



Oaklands Farm Solar Park

Consultation Report

Appendix 8.8 - Social Media Updates

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1. Informal Consultation Social Media Updates (examples of organic updates)

 **Rosliston Parish Council** 5 September at 11:31 · 🌐

Solar Farm - near you!!!!

Most by now will have heard of the two solar farms proposed locally and potentially taking large swathes of agricultural land out of production. Some may say percentage wise the seven hundred acres of proposed land required is only small proportion of agricultural land available for food production. The problem is although a plausible statement, it is used over and over again causing a compound effect. The proposal for one farm bordering Catton, Walton and Rosliston is so large the planning application will not be considered by the local planning authority (SDDC) but by central government. Everyone has their own individual view over the proposals both for and against. The question is how strong are they? Should we as a community be voicing our opinions? If you feel there is a need, message the PC on their Facebook page.

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 **Rosliston Parish Council** September 23 at 11:12 AM · 🌐

DCC have shared with the Parish Council the response to the Planning Inspectorate on the Scoping Report for the proposed Oaklands Farm Solar Farm. Please see the link below for the full details.
<https://www.roslistonparishcouncil.org.uk/.../dccc...>



ROSLISTONPARISHCOUNCIL.ORG.UK

DCC's response to the Planning Inspectorate on the EIA Scoping Report...

DCC's response to the Planning Inspectorate on the EIA Scoping Report for the proposed Oaklands Solar Farm development

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2. Social Media Updates (SoCC Publication) (Spring 2022)


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@FarmOaklands

This 138 MW of solar power and 37.5 MW of energy storage Project is located west of the village of Rosliston, and east of Walton on Trent, South Derbyshire.

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109 Following 15 Followers

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 **Oaklands Farm Solar** @FarmOaklands · Mar 23, 2022 ...

PLEASE NOTE – this social media channel is for information provision only – we will not be recording feedback submitted via this channel. To let us know your views, please send us your comments via the channels explained on the website.



Oaklands Farm Solar @FarmOaklands · Apr 7, 2022

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(1/2) We have published our Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) for Oaklands Farm Solar. Find out more here:



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(2/2) The SoCC sets out how, when and where we will be consulting on the proposals for new solar in South Derbyshire.

Section 47(6) Planning Act 2008
Notification of Statement of Community Consultation for Oaklands Farm Solar Project

Notice publicising a Statement of Community Consultation

Oaklands Farm Solar Limited (a wholly owned subsidiary of BayWa r.e. UK Ltd) (BayWa) has published a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) in accordance with Section 47(6) of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended by section 124 of the Localism Act 2011) (the Act).

BayWa is seeking a Development Consent Order (DCO) for the development of Oaklands Farm Solar in South Derbyshire. A DCO is required due to the Project's potential generating capacity of over (GMR) and its classification as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP).

The DCO would authorise the construction, operation and maintenance of a 160MW solar farm and 37.5MWh energy storage facility on land between Walton-on-Trent and Polesden, South Derbyshire, along with all associated infrastructure including a grid connection to the local Distribution power system.

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Development Project as defined in Section 2(12) of the Environmental Assessment Act 2015. EIA will accompany the application to the Planning Inspectorate.

The Applicant has a duty to consult with local communities before the application is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate. The Applicant is also required to produce a Consultation Report detailing how the public's views have been taken into consideration and how the consultation requirements of the Act have been complied with. The SoCC sets out how BayWa will comply with this duty, including, but not limited to, the consultation process, the locations, timescales and opportunities in the vicinity of the Project and all associated infrastructure.

Following publication of the SoCC, BayWa will undertake a statutory period of consultation and make comments on the Project between the 21st April 2022 and 8th June 2022.

The SoCC is available for inspection, free of charge as follows:

- On the Project website: www.baywa-re.co.uk/infocentre/oaklands-farm-solar-farm
- In hard copy format at the following locations:

Location	Opening Times*
Swadlowley Library and Information Centre Address: Swadlowley Library, One Way Swadlowley, Swadlowley DE11 2AD Email: swadlowley@swadlowley.gov.uk	Monday: 9.30am - 5pm Tuesday: 9.30am - 5pm Wednesday: 10.00am - 5pm Thursday: 9.30am - 5pm Friday: 9.30am - 5pm Saturday: 9.30am - 4pm Sunday: Closed
Derby Order Neighbourhood Community Library Address: Derby Order Neighbourhood Library, Church Road, Norton-on-Trent, Nottingham, NG16 4AA Email: derby.order@ncc.gov.uk	Monday: 10am - 12pm / 2pm - 5pm Tuesday: 10am - 5pm Wednesday: 10am - 12pm / 2pm - 5pm Thursday: 10am - 12pm / 2pm - 5pm Friday: 10am - 5pm Saturday: 10am - 5pm Sunday: Closed
Burton Library Address: Burton Library, Newark Road, Southwell (DE14 1HJ) Email: burton@burton.gov.uk	Monday: 9am - 5pm Tuesday: 9am - 5pm Wednesday: 9am - 5pm Thursday: 9am - 5pm Friday: 9am - 5pm Saturday: 9.30am - 4.30pm Sunday: Closed

*The opening times of these locations are dependent on and are subject to change without notice.



Public information Days during statutory consultation

We are pleased to hear your views on the Project and will be undertaking formal (statutory) consultation between 21st April 2022 and 8th June 2022. We will be holding public consultation events during the consultation period where members of the project team will be available to discuss the proposals and answer any questions you may have. Materials including maps, visual aids and explanatory information will be available for review and comment during the consultation period set out above. Exhibitions will take place at the following dates and locations:

Walton-on-Trent Village Hall 34 Main St, Walton-on-Trent, Derbyshire, DE12 8LZ Friday 08th May 2022 - 10am to 7pm	Polesden & Cautwell Village Hall Main Street, Polesden, Southwell, Derbyshire, DE12 6JW Saturday 19th May 2022 - 12noon to 4pm
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How to have your say

Details of the statutory consultation and how to be involved are set out in the SoCC. **Please note: consultation documents will only be available from the start of the consultation on 21st April 2022.** Any responses or representations in respect of the Project can be made during the consultation period via the feedback form available at events, above listed locations, on the project website and upon request or by writing to:

- Email - info.oaklands-solarfarm@baywa-re.co.uk
- Feedback forms - available online via the project website (www.baywa-re.co.uk/infocentre/oaklands-solar-farm) and consultation events. Alternatively get in touch to request a hard copy and we will post it to you.
- Postbox - FREEPOST TO CONSULTOR (no further address or stamp required)
- Virtual Exhibition - accessible via www.baywa-re.co.uk/infocentre/oaklands-solar-farm.

If you have any queries about the consultation process you can call 0800 699 0001 (free phone - Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm excluding public holidays).

The deadline date for comments is 11.59pm 08th June 2022

Should the SoCC or associated documents be required in a different format (e.g. large font, braille) contact the Applicant using any of the methods above.

3. Social Media Updates (Statutory Consultation) (Spring 2022)

 **Oaklands Farm Solar** @FarmOaklands · Apr 21, 2022 ...

Today we launch the statutory public consultation for the Project and we want to involve you!
We've arranged a number of public drop in sessions and an online virtual exhibition to seek your feedback.
Visit the project website to take part.

baywa-re.co.uk/en/solar/oakla...



 **Oaklands Farm Solar** @FarmOaklands · May 3, 2022 ...

The first of our public consultation exhibitions will be held at Walton on Trent Village Hall on Friday the 6th May 2022 from 1pm until 7pm.
#consultation#solar#netzero

 **Oaklands Farm Solar** @FarmOaklands · May 4, 2022 ...

The second of our public consultation exhibitions will be held at Rosliston & Caudwell Village Hall on the 7th May 2022 from 12pm until 4pm.
#consultation#solar#ukenergy



Oaklands Farm Solar @FarmOaklands · May 5, 2022



Latest Update: We are looking forward to meeting you at our public events. If you are unable to attend our events in person, then please visit our virtual consultation where you can submit your feedback online.

oaklands-solar-consultation.co.uk

#consultation#solar#UKenergystrategy



oaklands-solar-consultation.co.uk

Consultation website for Oaklands Farm

A virtual consultation showing



Oaklands Farm Solar @FarmOaklands · May 6, 2022



We are at Walton On Trent Village Hall from 1pm - 7pm today for the first of our consultation events. Please visit the exhibition to have your say.

[#consultation](#) [#solar](#)





Oaklands Farm Solar @FarmOaklands · May 7, 2022



We are at Rosliston & Cauldwell Village Hall from 12pm - 4pm today for our final consultation event. Please come along and visit the exhibition to have your say.

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Oaklands Farm Solar @FarmOaklands · May 12, 2022



Thank you to all those who attended the Oaklands Farm Solar public consultation last week.

The consultation deadline is the 6th June - please visit our website to find out more on the proposals, and you can have your say here: oaklands-solar-consultation.co.uk

[#solar](#) [#UKEnergyStrategy](#)



oaklands-solar-consultation.co.uk
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A virtual consultation showing



Oaklands Farm Solar @FarmOaklands · Jun 1, 2022



The statutory consultation for the Oaklands Farm Solar proposals will close on the 6th June.

To submit your feedback via our online form or email, please visit our website: baywa-re.co.uk/en/solar/oakla...

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Oaklands Farm Solar @FarmOaklands · Jun 7, 2022



Thanks to all those that have responded to the Statutory Consultation for Oaklands Farm Solar Park. The Consultation has now closed - we're going to be working on reviewing all feedback as we finalise the proposals.

[#consultation](#)[#solar](#)[#netzeroUK](#)

4. Social Media Updates (Additional Consultation) (Spring 2023)



Oaklands Farm Solar @FarmOaklands · Mar 13, 2023



We have just launched a phase of additional consultation on the proposals for #Oaklands Farm Solar. The consultation will run until 21st April 2023. Full details here: baywa-re.co.uk/en/solar/oakla...

#solarfarm #solarenergy #renewables #energytransition #bayware
#rethinkenergy





Oaklands Farm Solar @FarmOaklands · Mar 15, 2023



We'd like to know your thoughts on the updated proposals for #Oaklands Farm Solar. You can fill out our feedback form here:

forms.office.com/e/COEjswsqKC

#oaklands #solarfarm #solarenergy #renewables #energytransition
#bayware #rethinkenergy



Oaklands Farm Solar Feedback form

Deadline for feedback: 11.59pm 21st April 2023

We value your feedback. Please complete this form and let us know your thoughts about the Oaklands Farm Solar Park proposals.

You can return this form via several methods, including:

- Posting it to FREEPOST TC CONSULTATION (no further address or stamp required)
- Scanning and emailing a copy to info.oaklands-solarfarm@baywa-re.co.uk
- Alternatively, you can fill out an online version at the Project Website: www.baywa-re.co.uk/en/solar/oaklands-solar-farm

About you:

Name: _____

Organisation (if any): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Age: _____

Any additional information you would like to share about you that can help in our assessment of the comments you provide (such as occupation, disability, gender):

Question 1: Do you have any general comments on the updated proposals for Oaklands Farm Solar (as summarised in the updated Consultation Summary Document)?



Oaklands Farm Solar @FarmOaklands · Mar 17, 2023



We've confirmed a **#community #benefit** contribution of £55,000 per year for the operational life of **#Oaklands #Solar**. This amounts to about £2million over the full 40 years. Let us know how you think this could be utilised for the local community. forms.office.com/e/COEjswsqKC **#Bayware**

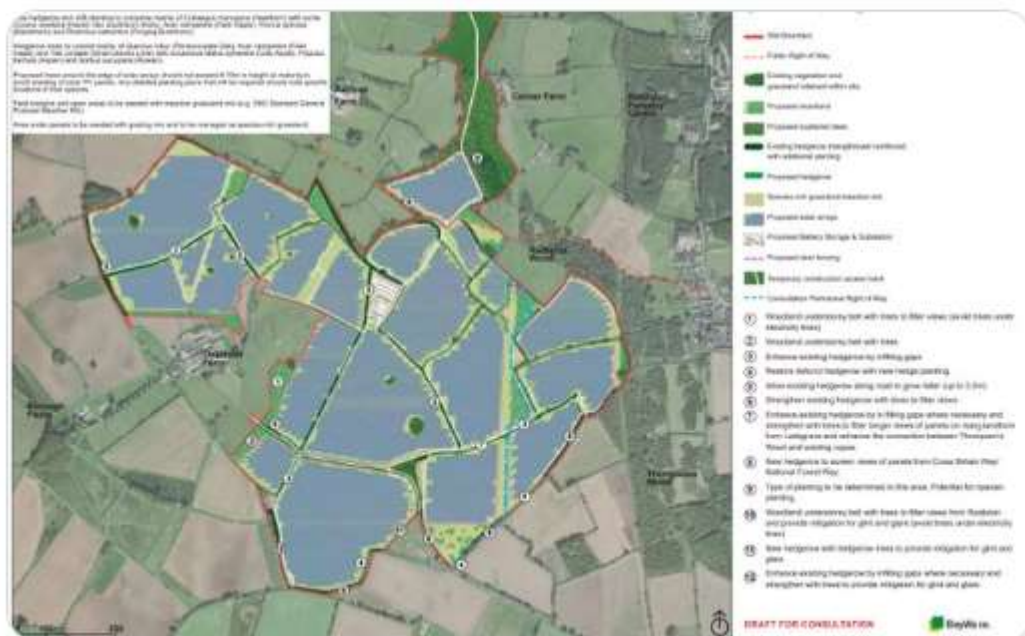


Oaklands Farm Solar @FarmOaklands · Mar 23, 2023



We have provided additional information about our Landscape Strategy for the proposed **#Oaklands Farm #Solar** scheme. Additional planting and screening around the site has been incorporated. Find out more here: baywa-re.co.uk/en/solar/oakla...

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Oaklands Farm Solar @FarmOaklands · Apr 21, 2023



Its the final day of our [#consultation](#) on the updated proposals for [#Oaklands Farm #Solar](#). Take a look at our website to find out what has changed since the last consultation, and how to provide your feedback: baywa-re.co.uk/en/solar/oakla... [#bayware](#) [#energytransition](#) [#rethinkenergy](#)



Oaklands Farm Solar Project Information Page

Oaklands Farm Solar Limited is in the early development stages of a large-scale solar plus energy storage project in South Derbyshire, on land west of the village of Roston, and east of Walton-on-Trent. Oaklands Farm Solar Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of BayWa r.e. UK Ltd.

This website provides information about the development and contact information should you have any queries. The project is in the initial development stage and as further information becomes available we will provide further updates.

Latest News

Statutory consultation, including two locally held, public exhibitions, was carried out in April and May 2022. Since then, the project design has undergone a number of changes, which will represent improvements to the project through reduction of visual impact, and increased connectivity around the site. These changes include the removal of all solar panels from the northern part of the site, moving the substation to the middle of the site, undergrounding the grid connection cable connecting the site to Drakelow substation, confirming the construction traffic routes, and confirmation of the proposed permissive right of way and additional landscape planting.

As a result of the changes we are carrying out further targeted consultation seeking feedback on the revised proposals.

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