

From: Sue Howell
Sent: 09 July 2014 11:25
To: Planning.Responses
Cc: Cian Cronin
Subject: RE: Planning Consultation on: BE/63/14/PL - Manor Farm, Shripney Lane

Comments from Greenspace

The proposals put forward in this application have included careful consideration of its siting within the existing landscape. Existing landscape features such as mature trees and hedgerows and appropriate new planting along with thoughts on long term management of the developing landscape have been considered. The landscape scheme will maximise the biodiversity of the site with the inclusion of native species and the retention of a variety of habitats.

The site is not subject to any ecological or sensitive designation ie SSSI

The existing mature hedgerow along the north western boundaries and the mature hedgerow cover close to the southern boundary are established mature and continuous where possibly no further screen addition will be required. These areas must be protected and retained and would only require further planting if infill is found to be required. New planting as proposed would be required to infill sections along the eastern and western boundaries where there are gaps and missing sections. This is particularly required to the north east of the site looking towards Shripney. A substantial 10m mixed native tree and shrub belt has been proposed for this area, but the landscape and Visual Assessment document only shows this as indicative along with indicative detail to the south west boundary. **Details of new areas of hedgerow planting would be required to be plotted in plan form showing the location of these with quantities proposed and size at time of planting (not just indicative).** Planting as proposed for here will need to be sufficient in height with a mix of tree and shrub species that are sufficiently fast growing to provide a year round screen.

The screening would need to provide a good mix of native species which if planted at the proposed size and density should establish quickly to form a balanced and appropriate planting scheme. This will be particularly evident as it matures and the effects on the landscape of the development will diminish over time. The nature of the predominant site will change from arable land to agricultural grassland with solar panels, this will in turn over time create a different habitat with differing biodiversity habitats forming. The proposals could provide the opportunity to enhance existing hedgerows and to secure on-going management of all structural vegetation within the site.

The proposals comply with Policy SP3 on the countryside as consideration has been given to landscape and biodiversity enhancement through retention of existing hedgerows and the planting of new mixed hedgerow along the boundary of the site.

We conclude that we have no objection to the proposals but re-iterate that we would require this be subject to the plotting of new planted areas in plan form, we would recommend that this application is considered as appropriate and approval considered.

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From: planning.responses@arun.gov.uk [<mailto:planning.responses@arun.gov.uk>]

Sent: 09 June 2014 09:34

To: Parks

Subject: Planning Consultation on: BE/63/14/PL

To: **Parks and Landscapes**

NOTIFICATION FROM ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL
Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure)
(England) Order 2010 (as amended)
Planning Permission
APPLICATION **BE/63/14/PL**
NO:

Registered: 5th June
2014

Site Address: Manor Farm Shripney Lane Shripney

Grid Reference: 492890 102550

Description of Works: Installation of Solar Farm comprising erection of solar arrays, inverters, transformers, equipment housing, security fencing, internal tracks & ancillary equipment. Departure from the Development Plan.

The Council have received the above application. I shall be pleased to receive any observations you may wish to make.

[Click here to view the application details](#)

Should you have any comments to make, these should be sent by
replying to this email
by 10-JUL-14.

You can also monitor the progress of this application through the Council web site:

www.arun.gov.uk/planning

Please be aware that any comments you may make will be available

on our website so please do not insert personal details or signatures on your reply.

In the absence of a reply within the period stated, I shall assume that you have no observations to make.

The application will be determined having regard to the development plan policies (if any are relevant) and other material considerations. The development plan can be accessed via the website as can the leaflet which deals with material planning considerations.

Should the application go to appeal the Planning Inspectorate will publish any comments made to the Council on their website: www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/ but they will protect personal details.

The officer dealing with this application is Mr C Cronin who can be contacted on telephone number 01903 737776.

Regards
Planning Officer

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