentially affected by the proposed NSIP. This process is referred to as 'pre-application consultation' and must be carried out before an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) can be accepted by PINS on behalf of the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS).
- 1.9 The Applicant is required to prepare this SoCC explaining how we will consult with people potentially affected by the Project, including people living in the vicinity of the land to which the Project relates. This document is therefore an important part of the consenting process, guiding us through effective consultation on the Project before making an application for a DCO.
- 1.10 Consultation and local dialogue is important to the Applicant, who believes that involving local people and stakeholders will help to make sustainable and robust decisions as the proposals for the Project are developed.

1.11 This SoCC describes the formal phase of consultation as required by section 47 of the Act, known as 'Formal' or 'Statutory' Consultation. The SoCC outlines what we are consulting on – the Project proposals, and details the consultation process that we will adopt, including when we will be consulting, with whom and where, and how consultees can help shape the Project.

The Applicant

1.12 Oaklands Farm Solar Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of BayWa r.e. UK Ltd ("BayWa"). BayWa is a global developer of large-scale renewable energy projects. The company has delivered 625 solar projects worldwide totalling approximately 1900MW, including 31 solar projects in the UK.

1.13 Further details about the applicant can be found at [REDACTED].

The site and surrounding area

1.14 The Site lies to the east of Walton-on-Trent, and mainly comprises land within the Oaklands Farm and Park Farm land-holdings, which is used for arable cropping and grazing. Land within and between the two farms along with land to the north is identified as an area of search for the cable route. The Site is located in South Derbyshire and within close proximity to East Staffordshire Borough and Lichfield District.

1.15 The village of Rosliston lies on higher ground to the east. North of Park Farm is the former coal fired Drakelow Power Station, now decommissioned and with permission (under s36 of the Electricity Act) for a new Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Power Station, Renewable Energy Centre and Solar Park. Drakelow Power Solar Farm has been developed to the north, adjacent to the Drakelow Power Station and the River Trent.

1.16 The land within Oaklands Farm slopes down to the east to a named tributary of the River Trent. Two overhead power lines cross both farms, running south from Drakelow Power Station.

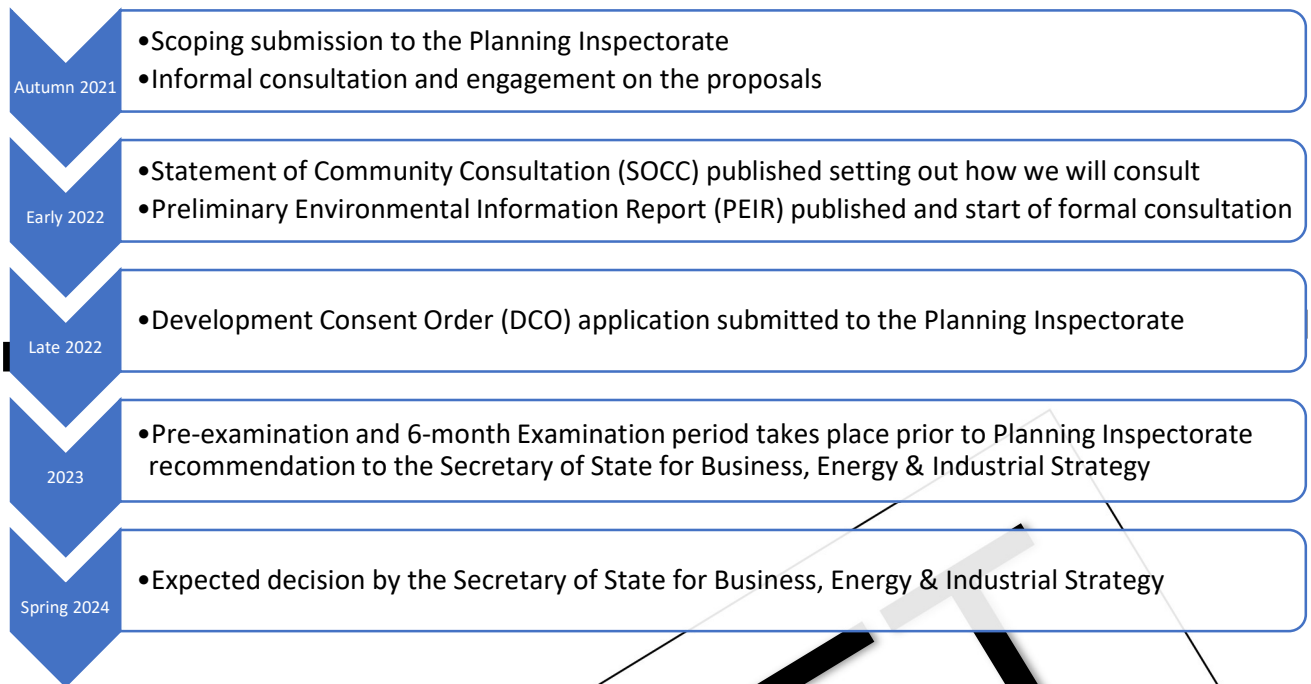
The consenting and consultation process

1.17 Oaklands Farm Solar Ltd. will apply for a DCO through the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) planning process. This will involve a DCO application being made to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS). PINS will need to be satisfied that effective pre-application consultation has been carried out with statutory consultees and local communities in accordance with section 42 and section 47 of the Act.

1.18 Section 42 of the Act requires that the Applicant formally consults with a prescribed list of people, which includes, for example, local planning authorities and bodies such as the Environment Agency and Historic England.

1.19 Section 47 of the Act requires that the Applicant prepares a statement setting out how they propose to consult people living in the vicinity of the land about the application for the Project. Consultation must then be carried out in accordance with that statement. This SoCC has been prepared in order to meet the requirements of section 47 of the Act.

1.20 Provided that PINS is content that such pre-application consultation has been carried out effectively, and other specific criteria have been met, the DCO application will be accepted. There will then be an Examination of the DCO application with the Planning Inspectorate acting as the 'Examining Authority'. The Examining Authority reviews the application that has been made, asks written questions and can hold hearings during the Examination process. PINS will then make a recommendation, in the form of a Report, to the Secretary of State for BEIS who will make the decision on whether or not to grant a DCO for the Project. Throughout this process, both prior to submission to PINS and during the Examination period, interested parties (including members of the local community) will be entitled to participate both in the formulation of the DCO application and its consideration by the Examining Authority.



The indicative timeline above shows the role and timing of informal and formal consultation within the DCO process, and how the publication of the SoCC fits within the consultation timeline.

1.21 Further information about the Planning Act 2008, PINS and its role, and how to participate in the DCO process can be found on the PINS National Infrastructure Planning website - <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/> or by calling PINS on 0303 444 5000.

Environmental Impact Assessment

1.22 The Proposed Development will be subject to Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA") prior to the submission of the application. The proposed development is considered to be 'EIA development' for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 "EIA Regulations".

1.23 This means that the likely significant environmental effects of the proposed development are assessed and, where appropriate, mitigation is proposed to avoid, prevent, reduce or, if possible, offset any significant adverse effects. The outcomes of the EIA process will be reported in the Environmental Statement ("ES") which will be submitted as part of the DCO application.

1.24 At the formal statutory consultation stage, the preliminary results of the EIA will be shared and feedback will be sought. This will be presented in [REDACTED] Report ("PEIR").

1.25 Considering the size of the development and the nature of the technology to be used, the greatest distance over which potential effects could be experienced is considered to be 5km (for landscape and visual effects).

Developing our approach to consultation

1.26 The Applicant discussed the draft SoCC informally with the host local authorities during the process of drafting the document. A full draft SoCC document was shared with the host local authorities prior to formal consultation and informal feedback received was taken on board in the final version.

1.27 Discussion of general consultation approach and activities was discussed with local stakeholders during the informal consultation phase, and feedback has been incorporated into the development of the final SoCC document.

Consulting the Community

1.28 The Applicant is inviting the community living in the vicinity of the proposed Oaklands Solar Farm to take part in the statutory consultation and provide feedback on the Proposed Development. This is to ensure that those people potentially affected by the Proposed Development have the opportunity to understand the proposals and provide their views. Under the Planning Act 2008, the Applicant is required to take account of, and respond to, all feedback received and report on this within the Consultation Report that will be submitted with the DCO application.

Adapting to COVID-19

1.29 This consultation has been developed at a point at which many of the COVID-19 restrictions have been relaxed to the extent that face to face meetings are possible. Therefore, the intention as set out below, is to undertake community consultation with elements of face to face engagement and meetings.

1.30 This approach will be reviewed regularly in line with Government policy and guidance to ensure the safety of attendees to any events and meetings.

1.31 We have developed a consultation programme designed to allow people from across the community to respond which is also compatible with different levels of social distancing requirements. As such, this document sets out a variety of different ways for local people to find out more information and provide feedback.

1.32 Should restrictions to public meetings or other Covid related changes to social distancing guidelines come into force during the proposed consultation period meaning that public exhibitions, face to face meetings or provision of documents at public venues (deposit stations) are not possible, we will provide alternative arrangements appropriate to the level of restriction at that time. Any changes made will be discussed with the host local authorities, and all changes will be communicated clearly on the Project website and via local parish councils.

1.33 The Applicant has sought to develop a consultation programme that would not be significantly adversely affected by any changes in Government guidance in this respect – a virtual public exhibition will be hosted online alongside, in lieu of, face to face exhibitions. The Applicant will seek to undertake any agreed meetings online rather than in person, and documents will be made available for download on the project website (in line with latest guidance on procedural requirements for major infrastructure projects - under the [Infrastructure Planning \(Publication and Notification of Applications etc.\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020](#)).

Who will we consult

1.34 The Applicant will consult widely in accordance with this SoCC and encourage participation in the consultation from any person or group who may be directly impacted by the Project. A series of 'zones of consultation' have been defined for the purpose of consulting with the local community under section 47 of the Planning Act 2008. These recognise the fact that levels of potential impact and interest are likely to vary with geography and inform the techniques we will use to consult.

1.35 For the purposes of this consultation, an inner 'Consultation Zone 1' or 'CZ1' has been identified based on an assessment of likely environmental effects (landscape and visual) within the vicinity of the site. This Zone stretches approximately 1.5 to 2.5km from the red-line boundary based on assessment of the Zone of Theoretical Visibility (ZTV). It includes all households within Walton on Trent, Rosliston, Coton in the Elms, Caldwell and the westernmost residents of Linton.

1.36 Consultation outside of CZ1, but within the host local authorities of South Derbyshire District Council and Derbyshire County Council, will be referred to as 'Consultation Zone 2' or CZ2'.

1.37 Consultation outside of CZ1 or CZ2 will be called CZ3, and will cover the broader regional area and beyond, through engagement with neighbouring local authorities and more general communication methods.

1.38 These zones are clarified below:

- **Consultation Zone 1 (CZ1):** All properties, political representatives and interested parties within identified yellow line buffer of the red line boundary of the proposed site (including cable corridor to Drakelow Power Station) – see Figure 1 and Appendix 2.
- **Consultation Zone 2 (CZ2):** Interested parties residing or operating beyond CZ1, but within the boundaries of South Derbyshire District Council [REDACTED] including those in neighbouring authorities.
- **Consultation Zone 3 (CZ3):** All interested parties residing or operating beyond CZ1 and CZ2, including specific contact with strategic stakeholders at close neighbouring authorities, identified in footnote ¹ below.

1.39 The map (Figure 1) on page 7 and included at Appendix 2, shows the CZ1, around the application boundary of the Proposed Development.

1.40 Information about each consultation zone, relevant stakeholders and consultation and engagement methods deployed can be found in section 1.54 to 1.59 and in Appendix 3.

1.41 In addition to local individuals, the Applicant will continue to consult with the relevant parish councils around the site, and seek to enhance engagement with community groups and organisations representing the local business communities to increase awareness of the consultation process and enable participation.

1.42 The Applicant recognises that residents, communities, organisations and other stakeholders will have different requirements for information and the process of consultation will reflect this. For example, within CZ1, it is anticipated that the issues raised, ideas and concerns will focus on the direct effects of construction and operation of the Proposed Development. Beyond this area, interest may well focus on broader economic and social matters, such as employment opportunities.

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¹ Close neighbouring authorities are deemed to include Lichfield District Council, North Leicestershire District Council, East Staffordshire Borough Council, Staffordshire County Council and Leicestershire County Council.



Consultation Zone 1 – Yellow Line boundary

Figure 1: Map identifying Consultation Zone 1 – Yellow Line boundary

1.43 As well as this community consultation, the Applicant will be discussing the Proposed Development with a range of prescribed consultees and interested parties (under section 42 of the Act) including:

- County and District Councils, Parish and Town Councils;
- Natural England, The Environment Agency and other Statutory and Regulatory Bodies;
- Owners, tenants and occupiers of the land affected by the DCO application;
- Commercial stakeholders (where appropriate); and
- Environmental organisations.

How we will consult

1.44 The Applicant’s approach to consultation is base around a number of core principles. These are:

- Clarity
- Accessibility
- Responsiveness

1.45 The consultation approach has been developed in line with these core principles to ensure that local communities, interested parties and stakeholders have ample opportunity to find out about, and provide their thoughts on the proposals in a way that allows for their comments to help shape the Project.

1.46 The Applicant is committed to actively and consistently keeping those with an interest in the Proposed Development informed through regular updates about [REDACTED]



Timescales for consultation and the formal consultation period

- 1.47 The formal consultation period will commence in Spring 2022 and run for no less than 6 weeks from the start of the consultation period. The final consultation dates will be confirmed in the consultation materials.
- 1.48 As part of the consultation, the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) will be published. Alongside receiving comments from statutory consultees, the Applicant would welcome comments from the local community. Any comments received will be duly considered and taken on board as the Proposed Development is finalised prior to submission to PINS.
- 1.49 Once the consultation period has finished, the Applicant will provide opportunities to further influence the design of the Proposed Development. The Applicant will continue to provide the local community with updates and information throughout the application process and would welcome comments from the local community throughout the pre-application period via the communication methods described in this SoCC.

Associated guidance relating to the NSIP process

- 1.50 The SoCC has also been prepared in accordance with the pre-application process guidance Note prepared by the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) in March 2018: [Planning Act 2008: guidance on the pre-application process for major infrastructure projects - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/planning-act-2008-guidance-on-the-pre-application-process-for-major-infrastructure-projects)
- 1.51 Further guidance specific to the consultation process and amendments to legislation to account for Covid restrictions was published on 22 July 2020 and updated on 30 December 2020: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/guidance-on-procedural-requirements-for-major-infrastructure-projects#footnote1>

Informing the local community, including engagement with 'Hard to Reach' groups

- 1.52 The Applicant will seek to undertake informal consultation, including with a number of groups and organisations that represent 'Hard to Reach' or 'Seldom Heard' groups in the vicinity of the Project. These represent demographic groups that may not usually engage in consultation activity, as well as people with disabilities who may have problems accessing the consultation information. The Applicant will be offering presentations and providing information directly to such groups in order to facilitate their participation in the consultation process.
- 1.53 The following methods will be used to inform local communities, including 'Hard to Reach' groups of the opportunities to get involved with the consultation on the Project within the CZ1:
- Newsletter to all households within the CZ1;
 - Local posters within the vicinity of the proposed site, including along the cable corridor;
 - Newspaper adverts in relevant newspapers;
 - Press releases to local media (including print and radio outlets);
 - Letters to elected representatives, parish councils and local groups within the vicinity of the proposed site;
 - Local e-newsletter to those who have registered their interest in the Project; and
 - Website updates
- 1.54 The following methods will be used to inform local communities, including 'Hard to Reach' groups of the opportunities to get involved with the consultation on the Project within CZ2:
- Newspaper adverts in relevant newspapers;

- Press releases to local media (including print and radio outlets);
- Letters and newsletters to elected representatives, parish councils within the host local authorities, but outside CZ1;
- Newsletters to regional groups that may take an interest in the Project within the vicinity of the proposed site;
- Local e-newsletter to those who have registered their interest in the Project; and
- Website updates.

1.55 [REDACTED] will be used to inform relevant stakeholders of the opportunities to get involved with the consultation on the Project within CZ3:

- Newspaper adverts in relevant newspapers;
- Press releases to local media (including print and radio outlets);
- Letters and newsletters to the chief executive and Council leaders of identified neighbouring local authorities (see Footnote 1, page 6);
- Newsletters to regional groups that may take an interest in the Project within the vicinity of the proposed site;
- Local e-newsletter to those who have registered their interest in the Project; and
- Website updates

1.56 Where possible, updates will also be shared on BayWa's company social media accounts, to help raise the profile of the consultation.

1.57 Consultation methods for each of the zones is summarised in the table in Appendix 3.

Consultation Documents

1.58 The Applicant wants to create opportunities for as many people as possible to get involved with the consultation. To do so, the Applicant will ensure the following documents are prepared and are made available:

- **Online information hub** – an on-line information hub will be created on the Project website;
- **Slide pack** – to enable us to offer presentations to local groups who are interested in hosting a session;
- **Exhibition materials** – we will run open drop-in exhibitions². Information boards and materials exhibited will provide context to and summarise the PEIR. Staff will be on hand to answer questions, talk to and aid the understanding of the Project. The aim of assisting them to contribute their views. A virtual public exhibition with relevant consultation information and materials will also be available on-line and
- **USBs containing the PEIR, and associated documents including Non-Technical Summary (NTS) and plans** will be deposited (where possible) at local libraries (as listed below in this SoCC)³ and will be available online through the Project website. This information will also be sent to local groups, including hard to reach groups. Participants requiring documents in different formats (e.g. large text) are invited to contact the Applicant and these can be made available.

² Subject to access and availability should restrictions change due to COVID-19. For further information see page 5.

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Methods to provide feedback

1.59 All contact details are provided on page 13 of this document, however there are a range of methods that can be utilised in order to provide feedback:

- Feedback forms at local drop in events to provide detailed feedback on the proposal;
- Freepost feedback forms, which will be sent with Project information to local groups;
- Online feedback form that can be filled in at any time online through the consultation period;
- Writing to or e-mailing the Project team directly [REDACTED]
- A freephone number will also be available to contact the Project team with any queries.

1.60 If for any reason any person finds it difficult, or is unable to provide responses in writing, they should contact the Applicant using the details contained in this document.

Scope of Consultation

1.61 The purpose of pre-application consultation is to gather views before the Proposed Development is finalised to allow people the opportunity to comment on, and input to, its design and development. The consultation documentation will clearly set out any elements of the Proposed Development where specific local feedback will be sought. The Applicant will consider, and respond to, all feedback received and report on this within the Consultation Report that will be submitted with the DCO application.

1.62 During the statutory consultation, we will be asking for views on:

- The proposed Oaklands Farm Solar Project;
- The short term and long-term impacts of the Proposed Development as set out in the PEIR including:
 - Construction impacts;
 - Environmental impacts;
 - Operational impacts;
 - Impacts from decommissioning;
 - Other impacts in this period, such as socioeconomic and cumulative impacts.
- Proposed mitigation for any significant adverse impacts identified; and
- The contribution that the Proposed Development could make to the local community.

Deposit Locations

1.63 Subject to Covid regulations, electronic copies of the PEIR, which comprises a detailed set of documents, including maps, figures, and photomontages describing the Project, as well as a set of plans showing the overall location of the Project and a much shorter non-technical summary (NTS) may be accessed and will be available to view free of charge for inspection during the statutory consultation period at the locations listed in the table below.

Location	Opening Times
Swadlincote Library and Information Centre	Monday: 9.30am - 5pm Tuesday: 9.30am - 5pm

<p>Address:</p> <p>Swadlincote Library</p> <p>Civic Way</p> <p>Swadlincote</p> <p>Derbyshire</p> <p>DE11 0AD</p> <p>Contact details:</p> <p>Tel: 01629 533 013</p> <p>Email: swadlincote.library@derbyshire.gov.uk</p>	<p>Wednesday: 9.30am - 5pm</p> <p>Thursday: 9.30am - 7pm</p> <p>Friday: 9.30am - 5pm</p> <p>Saturday: 9.30am - 4pm</p> <p>Sunday: Closed</p>
<p>Barton Under Needwood Community Library</p> <p>Address:</p> <p>Barton Under Needwood Library</p> <p>Dunstall Road</p> <p>Barton-under-Needwood</p> <p>Staffordshire,</p> <p>DE13 8AX</p> <p>Contact details:</p> <p>Telephone: 01283 713753</p> <p>Email: arton.library@staffordshire.gov.uk</p>	<p>Monday: 9am - 12pm / 2pm- 5pm</p> <p>Tuesday: Closed</p> <p>Wednesday: 10am - 12pm / 2pm- 5pm</p> <p>Thursday: 10am - 12pm / 2pm- 5pm</p> <p>Friday: 10am - 2pm</p> <p>Saturday: 10am - 1pm</p> <p>Sunday: Closed</p>
<p>Burton Library</p>	<p>Monday: 9am - 6pm</p> <p>Tuesday: 9am - 5pm</p>

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<p>Address: Burton Library</p> <p>Riverside,</p> <p>Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire,</p> <p>DE14 1AH</p>	<p>Wednesday: 9am - 5pm</p> <p>Thursday: 9am - 7pm</p> <p>Friday: 9am - 5pm</p> <p>Saturday: 8:30am - 4:30pm</p> <p>Sunday: Closed</p>
<p>Contact Details:</p> <p>Direct telephone: 01283 881208</p> <p>Email: burton.library@staffordshire.gov.uk</p>	

- 1.64 The opening times of these organisations are dependent on and governed by them and may be subject to change.
- 1.65 Summary consultation documents (such as the NTS), consultation feedback forms and freepost envelopes, will also be available at the above noted locations.
- 1.66 Digital copies of all documents and relevant supporting materials will be provided to the parish councils within CZ1 and CZ2.
- 1.67 Electronic copies of the PEIR and NTS can also be viewed or downloaded from the Project website during the statutory consultation period. Where a copy of a document is requested from the Applicant, this will be provided free of charge on a USB device. The documents can be made available in hard copy format on request at a cost of:
 - Non-Technical Summary of Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) – Free;
 - Full Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) with annexes – £1,000;
 - A set of site location Plans - £15

Formal Consultation Events

1.68 In addition to the methods of [redacted] Appendix 3, the Applicant will also undertake face to face consultation events at the following venues. The dates and exact timings of these events will be confirmed in writing to consultees and interested parties on the consultation materials, newsletters and online.

Location
<p>Walton on Trent Village Hall</p> <p>34 Main St,</p> <p>Walton-on-Trent, Swadlincote</p>

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Rosliston & Caudwell Village Hall

Main Street,

Rosliston,

Swadlincote, [REDACTED]

Derbyshire,

DE12 8JW

1.69 Should it be deemed appropriate, further events may be organised to accommodate any residents that were not able to access the above noted events due to Covid restrictions. Any changes to the above noted venues or additional events during the consultation period will be confirmed with South Derbyshire District Council and Derbyshire County Council and will be advertised on the project website and communicated to the host parish councils.

Consultation results and next steps

1.70 After the formal consultation closes, the Applicant will collate and review the outcomes to create a Feedback Summary Report.

1.71 This will set out consultee responses and how the Applicant has accounted for those responses in formulating the DCO application.

1.72 Following this, the Applicant may carry out additional targeted consultation with members of the local community, as feedback is received and the project is refined. Wider consultation could also be carried out if considered appropriate.

1.73 All consultation, informal and formal, will be described in a Consultation Report, which will be submitted as part of the DCO submission.

How to contact us and respond to the consultation

1.74 You can contact the Applicant in the following ways:

- Visit the project website [REDACTED]
- Call 0800 699 0081
- Email info.oaklands-solarfarm@baywa-re.co.uk
- Write to FREEPOST TC CONSULTATION (no further address or stamp required)

1.75 From the beginning of the statutory consultation period, feedback forms will be available on the project website (noted above), at information points and all public consultation events. You can either fill out a feedback form:

- online at [REDACTED]
- at an event (listed on page 13)
- post a hard copy to FREEPOST TC CONSULTATION (no further address or stamp required)

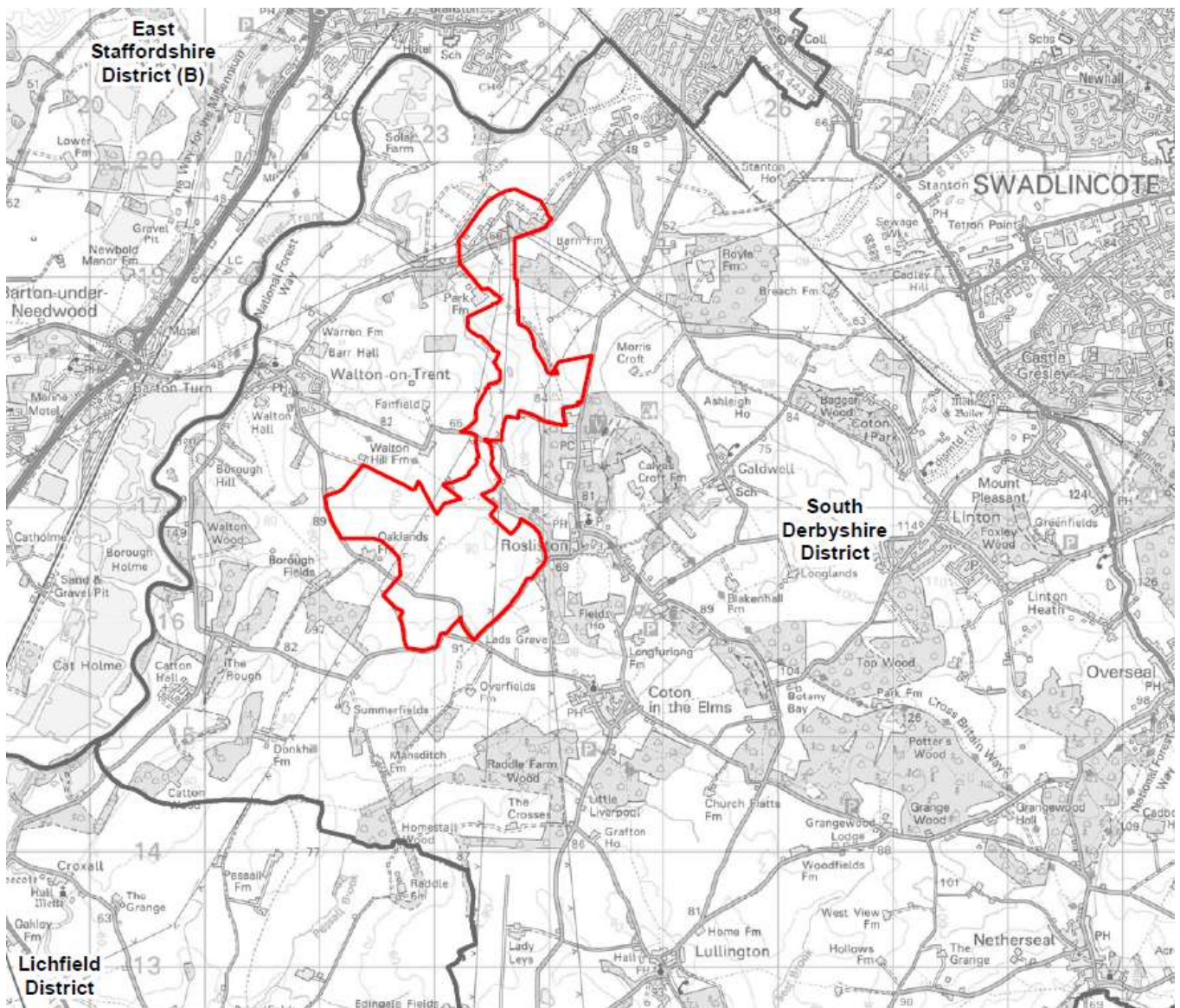
- email an electronic copy to info.oaklands-solarfarm@baywa-re.co.uk

1.76 Should this document be required in a different format (e.g. large text) please contact the Applicant using any of the methods noted above.

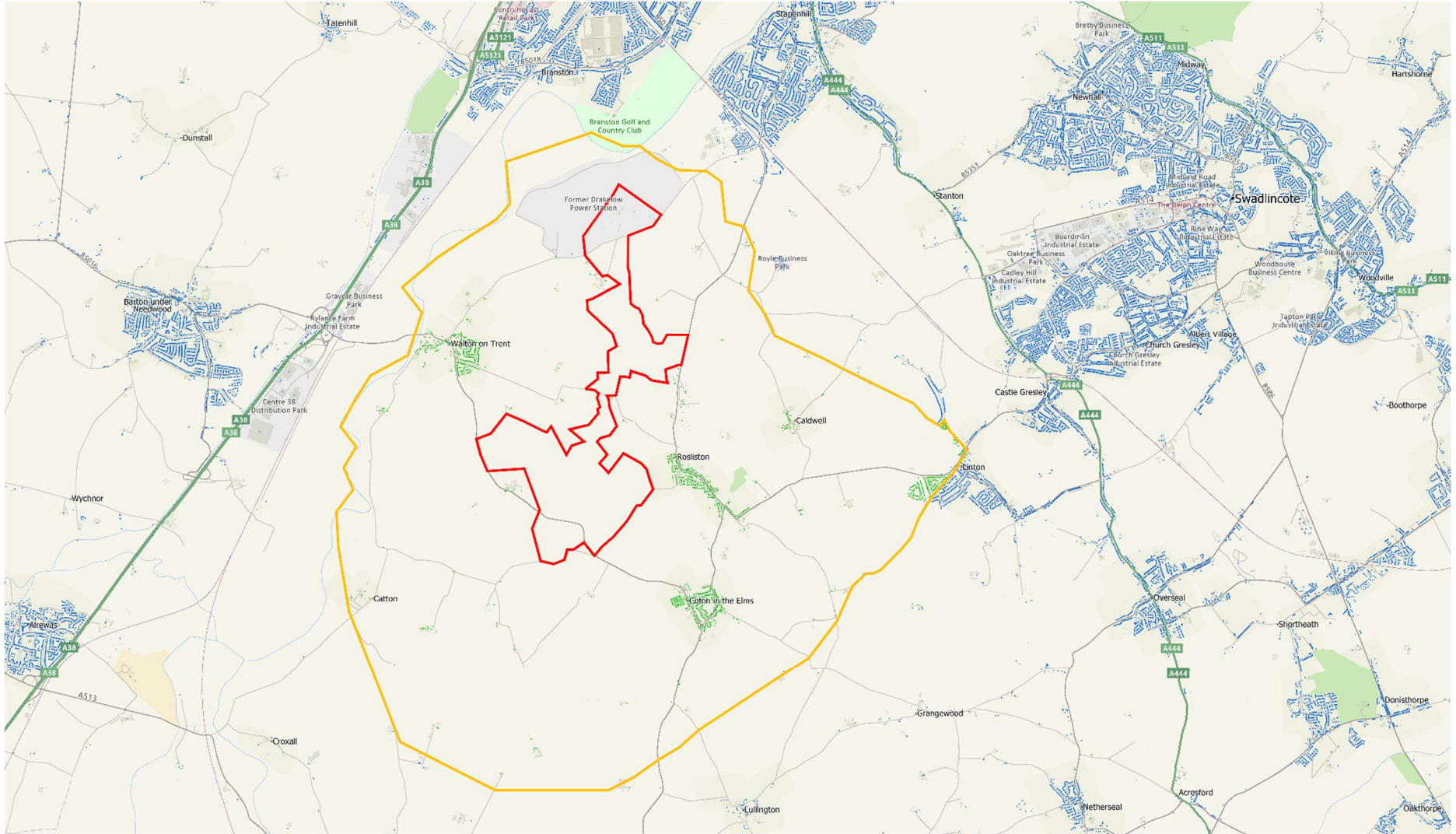
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Appendix 2 – Consultation Zone 1



Appendix 3 – Consultation Zones and Methods of Consultation

Consultation Zone	Audience	Methods of Consultation
<p>Consultation Zone 1</p>	<p>All properties, political representatives and interested parties within the yellow line buffer of the red line boundary of the proposed site (including cable corridor to Drakelow Power Station).</p> <p>Including:</p> <p>Host wards of South Derbyshire District Council, Host electoral divisions of Derbyshire County Council, host parish councils, all residents within the yellow area, identified groups and organisations within the yellow area.</p>	<p>The following methods will be used to inform local communities, including ‘Hard to Reach’ groups of the opportunities to get involved with the consultation on the Project within the CZ1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newsletter to all households within the CZ1 • Local posters within the vicinity of the proposed site including along the cable corridor • Newspaper adverts in relevant newspapers • Press releases to local media (including print and radio outlets) • Letters to elected representatives, parish councils and local groups within the vicinity of the proposed site • Local e-newsletter to those who have registered their interest in the Project • Website updates • Social media updates via BayWa central social media accounts
<p>Consultation Zone 2</p>	<p>Interested parties residing or operating beyond the yellow line buffer of the red line boundary of the proposed site (including cable corridor to Drakelow Power Station), but within the boundaries of South Derbyshire District Council and Derbyshire County Council.</p>	<p>The following methods will be used to inform local communities, including ‘Hard to Reach’ groups of the opportunities to get involved with the consultation on the Project within CZ2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newspaper adverts in relevant newspapers

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	<p>Including:</p> <p>South Derbyshire District Council (all members), Derbyshire County Council (Cabinet, Senior officers, electoral division members for neighbouring divisions), all neighbouring parish councils and ward and division members, including within neighbouring authorities (see Footnote 1, page 6).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Press releases to local media (including print and radio outlets) • Letters and newsletters to elected representatives, parish councils within the host local authorities, but outside CZ1 • Newsletters to regional groups that may take an interest in the Project within the vicinity of the proposed site • Local e-newsletter to those who have registered their interest in the Project • Website updates • Social media updates via BayWa central social media accounts
<p>Consultation Zone 3</p>	<p>All interested parties residing or operating beyond CZ1 and CZ2, including specific contact with strategic stakeholders at close neighbouring authorities, identified below.</p> <p>Including:</p> <p>Richfield District Council, North West Leicestershire District Council, East Staffordshire Borough Council, Staffordshire County Council and Leicestershire County Council.</p>	<p>The following methods will be used to inform relevant stakeholders of the opportunities to get involved with the consultation on the Project within CZ3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newspaper adverts in relevant newspapers • Press releases to local media (including print and radio outlets) • Letters and newsletters to the chief executive and Council leaders of identified neighbouring local authorities (see Footnote 1, page 6) • Newsletters to regional groups that may take an interest in the Project within the vicinity of the proposed site

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