

SENT VIA EMAIL

Tuesday 30 May 2023

Dear Parish Council/Meeting,

Subject: Tillbridge Solar statutory consultation – 30 May to 11 July 2023

We are writing to you regarding Tillbridge Solar (“The Scheme”), which is a proposed solar and energy storage that would deliver electricity to the national electricity transmission system. The Scheme is proposed to be located approximately five kilometres to the east of Gainsborough and approximately thirteen kilometres to the north of Lincoln.

The Scheme would allow for the generation, storage, export and import of electricity with a generation capacity exceeding 50 megawatts (MW), making a critical and meaningful contribution to achieving net zero carbon emissions and UK energy security through the development of a clean supply of electricity.

Further to our previous correspondence in week commencing **Monday 22 May**, we are now writing to you to announce the start of our statutory consultation. We are writing to you as a Parish Council/Meeting that may have an interest in our proposals.

Our engagement so far

We previously introduced the Scheme in July 2022 with a series of Collaboration Workshops. We are now holding a statutory consultation on our more detailed proposals, which will run for six weeks, from **Tuesday 30 May to Tuesday 11 July 2023**. During this time, we are inviting feedback on our updated proposals, including our preliminary environmental information and how we are planning to minimise the impact of the Scheme.

How to get involved

We are holding a series of face-to-face consultation events and webinars throughout our consultation, which we strongly encourage you to attend. At these events, you will be able to view our printed materials and meet with members of the project team, who will be on hand to answer any questions.

Our events are being held as follows:

Venue	Date	Times
Online webinar (register on our website here , or by getting in touch)	Wednesday 7 June	6:30pm to 8pm

Glentworth Village Hall, Stoney Lane, Glentworth, Lincolnshire, DN21 5DF	Wednesday 14 June	2:30pm to 7pm
Willingham Village Hall, High St, Willingham by Stow, Gainsborough, DN21 5JZ	Saturday 17 June	10am to 2pm
Sturton by Stow Village Hall, High St, Sturton by Stow, Lincoln, LN1 2AE	Thursday 22 June	1:30pm to 5:30pm
Corringham Village Hall, 10 Middle St, Corringham, Gainsborough, DN21 5QR	Friday 30 June	12pm to 4pm
Rampton Village Hall, Manor Grounds, Rampton, Retford, Nottinghamshire DN22 0JU	Saturday 1 July	10am to 2pm
Hemswell and Harpswell Village Hall, Maypole Street, Hemswell, Lincolnshire, DN21 5UL	Thursday 6 July	2:30pm to 6:30pm
Online webinar (register on our website here , or by getting in touch)	Monday 10 July 2023	6:30pm to 8pm

Consultation materials

We have produced of the following consultation materials as part of this statutory consultation, all of which can be viewed on our website (Tillbridgesolar.com/documents-library):

- Statutory consultation leaflet, which is being posted to all addresses within a defined Primary Consultation Zone (as described in the SoCC). This document provides introductory information about the Scheme, the consultation, and where more detailed information can be found. **Please find an electronic copy of the leaflet enclosed with this letter.**
- Project information booklet, which provides a more detailed overview of the Scheme, including a summary of some of the potential effects, as explained in the Preliminary Environmental Information (PEI) Report. **Please find an electronic copy of the booklet enclosed with this letter.**
- Statutory consultation feedback questionnaire, which may be used to provide a response on the Scheme.
- Exhibition banners, which are being displayed at the in-person consultation events (as listed above).
- Maps and plans showing the overall location of the Scheme.
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document.
- PEI Report and Non-technical Summary (NTS).
- SoCC, which has been publicised in accordance with section 47 of the Act.

Providing feedback

Your feedback is important in helping us to refine our proposals. This may be your last chance to provide feedback before we submit our Development Consent Order (DCO) application to the Secretary of State towards the end of this year.

Consultation responses can be made in the following ways:

- Completing the feedback questionnaire online, which can be accessed via the Scheme website: tillbridgesolar.com/consultation
- Attending a consultation event and completing a printed feedback questionnaire, which can be handed to the project team in person, or taken away and sent to us via freepost (using **FREEPOST TILLBRIDGE SOLAR**). Questionnaires can also be requested free of charge, or collected from one of our local information points, as listed on our website.
- Emailing info@tillbridgesolar.com
- Writing to us at **FREEPOST TILLBRIDGE SOLAR** (please note that no stamp is required)

Feedback to the consultation should be submitted in writing or online to the Scheme by **23:59** on **11 July 2023**. Responses received after that date may not be considered.

Publicity

As a Parish Council that may be active in the local area, we kindly ask that you share information about our consultation more widely. Please also find enclosed a Stakeholder Pack, where you will find blocks of text that can be cut and pasted into newsletters, and wider materials. This will help raise awareness of what is happening, why, and how people can get involved.

Hard copy information

Please let us know if you would like hard copies of our consultation materials, which can be provided free of charge.

If you would like a hard copy of the PEI Report, a reasonable charge to cover printing and postage costs of £0.35 per page will apply. However, a printed version of the NTS can be provided free of charge and sent you in the post. If you require this information in an alternative format, such as Braille, large print or alternative languages, please do not hesitate to contact us using the details in this letter.

If you have any questions about the Scheme, the consultation, or content of this letter, please contact our community relations team using the details below. More information can also be found on the project website: tillbridgesolar.com

Yours sincerely,

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- Statutory consultation leaflet
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