

North Dairy Farm **Solar Park**



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Introducing North Dairy Farm Solar Park

British Solar Renewables (BSR) is preparing to submit a planning application to Dorset Council for a solar park and battery storage facility area on land at North Dairy Farm, Pulham, Dorchester, DT2 7EA.

The solar park would have an approximate design capacity of 49.99 MW and would generate an estimated 49,999 MWh of clean, renewable and sustainable electricity per year. This is equivalent to the annual electrical needs of approx. 13,000 family homes. The anticipated CO2 displacement is around 13,000 tonnes per annum. This is equivalent to removing 5,841 conventional cars from the road each year.

What are the Benefits of the Solar Farm?

The main benefits of the proposed development are summarised below.

- It will assist Dorset Council to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in line with local and national targets, in addition to supporting its strategy for its declared Climate Emergency.
- The proposed development will contribute towards the security of energy supply in Dorset through the provision of local, renewable energy supply.
- No public rights of way will be closed during or after construction of the solar park.
- New hedgerow planting is proposed to contain and screen the solar arrays from its surroundings.
- This is a temporary development, allowing the land to rest for the period of operation.
- Ecological enhancements including wildflower and wild bird seed grasslands, and a range of breeding boxes for bats and birds are being considered as part of the application. We anticipate that the solar park will have a significant positive net biodiversity impact.
- No protected landscape, heritage or ecological designations will be affected by the solar farm.
- The proposed solar farm will not require Government subsidy.
- British Solar Renewables UK is committed to using local suppliers during construction and operation where possible.

Climate Emergency

In May 2019, Dorset Council declared a Climate Emergency in recognition of the need to take urgent action in respect of climate change. As a local authority, Dorset Council has stated that it has a 'responsibility to play its part in helping tackle this growing danger while we still have time to make a difference'. North Dairy Farm Solar Park can play an important part in support of the council's emerging Climate Change and Ecological Emergency Strategy.



Our approach to consultation during the pandemic

In accordance with guidance issued by the UK Government's Chief Planner, which emphasised that planning applications that positively impact the country and local communities must continue to come forward, we invite you to provide feedback on our draft proposals in the following ways:

1 Fill in the feedback form that accompanies this public consultation brochure.

Please read through the leaflet and provide feedback to us by way of the free post feedback form that came with the brochure.

2 Attend our public consultation webinar and Q&A session on Thursday October 29th from 5pm – 7pm.

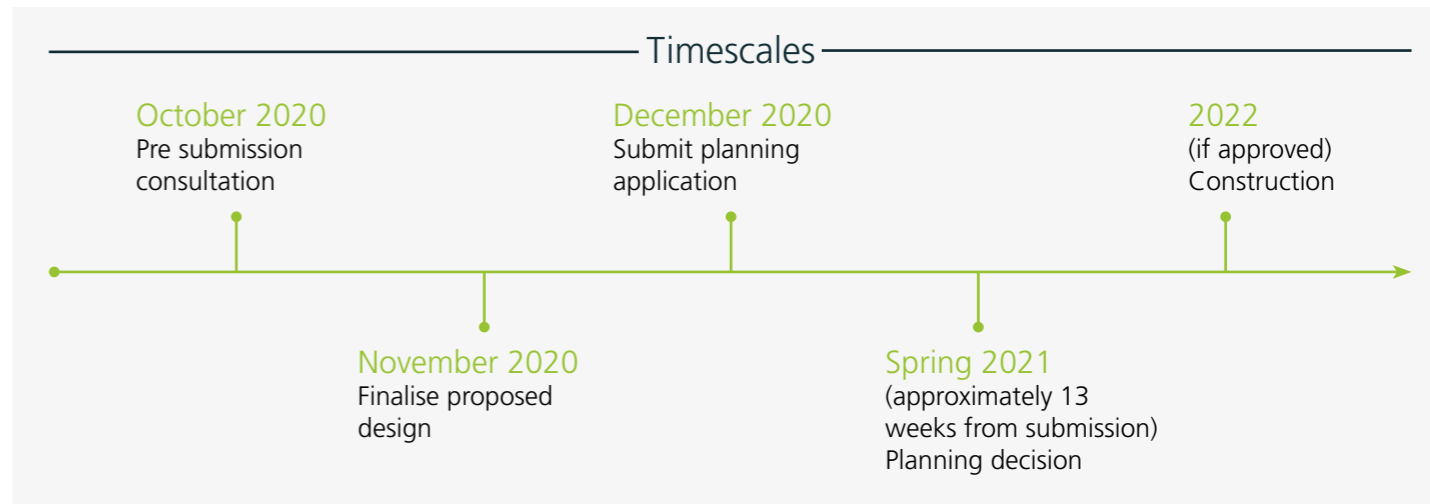
You are invited to attend our online public consultation webinar and Q&A session event. The webinar will be a ten-minute presentation by the project team where they will outline the draft proposals. During the Q&A session which will follow the webinar you'll have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have about the draft proposals with members of the project team.

The webinar will be recorded and hosted on our public consultation website so that you can watch it again or see it if you are unable to watch it live. You can of course get in contact with the project team at any time, through our public consultation website: www.bsrenergy.com/north-dairy-farm/

You can register to attend our online public consultation event by visiting our website www.bsrenergy.com/north-dairy-farm/ and completing the webinar registration form. You will then receive an email with details on how to join the public consultation webinar.

3 Visit the dedicated public consultation website: www.bsrenergy.com/north-dairy-farm/

We have set up a dedicated public consultation website, where you can find information about our draft proposals and provide feedback.



Where is the proposed North Dairy Farm Solar Park?

The proposed site is located within Blackmore Vale between the villages of Pulham (to the west) and Hazelbury Bryan (to the east). It covers an area of c. 76ha and its fields are bounded by hedgerows and streams, the latter draining into the River Lydden to the north of the site. It is proposed that access to the site would be provided using the existing access road to North Dairy Farm, namely Cannings Court Lane.



Evolving Concept Design of North Dairy Farm Solar Park





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British Solar Rewables [BSR] is a leading renewable energy developer and provider of expert services to the renewable energy industry. The company was founded in 2010 from when it has grown into one of the largest integrated developers in the UK with over 350MW of ground mounted solar PV parks successfully installed to date.

Have your say

Please take your time to consider the information within this brochure, and don't hesitate to contact a member of our team should you have any questions or matters you need to be clarified.

We would be grateful if you could answer the feedback form and let us have your contact details for the purpose of informing the project design and providing feedback to the Council.

For further information, please do not hesitate to email peter.elms@alpacacommunications.com.



Register for updates

Please visit www.bsrenergy.com/north-dairy-farm/ where information about our proposals will be updated, and where you can register to be receive updates.

feedback form

To return your completed feedback form please tear it from the brochure, insert into the enclosed pre-paid envelope and pop it in the post by **Friday 30th October 2020**. Alternatively, you can return your form via email to peter.elms@alpacacommunications.com.

Title: Name:

Address:

Postcode:

Email: Telephone:

1. Has this local resident leaflet been helpful in understanding our proposal?

- Yes No Not sure
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2. What is the most important issue to you about our proposal, where 1 is of highest importance and 9 is of least importance?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction traffic | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape impact | <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of agricultural land |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Increasing biodiversity | <input type="checkbox"/> Visual impact | <input type="checkbox"/> Noise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Climate change | <input type="checkbox"/> Residential amenity impact | <input type="checkbox"/> Flooding |
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3. With regards to the proposals you have read about within this leaflet, are you:

- In favour In objection Of no opinion

4. Your views are important to us, if you'd like us to keep in touch how would you like us to contact you?

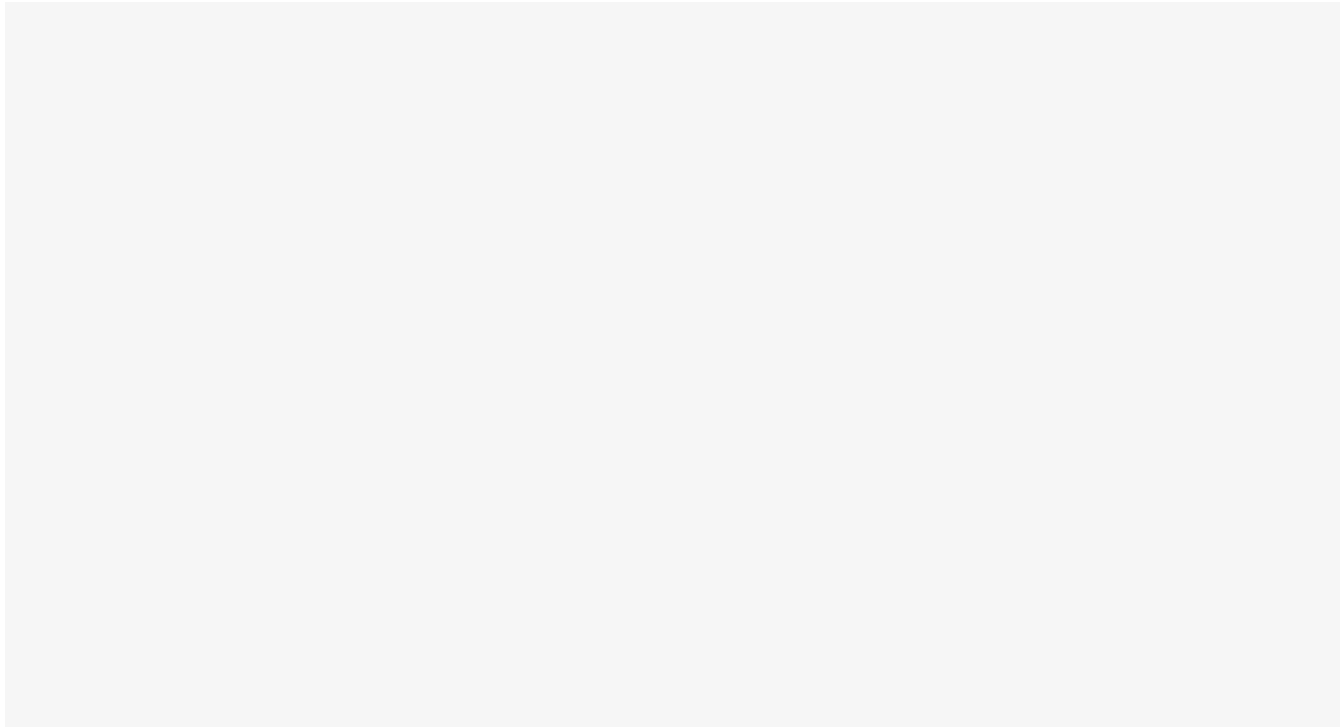
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5. Any other comments?



Thank you for taking the time to fill out our feedback form, your personal details including your name, address and contact details may be included as part of a consultation report submitted with this application to Dorset Council. If you prefer your details do not be shared, please tick here .