

While the Woodland Trust has not registered to become an interested party on the proposed scheme, we do hope you are able to take the following comments into consideration.

There are three veteran oak trees across the proposed site which may be subject to root encroachment and impact unless suitable mitigation is provided. Please see the trees in question below, and our suggestions for their protection:

The veteran buffer zones of P-T010 and M-T061 will be partially located within the proposed solar farm area; it is therefore imperative that these buffer zones remain free of development to ensure the long-term vitality of the veteran specimens.

P-T031 will be subject to potential root encroachment from the siting of the internal access track. The applicants should look to re-locate the access track entirely from the veteran buffer zone or confirm that any works proposed will be undertaken to no-dig specifications as outlined in the BS:5837:2012.

We hope our comments are of use to you.