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**WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL
STRATEGIC PLANNING CONSULTATION**

DATE: 13th August 2015

FROM: Dominic Smith **TO:** Arun District Council
FAO: Anita Gardner

SUBJECT: WA/35/15/PL

Installation and operation of a solar farm

Land East of Lower Farm, Yapton Lane, Walberton

DATE OF SITE VISIT:

RECOMMENDATION:

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Advice

Modification

More

Information

Objection

No Objection

Refusal

Whilst West Sussex County Council (WSCC), in its capacity as the local highway authority, has been consulted on the proposed installation of a solar farm situated to the east of Yapton Lane.

The LHA requests that the impact on the highway network be considered as part of a Transport Statement to cover, but not be limited to, the following;

Such development tends to have a limited impact on the operation of the highway once operational, with vehicle movements limited to routine maintenance visits occurring typically once every other day. However, vehicles associated with the construction of a solar park are typically large articulated vehicles and would require an access that can accommodate the turning movements, a suitably wide approach road and suitable junction/forward visibility in accordance with the road speed.

An outline 'Construction Management Plan' has been submitted alongside the application. However, additional information is sought prior to the commencement of any deliveries to the site to ensure suitable temporary access can

be achieved and that appropriate mitigation is put in place. At a minimum the following information be sought, however, the output of this work may require additional information to be sought:

- Dimensions of vehicles attending the site and the frequency of visits
- Vehicle routing to and from the site
- Swept path tracking of the largest vehicle to access the site
- Access plan setting out the achievable visibility splay and any routine maintenance required to achieve the splays
- Measures of proposed mitigation – for example, provision of banksmen to assist turning manoeuvres to and from the site, the provision of advanced warning signage and methods of controlling the need for large vehicles to pass one another at the site access and access road

It is recommended that, should permission be granted, a condition requiring a Construction Management Plan to be submitted and approved prior to commencement is secured. In addition, the Applicant will need to enter into a Section 59 Agreement with the County Council to make good any damage to the highway as a result of construction traffic.

Whilst the site is set back from the highway, the LPA should ensure that the site is suitably screen in order to minimise any glint and glare for passing drivers.

Conditions

Construction Management Plan

No development shall take place until a full Construction Management Plan has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Thereafter the approved Plan shall be implemented and adhered to throughout the entire construction and decommission period. In addition to the detail submitted as part of the planning application, the Plan shall provide details as appropriate but not necessarily be restricted to the following matters,

- the anticipated number, frequency and types of vehicles used during construction,
- the method of access and routing of vehicles during construction,
- the parking of vehicles by site operatives and visitors,
- Swept path tracking
- the provision of wheel washing facilities or other works required to mitigate the impact of construction upon the public highway (including the provision of temporary Traffic Regulation Orders),

Reason: In the interests of highway safety and the amenities of the area.

Informatives

Section 59 of the 1980 Highways Act - Extra-ordinary Traffic

The applicant is advised to enter into a Section 59 Agreement under the 1980 Highways Act, to cover the increase in extraordinary traffic that would result from construction vehicles and to enable the recovery of costs of any potential damage that may result to the public highway as a direct consequence of the construction traffic. The Applicant is advised to contact the Asset Management Officer (01243 642105) in order to commence this process.

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

Sent: 10 July 2015 15:33

To: SU Local Development

Subject: Planning Consultation on: WA/34/15/PL

To: WSCC(ROW/Strategic/Highways)

NOTIFICATION FROM ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order

2015 - Articles 16 & 18 Consultation before the grant of permission

Planning Permission

APPLICATION NO: WA/34/15/PL

Registered: 8th July 2015

Site Address: Land East of Lower Farm Yapton Lane Walberton

Grid Reference: 498258 104734

Description of Works: Installation and operation of a solar farm and associated infrastructure, including photovoltaic panels, mounting frames, inverters, transformers, substations, communications building, fence and pole mounted security cameras, for the life of the solar farm. 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 13-AUG-15.

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 officer dealing with this application is Mrs A Gardner who can be contacted on telephone number 01903 737529.

Regards
Planning Officer

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