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To: Councillor S Rabey (Chair)

Councillor A Griffin (Vice-Chair)

Councillor P Alford Councillor P Aves Councillor G Cooke Councillor G Ellis Councillor J Oatley Councillor C Stokes

Meeting of the Economic Development and Planning Committee – Monday 17th February 2025

**Dear Councillors** 

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the **Economic Development and Planning Committee** In accordance with the Local Government Act (LGA) 1972, Sch 12, paras 10 (2)(b).

The meeting will be held at Melksham Town Hall in the Committee Chamber on Monday 17th February 2025 commencing at 19.00 pm.

Please note members of the public are welcome to attend in person or online, but are requested to send their questions to locum@melksham-tc.gov.uk by noon on the working day before the meeting. This will make it more likely that we will be able to answer their questions on the night.

#### **Virtual Meeting Access:**

Please follow the joining instructions below for the virtual Zoom meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 836 6987 6198 Passcode: 481965

Participants will be directly let in the meeting by clicking on the above link. There is no waiting room

A period of public participation will take place during the meeting. The Press and Public are welcome to attend this meeting.

Yours sincerely

TJ Redett

Mrs T Predeth BA(Hons), MPA, FSLCC

Town Clerk

# Melksham Town Council Economic Development and Planning Committee

# Tuesday 18 February 2025 At 19.00 pm at the Town Hall

**Public Participation** – To receive questions from members of the public.

In the exercise of Council functions. Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety, Human Rights and the need to conserve biodiversity. The Council also has a duty to tackle discrimination, provide equality of opportunity for all and foster good relations in the course of developing policies and delivery services under the public sector Equality Duty and Equality 2010.

#### **AGENDA**

# 1. Apologies

To receive apologies for absence.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

To receive any Declarations of Interest in respect of items on this agenda as required by the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council.

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest or other registrable interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. Members may however, also decide, in the interests of clarity and transparency, to declare at this point in the meeting, any such disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared on the Register, as well as any other registrable or other interests.

#### 3. Public Participation

Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting and address the council.

#### **4. Minutes** (Pages 1 - 6)

To approve the Minutes of the Economic Development and Planning Committee meeting held on

#### 5. Planning Considerations

Members to note that when responding to planning applications consideration should be given to the Melksham Joint Neighbourhood Plan, the Wiltshire Core Strategy and the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

# 6. Planning Applications

To comment on the following planning applications

# 6.1 **PL/2024/11426**

PL/2024/11426 - Outline Planning Permission

Address: Land to the South of A365 Bath Road and West of Turnpike Garage, Melksham, Wilts

Proposal: Construction of warehouse with office space, parking and associated landscaping including site access

Respond By 11-02-2025

This application is within the boundary of Melksham Without Parish Council and was considered by them on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

#### 6.2 PL/2025/00390

PL/2025/00390 - Removal of Hedgerow

Address: Hedgerow located on each side of existing gate at Bath Road, Melksham, Wiltshire, SN12 8EG.

Proposal: Section of temporary hedgerow removal is required 1m either side of an existing gate access, therefore 2m total, to facilitate a sewer replacement scheme being undertaken by Wessex Water. The temporary removal is required to facilitate access for construction machinery to the working area, within the neighbouring fields. Upon completion of the scheme, the hedgerow will be replanted following STD836 standards; a copy of this has been submitted with the hedgerow removal application.

Respond By 18-02-2025

#### 6.3 PL/2025/00283

PL/2025/00283 - Full Planning Permission

Address: 39 Sandridge Road, Melksham, Wilts, SN12 7BQ

Proposal: Change of use from a C3 dwelling house to a C2 residential care home for up to 4 children.

Respond By 19-02-2025

#### 6.4 PL/2025/00176

PL/2025/00176 - Lawful Development Certificate for an Existing Use

Address: 11 Burnet Close, Melksham, SN12 7SJ

Proposal: Certificate of lawfulness to demonstrate that a single storey conservatory was

substantially completed more than 10 years ago

Respond By 21-02-2025

#### 6.5 **PL/2025/00979**

PL/2025/00979 - Works to a Protected Tree

Address: THE COACH HOUSE OAKWOOD, 7A SPA ROAD, MELKSHAM, SN12 7NP

Proposal: T1 - Crown reduce Beech tree by up to 3.5m in height and 2.5m laterally . T2 -

Crown reduce Oak tree by up to 2.5-3m (25%). Crown raise over driveway up

to 4m and over car park up to 3-3.5m. Remove any major deadwood

Respond By 22-02-2025

#### 7. Planning Decisions

To note the following planning decisions

# 7.1 **PL/2024/08832**

<u>PL/2024/08832</u> - Advertisement Consent Address: 8 High Street, Melksham, SN12 6JU

Proposal: Shopfront signage with trough light and vinyl window and door graphics

Decision Date: 21-01-2025 Decision: Approve with Conditions

MTC Decision: Support

#### 7.2 **PL/2024/11449**

<u>PL/2024/11449</u> - Proposed Works to Trees in a Conservation Area Address: EBENEZER CHAPEL, UNION STREET, MELKSHAM, SN12 7PR

Proposal: T1 - Section fell Lawson Cypress conifer tree Decision Date: 21-01-2025 Decision: No Objection

MTC Decision: Support

#### 7.3 **PL/2024/01069**

PL/2024/01069 - Works to a Listed Building

Address: 59 King Street, Melksham, Wilts, SN12 6HE

Proposal: Removal of marine plywood to passageway arch and proposed replacement

side passage door

Decision Date: 24-01-2025 Decision: Approve with Conditions

MTC Decision: Support

#### 7.4 **PL/2024/10702**

PL/2024/10702 - Householder Application

Address: 22 Woodstock Garden, Melksham, SN12 6AN

Proposal: Proposed replacement of existing garage with a larger garage.

Decision Date: 30-01-2025 Decision: Approve with Conditions

MTC Decision: Support.

#### **8.** Lime Down Solar Park (Pages 7 - 16)

To note consultation and consider response.

#### 9. Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) Issues

#### 9.1 **Bank Street** (Pages 17 - 18)

For decision.

# 10. Neighbourhood Plan

Joint Melksham Neighbourhood Plan 2 Examination Arrangements are being undertaken and a fact check report in late March 2025

# 11. Temporary Road Closure Notifications

# **Sandridge Road**

# **Resurfacing Works A3102**

The order will come into operation from  $24^{th}$  February to  $8^{th}$  March 2025 19.00-06.00 am Monday – Friday

#### 12. Parish Steward

To consider jobs to be undertaken by the Parish Steward.

# 13. Speed Indicators

To receive a report on SIDS activity.

# 14. Date of Next Meeting 11th March 2025



#### **Melksham Town Council**

# Minutes of the Economic Development and Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday 28th January 2025

**PRESENT:** Councillor S Rabey (Chair)

Councillor A Griffin (Vice-Chair)

Councillor P Alford Councillor P Aves Councillor C Stokes

Councillor J Westbrook (substituting for Councillor Ellis)

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

**OFFICERS:** Andrew Meacham Committee Clerk

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Two member of the public were present and one member of Melksham Without Parish Council was present virtually.

#### 230/24 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Ellis, who was substituted by Councillor J Westbrook.

#### 231/24 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

## 232/24 Public Participation

#### Local Resident to comment on item 6.1

May I make the following statement of objection to the retrospective planning application, which may have been created by my contact with the Planning Enforcement at the Council who in turn visited the site.

My objection are in three categories.

- 1. Breach of Permitted Development Rights in accord with the Town and Country Planning Act (Permitted Development Order ) 2015 Class E
- 2. Development as submitted is not in accord with the Wiltshire Core Strategy Policy 57
- 3. The constant low noise of a pump is not in accord with the Environmental Protection Act 1990 Sec 79 Statutory nuisance.

1. The structures were built prior to a visit from Wiltshire Council Planning Department and a third of the structure is in front of the 'principal elevation of the original dwellinghouse' as defined in the Planning Act - which can be seen when looking at Google maps. The submitted location plan is misleading. In addition to the structures a pond has been developed which should comply with E1j of the Permitted Development Order namely not more than 3,500 litres.

Has this been considered as part of the Planning Departments initial investigation?.

- 2. Notwithstanding that (name redacted by officer) has a right to the enjoyment of his dwellinghouse, any development within the curtilage must comply with the council own Local Development Plan which is agreed in the Core Strategy Policy, namely That any development is to be of a high standard, which is expected to create a strong sense of place through drawing on the local context and being complementary to the locality. The structures now developed are in congruous in the street scene, to the detriment of the character and appearance of the area in short not in accord with Core Strategy Policy 57 (iii). No other property within the south of Melksham has such development. Though the applicant is maximising on the use of the plot it does not take into account the wider character of the area as per Policy 57 (vi) 6. No consultation has been invited by (name redacted by officer), so no regard has been given to the compatibility of such structures with the neighbouring property, which is a residential bungalow, Therefore the developments impact on a neighbouring properties amenity is that of overshadowing, loss of privacy, vibration and noise contrary to Policy 57 (vii)7.
- 3. With regard to the Environmental Protection Act Sec 79 Statutory Nuisance, there are three elements that any premises in such a state as to be prejudicial to the health or a nuisance noise emitted from premises so as to be prejudicial to health or nuisance noise that is prejudicial to health or nuisance and is emitted from or caused by vehicles, machinery or equipment in a street is contrary to the Act. It is beholden on the Local Authority which has a duty to cause it's area to be inspected from time to time to detect any statutory nuisances which ought to be dealt with under Sec 80 of the Act.

The noise is 24hr constant and is of a low frequency that carries into the home next door. During darkness it is louder than in daytime and can be heard from the highway. My submission to this Council is that such unauthorised developments will - if approved, set a serious precedence and have a severe impact on the residential enjoyment of all residential properties adjoining such sites. Thank You for listening.

#### **233/24** Minutes

The minutes of 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025, having previously been circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair, Councillor Rabey.

#### 234/24 Planning Considerations

#### 235/24 Planning Applications

#### 236/24 PL/2024/11307

Members noted that Councillor Hubbard had called the application in.

Councillor Griffin advised that he had visited the property and gave a summary of his observations and views.

There was discussion about the sizes of the building, the size of the pond, the noise of the pump and possible mitigating actions.

Standing Orders were suspended to allow the resident to speak and members to ask questions.

It was proposed by Councillor Griffin, seconded by Councillor Alford and **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to

- object to the application with concerns about the location/proximity to boundary/buildline.
- Ask Wiltshire Council to check the size and depth of the pond to confirm it complies with regulations.
- Ask that conditions be imposed to mitigate the noise and vibration from the pump if Wiltshire Council is minded to approve the application.

# 237/24 PL/2025/00004

It was proposed by Councillor J Westbrook, seconded by Councillor Rabey and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to support the application.

#### 238/24 PL/2025/00079

It was proposed by Councillor Alford, seconded by Councillor Stokes and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to support the application.

#### 239/24 PL/2024/11529

It was proposed by Councillor Aves, seconded by Councillor Rabey and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to support the application.

#### 240/24 Planning Decisions

#### 241/24 PL/2023/00478

The decision was noted.

#### 242/24 PL/2024/10575

The decision was noted.

#### 243/24 PL/2024/04833

The decision was noted.

#### 244/24 PL/2024/10636

The decision was noted.

#### 245/24 PL/2024/11022

The decision was noted.

#### 246/24 To Receive and Consider Correspondence from MWPC

Members noted the desire to move away from working groups where possible but felt that the CIL Working Group, which is joint with Melksham Without Parish Council, must continue. Officers were requested to arrange a meeting.

#### 247/24 Wiltshire Speed Survey Results

The survey was noted.

#### 248/24 Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) Issues

#### 249/24 Roundpond Speed Limit Assessment

Members noted the report and Councillor Alford spoke to the item.

It was [proposed by Councillor Alford, seconded by Councillor Rabey and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to support the proposed speed limit and respond urging LHFIG to adopt the proposal.

# 250/24 Neighbourhood Plan

Committee Clerk gave a quick update.

#### 251/24 Temporary Road Closure Notifications

The Temporary Road Closure Notifications were noted.

#### 252/24 A3102

The item was noted.

# 253/24 Footpath 22 (Part), Melksham

The item was noted.

#### 254/24 Notification of Strategic Planning Committee

The item was noted.

# 255/24 Parish Steward

Debris on the pavement in The Crays and St Andrew Road area. Elderly residents have mentioned it as a trip hazard.

Bus shelter opposite McDonalds covered in graffiti and dirt kicked up by passing vehicles. Shelter is maintained by Melksham Town Council so Committee Clerk will speak to Amenities Manager.

Thanks were expressed to the Parish Steward and Wiltshire Council for the good work done around the town.

#### 256/24 Other items

Officers were requested to contact Wiltshire Council about permission to replace the goalpost in Riverside Drive.

Land at Upside. Councillor Alford has been in talks with the developers. They have agreed to put a loop into the pathway of the park.

Meeting Closed at: 7.45 pm		
Signed:	Dated:	



# Agenda Item 8



FAO Tracey Predeth Melksham Town Council Town Hall Market Place Melksham Wiltshire SN12 6ES

Wednesday 22 January 2025

Dear Mrs Predeth

Lime Down Solar Park

**Statutory Consultation** 

Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008 ('the 2008 Act'), Regulation 3 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 and Regulations 11 and 13 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 ('the 2017 Regulations')

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 (MV) and associated infrastructure on land in Wiltshire (Lime Down Solar Park).

Notice is hereby given that Lime Down Solar Park Limited (Company registration number 13211532) of Unit 25.7 Coda Studios, 189 Munster Road, London, England SW6 6AW (the Applicant), proposes to apply to the Secretary of State (SoS) for Energy Security and Net Zero under Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 for a Development Consent Order for the Lime Down Solar Park (the Application).

The Lime Down Solar Park will cover a combined area of approximately 2,835 hectares and will consist of the following sites:

- Lime Down A, B, C, D, E: five solar array sites sites located in Wiltshire currently comprising 878 hectares which lie to the north of the M4, southwest of Malmesbury, between the villages of Alderton, Luckington, Sherston, Foxley, Norton, Corston, Startley, Upper Seagry, Lower Stanton St Quintin and Hullavington.
- The solar array sites will include solar panels, conversion units, inverters, and up to five 33 kV substations located in Lime Down A to E and up to three 132 kV substations located in Lime Down A, C and E. There will be one 400 kV substation located within Lime Down D.



- One or two Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) areas, both of which will be located within Lime Down D.
- A cable route search area has been identified for the underground electricity cables connecting the Lime Down A to E solar array sites, substations, and the BESS to the national grid at the existing Melksham Substation, currently comprising 1,947 hectares.
- Associated infrastructure, mitigation and enhancement measures, and other ancillary works, for example, fencing, security, local grid connections, temporary access roads, permanent means of access, highway works, temporary works compounds and work sites.

Lime Down Solar Park is located entirely within the administrative boundary of Wiltshire Council. The solar PV sites are located across several parishes:

- Lime Down A is located within the civil parish of Sherston approximately 735 metres to the southeast of Sherston;
- Lime Down B is located within the civil parish of Norton approximately 3.9km to the west of Malmesbury;
- Lime Down C is located withing the civil parishes of Sherston, Luckington, Hullavington, and Norton approximately 3.3km to the south of Sherston;
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  parishes of Norton and Hullavington approximately 4km to the southwest of
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The proposed DCO will, among other things, authorise:

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- Such ancillary, incidental and consequential provisions, licenses, property rights, permits and consents as are necessary and/or convenient.

Lime Down Solar Park 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. The Environmental Statement will provide a detailed description of Lime Down Solar Park and its likely significant environmental effects. Information compiled so far about Lime Down Solar Park'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).

# Consultation on Lime Down Solar Park

Lime Down Solar Park is currently in the pre-application stage of the DCO application process. As such, the Applicant is required to carry out consultation on the proposed DCO application before it is submitted. Your feedback as part of this consultation will be considered before the DCO application is finalised and will also be reported to the Planning Inspectorate when the DCO application is submitted. Any representations you have already made will also be reported.

We are writing to you as you have been identified as a consultee for the purpose of section 42(1)(a) of the 2008 Act as a prescribed person(s).

This consultation also includes:

- Consultation with any persons with an interest in the land affected by the Lime Down Solar Park (under section 42 and section 44 of the 2008 Act);
- Consultation with prescribed bodies, host, and neighbouring authorities (under section 42 of the 2008 Act);
- Consultation with the local community in the vicinity of Lime Down Solar Park (under section 47 of the 2008 Act); and
- General public consultation on Lime Down Solar Park (under section 48 of the 2008 Act).

The consultation will run from 29 January 2025 until 23:59 on 19 March 2025.

In addition, section 48 of the 2008 Act and Regulation 13 of the 2017 Regulations require the Applicant to publicise its proposed DCO application. A formal section 48 notice publicising the proposed application is therefore enclosed with this letter and sets out further details regarding the consultation.

#### Consultation materials

The Applicant has prepared a PEIR, which has been informed by the Scoping Opinion issued by the Planning Inspectorate and reports the results of the EIA that has been carried out to date. The PEIR forms the basis of this consultation and also includes a non-technical summary. The purpose of the PEIR is to enable consultees to understand the likely environmental effects of Lime Down Solar Park and to help inform consultation responses. It should be noted that the EIA is an ongoing process, and the design of Lime Down Solar Park will continue to evolve during the preapplication stage.

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 statutory consultation process and details of the nature and location of Lime



Down Solar Park can be found on the Applicant's website in the document library at <a href="https://www.limedownsolar.co.uk">www.limedownsolar.co.uk</a>. These documents will be free to read and download from the Applicant's website from 29 January 2025 to 19 March 2025.

Hard copies of the SoCC, PEIR, PEIR NTS, maps and plans will be available for inspection free of charge from 29 January until 19 March 2025 at a number of community access points. Details of these locations, how to request these documents and any related charges are set out in the enclosed section 48 notice. Hard copies of the Consultation Leaflet, Project Information Booklet and the Consultation Feedback Form will be available to take away free of charge.

#### Consultation events

The Applicant will hold multiple in-person and online information events throughout the consultation period. Details of these events are listed in the enclosed section 48 notice. If you would like to attend an online webinar, details of how to register to attend can be found on <a href="https://www.limedownsolar.co.uk/">https://www.limedownsolar.co.uk/</a>.

# How to respond to this consultation

# Any person may comment on the DCO application.

When providing your response, please include your name and contact details (postal or email address) and confirm the nature of your interest in the DCO application. Completed responses must be submitted:

- a) By email to info@limedownsolar.co.uk; or
- b) In writing to FREEPOST LIME DOWN SOLAR (no stamp or further details required).

# Responses must be received no later than 23:59 on 19 March 2025.

The Applicant will consider all responses received on or before this date. Responses received after this time may not be considered.

Responses and representations will form the basis of a Consultation Report, which will be submitted as part of the DCO application.

Responses may be made public or made available to the SoS, the Planning Inspectorate, and other relevant statutory bodies, in accordance with the requirements of the 2008 Act and data protection legislation. Personal details will be kept confidential where possible and only used for purposes in connection with the statutory consultation, the DCO process and further development of Lime Down Solar Park. You 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 the Lime Down Solar Park.



Your views are also likely to be recorded or paraphrased in the Consultation Report which will be submitted with the DCO application. Please refer to our Privacy Notice for more details: https://www.limedownsolar.co.uk/privacy-policy

#### **Further information**

If you would like further information about this letter, the consultation, or the Lime Down Solar Park, please contact the Applicant project team by using one of the contact methods provided below:

Emailing: <u>info@limedownsolar.co.uk</u>
Calling our Freephone: <u>0808 175 6656</u>

Visiting our website at: https://www.limedownsolar.co.uk/.

Yours faithfully,

Will Threlfall

Project Manager

On behalf of Lime Down Solar Park Limited

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Corsham Library, Springfield Community	Mon, Fri (staffed): 09:00-19:00		
Campus, Beechfield Road, Corsham,	Tues, Weds, Thurs, Sat (staffed): 09:00-17:00		
Wiltshire, SN13 9DN	Sun (not staffed).		
T: 01249 468 490			
Melksham Library, Melksham Community	Mon, Fri (staffed): 09:30-19:00		
Campus, Market Place	Tues, Thurs, Sat (staffed): 09:30-17:00		
Melksham, Wiltshire, SN12 6ES	Weds, Sun (not staffed).		
T: 01225 702 039			
Malmesbury Library, 24 Cross Hayes	Mon: 14:00-19:00		
Malmesbury, Wiltshire, SN16 9BG	Tues, Weds, Sat: 09:30-17:00		
	Thurs, Sun: closed		
T: 01666 823 611	Fri: 09:30-19:00		
Chippenham Library, Timber Street	Mon: 10:00-19:00		
Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 3EJ	Tues, Sat: 09:00-17:00		
	Weds: 09:00-13:00		
T: 01249 650 536	Thurs, Fri: 09:00-19:00		
	Sun: closed		

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Electronic copies of all the consultation documents may be viewed on a computer at the above community access points from **29 January until 19 March 2025**. While access to computers at these information points is free of charge, the venues require visitors to show proof of identity to use an on-site computer. More information is available at <a href="www.wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries-accessing-computers">www.wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries-accessing-computers</a>. 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		
Wed 05 February 2025 18:30 – 20:00	Online - Zoom – register to attend via Project website www.limedownsolar.co.uk		
Fri <b>07 February 2025</b> 14:30 – 19:30	Sherston Village Hall, High Street, Sherston, Malmesbury, SN16 0LQ		
<b>Sat 08 February 2025</b> 11:00 – 15:00	Hullavington Village Hall, Hill Hayes Lane, Hullavington, Chippenham, SN14 6EB		
<b>Wed 12 February 2025</b> 14:30 – 19:30	Grittleton Village Hall, The Street, Grittleton, Chippenham, SN14 6AW		
<b>Thurs 13 February 2025</b> 14:30 – 19:30	Corsham Town Council Hall, Town Hall, 65 High Street, Corsham, SN13 0EZ		
Fri 14 February 2025 14:30 – 19:30	Malmesbury Town Hall, Cross Hayes, Malmesbury, SN16 9BZ		
<b>Sat 15 February 2025</b> 11:00 – 15:00	Luckington Village Hall, Bristol Road, Luckington, Chippenham, SN14 6NP		
<b>Tues 25 February 2025</b> 14:30 – 19:30	Goss Croft Hall, Startley Road, Upper Seagry, Chippenham, SN15 5HD		
<b>Wed 26 February 2025</b> 17:30 – 20:30	Shaw CofE Primary School, Corsham Road, Shaw, Melksham, SN12 8EQ		
<b>Thurs 27 February 2025</b> 18:30 – 20:00	Online - Zoom – register to attend via Project website www.limedownsolar.co.uk		

These consultation events offer an opportunity to find out more about Lime Down Solar Park. 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 project team on FREEPHONE 0808 175 6656 or sending an email to <a href="mailtoinfo@limedownsolar.co.uk">info@limedownsolar.co.uk</a>.

For further information or queries, please call 0808 175 6656 (free of charge); write to: FREEPOST LIME DOWN SOLAR (no stamp or further details required); email: <a href="mailto:info@limedownsolar.co.uk">info@limedownsolar.co.uk</a> or visit <a href="mailto:www.limedownsolar.co.uk">www.limedownsolar.co.uk</a>.

#### 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 175 6656 or by email at <a href="mailto:info@limedownsolar.co.uk">info@limedownsolar.co.uk</a>. 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.

Requests for a printed hard copy of the PEIR will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. To cover printing and postage costs, a charge of up to £4,874.00 may apply. (The charge will be calculated based on cost per individual volume requested as follows: Volume 1 – Main Report, £896.00; Volume Two – Figures, £700.00 and Volume Three – Appendices, £3,278.00).

# Have your say

Feedback can be provided through the consultation feedback form on the Applicant's website at www.limedownsolar.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 Lime Down Solar Park can also be sent to the Applicant by email to <a href="mailto:info@limedownsolar.co.uk">info@limedownsolar.co.uk</a> or by post to: FREEPOST Lime Down 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 Wednesday 19 March 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 legislation.

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 the Lime Down Solar Park. Personal information will be kept confidential where possible. Please refer to our Privacy Notice for more details: <a href="https://www.limedownsolar.co.uk/privacy-policy">www.limedownsolar.co.uk/privacy-policy</a>.

# Agenda Item 9.1 Highways Improvement Request Form

#### **Contact Details**

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Telephone	No:				
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Have you been in touch with your local Wiltshire Councillor? (Yes/No)

This form needs to be completed and e-mailed or sent to your local Town or Parish Council.

Town and Parish contact details are available via the link below:

https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/mgParishCouncilDetails.aspx

Town or Parish Council Comments: (To be completed by Town or Parish Council only - Max 600 characters)			

