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Subject: Re: Fw: Planning Consultation on: Y/87/13/

**WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL
STRATEGIC PLANNING CONSULTATION**

DATE: 19th December 2013

FROM: Dominic Smith TO: Arun District Council
FAO: Cian Cronin

SUBJECT: Y/87/13

Installation of solar farm comprising erection of solar arrays, inverters, transformers, equipment housing, security fencing, internal tracks and ancillary equipment. Departure from the Development Plan.

Land South West Of Drove Lane Farm, Drove Lane, Yapton, West Sussex

RECOMMENDATION:

Advice	Modification	More Information	X
Objection	No Objection	Refusal	

West Sussex County Council, in its capacity as the Local Highway Authority, has been consulted on the proposed development of a solar farm located south west of Drove Lane Farm.

Little information regarding the transport impact has been submitted in support of the application. While solar farm developments tend to generate limited traffic movements once operational the location requires access for construction vehicles to be a matter that needs to be carefully managed. The delivery of panels is usually by a large HGV, up to 16.5m in length, and requires the provision of suitable access arrangements. From observation of the site it is evident that the access has good visibility in both directions (although routine maintenance may be required to maximise visibility during growing season) and a generous kerb radius when approaching from the south. However, no information has been submitted to demonstrate the safe and suitable access can be achieved from the B2233 by vehicles that would not currently use the point of access, whether improvements to the point of access will need to be made and what impact any improvements may have. An access plan demonstrating maximum achievable visibility splays, tracking of the largest vehicle to access the site and full geometry of the junction should be submitted. Should any changes be proposed then a Road Safety Audit: Stage 1 will also be required.

Information is sought on the anticipated trip generation of the site; as such information is unlikely to be available through the Trip Rate Information Computer System the LHA are satisfied for the Applicant to use a suitable evidenced alternative methodology to derive traffic movement.

A draft construction management plan should be provided for consideration as part of the planning application covering, but not limited to, the following;

- anticipated number, frequency and types of vehicles used during construction,
- method of access and routing of vehicles during construction,
- parking of vehicles by site operatives and visitors,
- loading and unloading of plant, materials and waste,
- storage of plant and materials used in construction of the development,
- erection and maintenance of security hoarding,
- management of the single track access road to prevent obstruction of the B2233
- provision of wheel washing facilities and other works required to mitigate the impact of construction upon the public highway (including the provision of temporary Traffic Regulation Orders),
- details of public engagement both prior to and during construction works.

Distraction for passing drivers due to glint and glare should be considered as part of the traffic impact assessment with commentary made as to how this has been managed.

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Subject Planning Consultation on: Y/87/13/

To: **WSSC(ROW/Strategic/Highways/Archaeology/Ecology)**

NOTIFICATION FROM ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010 (as amended) - Articles 16 & 18 Consultation before the grant of permission
Planning Permission

APPLICATION NO: Y/87/13/

Registered: 4th November 2013

Site Address: Land Southwest of Drove Lane Farm Yapton

Grid Reference: 496886 102889

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 12-DEC-13.

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 Mr C Cronin who can be contacted on telephone number 01903 737776.

Regards
Planning Officer

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