



# Oaklands Farm Solar Park

## Consultation Report

Appendix 11.7 - Copy of Letter Issued to Stakeholders Regarding  
Publication of the SoCC 7 April 2022

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# 1. Copy of letter issued to stakeholders regarding publication of the SoCC 7 April 2022



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Dear Stakeholder

RE: **BayWa publishes Statement of Community Consultation for Oaklands Farm Solar, South Derbyshire**

I am writing to you regarding the Oaklands Farm Solar proposals in South Derbyshire.

The proposals comprise a solar park covering two separate parcels of land located west of the village of Rosliston, and east of Walton on Trent. The generating capacity of the project is expected to deliver in the region of 160 MW to the electricity grid, which is the equivalent amount required to power nearly all homes in South Derbyshire<sup>1</sup>.

We have now published our Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC), which sets out how, when and where local communities can participate in the statutory consultation on the plans, prior to an application being submitted. The SoCC can be viewed on the project website: <https://www.baywa-re.co.uk/en/solar/oaklands-solar-farm>.

It is also available to view at the following locations (subject to opening times, please check online before you travel):

- Swadlincote Library and Information Centre (DE11 0AD)
- Barton Under Needwood Community Library (DE13 8AX)
- Burton Library (DE14 1AH)

Copies may also be requested directly from BayWa, via the following methods:

- Email – [info.oaklands-solarfarm@baywa-re.co.uk](mailto:info.oaklands-solarfarm@baywa-re.co.uk)
- Freepost – FREEPOST TC CONSULTATION (no further address or stamp required)
- Freephone - 0800 699 0081 (Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm excluding public holidays)

This has been advertised in the local press, online via the project website, and via a community leaflet, a copy of which is enclosed with this letter for your information.

The SoCC confirms the start and end date of the consultation, which will take place from 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Public exhibitions will take place in early May (see overleaf), with a full online virtual exhibition available for viewing during that period.

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<sup>1</sup> 42,210 properties in 5 Derbyshire as of July 2019 -Ref: South Derbyshire Housing Stock Condition Report 2019

Following the start of the statutory consultation period on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022, all information relating to the proposals (including the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR), feedback forms and summary consultation materials) will be available to view online via a virtual exhibition, at deposit locations around the site, and at public events being undertaken by the developer. The consultation period then closes on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

Consultation events will take place at the following locations:

<b>Walton on Trent Village Hall</b> 34 Main St, Walton-on-Trent, Swadlincote, DE12 8LZ	<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022</b> <b>1pm to 7pm</b>
<b>Rosliston &amp; Cauldwell Village Hall</b> Main Street, Rosliston, Swadlincote, Derbyshire, DE12 8JW	<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2022</b> <b>12noon to 4pm</b>

I would be grateful if you could share this information on your social media channels to help increase local knowledge and participation in the consultation process.

I would like to invite you to attend a stakeholder preview of the consultation at the above noted venues beginning one hour before the start of each event (12noon – 1pm in Walton on Trent Village Hall on the 6<sup>th</sup> May, or 11am – 12noon in Rosliston Village Hall on 7<sup>th</sup> May).

Feedback forms will also be available online and in hard copy at events or upon request.

Due to the nature of the proposed Project, an application to the Planning Inspectorate will be submitted under the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) regime (Planning Act 2008) in late 2022.

Following submission the Planning Inspectorate will examine the application and will make a recommendation to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, who will make the decision on whether to grant or to refuse development consent.

Further information is available on the project website <https://www.baywa-re.co.uk/en/solar/oaklands-solar-farm>, should you have any further initial queries at this stage.

Yours sincerely

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## 2. Cover email accompanying electronic version of letter issued to stakeholders regarding publication of the SoCC 7 April 2022

**From:** Will Morgan  
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**Cc:** Oaklands Solar Farm <[info.oaklands-solarfarm@baywa-re.co.uk](mailto:info.oaklands-solarfarm@baywa-re.co.uk)>  
**Subject:** Oaklands Farm Solar - Publication of Statement of Community Consultation

Good morning,

Please find attached a letter and information leaflet regarding the publication of the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) for Oaklands Farm Solar, South Derbyshire. The attached information provides information about how and where to access the SoCC, and also details about the statutory consultation process, which is due to start on the 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022. From the 21<sup>st</sup> April, further information, including the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR), and summary consultation documents, will be available to view online.

The SoCC can be viewed [here](#), and on the project website <https://www.baywa-re.co.uk/en/solar/oaklands-solar-farm>.

The attached information leaflet has been posted to all residents within the vicinity of the site, and also made available to view on the project website. You should also receive a copy via post.

Also attached is a copy of the 'Section 47' notice, which is due to appear in local press. Please feel free to share this to further advertise the consultation. We would be pleased to arrange for additional hard copies of the leaflet and/or poster to be sent to you if you wish to have copies to display or share within the community.

Please feel free to share this information on your social media channels.

Please do not hesitate to contact the project team for further information or to request additional hard copies of any of the attached materials via [info.oaklands-solarfarm@baywa-re.co.uk](mailto:info.oaklands-solarfarm@baywa-re.co.uk).

Kind regards

Will Morgan

(on behalf of Oaklands Farm Solar Ltd. And BayWa r.e.)