

### Welcome to our stage two consultation newsletter for Kingsway Solar.

This newsletter details how you can take part in our consultation, find out more information and provide your feedback.

Kingsway Solar is a proposed solar farm and overhead line connection to the national grid, located east of Cambridge, between Burwell and Balsham in Cambridgeshire. It would generate around 500 megawatts (MW) of electricity and could power up to 175,000 homes annually.

The proposals consist of photovoltaic (PV) solar panels and an approximately 15 km overhead line connection to National Grid's planned Burwell South substation (due to be located south of the existing Burwell substation, the exact location yet to be confirmed by National Grid). The Scheme also includes associated infrastructure, including co-located battery energy storage systems (BESS) and inter-array connections to link together the land parcels where the solar panels are located.

Kingsway Solar is being promoted by Kingsway Solar Farm Limited, a subsidiary of Downing Renewable Developments (DRD). DRD was founded to deliver renewable energy which is critical to the transition to a low carbon economy and achieving net zero.

As part of our early engagement for Kingsway Solar, we held our stage one consultation between October and December 2024, which introduced the proposals and encouraged feedback on our development areas and principles for development. We are now inviting you to take part in this stage two consultation on our updated proposals for the Scheme.

Our stage two consultation is known as a 'statutory' consultation, as it will fulfil the statutory consultation requirements as defined under the Planning Act 2008.

The consultation will run for six weeks, beginning at midday on Wednesday 17 September and closing on Wednesday 29 October 2025. We would like your views on our design proposals, including our preliminary environmental information and how we are planning to reduce any potential impacts of the Scheme.

More information about the consultation can be found on our website www.kingswaysolarfarm.co.uk. A highlevel map showing the location of our proposals is shown on the following pages.

# David Vernon Head of NSIP Projects, DRD

Last winter, we held our stage one consultation for Kingsway Solar to understand the views of local people and gather feedback at an early stage, before developing any detailed proposals.

This was important so we could consider what was important to the local community, as well as consider the results of our ongoing technical, environmental and engineering assessments, to develop an initial Scheme design.

We are now sharing our updated proposals and I encourage everyone to review our plans and respond to the consultation, to ensure we can continue to develop the Scheme in response to community feedback."

# The location of our proposals

You can use our Interactive Map on the project website to find locations of interest to you.







We want to hear your views on our proposals. You can provide feedback by:



Completing our feedback form online at  ${\bf www.kingswaysolarfarm.co.uk}$ 



Completing a hard copy of the feedback form and returning it to FREEPOST DOWNING KINGSWAY



Submitting your comments or completed form by email to **enquiries@kingswaysolar.co.uk** 

If you wish to receive our consultation materials in another format, please get in touch by freephone on **0800 012 9881**, or by email at **enquiries@kingswaysolar.co.uk**.

Please submit your response by 11:59pm on Wednesday 29 October 2025.

# Meet the team

As part of our stage two consultation, we are holding four in-person consultation events to find out more details about our proposals.

#### Wednesday 1 October 2025

Balsham Pavilion, Church Lane, Balsham, CB21 4DS 14:00 – 20:00

#### Friday 10 October 2025

West Wratting Village Hall, 79 High Street, West Wratting, CB21 5LU 14:00 – 20:00

#### Thursday 2 October 2025

The Reading Room, 46 Chapel Road, Weston Colville, Weston Green, CB21 5NX 14:00 – 20:00

#### Saturday 11 October 2025

Swaffham Prior Village Hall, High Street, Swaffham Prior, CB25 0LD 10:30 – 14:30

During the consultation period, we will upload an online information presentation to the Scheme website which will provide an overview of our proposals and where to find out more information.

# More information

You can find out more information online at www.kingswaysolarfarm.co.uk.