

Consultee Comments for Planning Application 22/00319/FUL

Application Summary

Application Number: 22/00319/FUL

Address: Land To The West Of Wood Lane And Stocking Lane Kingston Estate Gotham Nottinghamshire NG11 0LF

Proposal: Installation of renewable energy generating solar farm comprising ground-mounted photovoltaic solar arrays, together with substation, inverter stations, security measures, site access, internal access tracks and other ancillary infrastructure, including landscaping and biodiversity enhancements

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On Behalf Of: Notts County Council Rights Of Way

Comments

Thank you for inviting further consultee comment on the above application following further applicant submissions, in relation to Rights of Way which are affected. The information provided in submissions published on 19th August 2022, satisfies queries and concerns raised within the initial Right of Ways comments, submitted on 17 March 2022, and we are pleased to see suggestions have been accommodated.

The application now correctly recognises all the RoW that cross and abut the site.

The additional details on the treatment of the right of way provide clarification over the protection of path widths and enhancing boundary screening, without creating unacceptable enclosure. Technical Appendix 11: PROW Management, more fully describes treatment along whole stretches of each RoW affected, which demonstrates the design approach in its entirety, better than the three sectional plans alone. Surface treatment is also clearer, with detail showing acceptable alterations where the site access tracks and bridleways intersect.

Details in Appendix 11, alongside the Construction Traffic Management Plan, demonstrate that during the development, the Right of Way network, and its users continual access and safety have been considered and given priority. The proposed use of banksmen to remove interaction between moving HGVs passing RoW users (equestrians being of particular concern), is preferable mitigation over relying on sectioned off pathways where there may be difficulty in providing adequate in width for equestrians in places. The applicants responsibility for any RoW surface

repairs, over and after the period of construction traffic access, has also been acknowledged.

No Objection - The Rights of Way team is satisfied that the development has retained the Rights of Way in their current location to acceptable terms.

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