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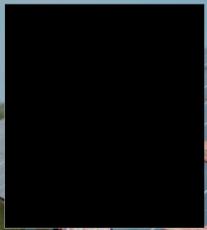
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# Appendix 5.14 Exhibition boards

## Welcome

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Thank you for attending our consultation event



We want to get your views on our proposals, so please read the information on display and feel free to speak to a member of the project team.

Our vision for Byers Gill Solar is to generate enough electricity to power over 70,000 homes, and deliver a range of local benefits such as biodiversity net gain and an improved walking and cycling network.

We have set out these key principles to guide Byers Gill Solar:

- the scheme minimises effects on local landscape character;
- a minimum of **50% biodiversity net gain** is achieved;
- local history and heritage is protected and celebrated;
- solar panels are sited to minimise visibility from public rights of way, roads and homes;

- the layout respects the existing field, ditch and hedgerow patterns;
- **access to the countryside is maintained** and improved; and,
- **existing natural features are retained** and protected, and where possible, enhanced



# Byers Gill Solar

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## About JBM Solar

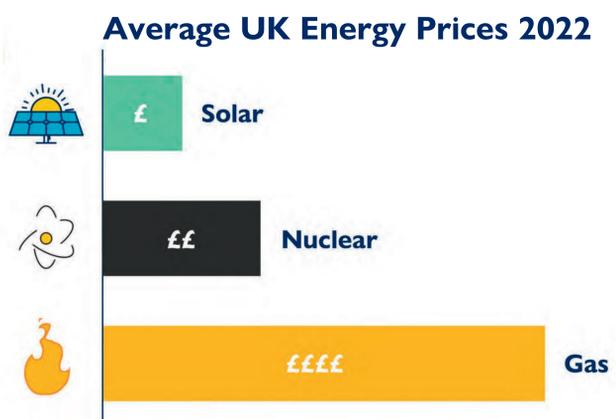
We are at the heart of the UK's renewables revolution, helping to realise our collective goal of net zero emissions through the deployment of solar energy.

Since 2012, our team has secured planning permission to provide energy to over 265,000 homes.



We remain committed to using the lessons we have learned in this time to continue delivering large-scale solar farms with co-located battery storage and biodiversity net gains on every project.

We work closely with local people to shape the future of our projects and to ensure the benefits of solar energy developments are realised in a way that positively impacts local people, through community benefit funds and significant investment in green infrastructure.



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## Our Proposals

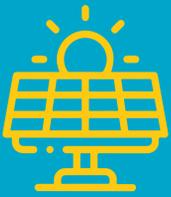
### Site Location



Byers Gill Solar consists of a solar farm capable of generating **180MW of electricity**, enough to **power over 70,000 homes**. Located across neighbouring sites between Darlington, Stockton-on-Tees and Durham.



### The proposals include

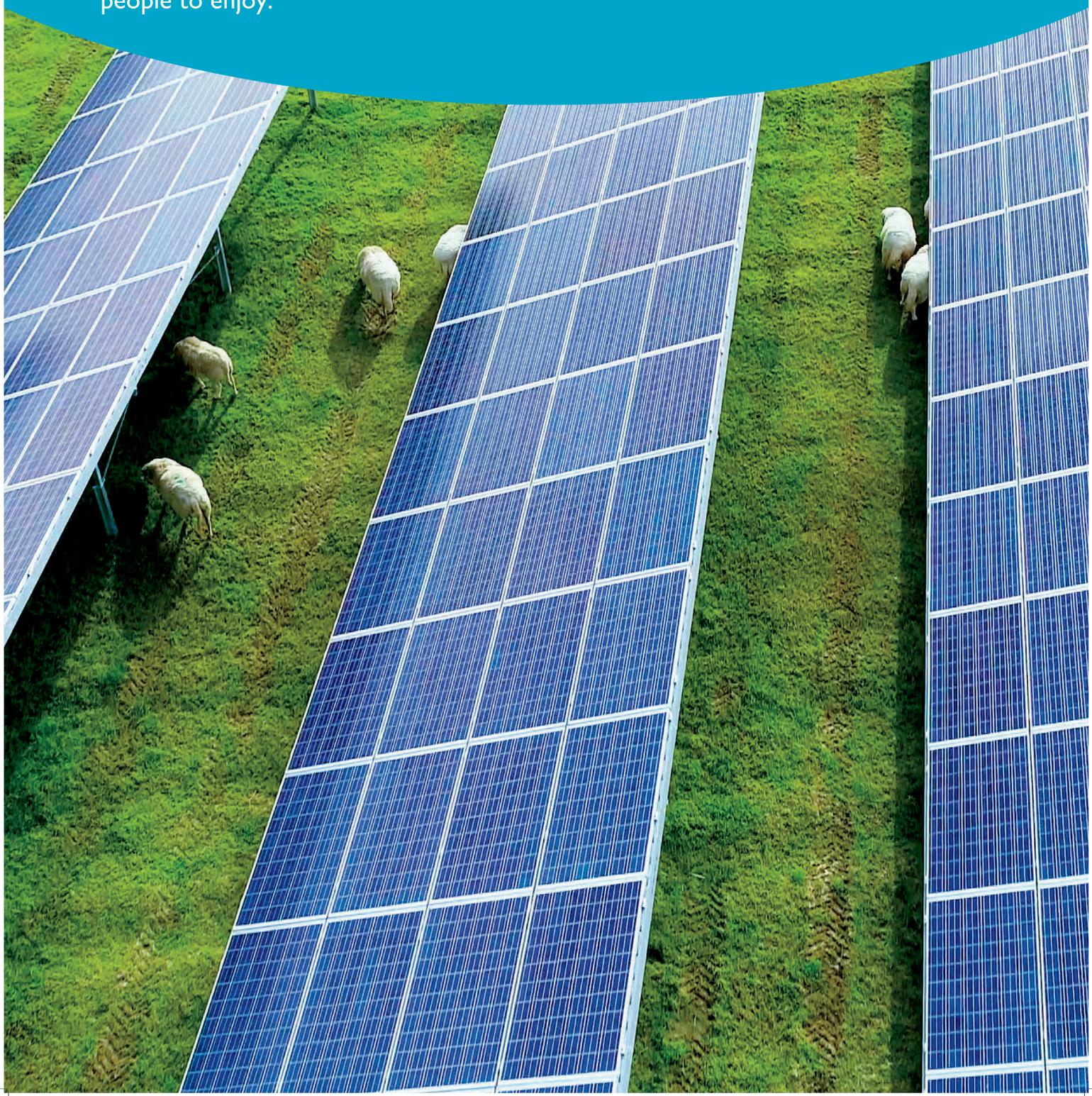


- Six Panel Areas;
- Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS);
- An on-site substation;



- Up to 31km of underground cabling, to connect to the Panel Areas to Norton Substation; and
- A range of supporting infrastructure, including inverters, storage containers and security measures.

Other key features of the scheme are **mitigation and enhancement measures** for the natural environment. These measures would ensure any negative impact on existing habitats and biodiversity is limited, with improvements provided to help nature thrive on the site. **Public rights of way** would also be improved, with new connections creating more off-road routes for local people to enjoy.



## Panel Areas A and B



### Panel Area A - Brafferton

**Panel Area A** – located in Brafferton parish, east of Brafferton village.

- Legend**
- Site Area
  - Access Tracks
  - Concept Masterplan Proposals**
  - PV Areas
  - Fence
  - Proposed Planting and Seeding Mitigation
  - 🌳 Proposed Tree Planting
  - Proposed Biodiversity Enhancement/ Wildflower Meadow
  - 🌿 Proposed Hedgerow Enhancements
  - 🐦 Bird Habitat
  - Existing Pond to be Enhanced
  - 🌊 Surface Water Feature Enhanced
  - 🏠 Bird Nesting Box
  - 📖 Education/Interpretation
  - Proposed Access Amendments**
  - Proposed Re-route
  - 🌿 Biodiversity enhancement area
  - 🌿 Hedgerow enhancements
  - 🔋 Battery Energy Storage Systems
  - 🌳 New permissive path creating circular routes
  - 🌳 New tree planting for landscape and ecological mitigation



### Panel Area B - Hauxley Farm

**Panel Area B** – located in Great Stainton Parish, East of Brafferton village

- Legend**
- Site Area
  - Existing Public Right of Way
  - Access Tracks
  - Concept Masterplan Proposals**
  - PV Areas
  - Fence
  - Proposed Planting and Seeding Mitigation
  - 🌳 Proposed Tree Planting
  - 🌿 Proposed Hedgerow Enhancements
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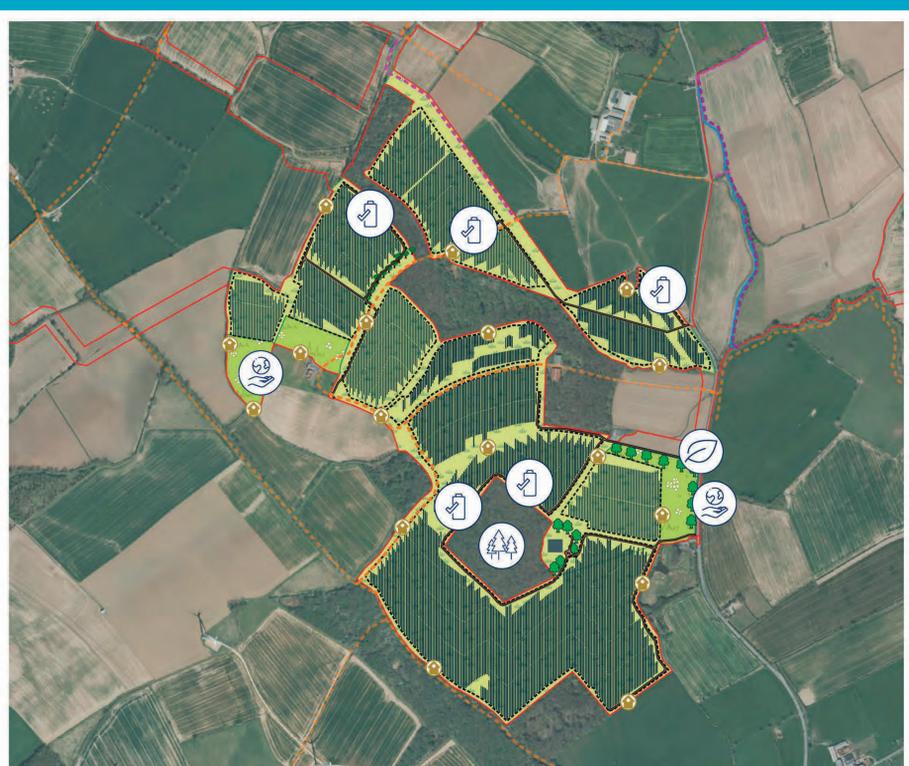
## Panel Areas C and D



### Panel Area C - Byers Gill Wood

**Panel Area C** – located either side of Little Stainton and Great Stainton

- Legend**
- Site Area
  - Access Tracks
- Concept Masterplan Proposals**
- PV Areas
  - Fence
  - Proposed Planting and Seeding Mitigation
    - Proposed Tree Planting
    - Proposed Biodiversity Enhancement/ Wildflower Meadow
    - Proposed Hedgerow Enhancements
  - Bird Nesting Box
- Proposed Access Amendments**
- Proposed Permissive Route
  - Proposed Re-route
- Other Features**
- Biodiversity enhancement area
  - Battery Energy Storage Systems
  - New permissive path creating circular routes
  - New tree planting for landscape and ecological mitigation
  - Screening planting to minimise visual impact
  - Retention and protection of Square Wood



### Panel Area D - Great Stainton

**Panel Area D** – located either side of Little Stainton and Great Stainton

- Legend**
- Site Area
  - Access Tracks
- Concept Masterplan Proposals**
- PV Areas
  - Fence
  - Proposed Planting and Seeding Mitigation
    - Proposed Biodiversity Enhancement/ Wildflower Meadow
    - Proposed Hedgerow Enhancements
  - Bird Habitat
  - Surface Water Feature Enhanced
  - Bird Nesting Box
  - Retained Agricultural Land
- Proposed Access Amendments**
- Proposed Permissive Route
  - Proposed Re-route
- Other Features**
- Land retained for agricultural
  - Biodiversity enhancement area
  - Battery Energy Storage Systems
  - Rerouted PRoW to improve connectivity



## Panel Areas E and F



### Panel Area E - West of Bishopton

**Panel Area E** – located to the south-west of Bishopton, within Bishopton Parish

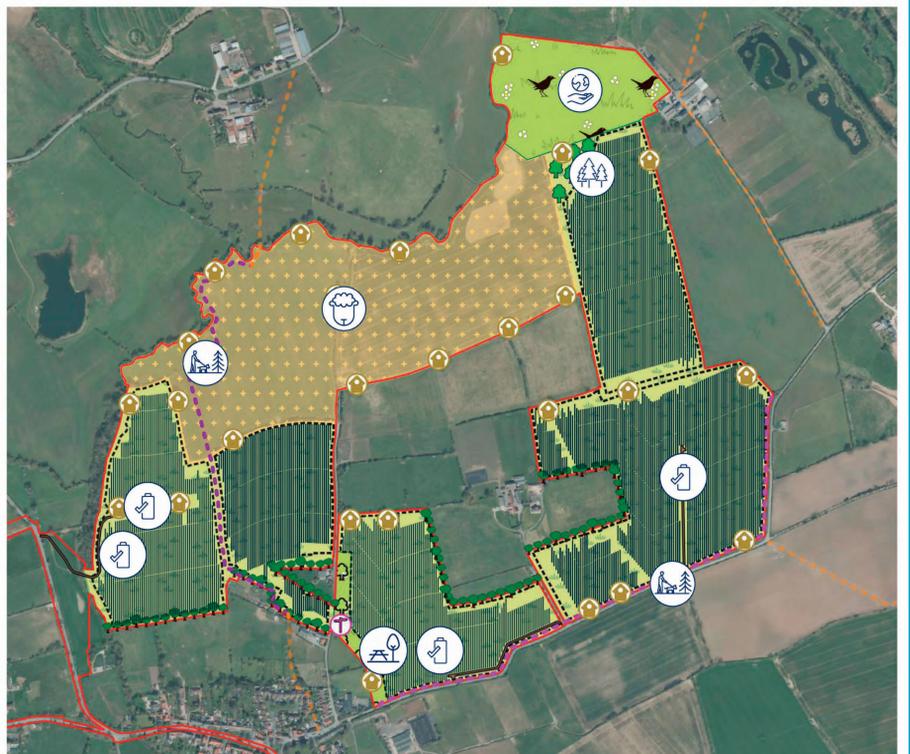
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  - 🌿 Proposed Hedgerow Enhancements
  - Proposed Amenity Recreation Areas
  - Bird Nesting Box
  - Education/Interpretation
  - Proposed Access Amendments**
  - Proposed Permissive Route
  - Proposed Re-route
  - New picnic recreation area with views over Castle Hill
  - Interpretation boards and Public art feature celebrating the previous WW1 Airfield
  - Biodiversity enhancement area
  - Battery Energy Storage Systems
  - Redirected footpath to improve connectivity



### Panel Area F - North of Bishopton

**Panel Area F** – located to the north-east of Bishopton, within Bishopton Parish

- Legend**
- Site Area
  - Existing Public Right of Way
  - Access Tracks
  - Concept Masterplan Proposals**
  - PV Areas
  - Fence
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  - 🌳 Proposed Tree Planting
  - Proposed Biodiversity Enhancement/ Wildflower Meadow
  - 🌿 Proposed Hedgerow Enhancements
  - Bird Habitat
  - Orchard
  - Retained Agricultural Land
  - Education/Interpretation
  - Proposed Access Amendments**
  - Proposed Permissive Route
  - Proposed Re-route
  - Biodiversity enhancement area for bird species
  - Land retained for agricultural
  - Woodland planting
  - New and realigned walking routes
  - Battery Energy Storage Systems
  - New recreation area and community orchard



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## Environmental Assessments

### Our work so far

Due to the scale of Byers Gill Solar and the type of consent we need, we are required to **carry out an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)** to inform our proposals. The process aims to **identify any potential effects** – positive and negative - that our proposals will have on the local communities and environment during construction, operation and decommissioning of the solar farm.

The Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) that we have provided as part of this consultation details the extensive surveys and assessments carried out to date on specific topics and provides an outline of how **we plan to mitigate and reduce any perceived impacts**.

The table below provides a summary of what topics have been assessed, and where further information can be found.

### Preliminary Environmental Assessments

TOPIC	WHAT WE'RE ASSESSING	FURTHER INFORMATION
Climate Change	Greenhouse gas emissions and the resilience of the scheme against any major climate events	PEIR Chapter 5
Biodiversity	National and local ecological networks, including on habitats for species such as wintering waterfowl, bats and barn owls	PEIR Chapter 6
Landscape and Visual	Character and views of the local landscape and people's enjoyment of it	PEIR Chapter 7
Cultural Heritage and Archaeology	Historical assets such as scheduled monuments, listed buildings and conservation areas	PEIR Chapter 8
Land use and socioeconomics	Agricultural land, the local economy, public rights of way and any land allocated for future development	PEIR Chapter 9
Hydrology and Flood Risk	Surface water, groundwater, flood risk and drainage	PEIR Chapter 10
Noise and Vibration	Noise impacts during construction, operation and decommissioning at noise-sensitive locations near Byers Gill Solar	PEIR Chapter 11
Traffic and Transport	Local traffic and transport during the construction and decommissioning of Byers Gill Solar	PEIR Chapter 12



## Community Benefits

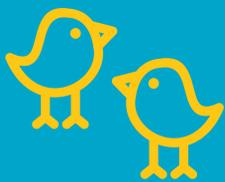
In addition to helping the UK meet its net zero targets and support in the provision of new renewable energy regeneration, Byers Gill Solar will also bring a range of localised benefits, detailed below.

We would like to hear your views on how our proposals could benefit the local area.



The displacement of over **4,220,000 tonne** of **CO2** from equivalent fossil fuel energy, which equates to taking **c. 101,000 cars** off the road for a year

Genuine benefits for local residents, including a **£600,000 community benefit fund**



**Biodiversity net gain** will be delivered across the project. We will provide **ecological benefits** through new habitats, such as wildflower meadows, grassland areas, and a **dedicated area for ground nesting birds**

**£27 million** generated in business rates over the lifetime of the project, alongside **approximately 200 jobs** during construction



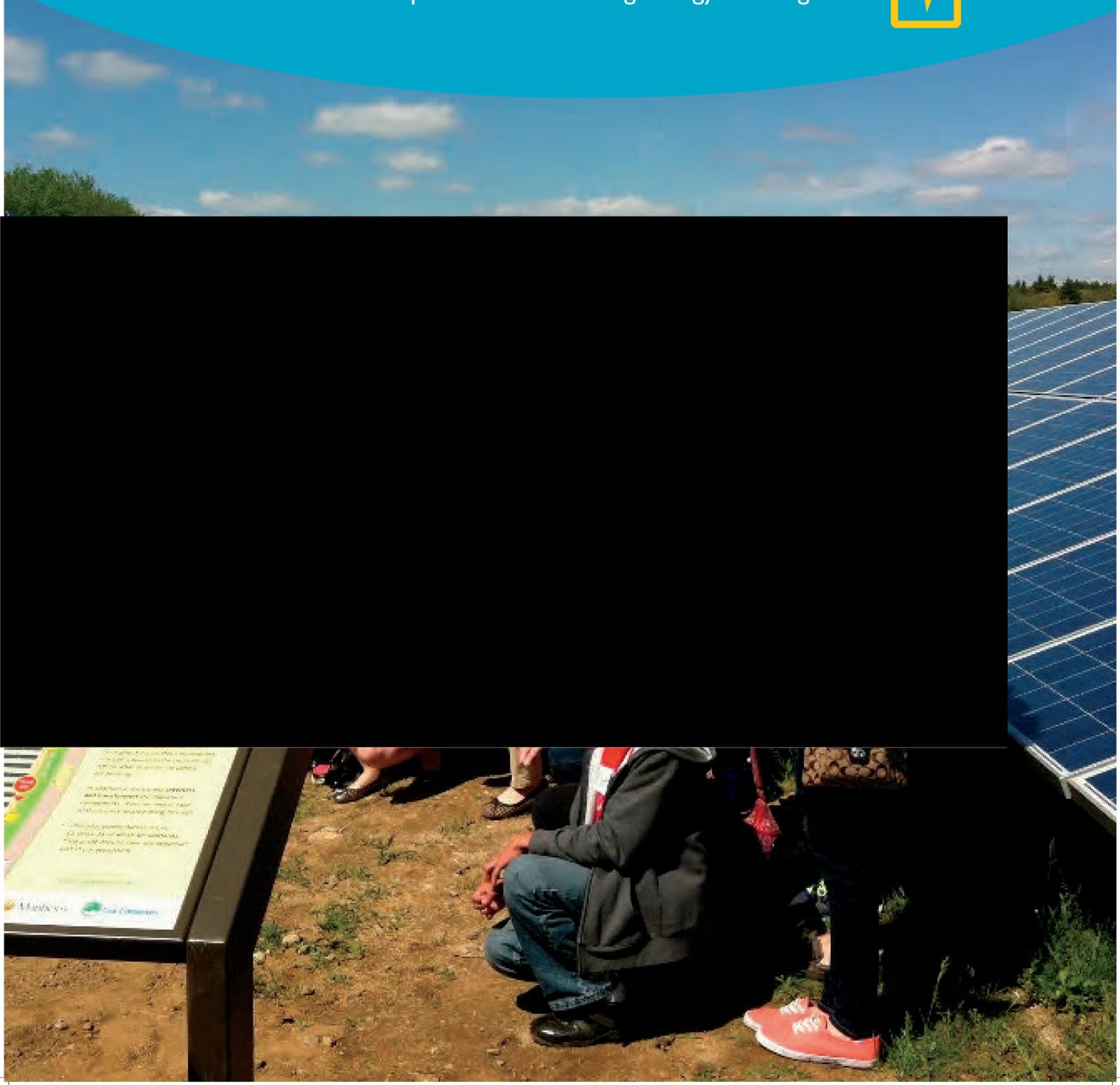
New green infrastructure such as **redirected rights of way**, new permissive paths, outdoor picnic area, a **community orchard** and information boards

Large proportion of the site for **continued agricultural use** such as chicken or sheep grazing. After decommissioning, the soil will be in **better condition** than it is now



**7km** of new and enhanced hedgerows, **59 Hectares** of planting and seeding between panel areas, **24 Hectares** of community picnic areas and orchards, **3 Hectares** of new trees and **29 Hectares** of biodiversity enhancement areas

**Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)** on site, ensuring the solar farm can be as flexible as possible in delivering energy to the grid



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## Cable Routes

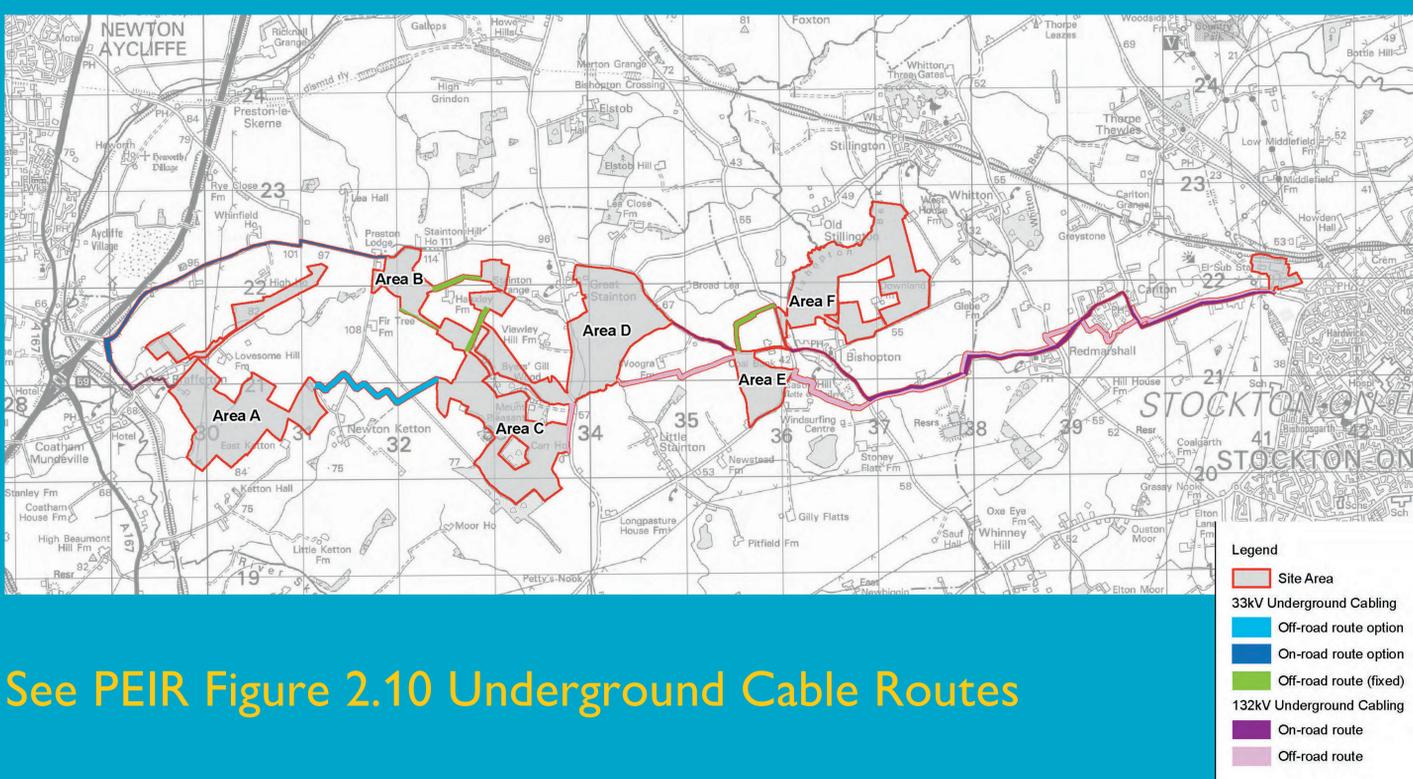


The electricity generated by Byers Gill Solar will be transferred to the national grid via **underground cables**, which will need to be installed either along existing road routes (on-road) or installed on greenfield land (off-road).

We want to **minimise the impact on access to local routes** during the construction period, and so it is likely that a hybrid approach will be adopted, using a mix of on-road and off-road routes.

The exact routes are still being determined, but we have presented a worst-case scenario as part of this consultation to inform your feedback.

Following this consultation, **a single option will be taken forward** and submitted as part of the application.



See PEIR Figure 2.10 Underground Cable Routes



## Construction

The construction period is estimated to be around **12 months long**. As part of the planning application, a Construction Environmental Management Plan and Construction Traffic Management Plan will be produced, which will **outline our proposed mitigation** for impacts felt during the construction period.



## Operation

During the operational phase – anticipated to be **40 years** – activities taking place on the site would be minimal, and mostly confined to; ongoing maintenance, **safety and security** checks, and monitoring and **maintaining the landscaping**.

## Decommissioning

Decommissioning is the removal of all solar infrastructure; this is expected to take **between six and twelve months**.

The site would be returned to its original use as far as possible and practical, with the established **biodiversity and habitat measures left in place**.



## Next steps

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### Have your say

We welcome your feedback on our proposals for Byers Gill Solar. We have paper copies of our feedback form available at this event, or you can respond online. **The deadline for responses is 23:59 Friday 16 June 2023.**

Please find a member of the project team to answer any questions you may have about our proposals.



### To provide us with your feedback, you can:



Complete a feedback questionnaire online, available at: [www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk](http://www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk)



Download, print and complete a feedback questionnaire, and return it to: **FREEPOST Byers Gill Solar** (no stamp is required)



Write to the project team at: **FREEPOST Byers Gill Solar** (no stamp is required)



Email us at: [enquiries@byersgillsolar.com](mailto:enquiries@byersgillsolar.com)

### Next steps

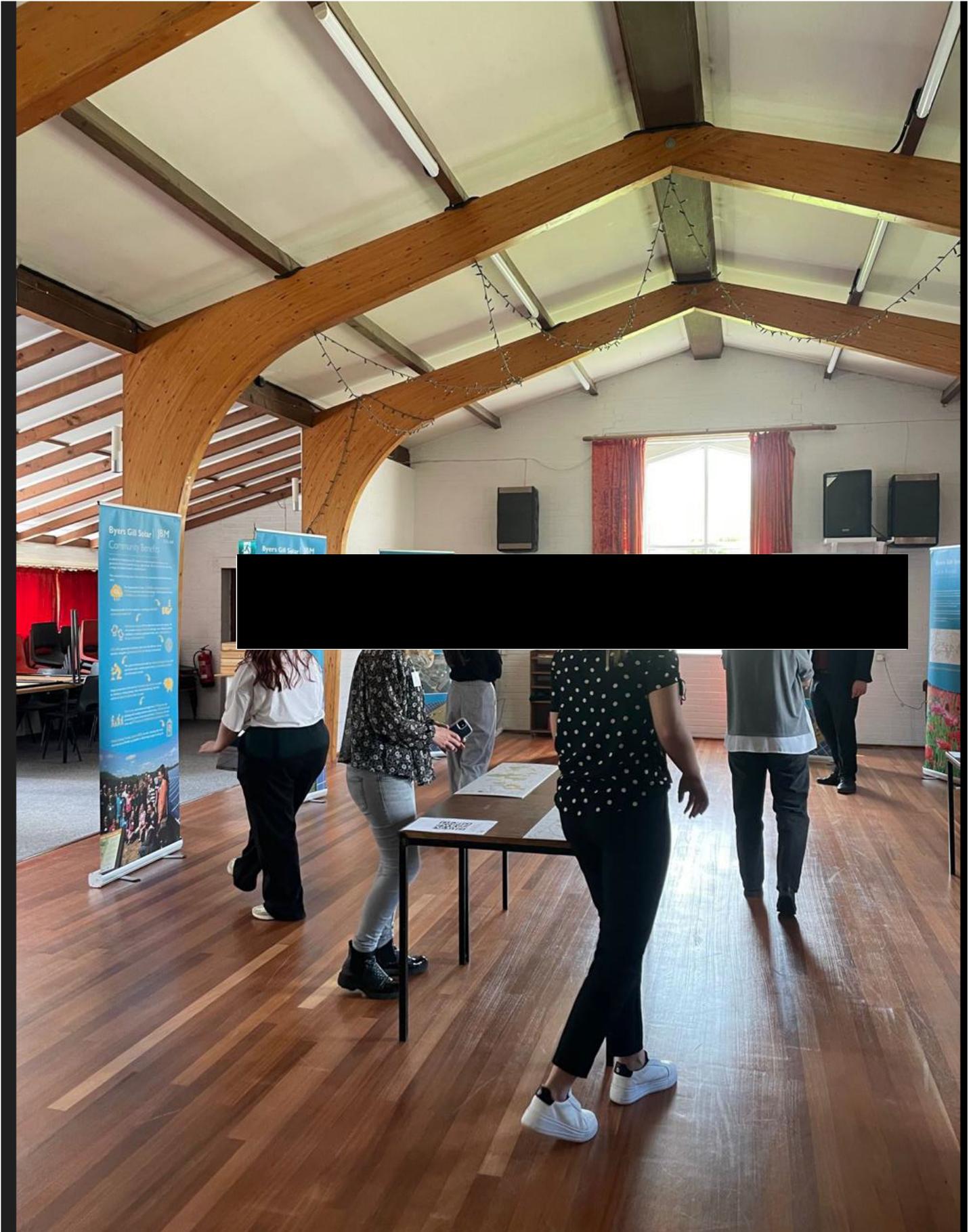
Once the consultation has closed, we will review all the feedback provided and use this to refine our proposals.

We intend to submit our application for Development Consent later this year, and as part of that we will set out a summary of the responses, describe how these influenced our design, in a Consultation Report.

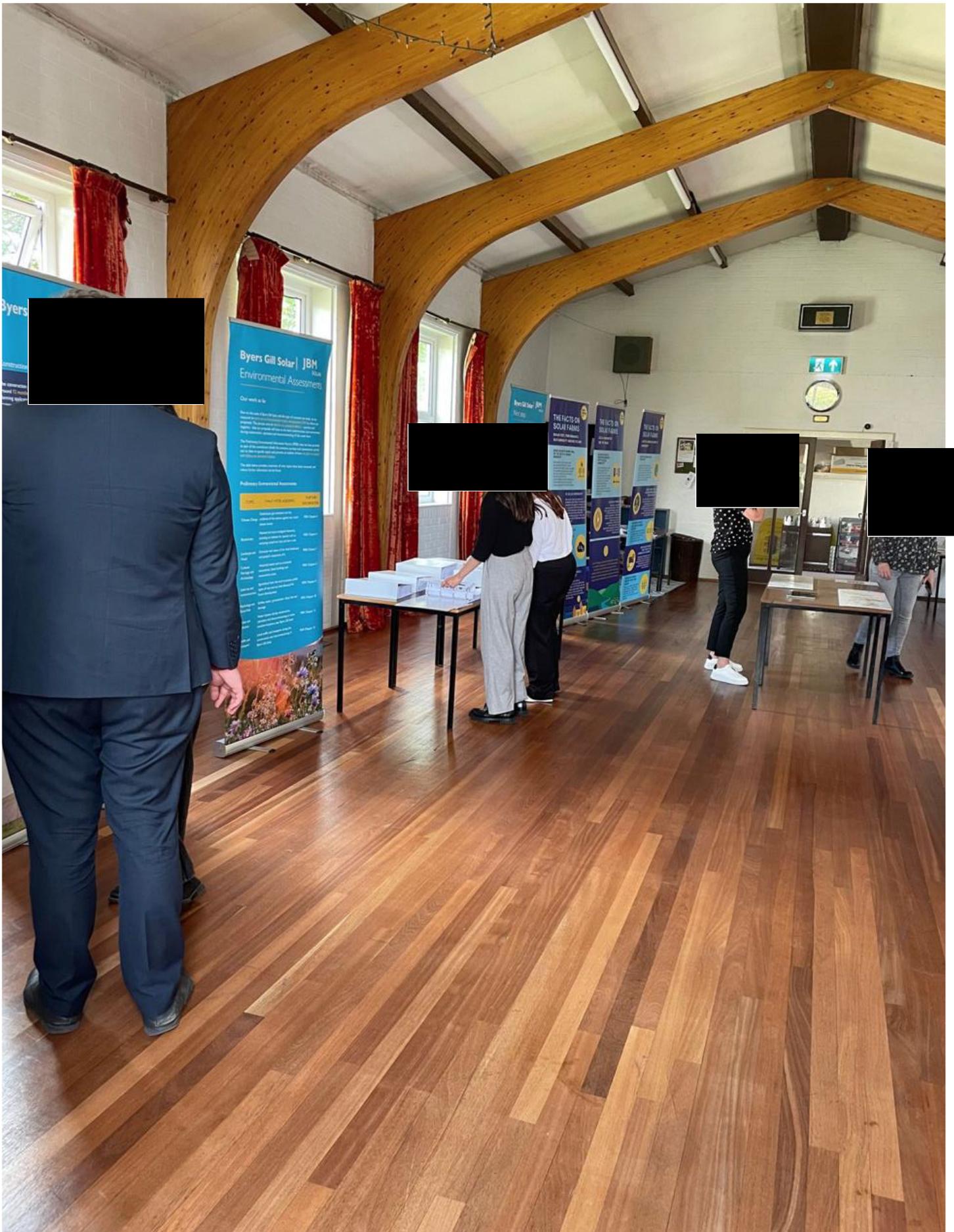


# Appendix 5.15 Images from public consultation events

# Consultation event images







# Appendix 5.16 Presentation from virtual consultation events

# Byers Gill Solar – Statutory Consultation Webinar

May 2023



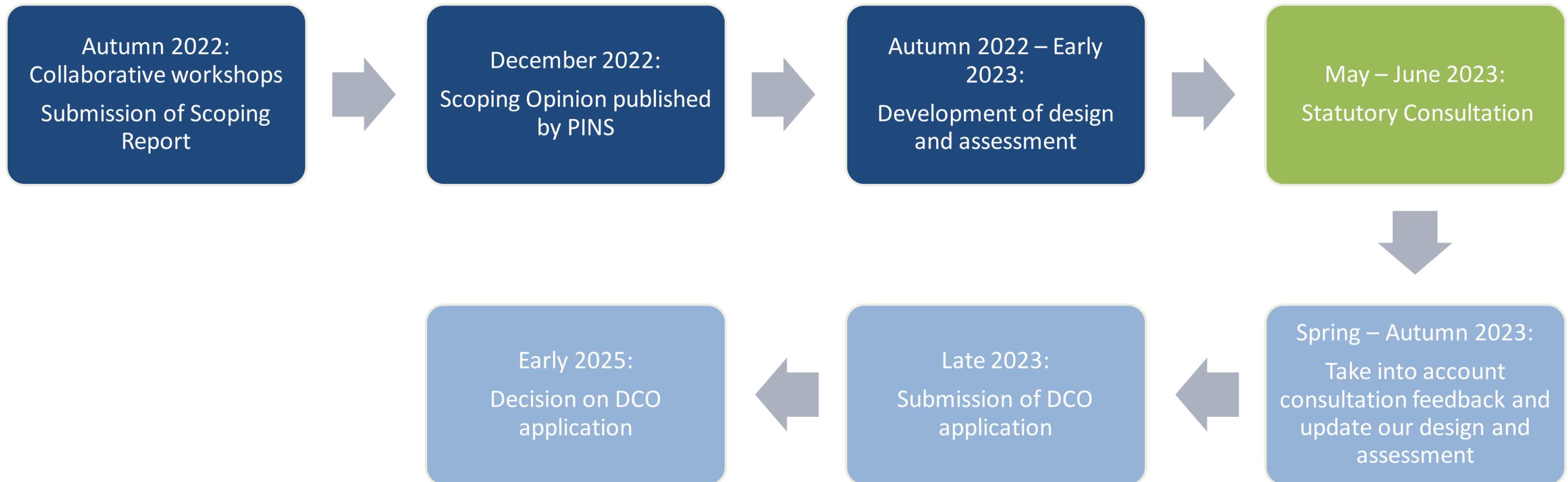
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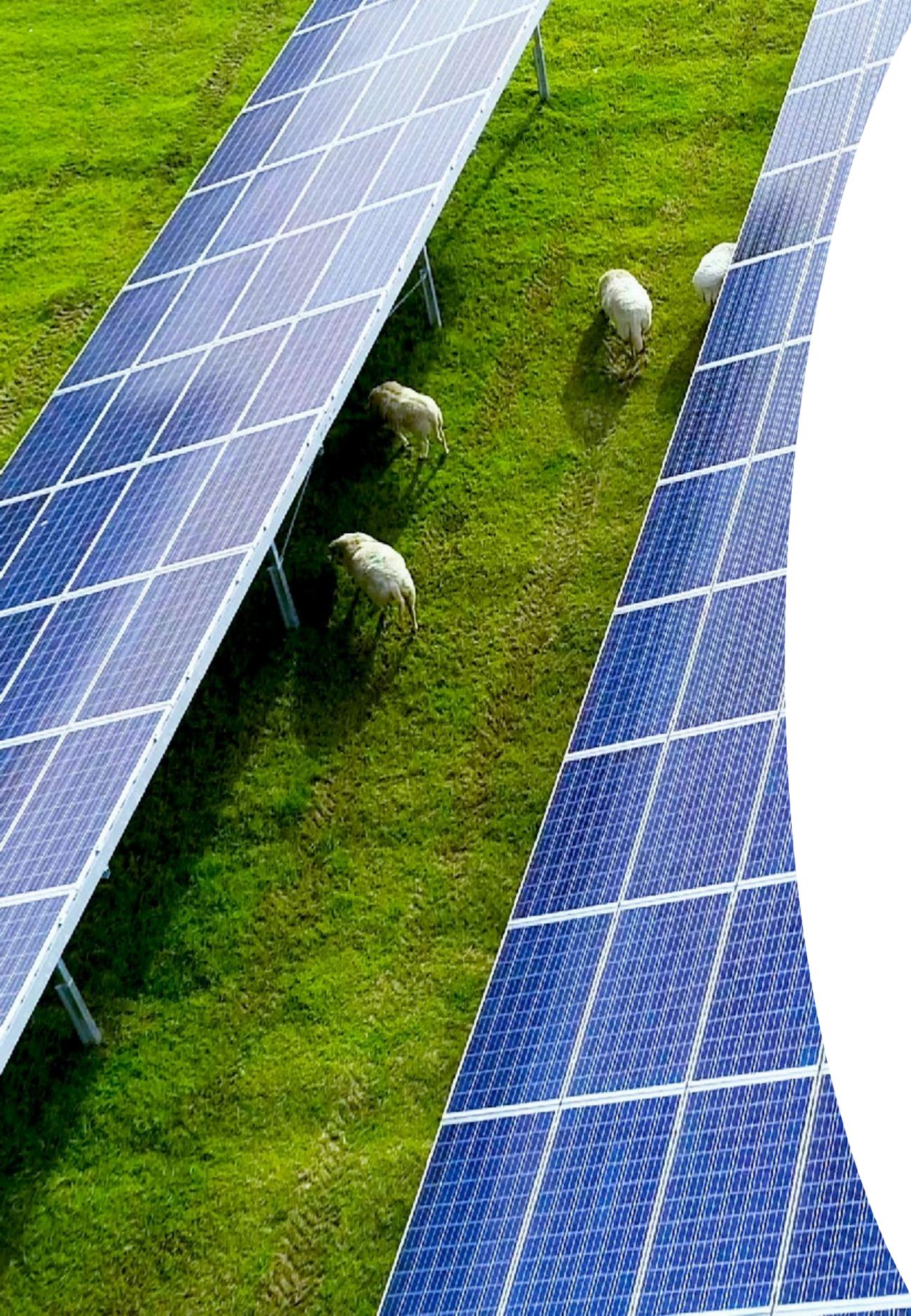
- Welcome and thank you for joining our online event today
- Quick overview of the webinar
- Our presentation
- Questions and answers
- Who we are:
  - **Michael Baker** – Project Manager at JBM Solar
  - **David Brown** – Associate Director at Arup
  - **Tom Beckford** – Account Manager at Copper Consultancy

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# Project timeline & purpose of today





# About JBM Solar



- We are at the heart of the UK's renewables revolution
- Since 2012, our team has secured planning permission in the UK and Ireland for more than 1GW of solar projects, equivalent of providing energy to over 265,000 homes
- We were recently acquired by RWE, meaning we will construct and operate the project throughout its life

# The need for Solar

- The UK has made a legally binding commitment to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2050
- Renewable energy is needed to meet this target. The Government's Energy Security Strategy and recently published Powering Up Britain state 70GW of solar power is needed by 2035, up from 13GW presently
- Large scale solar is one of the cheapest forms of energy and would help combat the cost of energy crisis we are facing
- Byers Gill Solar would make a national scale contribution towards achieving net zero and lowering the cost of energy

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# The opportunity

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- Build a solar farm that will reinforce Teesside's reputation as a home for ground-breaking clean energy projects
- Provide equivalent energy needs for around 70,000 households
- Ensure community involvement, landscape and recreation are central to the project's ongoing design
- Increase biodiversity, enhance existing ecology, and maximise opportunities for nature recovery
- Develop a project in a responsible and considerate way, whilst providing opportunities for local communities and the local economy

# Our proposals

Byers Gill Solar consists of a solar farm capable of generating 180MW of electricity, enough to power over 70,000 homes

Located across neighbouring sites between Darlington and Stockton-on-Tees

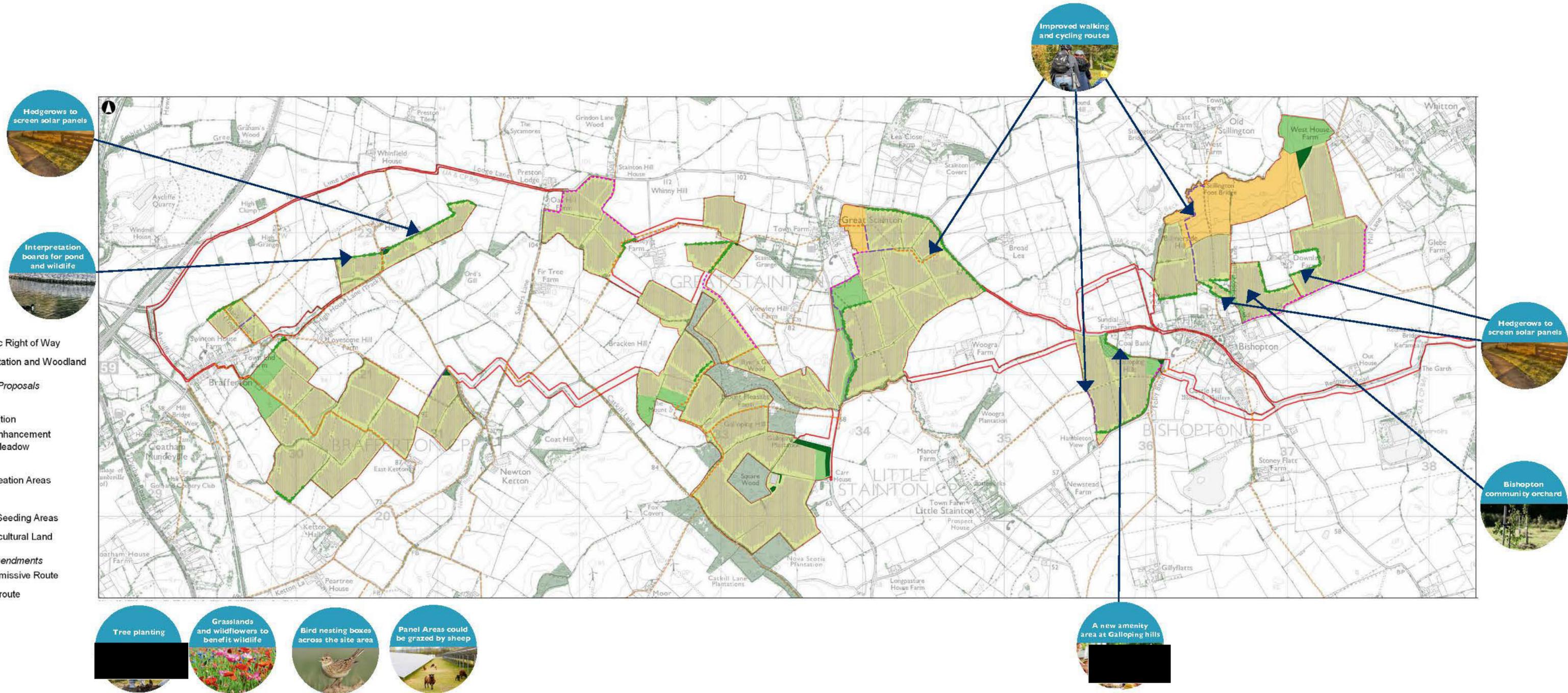
The proposals include:

- ✓ Six Panel Areas
- ✓ Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS)
- ✓ An on-site substation
- ✓ Up to 31km of underground cabling to connect the Panel Areas to Norton Substation
- ✓ A range of supporting infrastructure, including inverters, storage containers and security measures

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# Landscape masterplan



- Legend**
- Site Area
  - Existing Public Right of Way
  - Existing Vegetation and Woodland
- Concept Masterplan Proposals**
- PV Areas
  - Onsite Substation
  - Biodiversity Enhancement / Wildflower Meadow
  - Tree Planting
  - Amenity Recreation Areas
  - Hedgerow
  - Planting and Seeding Areas
  - Retained Agricultural Land
- Proposed Access Amendments**
- Proposed Permissive Route
  - Proposed Re-route



# Design evolution

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- We held early engagement workshops with selected stakeholders in October and November 2022 to understand key local issues and constraints
- Since November 2022, we have been reviewing all feedback received at the workshops
- We have also been conducting surveys and undertaking more detailed work in a number of areas, including land classification, landscape and visual impact, and traffic and transport
- All of this information has helped to inform the proposals we are consulting on

# Design evolution continued

As a result of this process, a number of changes were made which are now reflected in the current design:

- Distance buffers were applied to ensure a distance from environmental features such as badger setts, trees where bats may roost, ancient/veteran trees and water zones
- Panels were removed to reduce or avoid visual impacts
- Public Rights of Way routes were amended within the site to provide improvement or avoid harmful impacts for users

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# Community benefits

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In addition to helping the UK meet its net zero targets and support in the provision of new renewable energy regeneration, Byers Gill Solar will also bring a range of local benefits, detailed below.

- ✓ New green infrastructure such as redirected rights of way, new permissive paths, outdoor picnic area, a community orchard and information boards
- ✓ Provision of a community benefit fund
- ✓ Large proportion of the site for continued agricultural use such as chicken or sheep grazing
- ✓ Biodiversity net gain delivered across the project
- ✓ Ecological benefits through new habitats, such as wildflower meadows, grassland areas, and a dedicated area for ground nesting birds

# Site assessments

We have produced a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)

A non-technical summary (NTS) of the PEIR is also available to view on the project website, at consultation events or a hard copy can be sent on request.

The PEIR contains our findings from the following assessments:

- Climate Change - PEIR Chapter 5
- Biodiversity - PEIR Chapter 6
- Landscape and Visual - PEIR Chapter 7
- Cultural Heritage - PEIR Chapter 8
- Land Use and Socio-economic - PEIR Chapter 9
- Hydrology - PEIR Chapter 10
- Noise and Vibration - PEIR Chapter 11
- Traffic and Transport - PEIR Chapter 12

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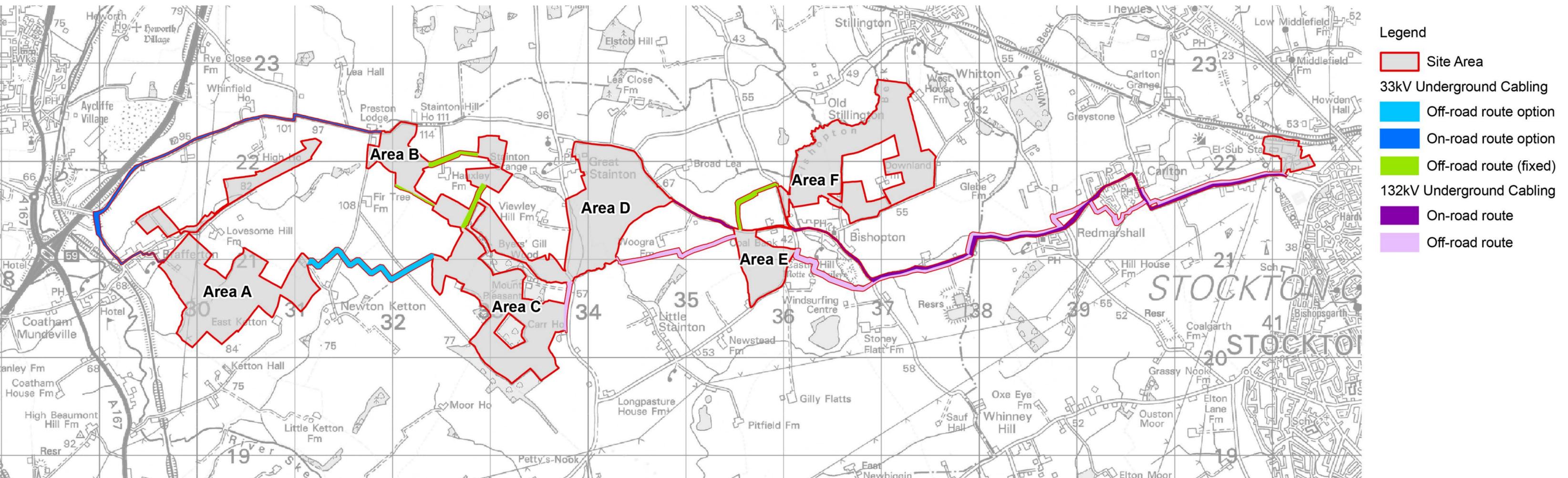


# Cable routes



The electricity generated by Byers Gill Solar will be transferred to the national grid via underground cables to the on-site substation and the existing National Grid substation at Norton.

There are two types of cable required; 33kV cables which will connect the proposed Panel Areas to the on-site substation, and 132kV cables which would connect from the on-site substation at Norton.



# Construction

- If consented, the construction period is estimated to be around 12 months
- We will try to minimise effects on the local traffic network, such as by using minibuses to transport workers
- Some Public Rights of Way may be closed or diverted during the construction period
- A Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) and a Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) will be produced

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# Operation and Decommissioning

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- During the operational phase of Byers Gill Solar of 40 years, activities taking place on the site would be limited to maintenance, security and safety checks
- The panel areas will be surrounded by fencing and CCTV cameras will be installed around the perimeter
- Decommissioning is expected to take between six to twelve months. Up to 99% of materials in solar PV modules are recyclable

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Look ahead



# Have your say

To provide us with your feedback, you can:

- ✓ Complete a feedback questionnaire online, available at: [www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk](http://www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk)
- ✓ Download, print and complete a feedback questionnaire, and return it to: FREEPOST Byers Gill Solar (no stamp is required)
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- ✓ Email us at: [enquiries@byersgillsolar.com](mailto:enquiries@byersgillsolar.com)

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# Next steps

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- Late 2023: Submission of Development Consent Order (DCO) application
- 2024: DCO planning process by the Planning Inspectorate
- Early 2025: Secretary of State decision made on DCO application

Q&A



# Appendix 5.17 Consultation launch email



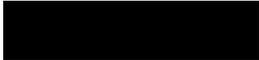
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Good afternoon,

Please find attached a letter from JBM Solar regarding the statutory consultation on our Byers Gill Solar project. The deadline for responses to the consultation is 11.59pm on Friday 16 June 2023.

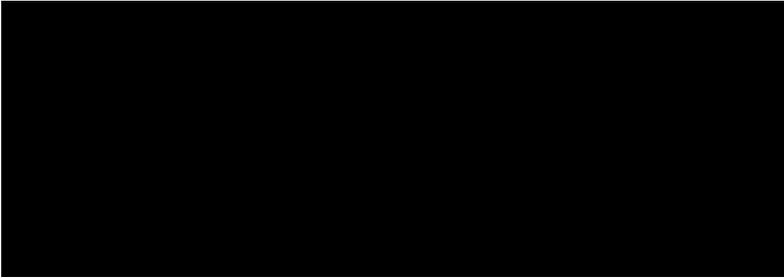
If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us using the details provided in the letter.

Kind regards,



DCO Project Manager, Byers Gill Solar

# Appendix 5.18 Launch of consultation press release



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## **JBM Solar launches public consultation for Byers Gill Solar**

May 2023

JBM Solar, one of the UK's leading developers of solar has announced its public consultation for its latest renewable energy project – Byers Gill Solar. The consultation will run from 5 May 2023 to 16 June 2023, allowing local communities and stakeholders to have their say.

Plans for Byers Gill Solar were announced in October 2022. The solar farm, located between Darlington and Stockton-on-Tees, would generate 180MW of electricity, and provide cheap, clean energy to the equivalent of over 70,000 homes, helping to tackle the cost of energy crisis, and achieve UK net zero targets.

JBM Solar is committed to providing benefits from the project for local people. We are proposing areas of the project that can be used by the community, such as a new area of orchard to the north of Bishopton and other amenity areas including picnic benches and art pieces. We are also making the local footpath network more joined up and accessible. We are proposing a community fund for the benefit of local people to be spent on projects they care about.

As part of JBM Solar's commitment to the environment, it is expected that Byers Gill Solar will deliver a biodiversity net gain of at least 50%. Underneath the panels there will be wildflower planting alongside areas of the project that will be set aside specifically for planting and wildlife; this includes a large area of the site set aside for ground nesting birds. Working hand in hand with landowners, we have designed the project so that some agricultural activity could continue, such as sheep grazing underneath the panels. The proposed development has an operational life of 40 years, at the end of which the site would be returned to its current state.

This statutory consultation is an opportunity for the public to provide their views before a planning application is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate later this year. If consented, the solar farm could be operational by 2027.

JBM Solar was recently acquired by RWE, the UK's largest power generator and one of the largest renewables developers. As a result, JBM Solar now intends to own and operate the site if consented.

For more information on how to have your say in our next consultation, please visit [[byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk](https://byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk)]. Alternatively, the project team can be contacted by email [[enquiries@byersgillsolar.com](mailto:enquiries@byersgillsolar.com)].

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## Appendix 5.19 Northern Echo consultation article

# Survey opens into plans for solar farm between Darlington and Stockton

18th May 2023

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**By Bill Edgar**  
Local Democracy Reporter (County Durham and Darlington)  
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Residents have been urged to have their say on initial plans for a controversial solar farm covering large swathes of land between Darlington and Stockton.

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Stretching from Brafferton, off the A167 near Darlington, to the north east of Bishopton, the Byers Gill Solar Farm plans have been drawn up to generate energy for around 70,000 homes.

However residents have warned the development could "change our lives for 40 years". Some public meetings to discuss the initial plans have already taken place, with more planned in the future.

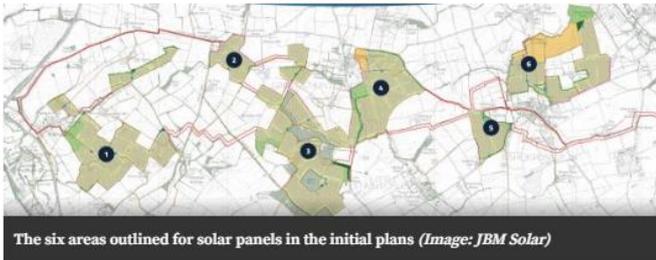


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The six areas outlined for the solar panels are: Brafferton, Hauxley Farm, Bters Gill Wood, Great Stainton, and two near Bishopton.

At one recent meeting in the village, residents said they were not against solar or wind farms, but were concerned over the effect it would have on agriculture in the area. The project will have a lifespan of 40 years, after which the land will be returned to its former state. During its operation, the land can still be used for agricultural activities such as grazing, the applicant said.



The six areas outlined for solar panels in the initial plans (Image: JBM Solar)

"This is not just about looking out your window and seeing a solar panel, this is going to change our lives for 40 years," one resident said. "There's people that have lived in this village for more than 40 years and they've stayed here for a reason, there's people like me that have been here for a relatively short period.

"We moved here for a reason, this is a rural community."

A public consultation opened on May 5 and will run until June 16, allowing local communities to respond. The applicant, JBM Solar, says it is an opportunity for the public to share their views before a planning application is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate later this year. If consented, the solar farm could be operational by 2027.

But residents remain worried over the size and scale of the proposed development, with one saying it proposes "a huge invasion of solar farms, and make no mistake, an invasion is what it is."

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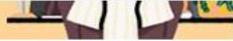
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They added: "What have we done to deserve the destruction of our countryside and our views? Solar farms are an industrial eyesore and will devalue our homes. The transformation will be horrendous."

"The Byers Gill proposal is an act of gross industrialisation in one of the prettiest villages in the UK. In our view, that is completely unacceptable."

Darlington Council Leader Jonathan Dulston told residents the authority is "absolutely committed to our rural committees" and said it will support residents throughout the process.

JBM Solar insists its proposals will be informed by local feedback and its team will "listen, learn, and where appropriate, amend the designs, to ensure local feedback is incorporated". It added that it is committed to providing benefits from the project for local people. "We are proposing areas of the project that can be used by the community, such as a new area of orchard to the north of Bishopton and other amenity areas including picnic benches and art pieces," a spokesman said. "We are proposing a community fund for the benefit of local people to be spent on projects they care about."

**When and where are the public consultation events?**

Friday, May 19 - Stillington Village Hall - 1-7pm

Tuesday, May 23 - Brafferton Village Hall - 1-7pm

Wednesday, May 24 - Bishopton Village Hall - 1-7pm

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# Appendix 5.20 Letters to letters to DBC and SoTBC leaders

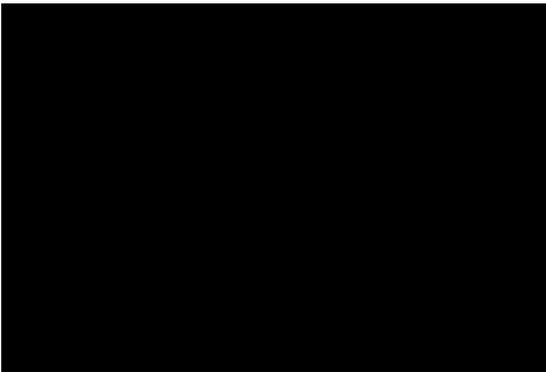


As the newly elected Leader of Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council, I wanted to write to you to introduce JBM Solar and our proposals for Byers Gill Solar, on which we are currently holding our statutory consultation.

As we prepare to submit our application later this year, we would like to invite you to a one-to-one project briefing to be held either online or in-person to learn more about our initiatives. More details can be found in the attached letter.

If you have any further questions please do get in touch with the project team at [enquiries@byersgillsolar.com](mailto:enquiries@byersgillsolar.com) or by calling 

Best regards,  
Michael Baker



# Appendix 5.21 Letters to recently elected officials



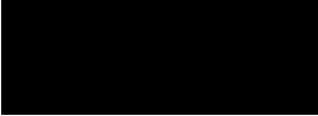
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Good afternoon,

Please find attached a letter from JBM Solar regarding the statutory consultation on our Byers Gill Solar project. The deadline for responses to the consultation is 11.59pm on Friday 16 June 2023.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us using the details provided in the letter.

Kind regards,



Byers Gill Solar

## Appendix 5.22 Section 48 notices - evidence of publication



**OTHER**

**SECTION 48 PLANNING ACT 2008  
REGULATION 4 INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (APPLICATIONS: PRESCRIBED FORMS AND  
PROCEDURE) REGULATIONS 2009  
DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER AT BYERS GILL  
NOTICE PUBLICISING A PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER  
("DCO")**

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The Proposed Development would comprise:

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Copies of the PEIR, together with a Non-Technical Summary, our Statement of Community Consultation and other consultation documents, plans and maps detailing our consultation process and details of the Proposed Development may be inspected free of charge until 23:59pm on Friday 16 June 2023 on the project website ([www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk](http://www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk)) and at the following location:

**OTHER**

**Notice of Consultation - Byers Gill Solar  
Section 47(6) Planning Act 2008:  
Notice Publicising a Statement of Community Consultation**

JBM Solar Limited is proposing to develop a renewable energy scheme comprised of solar photovoltaic (PV) modules, with co-located Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) located between Darlington and Stockton-on-Tees in north-east England (the "Proposed Development").

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An application will be made under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 for a Development Consent Order authorising the Proposed Development.

Before making the application, JBM Solar have produced a Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC"), setting out how we will consult with the local community about the proposals.

This notice contains a summary of the consultation details. However, full details of the consultation can be found in the SoCC, alongside our consultation materials, online via [www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk](http://www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk) between **Friday 5 May and Friday 16 June 2023**.

Copies of the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR), together with a Non-Technical Summary, our Statement of Community Consultation and other consultation documents, plans and maps detailing our consultation process and details of the Proposed Development may be inspected free of charge until 23:59pm on Friday 16 June 2023 on the project website ([www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk](http://www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk)) and at the following location:

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Copies of the consultation materials may be requested during the consultation period from the Applicant free of charge (excluding the PEIR which will have a cost of £0.35 per page) using the email address, postal address or telephone number provided below:

- Telephone: 0800 197 0018
- Email: enquiries@byersgillsolar.com
- Freepost\*: Byers Gill Solar

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Any person may comment on the proposals or otherwise respond to this publicity. Responses must be received between **Friday 5 May and Friday 16 June 2023**.

A consultation feedback questionnaire is available as part of the consultation materials, and online at [www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk](http://www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk). When providing your response, please include your name and address, or, if you would prefer your comments to be anonymous, your postcode online. Please supply any response by submitting your completed feedback form online, or by using the contact methods above.

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If you would like further information about this notice, the consultation or the Proposed Development, please contact the project team by using one of the contact methods provided above.

Michael Baker

(Friday 5 May 2023)

You can also view our consultation materials at our consultation events where you will be able to speak with our team and share your views. We are having a mix of face-to-face events and online webinars, the details of which are provided below:

Date	Location	Time
Friday 12 May 2023	Online webinar – please sign up via the project website, details of which are provided below	6pm – 7pm
Friday 19 May 2023	Stillington Village Hall, Lowson Street, Stillington, TS21 1JE	1pm – 7pm
Tuesday 23 May 2023	Brafferton Village Hall, The Green, Brafferton, Darlington, DL1 3LA	1pm – 7pm
Wednesday 24 May 2023	Bishopton Village Hall, Church View, Bishopton, Stockton-on-Tees, TS21 1HB	1pm – 7pm
Wednesday 31 May 2023	Online webinar – please sign up via the project website, details of which are provided below	Noon – 1pm
Wednesday 7 June 2023	Online webinar – please sign up via the project website, details of which are provided below	6pm – 7pm

The scheme is an Environmental Impact Assessment development, which means a PEIR has been produced (to describe the environmental effects of the scheme) and is being consulted on alongside the other consultation documents. It also means that an Environmental Statement will be produced and submitted with the application in due course.

If you have any questions, or would like to speak to a member of the project team, please contact them using the one of the methods below:

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TAKE NOTICE that the YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY has received the following:  
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# Look, who's snoring? How comfy are economy class airline bunk beds?

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At one point, during my attempted nap, I dug out my phone and took up the dimensions of a coffin. A standard adult coffin, it turns out, rises to 59cm (23in). Gazing up at the ceiling of my "nest", I calculate it offers about 7cm more clearance than the average coffin.

This is the Skywest, located at a world-first design, it's a set of

airborne bunk beds, created by Air New Zealand to "revolutionise" budget air travel. Available from next year, they will offer economy passengers the chance to stretch out in luxurious, horizontal style.

A snorer in one of the six beds - stretched tightly in pairs - will set the fibres back NZ\$100 (\$60) (£200-£300) for a four-hour session. The bunk room represents a challenge of engineering - fitting six horizontal humans into the space of a small airline galley.

The Skywest glows in low lit pink behind a black curtain. It is not for the claustrophobic. Entering the bottom bunk requires you to get on your hands and knees and crawl, and exiting requires a quick belly-walk and backwards shuffle.

"Of all the demographics of the people that we've had in the testing - and it's quite a few, all people," said Kerry Reeves, Air New Zealand's head of aircraft programmes, "we've not had one person yet who couldn't get in."

Sleepers will be shielded from their fellow nappers by a transparent net curtain, a legal requirement. Crew must be able to see passengers, to ensure they are not smoking - or engaging in other banned activities, said Reeves.

"They are single occupancy for many reasons," he said, "structural and safety as well as, you know,



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✦ Economy passengers will be able to nap through the comfort for an additional £200-£300 per session.

the other human aspects of that." Even if it were allowed, double occupancy would be a challenge. There is no room to sit up - and lying down, your head is separated by about a foot from those sleeping in the bunks above and around you.

The Skywest comes with instructions: do not snuggle in children, dogs or additional adults. Do not eat snacks. And, somewhat alarmingly, "Do remember that snoring is perfectly natural."

Reeves says the airline has carried out several testing but has not yet tested a coarser. He is confident the rest of the plane, engine or noise-cancelling headphones will alleviate any issues.

In the interests of research, announced in my own bunk, I press play on an audio track titled "12 hours of a male snoring" and place that on the bunk below. It rattles through the rest. After a few minutes, infatuated, I switch it to "snoring airplane jet noise".

Lying back in the pale pink glow, the question of what price to put on such a nap arises. It's a difficult thing to price, Reeves says. \$600 sounds like a lot compared with a hotel room, but it's far less than a business or first class ticket.

Still, despite the coffin-like feel of the thing, it's a relaxing little pod. A few minutes later I've almost drifted off.

SECTION 46 PLANNING ACT 2008  
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Enquiries to: [Redacted]  
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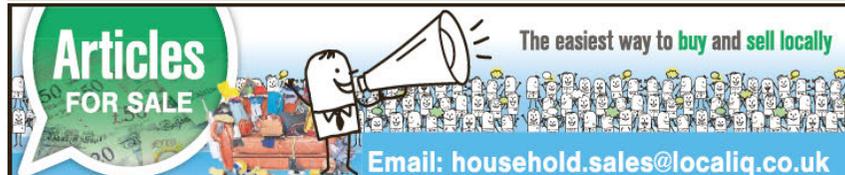
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Michael Baker  
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(Friday 5 May 2023)



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**TRIPP LAPTOP** travel bag briefcase, black soft case, lots of compartments, shoulder strap £20.00. Tel: [REDACTED]

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**MENS REVIT** motorbike jacket size XL, good condition with removable liner and armour, £15.00. Tel: [REDACTED]

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**ELECTRIC STEAM** Wallpaper stripper, bought March 23, only once used as new, £15.00. Tel: [REDACTED] Buyer to collect.

**AYNSLEY EDWARDIAN** kitchen garden design, colour cream, 2 Jugs (1 large, 1 Med), 1 Jam pot, 1 watering can, 1 basket, 1 jelly mould, would suit modern country style kitchen, excellent condition. £20.00. Tel: [REDACTED] Buyer to collect.

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**8FT ALUMINIUM** loading ramps, £100.00. Tel: [REDACTED]

**BLACK WARTIME** effect side gate, width 91cm x [REDACTED]

**SEVERAL MIRRORS**, will separate, £75.00. [REDACTED]

**DYSON DC14 Animal** upright vacuum cleaner, cleaned and serviced, £50.00. [REDACTED]

**OWL AND Kingfisher** plates, different sizes, £40.00. Two teapots, Owl, £35.00, beautiful Kingfisher £45.00. Tel: [REDACTED]

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## OTHER

### SECTION 48 PLANNING ACT 2008 REGULATION 4 INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (APPLICATIONS: PRESCRIBED FORMS AND PROCEDURE) REGULATIONS 2009 DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER AT BYERS GILL NOTICE PUBLICISING A PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER ("DCO")

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An application will be made under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 for a Development Consent Order authorising the Proposed Development.

Before making the application, JBM Solar have produced a Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC"), setting out how we will consult with the local community about the proposals.

This notice contains a summary of the consultation details. However, full details of the consultation can be found in the SoCC, alongside our consultation materials, online via [www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk](http://www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk) between **Friday 5 May and Friday 16 June 2023**.

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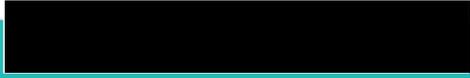
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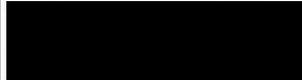
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Friday 12 May 2023	Online webinar - please sign up via the project website, details of which are provided below	6pm - 7pm
Friday 19 May 2023	Stillington Village Hall, Lowson Street, Stillington, TS21 1JE	1pm - 7pm
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Wednesday 7 June 2023	Online webinar - please sign up via the project website, details of which are provided below	6pm - 7pm

The scheme is an Environmental Impact Assessment development, which means a PEIR has been produced (to describe the environmental effects of the scheme) and is being consulted on alongside the other consultation documents. It also means that an Environmental Statement will be produced and submitted with the application in due course.

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## Planning

**SECTION 48 PLANNING ACT 2008  
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(APPLICATIONS: PRESCRIBED FORMS AND PROCEDURE) REGULATIONS 2009  
DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER AT BYERS GILL**

**NOTICE PUBLICISING A PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER (“DCO”)**

Notice is hereby given that JBM Solar Limited (“the Applicant”) of 33 Broadwick St, London W1F 0DQ intends to apply to the Secretary of State under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (“the Act”) for a Development Consent Order (“DCO”) to authorise the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of a solar farm capable of generating over 50MW Alternating Current (AC) of electricity with co-located Battery Energy Storage System (“BESS”), located between Darlington and Stockton-on-Tees in north-east England (the “Proposed Development”). The Proposed Development’s site area is approximately 563 hectares and comprises six solar photovoltaic (PV) panel areas (Panel Areas A-F). An on-site substation would be located within Panel Area C.

The Proposed Development would comprise:

- up to 21km of 33kilovolt (kV) underground cabling between the Panel Areas and the on-site substation;
- approximately 10km of 132kV underground cable to connect the Proposed Development to the grid connection at the existing Norton substation (located to the north-west of Stockton-on-Tees);
- supporting infrastructure comprising BESS; transformers and inverters for managing the electricity produced; storage containers to hold this equipment; and security measures such as fencing, CCTV and lighting; and
- environmental mitigation and enhancement measures to avoid or reduce adverse impacts on the surrounding environment and nearby communities.

While the Proposed Development could include compulsory acquisition powers, the Applicant is seeking to avoid the use of such powers if at all possible.

The Proposed Development is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. This means that the proposed works involved constitute development for which an EIA is required and the proposed application for a DCO will therefore be accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

Additionally, the Applicant will be making preliminary environmental information available. Copies of the PEIR, together with a Non-Technical Summary, our Statement of Community



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Location	Day of opening	Opening times
Norton Library - 87 High St, Norton, Stockton-on-Tees TS20 1AE	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday	9.30am - 5pm
	Wednesday, Friday	9.30am - 7pm
	Saturday	9.30am - 1pm
	Sunday	Closed

Copies of the consultation materials may be requested during the consultation period from the Applicant free of charge (excluding the PEIR which will have a cost of £0.35 per page) using the email address, postal address or telephone number provided below:

- Telephone: 0800 197 0018
- Email: [enquiries@byersgillsolar.com](mailto:enquiries@byersgillsolar.com)
- Freepost\*: Byers Gill Solar

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Any person may comment on the proposals or otherwise respond to this publicity. Responses must be received between Friday 5 May and Friday 16 June 2023.

A consultation feedback questionnaire is available as part of the consultation materials, and online at [www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk](http://www.byersgillsolarfarm.co.uk). When providing your response, please include your name and address, or, if you would prefer your comments to be anonymous, your postcode online. Please supply any response by submitting your completed feedback form online, or by using the contact methods above.

Responses must be received no later than 11.59pm on Friday 16 June 2023.

JBM Solar will consider and have regard to all responses when refining the Proposed Development once the consultation has closed. Responses will form the basis of a Consultation Report that will be one of the factors taken into consideration by the Secretary of State when deciding whether the Application can be accepted for examination. Therefore, in providing any comment, it should be borne in mind that the substance of it may be communicated to others as part of the Consultation Report.

If you would like further information about this notice, the consultation or the Proposed Development, please contact the project team by using one of the contact methods provided above.

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