

The Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Approval of Variation of Conditions

Application Reference Number: PL/2021/06375

Decision Date: 29 September 2021

Applicant:	Bradenstoke Solar Park Limited The Tramshed, 25 Lower Park Row, Bristol, BS1 5BN
Particulars of Development: At:	Variation of condition 3 for application 14/06989/FUL - Installation of Ground Mounted Photovoltaic Solar Array, Substations; Invertor Stations; Landscaping; Fencing; & Ancillary Infrastructure. Bradenstoke Solar Park Limited, Calne Road, Chippenham, SN15 4PZ

In pursuance of its powers under the above Act, the Council hereby **GRANT PLANNING PERMISSION** for variation or non-compliance with a condition or conditions imposed on an earlier permission in accordance with the application and plans submitted by you.

In accordance with paragraph 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework, Wiltshire Council has worked proactively to secure this development to improve the economic, social and environmental conditions of the area.

Subject to compliance with the following conditions:

Conditions: (6)

1 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: drg no.34892-LEA25.dwg bernb (Site location plan) [Received by the LPA on the 16th of July 2021]

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Ecological Assessment (Document C) Landscape and Visual Appraisal (Document D) Heritage Assessment (Document E) Heritage Assessment Addendum (dated October 2014) Land Quality Assessment (Document F) Flood Risk Assessment (Document G) Consultation Statement (Document H) Tree Survey (Document I) [All received by the LPA on the 18th July 2014] Drg no. 34892-LEA26.dwg bernb (site location plan), drg no. 1227-0207-17 Issue 01 (Inverter Station Detail Power Electronics Double), drg no.34892-Lea28.dwg barkr (Inverter and Transformer Housing), drg no.1227-0207-18 Issue 01 (Inverter Station Detail Power Electronics Square Configuration), drg no. 34892-Lea 011.wor parkb (Solar Array Layout), drg no.1227-0207-16 Issue: 01 (Inverter Station Detail Power Electronics) & drg no.1227-0207-16 Issue: 01 (Inverter Station Detail Power Electronics) & drg no.1227-INV-FD01 Issue: 02 (Inverter Foundation Configurations) [Received by the LPA on the 21 January 2016 as an NMA]

REASON: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.

2 The planning permission granted under application reference 14/06989/FUL (26 November 2014) exists and is extant for a period of 40 years after the 21 September 2016, the date of the commissioning of the development. Written confirmation of the date of commissioning of the development having been provided to the Local Planning Authority on 28 September 2016. For the purposes of this condition, "commissioning" shall be defined as the point at which the solar farm is put into active service. The permission granted thereby expires on the 21 September 2056.

REASON: In the interests of amenity and the finite operation of this type of development.

3 The walls and roof of the inverter station, substation and switch gear room buildings to be positioned on the site shall be finished in a suitably neutral colour so as to aid the visual appearance of the development in the landscape. The finish of the buildings shall remain in that condition thereafter.

REASON: So as to aid the visual appearance of the development in the landscape.

4 Other than that shown on the approved plans, no further security or perimeter fencing shall be installed on the site in relation to the solar array unless otherwise agreed in the form of a separate planning permission in that regard. (ie. fencing in relation to the security of MoD Lyneham as a whole is excluded from the controls of this condition).

REASON: In the interests of visual amenity in the open countryside.

5 No materials, goods, plant, machinery, equipment, finished or unfinished products/parts of any description, skips, crates, containers, waste or any other item whatsoever shall be placed, stacked, deposited or stored outside any building on the site between the times of completion of development and commencement of decommissioning.

REASON: In the interests of the appearance of the site and the amenities of the area.

6 There shall be no external lighting of any kind erected on the site unless

otherwise agreed in writing in the form of a separate planning permission in that regard.

REASON: In the interests of visual amenity in the open countryside.

Informatives: (4)

- 7 INFORMATIVE TO APPLICANT: Any alterations to the approved plans, brought about by compliance with Building Regulations or any other reason must first be agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority before commencement of work.
- 8 INFORMATIVE TO APPLICANT:

The applicant is requested to note that this permission does not affect any private property rights and therefore does not authorise the carrying out of any work on land outside their control. If such works are required it will be necessary for the applicant to obtain the landowners consent before such works commence.

If you intend carrying out works in the vicinity of the site boundary, you are also advised that it may be expedient to seek your own advice with regard to the requirements of the Party Wall Act 1996.

9 INFORMATIVE TO APPLICANT:

The applicant should note that the grant of planning permission does not include any separate permission which may be needed to erect a structure in the vicinity of a public sewer. Such permission should be sought direct from Thames Water Utilities Ltd / Wessex Water Services Ltd. Buildings are not normally allowed within 3.0 metres of a Public Sewer although this may vary depending on the size, depth, strategic importance, available access and the ground conditions appertaining to the sewer in question.

10 INFORMATIVE TO APPLICANT: Please note that Council offices do not have the facility to receive material samples. Please deliver material samples to site and inform the Planning Officer where they are to be found.

Sam Fox - Director Economic Development & Planning

NOTES

- 1 **Other Necessary Consents.** This document only conveys permission for the proposed development under Part III of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and the applicant must also comply with all the byelaws, regulations and statutory provisions in force in the area and secure such other approvals and permissions as may be necessary under other parts of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 or other legislation.
 - 1.1 the need in appropriate cases to obtain approval under Building Regulations. (The Building Regulations may be applicable to this proposal. Please contact the Council's Building Control team before considering work on site);
 - 1.2 the need to obtain an appropriate order if the proposal involves the stopping up or diversion of a public right of way or other highway (including highway verge);
 - 1.3 the need to obtain a separate "Listed Building Consent" to the demolition, alteration or extension of any listed building of architectural or historic interest;
 - 1.4 the need to make any appropriate arrangements under the Highways Act 1980, in respect of any works within the limits of a highway. The address of the Highway Authority is County Hall, Trowbridge, BA14 8JD (It is the responsibility of the applicant to ascertain whether the proposed development affects any listed building or public right of way / other highway, including highway verge).
- 2 **Appeals.** If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision of the local planning authority to grant permission subject to conditions, he may appeal to the Secretary of State for the Environment in accordance with Section 78(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 within six months of the date of this decision. (Information and forms relating to the appeals process can be found at the Planning Portal http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals).