

## UTTLESFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

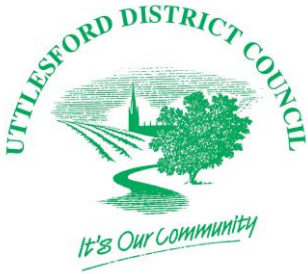
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### Heritage and Conservation Advice Note

The following notes are associated with Built Heritage and Conservation aspects only. These comments should be read in conjunction with all other Advice Notes associated with the application.

<b>Reference numbers</b>	UTT/24/1417/PINS (UDC)
	S62A/2024/0045 (PINS)
<b>Site location</b>	Land at Wickham Hall Estate, Bishops Stortford CM23 1JG

<b>1.0 Details</b>
<p><b>Proposal</b>          Erection of a solar photovoltaic farm with supporting infrastructure and battery storage, inverters and transformers, fencing, landscaping works and connecting cable.</p> <p>The Applicant has submitted this application directly to the Planning Inspectorate.</p> <p><b>Context</b>          The Site does not contain designated heritage assets and is not within a Conservation Area.</p> <p><b>Other:</b>          Refer to the specialist archaeological advice for historical environment notes.</p>
<b>2.0 Heritage Policies and Materials</b>
<p>Non-exhaustive list of legislation, policies, and materials</p> <p><b>National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) 2023</b>          The application has been reviewed to assess the level of harm (if any) caused to the significance of the heritage assets.          Chapter 12 - Achieving well-designed places. Paragraph 135.          Chapter 16 - Conserving and enhancing the historic environment. Paragraph 209.</p>
<b>3.0 Heritage Assets</b>
<p>Designated heritage assets in proximity of the site fall within the boundary of East Herts District Council.</p>
<b>4.0 Comments on Proposal</b>
<p>The Heritage Assessment (HA) provides a balanced assessment of the history of the Site, the character of the area and the significance of the application Site.</p> <p>The application Site is a large area of arable land. The historic farmstead Wickham Hall lies to the east of the Site boundary and contains several designated heritage assets however all lie within East Herts boundary. The proposal will impact their setting to some extent, however in my opinion the effect would be negligible due to the proposed landscaped buffer to the southeast of the Site. The supporting series of existing and proposed photomontages detailed within the</p>



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Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (LVIA) provides clear imagery to illustrate the anticipated screening by vegetation, for five and ten years post construction.

### Conclusion

The proposed developed will not impact built heritage within the Uttlesford District boundary.

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