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# 1 INTRODUCTION

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- 1.1 This report sets out the results of an Agricultural Land Classification (ALC) survey across a site of approximately 58.4 hectares east of Walton on Trent.
- 1.2 The ALC follows a detailed soil survey over 48 ha carried out in April 2021, plus an expanded area of 10.2 ha in two parcels, surveyed August 2024.
- 1.3 This report:
- describes the methodology in section 2;
  - describes the factors affecting agricultural land quality in section 3;
  - and sets out the ALC grades in section 4.

## 2 METHODOLOGY

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- 2.1 The ALC was carried out by Robert Askew BSc(Hons), MSc, F.I. Soil Sci CSci. Rob is a Chartered Scientist (CSci), and a Fellow (F. I. Soil Sci) of the British Society of Soil Science (BSSS). This ALC survey has been carried out by a soil scientist who meets the requirements of the BSSS Professional Competency Standard (PSC) scheme for ALC (see BSSS PCS Document 2 '*Agricultural Land Classification of England and Wales*'<sup>1</sup>). The BSSS PSC scheme is endorsed, amongst others, by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), Natural England, the Science Council, and the Institute of Environmental Assessment and Management (IEMA). The field survey was carried out by Adrian Rochford HND, Fellow of the Institute of Professional Soil Scientists. Adrian was a qualified ALC surveyor for the Farming and Rural Conservation Agency (part of MAFF) from 1996 to 2009 and has been an ALC and soil advisor since.
- 2.2 This assessment is based upon the findings of a study of published information on climate, geology and soil in combination with a soil investigation carried out in accordance with the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (MAFF) <sup>2</sup> '*Agricultural Land Classification of England and Wales: Revised Guidelines and Criteria for Grading the Quality of Agricultural Land*', October 1988 (henceforth referred to as the 'the ALC Guidelines').
- 2.3 The ALC system provides a framework for classifying land according to the extent to which its physical or chemical characteristics impose long-term limitations on agricultural use. The ALC system divides agricultural land into five grades (Grade 1 'Excellent' to Grade 5 'Very Poor'), with Grade 3 subdivided into Subgrade 3a 'Good' and Subgrade 3b 'Moderate'. Agricultural land classified as Grade 1, 2 and Subgrade 3a falls in the '*best and most versatile*' category in Paragraphs 180 and 181 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), revised December 2023. Further details of the ALC system and national planning policy implications are set out by Natural England in its Technical Information Note 049<sup>3</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> British Society of Soil Science. Professional Competency Scheme Document 2 '*Agricultural Land Classification of England and Wales*'. Available online @ <https://www.soils.org.uk/sites/default/files/events/flyers/ipss-competency-doc2.pdf> Last accessed September 2024

<sup>2</sup> The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (MAFF) was incorporated within the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) in June 2001

<sup>3</sup> Natural England (December, 2012). '*Agricultural Land Classification: protecting the best and most versatile agricultural land (TIN049)*'. Available online @ <http://publications.naturalengland.org.uk/publication/35012> Last accessed September 2024

- 2.4 A detailed ALC survey was carried out in April 2021 and August 2024. The 2021 survey involved examination of the soil's physical properties at 49 auger-bore locations on a 100m by 100m grid, as shown on **Plan KCC3018/01B**. One soil pit (Pit 1) was excavated with a spade to examine certain soil physical properties, such as stone content and subsoil structure, in more detail.
- 2.5 An additional area was surveyed in August 2024 involving 10 auger-bore locations plus one soil pit. These are shown in red on **Plan KCC3018/01B**.
- 2.5 The sample locations were located using a hand-held Garmin E-Trec Geographic Information System (GIS) to enable the sample locations to be relocated for verification, if necessary.
- 2.6 The soil profile was examined at each sample location to a maximum depth of approximately 1.2 m by hand with the use of a 5 cm diameter Dutch (Edleman) soil auger. The soil profile at each sample location was described using the '*Soil Survey Field Handbook: Describing and Sampling Soil Profiles*' (Ed. J.M. Hodgson, Cranfield University, 1997). Each soil profile was ascribed a grade following the ALC Guidelines.

### 3 FACTORS AFFECTING LAND QUALITY

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3.1 As described in the ALC Guidelines, the main physical factors influencing agricultural land quality are:

- climate;
- site;
- soil; and
- interactive limitations.

3.2 These factors are considered in turn below.

#### **Climate**

3.3 Interpolated climate data relevant to determining of the ALC grade of land at the Study Area is given in Table 1 below.

*Table 1: ALC Climate Data for Oaklands Solar Farm, Walton on Trent, Staffs*

<b>Climate Parameter</b>	<b>Grid Ref: SK237182</b>
Average Altitude (m)	64
Average Annual Rainfall (mm)	640
Accumulated Temperature above 0°C (January – June)	1397
Moisture Deficit (mm) Wheat	105
Moisture Deficit (mm) Potatoes	96
Field Capacity Days (FCD)	139
Grade according to climate	1

3.4 Agricultural land quality at the Study Area is mainly not limited by climate regarding to Figure 1 ‘*Grade according to climate*’ on page 6 of the ALC Guidelines, in which in absence of any other limiting factor the land will be determined as Grade 1.

3.5 Due to the average annual rainfall, agricultural land across the Study Area is predicted to be at field capacity (i.e., near saturation point) for approximately 139 days per year, mainly over the late autumn, winter and early spring. Moisture Deficit (MD) values range between approximately 105mm for wheat, and 96mm for potatoes.

3.6 The climate interacts with soil physical properties, i.e., soil texture and wetness class. It can limit agricultural land quality due to soil wetness, and/or soil droughtiness, as described under ‘interactive limitations’ below.



## **Study Area**

- 3.7 The Study Area is located to the east of Walton-on-Trent, Staffordshire. The approximate centre of the study area is located at British National Grid (BNG) reference SK 23764 18281. The western boundary is formed by a tributary of the River Trent. The remainder of the Site is surrounded by agricultural land.
- 3.8 With regard to the ALC Guidelines, agricultural land quality can be limited by one or more of three main site factors as follows:
- gradient;
  - micro-relief (i.e., complex change in slope angle over short distances); and
  - risk of flooding.
- 3.9 **Gradient and Micro-Relief.** The main part of the Study Area is located on a west-facing slope, with the highest elevation in the east at approximately 84 metres (m) Above Ordnance Datum (AOD) and descending to approximately 59 mAOD along the western boundary and along the northern boundary near Walton Road. The quality of agricultural land is limited by gradient in the north-west (Auger-bore locations 2, 4 and 5, **Plan KCC3018/01B**), where the gradient exceeds 7°, but is less than 11°, i.e., the land is limited to Subgrade 3b following Table 1 of the ALC Guidelines. No part of the Study Area is limited by micro-relief (i.e., complex changes in slope angle and direction over short distances).
- 3.10 **Risk of Flooding.** From the Government Flood Map for Planning website<sup>4</sup>, the Study Area is mainly within Flood Zone 1 with regions of Flood Zone 3 in the western region of the Study Area bordering the River Trent. Overall, the agricultural land within the study area is not limited by flooding (re Table 2 ‘Grade according to flood risk in summer’ and/or Table 3 ‘Grade according to flood risk in winter’ of the ALC Guidelines).

## **Soil**

- 3.11 **Geology/Soil Parent Material.** British Geological Survey (BGS) online<sup>5</sup> information has been utilised to identify the Bedrock underlying the Study Area and any Superficial (Drift) Deposits over the Bedrock. This information helps to determine the parent material<sup>6</sup> from and within which a soil has formed. From the BGS information, the Park Farm Study Area is underlain entirely by sandstone (Edwalton Member), with mudstone (Gunthorpe Member) underlying the higher ground in the east.

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<sup>4</sup> Government Flood Map for Planning website. Available online @ <https://flood-map-for-planning.service.gov.uk/> Last accessed September 2024

<sup>5</sup> British Geological Survey ‘Geology of Britain Viewer’. Available online @ <http://www.bgs.ac.uk/discoveringGeology/geologyOfBritain/Viewer.html> Last accessed September 2024

<sup>6</sup> British Geological Survey. A ‘parent material’ is a soil science name for a weathered rock or deposit form and within which a soil has formed. In the UK, parent materials provide the basic foundations and building blocks of soil, influencing their texture, structure, drainage and chemistry. Available online @ Soil Parent Material Model – British Geological Survey (bgs.ac.uk) Last accessed September 2024

- 3.12 Most of the sandstone is not covered by any superficial deposits, and the soils are developed directly from the sandstone parent material. The sandstone along the western boundary, flanking the watercourse, is covered by a superficial covering of alluvium (clay, silt, sand and gravel). In the northwest, the sandstone is covered by glaciofluvial deposits of sand and gravel. The mudstone bedrock underlying the higher ground in the east is covered by glacial till (Thrussington Member).
- 3.13 Soil information on the National Soil Map<sup>[1]</sup> indicates that land at the Site is covered by soils grouped in three soil associations, namely:
- (i) Wick 1 Association (541r) around Park Farm buildings in the north of the Study Area underlain by sandstone not covered by any superficial deposits. This soil association consists of deep and well-drained coarse (sandy) loams and sandy soils that sometimes occur over gravel;
  - (ii) Dunnington Heath Association (572g) in the central part of the Study Area. This association consists of reddish, coarse (sandy) and fine (clay and or silt) loams over clayey soils with slowly permeable subsoils and slight seasonal waterlogging; and
  - (iii) Brockhurst 2 Association (711c) in the southern cable corridor near the tributary of the River Trent. This area is covered by alluvium. This association consists of slowly permeable and seasonally waterlogged, reddish, fine (clay and/or silt) loams over clay, or clay soils throughout;
  - (iv) Hodnet Association in the eastern part. This association consists of reddish fine loamy or coarse (sandy) loams with slowly permeable subsoils and slight seasonal waterlogging.
- 3.14 **Soil Survey.** The detailed soil surveys carried out in April 2021 and August 2024 determined sandy loam and sandy clay loam soils developed over sandstone on the lower ground in the central and western parts of the Site. Much of the lighter, sandier, soils are well drained (Wetness Class I) but some soils near the watercourse along the western boundary are slowly permeable and seasonally waterlogged (Wetness Class III).
- 3.15 The soils in the east, developed in glacial till over mudstone, comprise heavy clay loam soils which have slowly permeable subsoil (Wetness Class IV). The profiles are seasonally waterlogged as a result. Some of the topsoils on high ground in the east, i.e., auger-bore 34, 35, 36 40 and 41, **Plan KCC3018/01B**) are slightly to moderately stony, are and limited to Subgrade 3a by the size of stones (2-6cm), following Table 5 of the ALC Guidelines.

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<sup>[1]</sup>Cranfield University (2024) Soil site report, Soil Report for location 423602E, 318487N, 2km x 2km, Cranfield University.

- 3.16 A log of all the soil profiles recorded from both surveys is given as **Appendices KCC1** and **KCC2**. Two soil pits were excavated with a spade to examine certain soil physical properties, such as subsoil structure, in more detail. A description of the soil pits is given as **Appendices KCC3** and **KCC4**.

#### **Interactive Limitations**

- 3.17 From the information above, together with the findings of the detailed soil survey (see Soil Profile Logs given as **Appendices KCC1** and **KCC2**), it has been determined that the quality of agricultural land over the Study Area is limited by soil droughtiness on lighter (sandier) and well drained soils during the growing season, and by soil wetness on heavier, seasonally waterlogged soils during the wettest times of the year (i.e., autumn and winter), as described below.
- 3.18 **Soil Droughtiness.** As shown in the soil profile logs given as **Appendices KCC1** and **KCC2**, moisture balance (MB) calculations for the ALC reference crops (winter wheat and maincrop potatoes) have determined that the soil profiles mainly have MB values of between -20 to -50mm for wheat, and/or between -30mm to -55mm for potatoes. These MB values limit the quality of agricultural land to Subgrade 3b (re Table 8 'Grade according to droughtiness' of the ALC Guidelines).
- 3.19 Soil profiles that have calculated MB values of between +5mm and -20mm for wheat, and between -10mm and -30mm for potatoes. These profiles are limited by soil droughtiness to Subgrade 3a (re Table 8 'Grade according to droughtiness' of the ALC Guidelines).
- 3.20 Occasionally, soil profiles that have calculated MB values of between +30mm and +5mm for wheat, and between +10mm and -10mm for potatoes. These profiles are limited by soil droughtiness to Grade 2 (re Table 8 'Grade according to droughtiness' of the ALC Guidelines).
- 3.21 **Soil Wetness.** From the ALC Guidelines, a soil wetness limitation exists where *'the soil water regime adversely affects plant growth or imposes restrictions on cultivations or grazing by livestock'*. Agricultural land quality at the Study Area is limited by soil wetness as per Table 2 below (based on Table 6 'Grade According to Soil Wetness – Mineral Soils' in the ALC Guidelines).

Table 2: Predicted ALC Grade According to Soil Wetness

Wetness Class	Texture of the Top 25 cm	126-150 Field Capacity Days
I	Sandy Loam, Sandy Silt Loam	1
	Medium Clay Loam*, Sandy Clay Loam	1
	Heavy Silty Clay Loam**, Heavy Clay Loam**	2
	Clay, Silty Clay	3a
II	Sandy Loam, Sandy Silt Loam	1
	Medium Clay Loam*, Sandy Clay Loam	2
	Heavy Silty Clay Loam**, Heavy Clay Loam**	3a
	Clay, Silty Clay	3b
III	Sandy Loam, Sandy Silt Loam	2
	Medium Clay Loam*, Sandy Clay Loam	3a
	Heavy Silty Clay Loam**, Heavy Clay Loam**	3b
	Clay, Silty Clay	3b
IV	Sandy Loam, Sandy Silt Loam	3a
	Medium Clay Loam*, Sandy Clay Loam	3b
	Heavy Silty Clay Loam**, Heavy Clay Loam**	3b
	Clay, Silty Clay	3b

Key \* <27% clay; and \*\* >27% clay

3.22 Therefore, in a climate area with 139 field capacity days (FCD), the soil profiles in Wetness Class III and IV with heavy clay loam topsoils are limited to Subgrade 3b. Whilst, the soil profiles in Wetness Class III with sandy clay loam topsoils are limited to Subgrade 3a.

### **Predicted ALC**

3.23 MAFF Provisional ALC information (1:250,000) indicates that agricultural land around Walton-on-Trent is Grade 2 and Grade 3 (not differentiated between Subgrade 3a and Subgrade 3b). No detailed (post-1988) ALC survey information covers the Study Area. However, there is a large proportion of Subgrade 3b to the south and east, with smaller regions of Grade 1, Grade 2 and Subgrade 3a.

## 4 AGRICULTURAL LAND CLASSIFICATION GRADING AT THE SITE

4.1 The agricultural land within the study area has been classified mainly as Subgrade 3b with smaller regions of Subgrade 3a and Grade 2. The area and proportion of agricultural land in each ALC grade has been measured from an ALC map given as **Plan KCC3018/03**. The findings are reported in Table 3 below.

*Table 3: Agricultural Land Classification – Oakland Solar Farm, Walton On Trent*

<b>ALC Grade</b>	<b>2021 Survey (Ha)</b>	<b>2024 Survey</b>	<b>Combined (Ha)</b>	<b>Area (% of Total Site)</b>
Grade 1 (Excellent)	0	0	0	0
Grade 2 (Very Good)	4.5	0	4.5	8
Subgrade 3a (Good)	7.3	8.1	15.4	26
Subgrade 3b (Moderate)	36.4	2.1	38.5	66
Grade 4 (Poor)	0	0	0	0
Grade 5 (Very Poor)	0	0	0	0
Non-agricultural / Other land	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>48.2</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>58.4</b>	<b>100</b>

**Appendix KCC1**  
**2021 Soil Profile Logs**

Project Number	Project Name		Parcel
C783	KCC3018 Oakland Farm, Walton on Trent, Derbyshire		
Date of Survey	Survey Type	Surveyor(s)	Company
14/04/2021	Detailed ALC	AR	Askew Land and Soil
Weather	Relief	Land use and vegetation	
Mild, sunny, slight breeze.	West to southwest facing slope	LEY (Ley Grass)	
Grid Reference	Postcode	Altitude	Area
SK237182	DE15 9UF	64	50
MAFF prov	MAFF detailed	Flooding	
Grade 2	No post 1988 ALC	Flood Zopne 1, with FZ3 to the west	
AAR	MDw	MDp	FCD
640	1397	105	96
			Climate grade
			1
Bedrock	Superficial deposits		
Edwalton Sandstone; Gunthorpe Mudstone in east	Alluvium along west boundary, till in east		
Soil association(s) 1:250,000	Detailed soil information		
Whimble 3	No detailed SSEW soil surveys		
Revision Number	Date Revised		
2	30/04/2021		

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Point	NGR	Grid ref.		Alt (m)	Scope	Aspect	Land use	Depth (cm)		Matrix		Observed Mortars		Grey Mortars		Gey	Stones - type 1		Stones - type 2		Pad	SUBS STR	CaCO3	Min C (SPI)	Drought	Wet	Final ALC								
		Top	Bottom					Thin	Thick	Matrix	Colour	Form	Misused colour	Form	Misused colour		Grey Mortars	Form	Misused colour	%							Type	Size	Type	Shape	Strength	Size	Shape	Limitation 1	Limitation 2
1	SK 23300 18600	423300	318600	60	57	W		0 30 55	30 25 59M4/3							No SCL - Sam 2 C - Clay 0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)									WC III 3a	Wetness	Limitation 1	Limitation 2	Limitation 3	3a				
2	SK 23400 18600	423400	318600	60	57	W		0 35 70 120	35 35 75MR4/2 70 120 50 75MR5/6						No MSL - M45 LMS - L62 MS - M42	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)									WC I 1	Droughtiness						3a			
3	SK 23400 18500	423400	318500	60	57	W		0 30 65 120	30 30 75MR4/2 65 35 75MR4/3 120 55 75MR5/4						No SCL - Sam 5 MSL - M45 MS - M42 LMS - L62	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)									WC I 1	Droughtiness						2			
4	SK 23400 18600	423500	318600	68	57	W		0 40 55 120	40 40 75MR4/2 55 120 65 59R5/4						No MSL - M45 C - Clay 0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)									WC II 2	Droughtiness Wetness						2			
5	SK 23400 18500	423600	318500	73	57	W		0 25 60 120	25 25 75MR4/3 60 35 75MR4/4 120 60 75MR5/4						No MSL - M45 LMS - L62	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)									WC I 1	Droughtiness						2			
6	SK 23700 18600	423700	318600	73	57	W		0 32 32 120	32 32 75MR4/2 88 59R5/4					Yes HCL - Ch1 C - Clay 0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)											WC IV 3b	Wetness						3b		
7	SK 23800 18500	423800	318500	78	57	W		0 35 35 120	35 35 75MR4/3 85 59R5/3					Yes HCL - Ch1 C - Clay 1	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)												WC IV 3b	Wetness						3b	
8	SK 23500 18400	423500	318400	68	57	W		0 30 30 55 120	30 30 75MR4/2 55 25 75MR4/4 65 75MR5/3					No SCL - Sam 2 Yes SCL - Sam 2	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)													WC I 2	Droughtiness Wetness						2
9	SK 23600 18400	423600	318400	73	57	W		0 35 35 120	35 35 75MR4/2 85 59R4/4					No HCL - Ch2 C - Clay 0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)												WC IV 3b	Wetness						3b	
10	SK 23700 18400	423700	318400	73	57	W		0 32 32 120	32 32 75MR4/2 88 59R4/4					No C - Clay 0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)												WC IV 3b	Wetness						3b	
11	SK 23800 18600	423800	318600	78	57	W		0 44 75 120	44 44 75MR4/3 31 75MR4/4 45 59R4/4					No SCL - Sam 4 HCL - Ch1 Yes C - Clay 0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)													WC II 2	Droughtiness Wetness						3b
12	SK 23800 18300	423800	318300	59	57	W		0 27 27 120 93	27 27 109M4/2 93 25R6/2					Yes C - Clay 0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)													WC IV 3b	Wetness						3b



Point	Grid ref	Alt (m)	Slope °	Aspect	Land use	Depth (cm)	Matrix	Ochreous Mottles	Grey Mottles	Clay	Texture	Stones - type 1	Stones - type 2	Pad	SUBS STR	CaCO <sub>3</sub>	Min C SPL	Drought	Wet	Final ALC					
	NGR	IX	Y			Top	Thin	Pinpoint	Form	Munsell colour		%	> 2cm	Strength	Size	Shape	Subs	MBw	IMBp	Gd	WC	Limitation 1	Limitation 2	Limitation 3	Grade
						40	60	80		MSL - M412	MSL - M412	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3a
28	SK 24100 18200	424100	318200	81	57	W	0 40 60 80	7.5YR3/4		No	MSL - M415	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3a
29	SK 24100 18200	424100	318200	73	57	W	0 40 50 10 50 120 70	7.5YR3/4 7.5YR3/4 10YR6/3		No	SCL - S410	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3a
30	SK 24300 18200	424300	318200	68	57	W	0 35 60 25 60 120 60	7.5YR3/3 7.5YR3/4	CD - C.10YR5/6	No	SCL - S412	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	2
31	SK 23800 18100	423800	318100	64	57	W	0 30 60 120 60	7.5YR4/3 5YR5/4	CD - C.2.5Y6/2 FD - F.2.5Y6/2	Yes	C - Clay 0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	5	2	2	3b	3b	3b	3b	3b
32	SK 23900 18100	423900	318100	76	57	W	0 30 30 50 120 90	7.5YR3/3 5YR5/3	MD - F.2.5Y6/2 CD - C.5Y6/2	Yes	C - Clay 10	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	2	2	2	3b	3b	3b	3b	3b
33	SK 24000 18100	424000	318100	84	57	W	0 30 30 70 120 50	7.5YR3/3 5YR5/3	CP - C.2.5Y6/2	Yes	SCL - S415	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	10	3	2	3b	3b	3b	3b	3b
34	SK 24100 18100	424100	318100	84	57	W	0 35 35 70 120 50 40 50 10 50 120 70	7.5YR3/2 7.5YR4/4 10YR6/3 7.5YR6/3	CP - C.7.5YR5/6 CP - C.5YR5/6	No	SCL - S420	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	18	2	2	1	1	1	1	2
35	SK 24200 18100	424200	318100	81	57	W	0 40 55 15 35 120 65	7.5YR3/3 10YR6/3	CP - C.7.5YR4/6	Yes	MSL - M415	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	2	9	3a	1	1	1	1	3a
36	SK 24300 18100	424300	318100	71	57	W	0 36 36 70 120 50 40 50 10 50 120 70	7.5YR3/3 7.5YR4/3 5YR5/4 7.5YR4/4		No	SCL - S415	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	18	1	2	1	1	1	1	2
37	SK 23800 18000	423800	318000	64	57	W	0 35 35 70 120 50 70 120 50	7.5YR4/3 2.5Y6/2	CP - C.10YR5/6 CP - C.10YR5/6	Yes	SCL - S415	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	11	1	1	3b	3b	3b	3b	3a
38	SK 23900 18000	423900	318000	76	57	W	0 34 34 70 120 86	7.5YR4/3 5YR5/3	MP - F.2.5Y6/2	Yes	HCL - Ch5	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	23	9	2	3b	3b	3b	3b	3b
39	SK 24000 18000	424000	318000	84	57	W	0 35 35 70 120 50 35 50 15 50 70 20	7.5YR4/3 5YR6/4	CP - C.2.5Y6/2	Yes	SCL - S420	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)			NON - Non-calcareous	NON - Non-calcareous	37	21	3b	3b	3b	3b	3b	3b

Point	Grid ref.		Alt (m)	Slope °	Aspect	Land use	Depth (cm)		Matrix		Dichroous Mattres		Grey Mattres		Gley	Stones - type 1		Stones - type 2		Ped		SUBS STR	CarC3	Mn C SP	DroughN	WC	Wet	Front ALC	
	NGR	X					Y	Top	Botm	Thick	Munsell colour	Form	Munsell colour	Form		Munsell colour	Form	Munsell colour	Type	%	> 2cm							> 6cm	Type
40	SK 24100 18000	424100	318000	84	57	W	LEY	0 35 35 35 45 10 45 120 75	7.5YR5/3 7.5YR5/4 5YR5/4	CD - C.7.5YR5/6 CD - C.10YR5/6 CD - C.10YR6/3	Form	Munsell colour	Form	Munsell colour	No Yes Yes	SCL - Sam20 12 LMS - Lo20 SC - Sam10	4	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ Moderate) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ floor)				NON - Non-calcare:6 NON - Non-calcare:6 NON - Non-calcare:6	No Yes No	-12 3a	WC I 1	Droughness	3a		
41	SK 24200 18000	424200	318000	81	57	W	LEY	0 36 36 36 45 10 45 120 75	7.5YR3/2 7.5YR3/3 7.5YR3/4					No No No	MSL - M25 16 SCL - Sam10 LMS - Lo5 MS - Mem5	3	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ Moderate) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ floor)				NON - Non-calcare:11 NON - Non-calcare:11 NON - Non-calcare:11	No No No	-16 3a	WC I 1	Droughness	3a			
42	SK 23800 17900	423800	317900	71	57	W	LEY	0 35 35 35 45 10 45 120 75	7.5YR4/3 2.5Y5/2 5YR5/4	CP - G.10YR5/6 CP - G.2.5Y6/2				Yes Yes	HCL - Ch5 HCL - Ch5 C - Clay 0		HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ Moderate) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ floor)				NON - Non-calcare:26 NON - Non-calcare:26 NON - Non-calcare:26	No Yes Yes	2 2	WC IV 3b	Witness	3b			
43	SK 23900 17900	423900	317900	79	57	W	LEY	0 35 35 35 120 85	7.5YR3/3 5YR5/3	CP - G.2.5Y6/2				Yes	C - Clay 5 C - Clay 0		HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ floor)				NON - Non-calcare:20 NON - Non-calcare:20	Yes	6 2	WC IV 3b	Witness	3b			
44	SK 24000 17900	424000	317900	80	57	W	LEY	0 35 35 35 45 10 45 120 75	7.5YR3/2 7.5YR3/3 5YR5/3	MP - A.2.5YR5/6 MD - 12.5Y6/2				Yes Yes	SCL - Sam5 C - Clay 3 C - Clay 0		HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ Moderate) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ floor)				NON - Non-calcare:22 NON - Non-calcare:22 NON - Non-calcare:22	No Yes	8 2	WC III 3a	Witness	3a			
45	SK 24100 17900	424100	317900	80	57	W	LEY	0 36 36 36 50 14 50 70 20	10YR4/2 10YR4/4				No	MSL - M25 16 MSL - M25 MSL - M50	6	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ Moderate) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ floor)				NON - Non-calcare:31 NON - Non-calcare:31 NON - Non-calcare:31	No No	-17 3b	WC I 1	Droughness	3b				
46	SK 24200 17900	424200	317900	78	57	W	LEY	0 38 38 38 60 22 60 70 10 60 100 10 90 120 30	7.5YR3/2 7.5YR4/3 7.5YR5/4 7.5YR6/4 5YR5/3				No No No Yes	SCL - Sam20 12 SCL - Sam15 LMS - Lo15 MS - Mem10 SCL - Sam10	6	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ Moderate) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ floor) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ floor)				NON - Non-calcare:10 NON - Non-calcare:10 NON - Non-calcare:10 NON - Non-calcare:10	No Yes No No	-9 2	WC I 1	Droughness	2				
47	SK 23900 17800	423900	317800	79	57	W	LEY	0 38 38 38 55 17 55 120 65	7.5YR3/3 10YR5/3 5YR5/3	CD - C.10YR5/6 CD - C.2.5Y6/2				Yes Yes	HCL - Ch5 C - Clay 5 C - Clay 0		HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ Moderate) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ floor)				NON - Non-calcare:28 NON - Non-calcare:28 NON - Non-calcare:28	No Yes	15 2	WC III 3b	Witness	3b			
48	SK 24000 17800	424000	317800	80	57	W	LEY	0 35 35 35 60 25 60 120 60	7.5YR3/3 10YR5/3 5YR4/4	CD - C.10YR5/6			Yes No	SCL - Sam8 LMS - Lo5 SCL - Sam5		HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ Moderate) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ floor)				NON - Non-calcare:22 NON - Non-calcare:22 NON - Non-calcare:22	No No	-9 2	WC I 1	Droughness	2				
49	SK 24100 17800	424100	317800	80	57	W	LEY	0 35 35 35 50 15 50 60 10 60 120 60	7.5YR3/3 7.5YR4/3 7.5YR6/3 5YR5/3	CD - C.7.5YR5/6 CD - C.2.5Y6/2			No Yes Yes	SCL - Sam10 SCL - Sam5 SCL - Sam10 C - Clay 0		HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ Moderate) HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched w/ floor)				NON - Non-calcare:21 NON - Non-calcare:21 NON - Non-calcare:21 NON - Non-calcare:21	No No Yes	6 2	WC II 2	Droughness Witness	2				

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Point	Grid ref.		Alt (m)	Slope °	Aspect	Land use	Depth (cm)		Marls		Ochreous Mottles		Clay Stripes		Gley	Texture	Stones - type 1	Stones - type 2	Psd	SUBS STR	CaCO3	Min C	SP1	Drought	WC	Wht	Final ALC		
	NGR	X					Y	Top	Bottom	Form	Munsell colour	Form	Munsell colour	Form													Munsell colour	Limitation 1	Limitation 2
13	SK 23700 18200	423700	318200	57	W		0 24 24	10YR4/2		CP - G7.5YR4/6					HCL-Ch0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	NON - Non-calcareous	126	-2	2	WC IV 3b		Wetness		3b
14	SK 23600 18200	423600	318200	54	W		0 35 35	7.5YR4/2						HCL-Ch5	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	NON - Non-calcareous	133	6	2	WC III 3b		Wetness		3b	
15	SK 23900 18200	423900	318200	80	W		0 32 32	5YR4/2		CD - C2.5Y6/2				HCL-Ch10	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	NON - Non-calcareous	125	-3	2	WC IV 3b		Wetness		3b	
16	SK 23600 18200	423600	318200	59	W		0 25 25	10YR4/2		CD - C10Y6/6				C-Clay 0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	NON - Non-calcareous	143	40	1	WC IV 3b		Wetness		3b	
17	SK 23700 18200	423700	318200	59	W		0 50 50	10YR4/3		CP - G7.5Y6/6				HCL-Ch0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	NON - Non-calcareous	139	11	1	WC II 3a		Wetness		3a	
18	SK 23600 18200	423600	318200	64	W		0 32 32	7.5YR4/2		CD - C2.5Y6/2				HCL-Ch15	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	NON - Non-calcareous	122	-6	2	WC IV 3b		Wetness		3b	
19	SK 23900 18200	423900	318200	80	W		0 35 35	7.5YR4/2						HCL-Ch10	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	NON - Non-calcareous	126	0	2	WC I 1		Droughtiness		2	
20	SK 23600 18100	423600	318100	61	W		0 35 35	10YR4/2						C-Clay 5	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	NON - Non-calcareous	97	-5	2	WC IV 3b		Wetness		3b	
21	SK 23700 18100	423700	318100	61	W		0 32 32	10YR4/2		CP - G7.5Y6/6				HCL-Ch0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	NON - Non-calcareous	130	2	2	WC IV 3b		Wetness		3b	
22	SK 23500 18000	423500	318000	62	W		0 28 28	10YR4/2		CP - G7.5YR4/6				C-Clay 0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	NON - Non-calcareous	125	-3	2	WC IV 3b		Wetness		3b	
23	SK 23600 18000	423600	318000	61	W		0 27 27	10YR4/2		CP - G7.5Y6/6				C-Clay 0	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	NON - Non-calcareous	125	-3	2	WC IV 3b		Wetness		3b	
24	SK 23700 18000	423700	318000	61	W		0 34 34	7.5YR4/3		CP - G7.5Y6/6				C-Clay 5	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)	NON - Non-calcareous	124	-4	2	WC IV 3b		Wetness		3b	

Point	NGR	Grid ref		Alt (m)	Slope <sup>a</sup>	Aspect	Land use	Depth (cm)		Matrix		Ochreous Mottles		Grey Mottles		Clay	Texture	Stones - Type 1		Stones - Type 2		Ped		SUBS STR	CaCO <sub>3</sub> Min C SP <sup>b</sup>	Drought MBW /MBP /Gd	Wet		Final ALC	
		Top	Bottom					Thick	Munsell colour	Form	Munsell colour	Form	Munsell colour	%	> 2cm			> 6cm	Type	%	> 2cm	> 6cm	Type				Strength	Size	Shape	WC
25	SK 23500 17900	423500	317900	63	S7	W		0 28 28 10YR4/2		10YR5/2	MP - K7.5YR5/6						C - Clay 0		HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)								WC IV 3b	Witness		3b
26	SK 23600 17900	423600	317900	66	S7	W		0 30 30 7.5YR3/3		2.5Y6/2	CP - C1.0YR5/6						C - Clay 8 C - Clay 5		HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)								WC IV 3b	Witness		3b
27	SK 23700 17900	423700	317900	66	S7	W		0 35 35 7.5YR4/3		10YR5/3	CD - C1.0YR5/6						HCL - Clay 10 HCL - Clay 10 C - Clay 10		HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger)								WC II 3a	Witness		3a

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Mottle form	Ped. Shape	Ped. Size
FF - Few Faint	SG - Single grain	VF - Very Fine
FD - Few Distinct	GRA - Granular	F - Fine
FP - Few Prominent	SAB - Subangular Blocky	M - Medium
CF - Common Faint	AB - Angular Blocky	C - Coarse
CD - Common Distinct	PRIS - Prismatic	VC - Very Coarse
CP - Common Prominent	PLAT - Platy	NA - N/A
MF - Many Faint	MASS - Massive	Degree of Ped. Development
MD - Many Distinct	NA - N/A	W - Weak
MP - Many Prominent	Subsoil Structure Condition	M - Moderate
VF - Very many Faint	Not Applicable	S - Strong
VD - Very many Distinct	Good	NA - Not applicable
VP - Very many Prominent	Moderate	
	Poor	
Texture	Soil or Ped. Strength	Wetness Class
C - Clay	Loose	WC I
CHK - Chalk	Very friable	WC II
CS - Coarse Sand	Friable	WC III
CSL - Coarse sandy loam	Firm	WC IV
CSZL - Coarse sandy silt loam	Very firm	WC V
FP - Fibrous and semifibrous peats	Extremely firm	WC VI
FS - Fine Sand	Extremely hard	ALC Grades
FSL - Fine sandy loam	N/A	1
FSZL - Fine sandy silt loam		2
HCL - Clay loam (heavy)		3a
HP - Humified peats		3b
HZCL - Silty clay loam (heavy)	Calcareousness	4
IMP - Impenetrable to roots	NON - Non-calcareous (<0.5% CaCO3)	5
LCS - Loamy Coarse Sand	VSC - Very slightly calcareous (0.5 - 1% CaCO3)	Non-Ag
LFS - Loamy fine sand	SC - Slightly calcareous (1 - 5% CaCO3)	
LMS - Loamy medium sand	MC - Moderately calcareous (5 - 10% CaCO3)	
LP - Loamy peats	VC - Very calcareous (>10% CaCO3)	
MCL - Clay loam (medium)		None
MS - Medium Sand		Gley
MSL - Medium sandy loam		N/A
MSZL - Medium sandy silt loam		
MZ - Marine Light Silts		
MZCL - Silty clay loam (medium)		
OC - Organic clays		
OL - Organic loams		
OS - Organic sands		
PL - Peaty loams		
PS - Peaty sands		
SC - Sandy clay		
SCL - Sandy clay loam		
SP - Sandy peats		
ZC - Silty clay		
ZL - Silt loam		
Stone Type		
CH - Chalk or chalk stones		
FSST - Soft fine grained sandstones		
GH - Gravel with non-porous (hard) stones		
GS - Gravel with porous stones (mainly soft stone types listed above)		
HR - All hard rocks or stones (i.e. those which cannot be scratched with a finger nail)		
MSST - Soft, medium or coarse grained sandstones		
SI - Soft 'weathered' igneous or metamorphic rocks or stones		
SLST - Soft oolitic or dolomitic limestones		
ZR - Soft, argillaceous or silty rocks or stones		

**Appendix KCC2**  
**2024 Soil Profile Logs**



**Appendix KCC3**  
**2021 Description of Soil Pit**



Project	Location	Date	Surveyor(s)	Company
C783	KCC3018 Oaklands Solar Farm, Walton on Trent, Staffordshire	14-Apr-21	AR	Askew Land and Soil

Pit	WC	Grade	Limitation(s)	Notes
1	IV	3b	Wetness	

Grid Ref.			Altitude	Nearest point	Topography			Flora					Weather and conditions				
Square	East	North			Gradient	Aspect	Slope form	Surface	Cultivation type		Vegetation types			Temp	Sky	Wind	Precipitation
SK	237	183	59	AB13	<7°	West	Straight							Mild	Cloudy	Slight	Dry

Horizon	Depth		Matrix			Gleying			Mottles			Stone content				Calc.	Mn	C	Ped/soil structure				Horizon boundary		Biopores 0.5mm	SPL
	Top	Btm	Texture	Colour	Munsell	Gley	Colour	Munsell	Form	Colour	Munsell	%	H	Type	S				Type	Dev.	Size	Structure	Strength	Distinct		
1	0	24	Heavy Clay Loam	Dark Greyish Brown	10YR4/2						0					Non	No	Mod	Fine	Subangular Blocky	Firm	Clear	Smooth	>0.5%	No	
2	24	120	Clay	Greyish Brown	2.5Y5/2	Yes	Greyish Bro	2.5Y5/2	CP	Strong Brown	7.5YR4/6	0				Non	No	Poor	coarse	Angular	Firm	n/a	n/a	<0.5%	Yes	

Pit	WC	Grade	Limitation(s)	Notes

Grid Ref.			Altitude	Nearest point	Topography			Flora					Weather and conditions				
Square	East	North			Gradient	Aspect	Slope form	Surface	Cultivation type		Vegetation types			Temp	Sky	Wind	Precipitation

Horizon	Depth		Matrix			Gleying			Mottles			Stone content				Calc.	Mn	C	Ped/soil structure				Horizon boundary		Biopores	SPL
	Top	Btm	Texture	Colour	Munsell	Gley	Colour	Munsell	Form	Colour	Munsell	%	H	Type	S				Type	Dev.	Size	Structure	Strength	Distinct		

**Appendix KCC4**  
**2024 Description of Soil Pit**

<b>Soil Survey</b>				Surveyor	AR
Easting (X)	423476	Northing (Y)	317764	Alt (m)	63
Land Use	PGR	Reference	9 (Pit 1)	Slope °	≤7
Bedrock	Edwalton Member - Sandstone	Superficial	Glaciofluvial Deposits	Aspect	Level
				Grid Reference	SK 23476 17764
				Date	15/08/2024

Layer	Topsoil	2	3	4	5	6	7
Lower Depth (cm)	25	120					
Texture	HCL - Clay loam	C - Clay					
Matrix Colour	10YR4/2	2.5Y6/1					
Gley (Y/N)	Yes	Yes					
Ochreous Mottles	Form	CP - Common Pr	MP - Many Prominent				
	Munsell Colour	7.5YR4/6	7.5YR5/8				
Grey Mottles	Form						
	Munsell Colour						
Manganese (Y/N)		No					
% Stones (type 1)	0	0					
Stones > 2cm							
Stones > 6cm							
Stone Type							
% Stones (type 2)							
Stones > 2cm							
Stones > 6cm							
Stone Type							
CaCO3	NON - Non-calca	NON - Non-calcareous (<0.5% CaCO3)					
Shape of Peds.	AB - Angular Blo	PRIS - Prismatic					
Size of Peds.	M - Medium	C - Coarse					
Subsoil Structure	Not Applicable	Poor					
Soil or Ped. Strength	Firm	Very firm					
Degree of Ped. Development	M - Moderate	W - Weak					
Slowly Permeable Layer (Y/N)	No	Yes					

MDw	MDp	FCD
104	95	140

Wetness	Class (WC)	WC IV
	Grade (WE)	3b

Notes	Calculated Moisture Balance (MB): Wheat = 22mm; Potatoes = 8mm (Grade according to droughtiness = Grade 2)
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**Appendix KCC5**  
**Laboratory Analysis**



**TEST REPORT**  
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Contract	KCC3018_Oaklands Cable Route	
Serial No.	45579_1A	
Client:	<p>Kernon Countryside Consultants Limited Greenacres Barn, Stoke Common Lane, Purton Stoke, Swindon SN5 4LL</p>	<p><b><i>Soil Property Testing Ltd</i></b></p> <p>15, 16, 18 Halcyon Court, St Margaret's Way, Stukeley Meadows, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, PE29 6DG</p> <p>Tel: 01480 455579 Email: <a href="mailto:enquiries@soilpropertytesting.com">enquiries@soilpropertytesting.com</a> Website: <a href="http://www.soilpropertytesting.com">www.soilpropertytesting.com</a></p>
Samples Submitted By:	<p>Kernon Countryside Consultants Limited</p>	Approved Signatories:
Samples Labelled:	<p>KCC3018_Oaklands Cable Route</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J.C. Garner B.Eng (Hons) FGS Technical Director &amp; Quality Manager</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> W. Johnstone Materials Lab Manager</p> <div style="background-color: black; width: 100px; height: 20px; margin-left: 100px;"></div>
Date Received:	21/08/2024	Samples Tested Between: 21/08/2024 and 28/08/2024
Remarks:	<p>For the attention of Sarah Kernon Your Reference No: KCC3018</p> <p>This is an amended Test Report for 45579_1 dated 28/08/2024 and includes the percentages of clay and silt fraction which were omitted from the original report</p>	
Notes:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1 All remaining samples or remnants from this contract will be disposed of after 21 days from today, unless we are notified to the contrary.</li><li>2 Opinions and interpretations expressed herein are outside the scope of UKAS accreditation.</li><li>3 Tests marked "NOT UKAS ACCREDITED" in this test report are not included in the UKAS Accreditation Schedule for this testing laboratory.</li><li>4 This test report may not be reproduced other than in full except with the prior written approval of the issuing laboratory.</li><li>5 The results within this report only relate to the items tested or sampled.</li></ol>	



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Contract		KCC3018_Oaklands Cable Route																		
Serial No.		45579_1A					Target Date		05/09/2024											
Scheduled By		Kernon Countryside Consultants Limited																		
Schedule Remarks																				
Bore Hole No.	Type	Sample Ref.	Top Depth	Particle Size Distribution (BS1377)								Sample Remarks								
KCC3018_AB3	D	1	0.00	1																
Totals				1																End of Schedule



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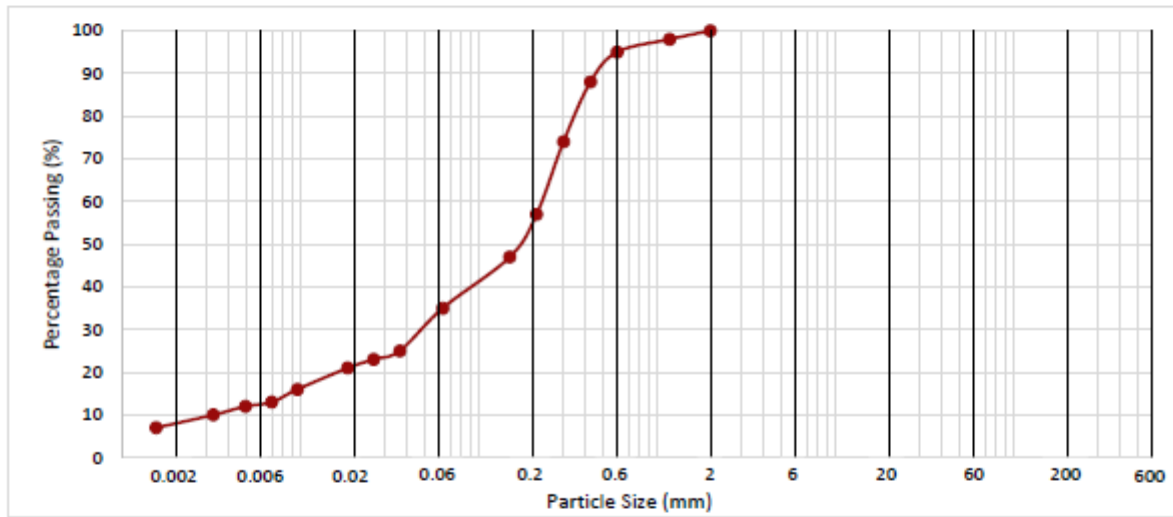


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### DETERMINATION OF PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION

Borehole / Pit No.	Depth (m)	Sample		Description	Remarks
		Type	Reference		
KCC3018_AB3	0.00 - 0.25	D	1	Dark brown slightly gravelly clayey very silty SAND/sandy SILT with frequent recently active roots. Gravel is fine and medium subangular and subrounded quartzite	Material greater than 2mm removed before test

Method of Test: **Hydrometer + Pre-sieve**      Method of Pretreatment: **Not required**



CLAY	Fine	Medium	Coarse	Fine	Medium	Coarse	Fine	Medium	Coarse	COBBLES	BOULDERS
	SILT			SAND			GRAVEL				

Hydrometer	Particle Size (mm)	Passing (%)	Silt by Dry Mass (%)
	0.0362	25	27
	0.0258	23	
	0.0185	21	
	0.0097	16	Clay by Dry Mass (%)
	0.0069	13	
	0.0049	12	
	0.0033	10	8
	0.0016	7	

Sieve Size (mm)	Passing (%)	Sand By Dry Mass (%)
2.00	100	65
1.18	98	
0.600	95	
0.425	88	
0.300	74	
0.212	57	
0.150	47	
0.063	35	

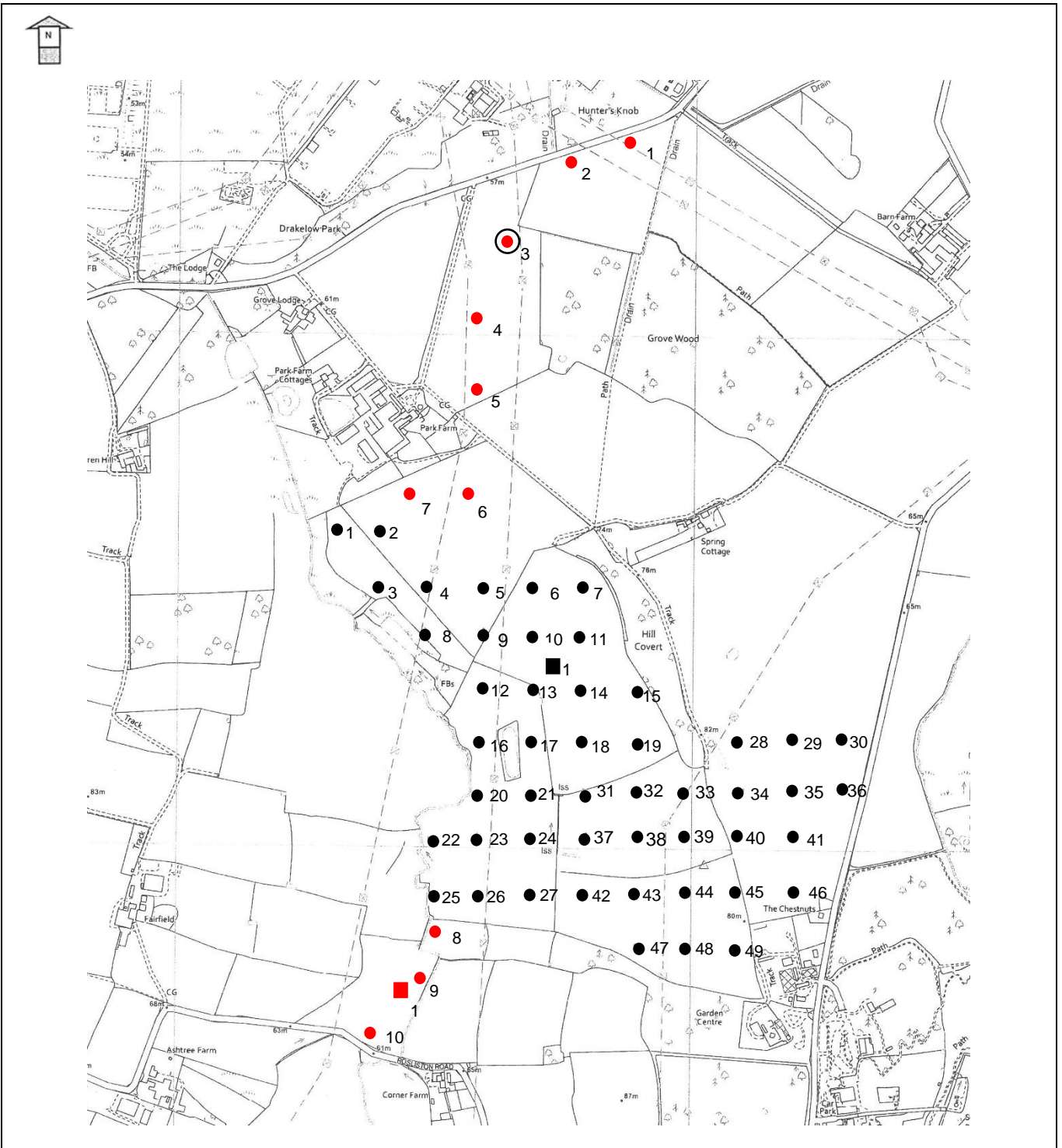
Sieve Size (mm)	Passing (%)	2mm+ By Dry Mass (%)
300		0
125		
90		
63		
50		
37.5		
28		
20		
14		
10		
6.3		
5		

Fines By Dry Mass (%)	
<0.063mm	35

Method of Preparation: BS1377: Part 1: 2016: 8.3 & 8.4.5  
 Method of test: BS1377: Part 2: 1990: 9.2,9.5  
 Type of Sample Key: U=Undisturbed, B=Bulk, D=Disturbed, J=Jar, W=Water, SPT=Split Spoon Sample, C=Core Cutter  
 Comments:

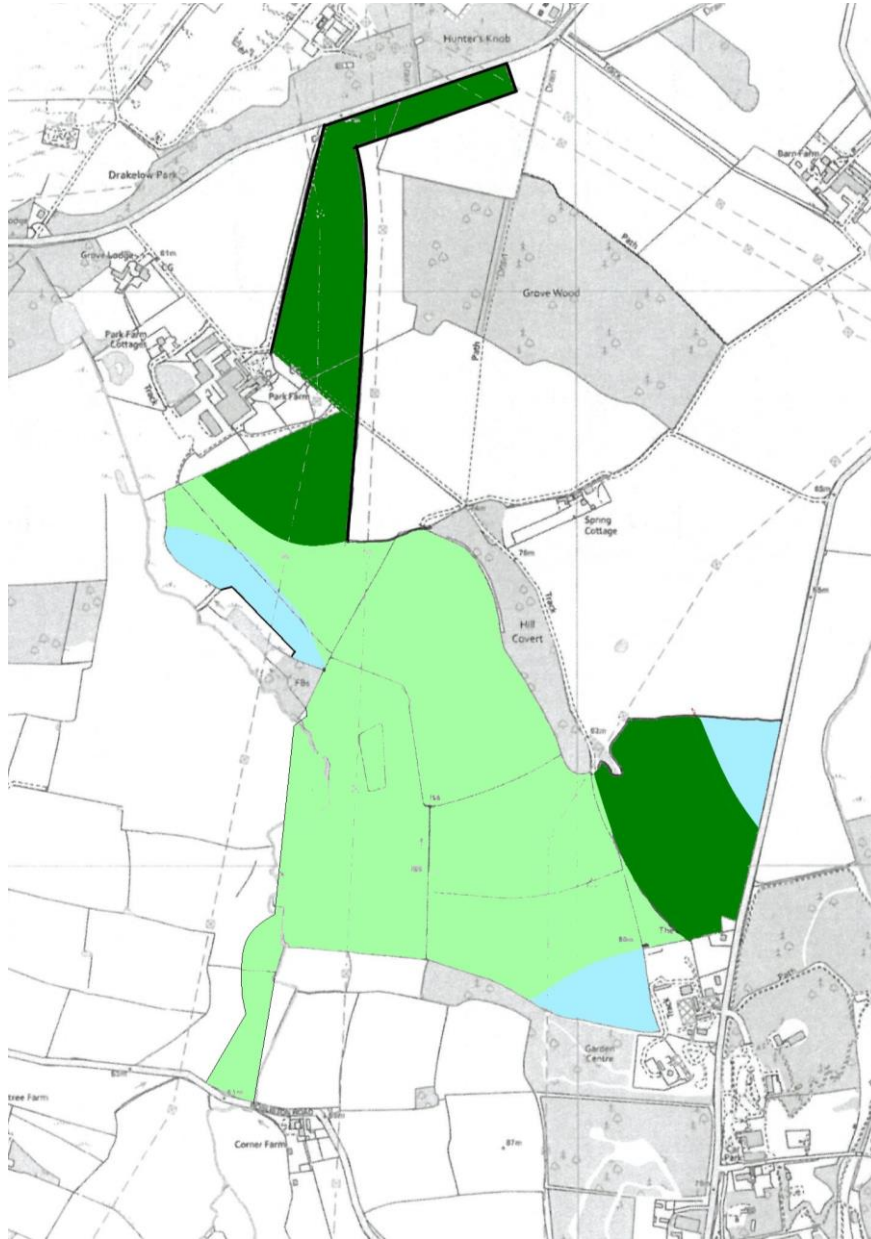
**Plan KCC3018/01B**  
**Auger Point Plan**














<b>KEY</b>  ● Auger sample location ■ Soil pit ○ Soil Sample  ● 2024 Survey Samples	<b>PLAN</b>		<b>KCC3018/01B</b>		
	<b>TITLE</b>		<b>Auger Points Plan</b>		
	<b>SITE</b>		<b>Oaklands Solar Farm (Park Farm)</b>		
	<b>CLIENT</b>		<b>BayWa.r.e. UK Limited</b>		
	<b>NUMBER</b>		<b>KCC3018/01B 04/24hr</b>		
	<b>DATE</b>		<b>August 2024</b>	<b>SCALE</b>	<b>NTS</b>
	<b>KERNON COUNTRYSIDE CONSULTANTS LTD</b> <b>GREENACRES BARN, PURTON STOKE, SWINDON,</b> <b>WILTSHIRE SN5 4LL</b> Tel 01793 771 333 Email: info@kernon.co.uk This plan is reproduced from the Ordnance Survey under copyright license 100015226				

**Plan KCC3018/03**  
**Agricultural Land Classification Plan**



KEY	Ha	%	PLAN	KCC3018/03		
	Grade 1		<b>TITLE</b>	Agricultural Land Classification		
	Grade 2	4.5	8	<b>SITE</b>	Oakland Solar Farm (Park Farm)	
	Grade 3a	15.4	26	<b>CLIENT</b>	BayWa.r.e. UK Limited	
	Grade 3b	38.5	66	<b>NUMBER</b>	KCC3018/03 08/24hr	
	Grade 4			<b>DATE</b>	August 2024	<b>SCALE</b> NTS
	Grade 5			<b>KERNON COUNTRYSIDE CONSULTANTS LTD</b> <b>GREENACRES BARN, PURTON STOKE, SWINDON,</b> <b>WILTSHIRE, SN5 4LL</b> Tel 01793 771 333 Email: info@kernon.co.uk This plan is reproduced from the Ordnance Survey under copyright license 100015226		
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	Urban					
	Not surveyed					



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