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For the attention of: Planning Inspectorate

South Derbyshire District Council

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19 July 2024

Dear Planning Inspectorate

Re: EN010122 Oaklands Farm Solar Project

Examination Stage - Construction and operation of a solar farm plus energy storage with associated infrastructure and connection to the grid.; LAND AT ROSLISTON ROAD, SOUTH OF DRAKELOW POWER STATION

Thank you for your notification of 14 July 2024 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

We have reviewed the site location plan provided and can confirm that the site falls within the Coal Authority's defined Development Low Risk Area. On this basis we have no specific comments to make.

However, in the interest of public safety, it is requested that the Coal Authority's Standing Advice note is drawn to the applicant's attention, where relevant.

Yours

The Coal Authority Planning Team