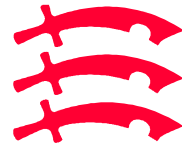


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Consultation Response

Application No. S62A/22/0000004

Site Location Land East of Parsonage Road, and South of Hall Road, Stansted Essex

Proposal The erection of a 14.3MW solar photovoltaic farm with associated access tracks, landscaping, supplementary battery storage, and associated infrastructure

Further comments following re-consultation on 21st July 2022 regarding 'Documents received from the applicant on 19 and 20 July 2022'

The Highway Authority has assessed the additional highways and transportation included in the documents received from the applicant on 19 and 20 July 2022.

From a highway and transportation perspective the impact of the proposal is acceptable to the Highway Authority subject to the following mitigation and conditions:

1. No development shall take place, including any ground works or demolition, until a detailed Construction Traffic Management Plan has been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the local planning authority. The final approved plan shall broadly accord with the Construction Traffic Management Plan dated 7th February 2022 reference JNY 10188-01b but be updated following appointment of a principal contractor for the development of the solar farm. Such Construction Traffic Management Plan shall be adhered to throughout the construction period.

Reason: To manage construction traffic in the interests of highway safety and Policy DM 1 of the Highway Authority's Development Management Policies February 2011.

2. **Access:** Prior to commencement of the development the provision of the temporary construction access as shown in principle on drawing JNY10100-RPS-0100-002 Revision B. Such access drawing having first been subject to an appropriate Road Safety Audit, including designer's response, together with any required drawing amendments and further safety audit review. The access and required visibility splays

shall remain in place for the construction period. Full details to be agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that vehicles can enter and leave the highway in a controlled manner in forward gear with adequate inter-visibility between vehicles using the access and those in the existing public highway in the interest of highway safety in accordance with policy DM1 of the Development Management Policies as adopted as County Council Supplementary Guidance in February 2011.

3. **Operational Access:** Upon completion of the solar farm construction the temporary construction vehicular access shall be suitably downgraded to accommodate operational traffic. Full details to be agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure to ensure that an appropriate access is provided for the lifetime of the maintenance of the solar farm. in the interests of highway safety in accordance with policy DM1 of the Development Management Policies as adopted as County Council Supplementary Guidance in February 2011.

4. **Highway glint and glare mitigation:** Prior to the commencement of development a scheme of mitigation to overcome the highway impact identified in the Solar Photovoltaic Glint and Glare Study produced by Pager Power dated July 2022 shall be agreed with the local planning authority. Such mitigation to be provided prior to development and maintained in perpetuity thereafter for the life of the development.

Reason: To mitigate the impact of glint and glare arising from the photovoltaic solar panels on highway users, in the interests of highway safety and in accordance with Policy DM1.

5. **Coopers End Roundabout** (Mini roundabout Junction of Parsonage Road/Hall Road) Prior to construction the cutting back of vegetation at the junction to ensure availability of appropriate sightlines and intervisibility between highway users.

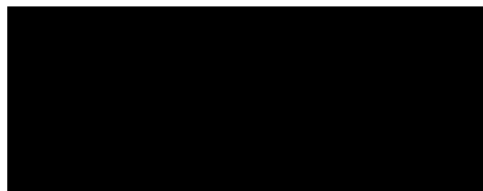
Reason: To ensure appropriate intervisibility between highway users and construction traffic, in the interests of highway safety and in accordance with Policy DM1.

The above conditions are required to ensure that the development accords with the Highway Authority's Development Management Policies, adopted as County Council Supplementary Guidance in February 2011 and Uttlesford Local Plan Policy GEN1.

Informatives:

- I. All work within or affecting the highway is to be laid out and constructed by prior arrangement with, and to the requirements and satisfaction of, the Highway Authority, details to be agreed before the commencement of works. The applicants should be advised to contact the Development Management Team by email at development.management@essexhighways.org
- II. The Highway Authority cannot accept any liability for costs associated with a developer's improvement. This includes design check safety audits, site supervision, commuted sums for maintenance and any potential claims under Part 1 and Part 2 of the Land Compensation Act 1973. To protect the Highway Authority against such compensation claims a cash deposit or bond may be required.

III. It is noted that the construction traffic will require access through an existing environmental weight restriction at the Coopers End mini roundabout at the junction of Parsonage Road and Hall Road. Such weight restriction falls within the jurisdiction of the Airport Authority.



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