

Notice publicising a proposed application for a Development Consent Order ("DCO") to construct, operate, maintain and decommission a solar photovoltaic (PV) generating station, with a generating capacity of more than 50 megawatts (MW) and associated infrastructure on land near Selby in North Yorkshire (Light Valley Solar).

Notice is hereby given that Light Valley Solar Limited (Company registration number 13290180) of Unit 25.7 Coda Studios 189 Munster Road, London, England, SW6 6AW (the Applicant), proposes to apply to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero under Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 for a Development Consent Order for Light Valley Solar (the Project).

Light Valley Solar will cover a combined area of approximately 1020 hectares for its Solar Development Sites, and will consist of seven solar array sites, with associated energy storage infrastructure located on one of the sites. The Project will operate over 60 years and electricity generated by the Project will be supplied to the National Grid at Monk Fryston substation located west of the Project site.

Light Valley Solar is located entirely within the administrative boundaries of North Yorkshire Council with the potential for associated highways works taking place within the administrative boundaries of the City of York Council. The solar PV sites and/or cable corridors are located across several parishes:

- Barlby with Osgodby Parish Council
- Birkin Parish Council
- Burton Salmon Parish Council
- Cawood Parish Council
- Escrick Parish Council
- Gateforth Parish Council
- Hambleton Parish Council
- Hillam Parish Council
- Monk Fryston Parish Council
- Riccall Parish Council
- Selby Town Council
- Sherburn in Elmet Parish Council
- Skipwith Parish Council
- South Milford Parish Council
- Thorganby Parish Council
- Thorpe Willoughby Parish Council
- West Haddlesey Parish Council
- Wistow Parish Council

The proposed DCO will, among other things, authorise:

- Construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of the solar PV electricity generating station and associated development including grid connection and energy
- Compulsory acquisition of land, including interests in land, rights over land and imposition of restrictions, powers to override, suspend or extinguish rights over land and powers for the temporary use of land;
- The application, modification and/or disapplication of legislation including legislation relating to highways matters and landlord and tenant; and
- Such ancillary, incidental and consequential provisions, licenses, property rights, permits and consents as are necessary and/or convenient.

Light Valley Solar is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. This means that the proposed works constitute development for which an EIA is required and the proposed application for a DCO will therefore be accompanied by an Environmental Statement (ES). The ES will provide a detailed description of Light Valley Solar and its likely significant environmental effects. Information compiled so far about Light Valley Solar's likely significant environmental effects is set out for consultation in a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (the PEIR) and summarised in a Non-Technical Summary (NTS).

Statutory Consultation

The Applicant is undertaking a Statutory consultation on the proposals for Light Valley Solar between Thursday 26 June and Thursday 7 August 2025.

A copy of the PEIR, together with the PEIR NTS, the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC), and other consultation documents, plans and maps explaining the Phase Two (statutory) consultation process and details of the nature and location of Light Valley Solar can be found on the Applicant's website in the document library at www.lightvalleysolar.co.uk. These documents will be free to read and download from the Applicant's website from 26 June 2025.

Hard copies of the SoCC and PEIR NTS will be available for inspection free of charge, and copies of the Phase Two Project Information Booklet and Phase Two Feedback Form will be able to take away free of charge, from 26 June until 7 August 2025 at the following community access points:

| Location | Current Opening Times |
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| Selby Library 52 Micklegate, Selby, YO8 4EQ | Monday: 9.30am – 7.30pm Tuesday & Wednesday: 9.30am – 5.30pm Thursday: 9.30am – 12.30pm Friday: 9.30am – 5.30pm Saturday: 9.30am – 12.30pm Sunday: closed |
| Barlby Library and Community Hub Howden Road, Barlby, Selby YO8 5JE | Monday: closed Tuesday & Wednesday: 2pm - 5pm Thursday: closed Friday: 2pm - 5pm Saturday: 10am - 12pm Sunday: closed |
| Sherburn & Villages Community Library Finkle Hill, Sherburn in Elmet, Leeds LS25 6EA | Monday & Tuesday: 9.30am – 5pm Wednesday: closed Thursday: 9.30am – 5pm Friday: 9.30am – 1pm Saturday: 9.30am – 12.30pm Sunday: closed |

A hard copy of the PEIR will be available for inspection free of charge at public information events listed in the table below. Hard copies of the Phase Two Project Information Booklet and the Phase Two Feedback Form will be available to take away free of charge during these events.

Electronic copies of all the consultation documents may be viewed on a computer at the above community access points from 26 June until 7 August 2025. While access to computers at these information points is free of charge, the venues may require visitors to show proof of identity to use an on-site computer. More information is available at www.northyorks.gov.uk/leisure-tourism-and-culture/libraries. We recommend contacting the venues to check the opening times prior to visiting.

The Applicant will host public information events to provide interested parties with the opportunity to view the relevant consultation documentation and speak with members of the project team. The details of the consultation events are as follows:

| Date and time | Location |
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| Eversley Park Centre, Sherburn-in-Elmet | Friday 4th July 2025 |
| Eversley Park Centre, Low Street LS25 6BA | 3pm – 7pm |
| Escrick & Deighton Club | Tuesday 8th July 2025 |
| 59 Main Street, Escrick, York, YO19 6LQ | 3pm – 7pm |
| Riccall Village Institute 12 Station Road, York YO19 6QJ | Wednesday 9th July 2025 3pm – 7pm |
| Haddlesey Church Community Hall | Friday 11th July 2025 |
| Millfield Road, Chapel Haddlesey YO8 8QF | 1pm – 5pm |
| Hambleton Village Hall | Tuesday 15th July 2025 |
| 3 Station Road, Selby YO8 9HS | 3pm – 7pm |
| Monk Fryston & Hillam Community Centre Old Vicarage Lane LS25 5EA | Saturday 19th July 2025 11am – 3pm |
| Community Webinar | Monday 21st July 2025 |
| Via Zoom | 6pm – 7.30pm |

These information events offer an opportunity to find out more about Light Valley Solar. Attendees do not need to register in advance to attend an in-person consultation event. To attend an online event, attendees need to go to the Project website where they will be able to sign up in advance. Alternatively joining details can be provided by contacting the community relations team on FREEPHONE 0808 281 4784 or sending an email to info@lightvalleysolar.co.uk.

For further information or queries, please call 0808 281 4784 (fre e of charge); write to FREEPOST LIGHT VALLEY SOLAR (no stamp or further details required); email info@ lightvalleysolar.co.uk or visit www.lightvalleysolar.co.uk.

To obtain hard copies of the consultation documents

Hard copies of all other consultation materials may be requested during the consultation period by contacting the Applicant on FREEPHONE 0808 281 4784 or by email at info@lightvallevsolar.co.uk. Requests for consultation materials in an alternative format such as large print or audio for those with visual impairments or in an alternative language for those who do not speak English as their first language will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Requests for multiple copies of these documents will be considered on a case-by-case basis and a reasonable charge may apply to cover printing and postage costs.

A hard copy of the PEIR can be printed at a cost of £750. Specific sections of the PEIR can also be requested to be printed, and a charge of up to £750 may apply.

Have your say

Feedback can be provided through the consultation feedback form on the Applicant's website at www.lightvalleysolar.co.uk. Hardcopy feedback forms will also be available at the community access points listed above and at the in-person public information events taking place.

The Consultation Feedback Form, responses to the consultation or other representations in respect of Light Valley Solar can also be sent to the Applicant by email to info@lightvalleysolar.co.uk or by post to FREEPOST Light Valley Solar (no stamp or further details required).

Any response or representation in respect of the proposed DCO application must be received by the Applicant on or before 23.59 on Thursday 7 August 2025.

The Applicant will consider and have regard to all responses to consultation and publicity when developing its DCO application. Individual responses may be made publicly available, or made available to the Secretary of State, the Planning Inspectorate and other relevant statutory authorities, in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008 and data protection

Respondents do not have to provide any personal information, but this information will help the Applicant to understand the range of responses and enable the Applicant to send you further information relating to Light Valley Solar. Personal information will be kept confidential where possible. Please refer to our Privacy Notice for more details:

www.lightvalleysolar.co.uk/privacy-policy.