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**Environmental Health Section - NSDC** 

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Proposal:	Construction of a solar farm and battery stations together with all associated
	works, equipment and necessary infrastructure.
Site Address:	Land North Of Halloughton Southwell
Planning Application Ref:	20/01242/FULM
Target Date for Decision:	9 October 2020
Case Officer:	Honor Whitfield

You are invited to make comment on the above planning application. Please indicate below whether you support or object to the proposal. Your comments need to be with us by **5** August 2020.

Details of the case officer will be confirmed on our website within 48 hours.

Application details, including plans, site boundary (using 'Map' facility) and supporting information are available to view on our website at www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/planningapplications. If this consultation relates to the renewal of an extant planning permission, please refer to documents associated with the previous application also available online (the previous planning application number is mentioned in the proposal).

Your comments can be submitted either online using the above website (if you are a registered user), by email to planning@nsdc.info or by post to the above address.

Please be aware, all information including signatures and contact details you provide will be publicly available.

In the event of an appeal against a refusal of planning permission, if the application refers to a 'householder application', any representations made this application will be sent to the Secretary of State, and there will be no further opportunity to comment at appeal stage.

A copy of the decision notice and officer/committee report will be available on our website after the application has been decided.

## Data protection and privacy:

We are committed to protecting your personal data and privacy. The personal information you provide will only be used by the Council, in accordance with General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2016 and used for the purposes of determining the application.

All information including signatures and contact details you provide will be published (publically available) in full. You should also ensure that there are no third party references which could breach the privacy requirements of the GDPR.

Please see our website for further information regarding our privacy notice.

Support Proposal: Yes Object to Proposal: No objection

Comments:

Environmental Health have reviewed the documentation and support the current planning proposal. Environmental Health have considered the following points.

## Noise Assessment

The applicant as part of the consultation process provided a noise assessment for the development. The applicant has used professional judgement and determined the use of BS8233 absolute noise standards to be used in the absence of development site noise monitoring data. The noise assessment report has indicated in the conclusions that noise levels are likely to be more prevalent to surrounding residential properties during the daytime hours and early morning or evening as battery stations operate to provide electricity to the National Grid at peak times, but are unlikely to exceed the standards in BS4142 for the lowest observed effect level.

### Visual Impact

The applicant has provided an assessment of glint and glare from the solar farm. The report outlines the conclusions that mitigation of glint and glare is not required overall for the development due to natural boundary formations and vegetative cover. Where residential properties neighbour the development site, the applicant has proposed significant shielding will be applied on boundaries to domestic properties to reduce any risks of light pollution. The development is likely to have a visual impact in terms of amenity user perception. However, the environmental health impacts of the development in terms of light pollution appear to be risk assessed by the applicant satisfactorily.

### Recommendation for further consultation

Public Health England are the leading authority on health impact assessments and can consult on the health impacts to the local community from this development. Environmental Health can only give consultation on aspects of environmental impacts related to health, such as noise, light or air pollution. Both the physical and mental health impacts of the development need to be considered in the consultation process, since domestic properties lie on the boarder of the development. Therefore, Environmental Health recommend our partner organisation Public Health England is consulted (if not included) on the health impacts from the development as part of this consultee process.

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