

BENGROVE SOLAR FARM

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

FEBRUARY 2024

**WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR
YOUR VIEWS ON THE
PROPOSAL AND HOW IT COULD
BE IMPROVED**

**WE WILL BE HOSTING A PUBLIC
CONSULTATION EVENT ON:**

**04TH MARCH AT SANDHURST
VILLAGE HALL, SANDHURST
LANE, SANDHURST
GLOUCESTER GL2 9NP
BETWEEN 5PM - 7PM**

**To find out more about the
project and take part in our
survey, please visit our website:**

www.bengrovesolarfarm.co.uk

**Alternatively, you can also email
your views to our team at:**

info@bengrovesolarfarm.co.uk

Dear Neighbour,

Sonnedix Bengrove Ltd is consulting the local community on plans for a new solar farm at Bengrove Farm located in Sandhurst, Gloucestershire. The proposed development will export 15MW of electricity to the local distribution network, which equates to powering around 5,700 homes per year with clean, renewable energy.

This application, submitted under reference 24/00050/FUL is a resubmission of application reference 23/00138/FUL. The original application was withdrawn and has been resubmitted with an amended access route and relocated plots to provide habitat for breeding birds. The proposed layout of the development has also been amended since the original application was made, to take account of a sewer running under the site.

The development will have several key benefits, including but not limited to:

- Generating clean, renewable electricity to help Tewksbury Borough Council, which declared a climate emergency in 2019, meet its net zero carbon emissions target by 2030.
- The solar farm is well contained within existing fields and hedgerows. Development has been excluded from areas most liable to flooding around Cox's Brook and the panels raised in accordance with Environment Agency advice. The high end of the panels will be a maximum of just over 3m high.
- There will be limited visibility from surrounding areas due to topography and existing vegetation. Any glimpsed views will be broken up by mature field boundary vegetation.
- There will be significant landscape and biodiversity enhancements. All existing hedgerows will be retained and new hedges and trees planted to help screen the development from the footpath. Grass and meadow seed will be planted across the site to create a diverse habitat for wildlife.
- Sheep will be able to graze between and underneath the panels to provide the dual benefit of agriculture and energy generation.

We look forward to hearing from you.

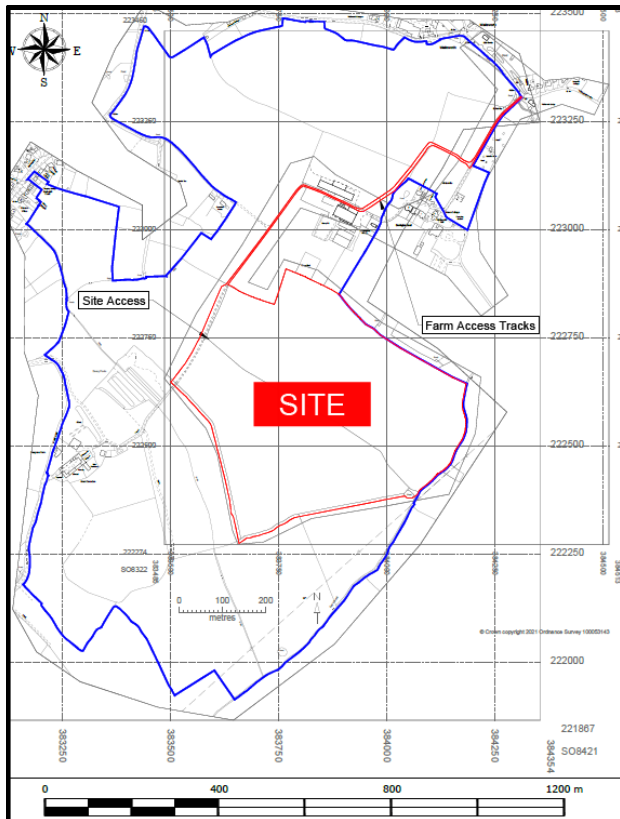
Yours faithfully,
Sonnedix Bengrove Ltd
Bengrove Solar Farm Consultation

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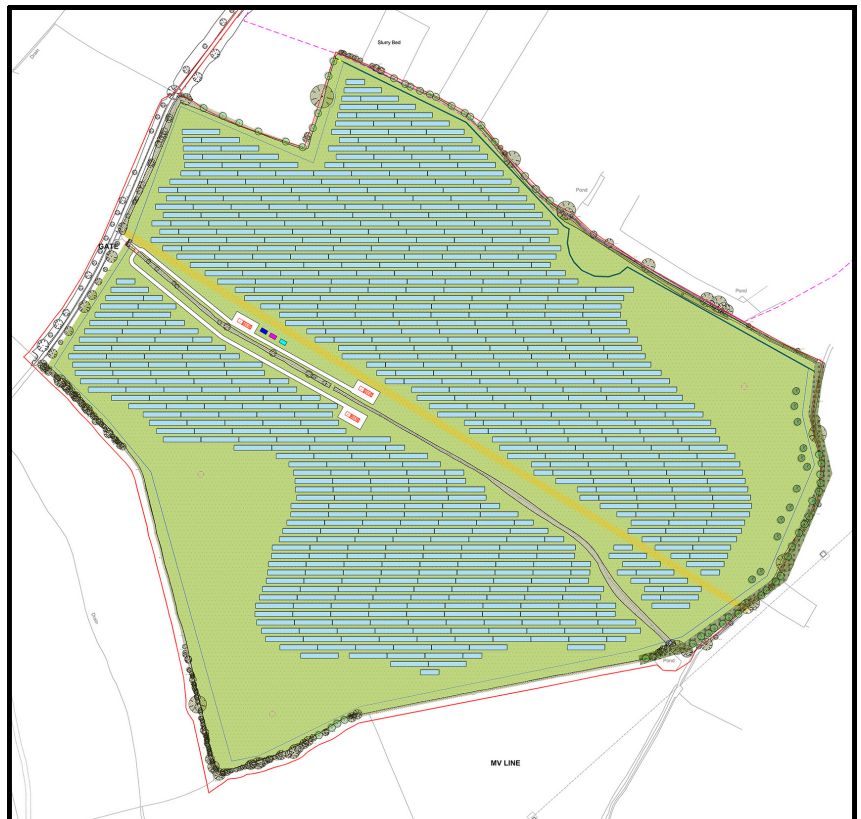
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SITE LOCATION PLAN



SITE LAYOUT



WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US

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