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Dear Mr Webley

Thank you for your email dated 19 February 2024 in relation to the Botley West Solar Farm Project, the contents of which are noted. I also note your view that the Planning Inspectorate “*is in breach of the Russian sanctions included in the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019*”.

I wish to inform you that the Planning Act 2008 does not set out eligibility criteria that an applicant must meet in order to be able to make an application for an order granting development consent. Furthermore, if an applicant seeks powers for compulsory acquisition in a draft Development Consent Order submitted with such an application, the [Planning Act 2008: guidance related to procedures for the compulsory acquisition of land](#) sets out the requirements in respect of funding. The availability of funding is a matter which is explored by Examining Authorities during examinations, if an application is accepted for examination.

We note that you have already contacted the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI) with your concerns of possible breaches of sanctions. The Planning Inspectorate cannot advise you on this and I would urge you to obtain independent legal advice to investigate your options in this regard.

Kind regards



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