

HILFIELD SOLAR FARM NOTE

Land North of Butterfly Lane, Land Surrounding Hilfield Farm and Land West of Hilfield Lane, Aldenham.

Hertsmere Borough Council reference: 21/0050/FULEI.

Planning Inspectorate reference: APP/N1920/W/22/3295268.

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Overview

During the inquiry reference has been made to other Solar Farms by the Council witness on planning matters (Ms Laura Ashton). This note provides additional information on two schemes, Clump Solar Farm and Stoneshollow Solar Farm, and the grid connections to be made for each.

Site 1: Clump Solar Farm

Clump Solar Farm (Clump Farm Solar Limited/BayWa r.e.) is proposed to be located on land north of the A47 between Peckleton and Thurlaston within Leicestershire. An application (reference: 21/01242/FUL) is being considered by Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council. It is understood a connection is to be made at the National Grid Enderby substation¹. The grid connection is not within the application red line. The point of connection is, at its closest point, a distance of 4.3 km east of the proposed Clump Solar Farm site. This is shown in Figure 1. A 7.5 km radius around the National Grid Enderby substation is shown in Figure 2.

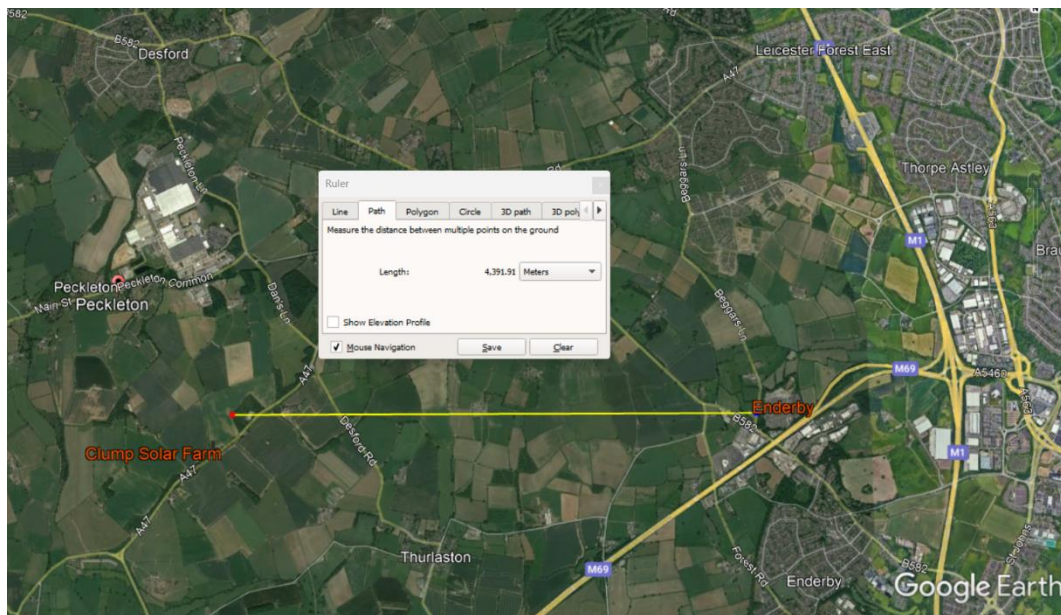


Figure 1.

¹ Clump Solar Farm Design and Access Statement, para 2.15. It is noted the project is not on the National Grid Transmission Entry Capacity (TEC) Register.

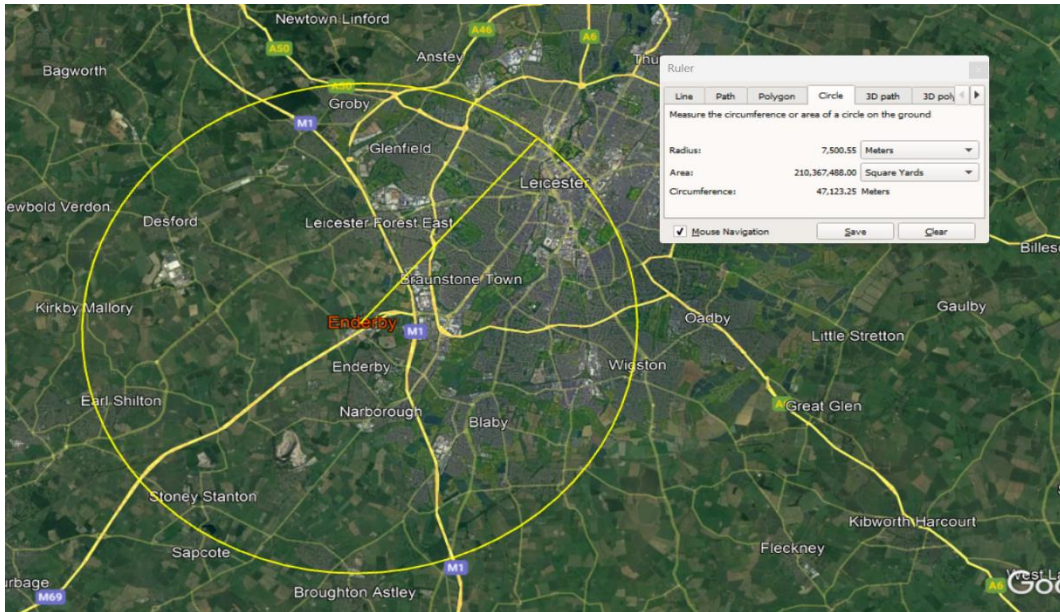


Figure 2.

Site 2: Stoneshallow Solar Farm

Stoneshallow Solar Farm (JBM Solar 26 Limited /JBM Limited) is located on land at Church Farm off Washpit Lane near Barlestone, Leicestershire. An application (reference: 21/01395/FUL) has been granted by Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council. It is understood a connection is to be made to an existing 132 kV overhead line approximately 1.5 km from the proposed Stoneshallow Solar Farm site. The grid connection, via Bagworth Road, is shown within the red line. A copy of the Site Location Plan from the application is shown in Figure 3.

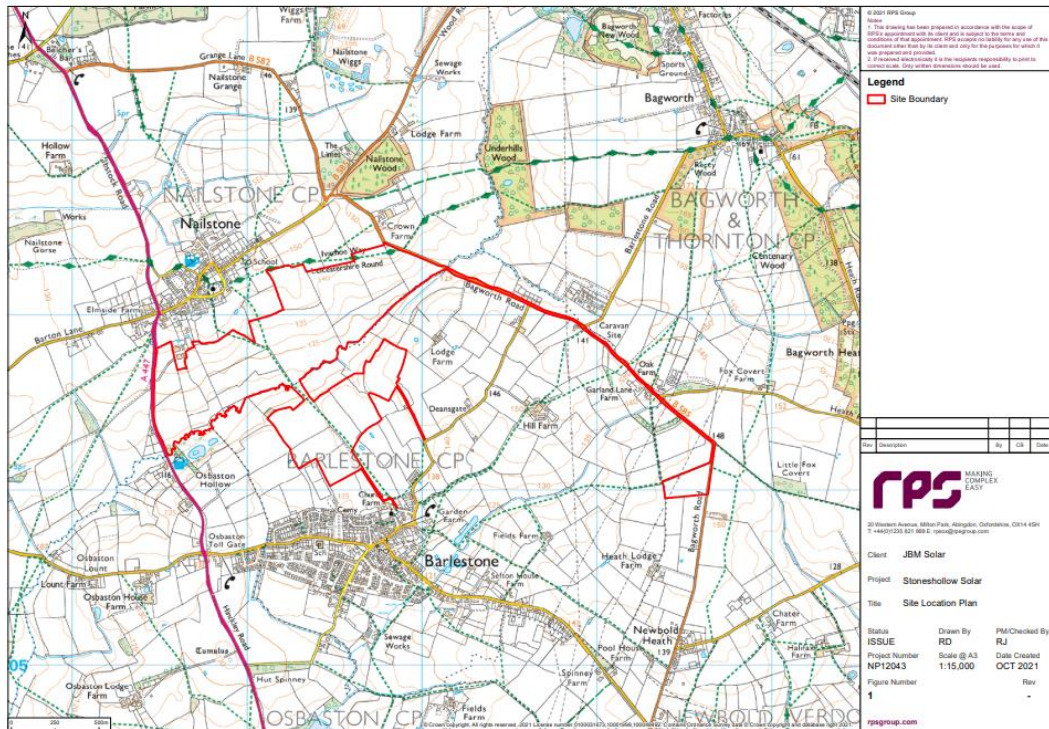


Figure 3.