#### Launch of targeted consultation on proposals for East Pye Solar

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To "East Pye Solar"<info@eastpyesolar.co.uk>

Dear Parish Clerk,

I am writing to inform you of the launch of a targeted consultation we are holding on our proposals. After we consulted on our plans for East Pye Solar earlier this year, we have made a number of changes to our proposals as a result of an initial review of feedback, as well as further design work and findings from ongoing environmental assessments. We are now consulting on these changes.

Please see information below on the proposed changes that are being consulted on, and how you can provide feedback.

#### About the Scheme

East Pye Solar Limited is proposing plans for a utility-scale solar park and battery energy storage system (BESS) project, known as East Pye Solar, to be located within the administrative boundaries of South Norfolk Council and Norfolk County Council. If consented, the Scheme has the potential to provide up to 500 megawatts (MW) of electricity, enough to power approximately 115,000 homes annually.

Due to the Scheme's size, it is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure project (NSIP). This means that the Scheme will submit its application to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS), on behalf of the Secretary of State, who will ultimately decide whether to grant the project a Development Consent Order (DCO).

### **Targeted Consultation**

We are holding this round of consultation from **Wednesday 22 October until 23:59 on Wednesday 26 November 2025**. During this time, you have the opportunity to comment on these changes. We encourage you to submit any feedback you may have using the details provided at the end of this letter.

Following the Phase Two statutory consultation, which took place between 18 June and 6 August 2025, we are now carrying out a further round of targeted consultation, focusing on 26 specific changes to the proposals for East Pye Solar.

These changes have been informed by further design work and due diligence, ongoing consideration of consultee feedback, and findings from the ongoing environmental impact assessment process.

Separately, we are continuing to consider the feedback we received during Phase Two consultation as we further refine our designs ahead of the DCO submission, which is now anticipated to be in early 2026. This revised submission date provides time for us to consider feedback received from the targeted consultation, as well as the results of ongoing design work and environmental assessments.

In summary, the changes to the Scheme boundary are:

- Small additional parcels of land have been included adjacent and to the northeast of Site 1; and to the southwest of Site 1 associated with the works connecting the National Grid Substation to the existing overhead transmission electric lines;
- Additional small areas of land throughout the Scheme associated with updates to highway visibility splays have been included;
- Additional small areas of land throughout the Scheme to accommodate abnormal indivisible loads (AIL) that could result in highway works, temporary removal of street furniture and/or vegetation removal, have been included;
- Confirmation that the Applicant intends to place the new National Grid substation within site 1B, and will not be pursuing the additional option to the south (that was consulted upon at the statutory consultation stage);
- Confirmation of the location and size of the substation in Site 1B (which is proposed to increase from 132kv to 400kv);
- An area within Site 7D where additional solar PV panels have been included.

Although these changes are minor in nature and scale, we are committed to ensuring that relevant stakeholders are consulted on the changes prior to the application for development consent being submitted.

Targeted consultation is open from Wednesday 22 October to Friday 21 November.

How to access materials and respond to this targeted consultation

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Information about each of the changes we are consulting on and how you can participate in the consultation can be found on the Scheme website

www.eastpyesolar.co.uk

An **Information Change Note** detailing the 26 proposed changes has been prepared. This document includes an overview of the changes, maps showing the changes, and the land affected. Larger maps of the changes will be made available to view and download on the Scheme website.

The Information Change Note and associated maps are available to read and download from the Documents section of our website (www.eastpvesolar.co.uk).

A dedicated online feedback form produced for the targeted consultation is also available on the Scheme website. These materials are available in hard copy by request via the Scheme's communication channels listed at the bottom of this email.

Anyone may comment on the changes being put forward as part of this targeted consultation, and there are a number of ways to respond. This includes the dedicated online Feedback Form, as well as feedback submitted in writing via Freepost and email.

Please submit your written feedback on the targeted changes for East Pye Solar via:

- Emailing your feedback to info@eastpyesolar.co.uk;
- Completing our online feedback form at: www.eastpyesolar.co.uk; or
- Writing to FREEPOST EAST PYE SOLAR (no stamp required).

# Responses must be received no later than 23:59 on 26 November 2025.

Personal details will be held securely and solely for the purposes in connection with the targeted consultation, DCO process and further development of the Scheme. Please refer to our Privacy Notice for more details: <a href="https://www.eastpyesolar.co.uk/privacy-policy">www.eastpyesolar.co.uk/privacy-policy</a>

Hard copies of the PEIR, NTS and maps and plans from the statutory consultation remain available for inspection free of charge online at <a href="https://www.eastpyesolar.co.uk">www.eastpyesolar.co.uk</a>

and in physical form at Long Stratton Library (Long Stratton Library, The Street, Long Stratton, Norwich, NR15 2XJ).

# Get in touch

If you would like further information about this letter, the consultation, or East Pye Solar, please contact the project team by using one of the contact methods provided at the end of this email.

Yours faithfully,

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On behalf of East Pye Solar Limited



Email: info@eastpyesolar.co.uk

Freephone Information Line: 0808 281 3175 (Open Monday to Friday; 9am to 5pm)

**Write to**: FREEPOST East Pye Solar **Website**: www.eastpyesolar.co.uk

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