



**Fosse Green Energy**

**Statement of  
Community Consultation**

September 2024

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# 1. Introduction

## Background to the project

Under Section 104 of the Planning Act 2008 (the 'PA 2008'), a DCO application must be decided in accordance with the relevant National Policy Statement (NPS) if it is in force prior to an application being made. The Government has designated a new suite of energy National Policy Statements (NPSs) in January 2024 that set out the need for major energy infrastructure, including solar, and specific policies relating to solar photovoltaic generation.

The relevant NPSs are:

- Overarching National Policy Statement for Energy EN-1 (NPS EN-1)
- National Policy Statement for Renewable Energy EN-3 (NPS EN-3)
- National Policy Statement for Electricity Networks Infrastructure EN-5 (NPS EN-5).

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## Description of the Proposed Development

Fosse Green Energy Limited (The Applicant) is proposing to apply to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to allow it to construct, operate and decommission a solar and energy storage park known as Fosse Green Energy (the Proposed Development) and connect into the national grid.

The Proposed Development will comprise solar photovoltaic (PV) panels, power conversion stations (referred to as Solar Stations), an Onsite Substation, battery energy storage, and infrastructure to connect into the national grid. It is planned to be located approximately nine kilometres south west of Lincoln in North Kesteven, Lincolnshire with Solar PV panels located to the north and south of the A46 (Fosse Way).

The DCO application is expected to be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate ("the Inspectorate") in autumn 2025.

The principal components of the Proposed Development would comprise:

- Ground mounted solar PV panels arranged in rows (known as tables) converting sunlight into electricity.
- Solar PV array: A distinct group of PV tables which are grouped together.
- PV module mounting structures.
- Supporting infrastructure – inverters, transformers and switchgear – (known as Solar Stations) converting the direct current to alternating current and stepping up the voltage so it can be exported to the national grid.

- An energy storage system so electricity imported from the grid network and generated by the solar PV panels can be stored on site and released to the national grid when it is needed most.
- Security fencing, likely to be approximately 2m in height to enclose the operational areas of the Solar and Energy Storage Park, along with pole mounted internal facing closed circuit television (CCTV) deployed around the perimeter of the operational site.
- Access routes to the Site during construction and for routine maintenance when the energy park is operational.
- New mitigation planting and landscaping.
- Preserving the existing network of permissive paths, comprising bridleways, footpaths and a byway. Expanding and incorporating additional permissive paths within and around the Site area.
- Buried electrical cable connection into the national grid. The electricity generated by Fosse Green Energy is expected to be exported into the existing national electricity transmission system at a substation near to Navenby to be brought forward by National Grid.
- One or more temporary construction compounds will be required during construction, as well as temporary roadways, to enable access to all the land within the Site boundary.

## 2. About the Applicant

The Proposed Development is being developed by Windel Energy and Recurrent Energy.



Founded in 2018, Windel Energy is a privately held company that specialises in the development and asset management of renewable energy projects and low carbon technologies.

With more than 3.5 gigawatts (GW) of clean, renewable power and battery energy storage in various stages of development, Windel is at the forefront of low carbon

technologies including solar, energy storage, and onshore wind, and are helping to pave the way to achieve the UK's net zero target by 2050.

Windel Energy is committed to responsible land use and believes that the development and delivery of a large-scale solar energy and storage park can be achieved in harmony with its surroundings.



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Recurrent Energy is one of the world's largest and most geographically diversified utility-scale solar and energy storage project development, ownership and operations platforms. With an industry-leading team of in-house energy experts, Recurrent Energy is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Canadian Solar Inc and function as Canadian Solar's global development and power services business.

Recurrent Energy has completed the development of 11 gigawatts (GWp) of operating utility-scale solar projects and 3.7 gigawatt hours (GWh) of energy storage projects across six continents. Recurrent Energy has more than 27 GWp of solar and 63 GWh of battery storage projects under development.

### 3. Purpose of this Statement of Community Consultation

Section 47(1) of the PA 2008 contains a duty to consult the local community and requires applicants to “prepare a statement setting out how the applicant proposes to consult about the proposed application with people living in the vicinity of the land”.

Sections 42, 43, 44 and 48 also specify certain people, businesses and organisations with whom applicants must consult (including the general public via newspaper notifications). Before consulting the local community, the Applicant must consult each local authority that covers the area within which the Proposed Development is located pursuant to Section 47(2) of the PA 2008.

This Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) has been prepared in accordance with Section 47 ‘Duty to consult local community’ of the PA 2008, with reference to guidance on pre-application consultation published by the Government and the Inspectorate. It also describes the non-statutory and statutory consultation exercises which Fosse Green Energy undertook with the host local planning authorities (LPAs) that cover the area within which the Proposed Development is located.

These host authorities comprise:

- North Kesteven District Council
- Lincolnshire County Council

When the DCO application is submitted, one of the key areas the Inspectorate must consider is whether the Applicant’s pre-application consultation has been adequate.

This SoCC sets out how the Applicant intends to consult local communities on its proposals prior to an application for development consent being submitted to the Inspectorate. It provides a brief overview of the Proposed Development, the development consent application process, environmental information, and the statutory pre-application consultation process.

Additionally, this SoCC sets out how the Applicant will have regard to consultation responses in finalising its proposals which will be submitted as an application for development consent to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero.

## 4. Consultation and Planning Process

As the Proposed Development has a generating capacity of above 50MW it meets the threshold of a nationally significant infrastructure project and must obtain consent through a Development Consent Order (DCO) application under the PA 2008. The Applicant is therefore preparing a DCO application, which must go through the following stages:

- **Consultation:**

The Applicant will consult local communities, stakeholders and statutory consultees on draft proposals (as required by Section 42 and Section 47 of the PA 2008).

- **Submission:**

Feedback from the consultation will be collated and considered to determine the final details of the DCO application that will then be submitted to the Inspectorate. A consultation report will be submitted with the DCO application showing how the Applicant has had regard to consultation responses.

- **Acceptance:**

The Inspectorate has 28 days to determine whether the submitted DCO application meets the required standards to proceed to examination.

- **Pre-examination:**

If the DCO application is accepted by the Inspectorate, stakeholders can register as an interested party and submit representations, keeping them up to date on progression of the application and providing opportunities for involvement.

- **Examination:**

An inspector, or a panel of inspectors from the Inspectorate, each appointed by the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, then has six months to examine the application. During this time members of the public can submit further comments in writing and request to speak at public hearings.

- **Decision:**

Within three months of the end of the examination, the inspector(s) must submit a recommendation to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, who then has a further three months to make a decision.

- **Post-decision:**

Once the decision has been made there is a right to a legal challenge.

The Applicant has been engaging with local stakeholders since Spring 2023, with non-statutory consultation held from 11 September 2023 to 20 October 2023.

The phase of statutory consultation will take place from 21 October to 2 December 2024 (43 days).

## 5. Non-statutory consultation summary

On 11 May 2023 the Proposed Development was introduced to the public and stakeholders by the launch of the website [www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk](http://www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk), a direct mailing to 477 residents and businesses living within or close to the proposed Site Boundary, emails to key stakeholders including parish councils, and a press release issued to local press outlets- Lincolnshire Live, The Lincolnite, East Midlands Connected and Newark Advertiser.

The non-statutory consultation was then held from 11 September 2023 to 20 October 2023.

The purpose of the non-statutory consultation was to review the project's layout and mitigation by seeking to identify and understand the views of communities and stakeholders who may be affected by the development. This stage of consultation was held at an early stage of the design process, allowing for local knowledge to be considered in the design of the Proposed Development.

At the non-statutory consultation, views were asked on:

- The overall project.
- The proposed location of the project including solar panel array areas.
- The two cable corridor options identified to enable the energy park to connect to the national grid. (At this stage, these areas were broad to allow for refinement of a route that minimises adverse impacts).
- Initial ideas to mitigate environmental impacts, create areas for ecological enhancements and biodiversity net gain.
- The proposed method of using underground cables to connect to the national grid.
- Suggestions for community initiatives or schemes that could be supported once Fosse Green Energy is operational.

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### How the Applicant consulted

- A consultation postcard delivered to around 13,000 addresses giving information about the consultation and the events taking place. The mailing area for the postcard extended by a minimum distance of three kilometres from the Proposed Development Site Boundary presented at the non-statutory consultation.
- The project website [www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk](http://www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk) was updated with information and a copy of the Scoping Report (see Section 7).
- Emails were sent to parish councils, elected representatives, local residents, seldom heard groups and local interest groups.
- Adverts were placed in local press and on Google. Google advertisements were geographically targeted to Lincolnshire and targeted to specific search terms relating to renewable energy and solar energy developments.
- In-person and online events held where people could meet the Applicant and the professional team and ask questions (see Table 1).
- A feedback form available online, at events and by request.

## Feedback received

In total 158 pieces of feedback were received to the non-statutory consultation. Of these:

- 93 were received by email
- 25 received by online feedback form
- 40 received as hard-copy forms or letters.

Feedback received during the non-statutory consultation includes:

- Concerns about impacts on food production and security.
- Environmental impacts on flora and fauna.
- The project's location, including the placement of solar panels, battery energy storage systems and the substation.

- Cumulative impacts.
- Comments on the use of solar technology, including concerns about efficiency.
- Suggestions for community benefits.

All feedback received was considered when refining the project's emerging design which is being presented at the statutory consultation. A summary of the themes and issues raised is available to view in more detail within a feedback report available at [www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk](http://www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk). This includes the Applicant's responses to the feedback received and information on how feedback has been incorporated into the design.

**Table 1: Attendees at non-statutory consultation events**

Event	Attended
Witham St Hughs Village Hall – 30 September 2023, 10:00 to 14:00	124
Oliver Roper Parish Meeting Hall – 4 October 2023, 15:00 to 19:00	91
The Venue Navenby – 5 October 2023, 15:00 to 19:00	94
Hammond Hall and Sports Centre – 7 October 2023, 10:00 to 14:00	100
Online webinar – Wednesday 11 October, 18:00 to 19:00	10
Total event attendees	419



## 6. Statutory consultation objectives

The Applicant's objectives for the statutory consultation are to:

- Raise awareness about the Proposed Development and provide the community and stakeholders such as LPAs and environmental bodies including Natural England, National Highways, the Environment Agency and Historic England with the opportunity to understand, comment on and influence the proposals.
- Demonstrate how the design of the Proposed Development has evolved following the non-statutory consultation.
- Provide clear and concise technical and non-technical preliminary environmental information on the Proposed Development.
- Help local people understand the potential nature and local impact of the Proposed Development.
- Provide a range of opportunities for people to engage with the Proposed Development and provide comments and feedback.
- Seek feedback and suggestions for community benefits, mitigation and enhancement.
- Ensure that comments and feedback have been considered in finalising the DCO application prior to its submission.

## 7. Environmental information

In accordance with Regulation 12(1)(a) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (EIA Regulations 2017), the Proposed Development is classed as an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development. This means that it must be subject to an EIA to ensure the likely significant effects of the Proposed

Development are understood and that appropriate measures to avoid and/or mitigate those effects are put in place. The results of this work will be presented in an Environmental Statement (ES) submitted as part of the Applicant's DCO application.

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### Scoping Report

The Applicant submitted a Scoping Report to the Inspectorate on 19 June 2023. The Scoping Report set out environmental, social and health issues likely to be relevant and established the scope of the work that will be carried out in producing the ES for the Proposed Development.

Feedback from the Inspectorate, LPAs and statutory consultees was published in the Scoping Opinion, which was published by the Inspectorate on 25 July 2023. In accordance with Regulation 14(3)(a) of the EIA Regulations 2017, where a scoping opinion has been adopted, the ES for the Proposed Development must be based on the most

recent scoping opinion adopted (so far as the proposed development remains materially the same as that which was the subject of the scoping opinion).

The Applicant will need to demonstrate how the ES submitted as part of the application meets this requirement.

The Scoping Report and Scoping Opinion are available to view at: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/fosse-green-energy/?ipcsection=docs>

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### Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEI Report)

The PEI Report will build upon the findings from the previous scoping documents and will consider the feedback received at the non-statutory consultation and engagement with stakeholders. It is a core technical document which sets out the preliminary findings from environmental studies and assessments.

The PEI Report will be accompanied by a PEI Report Non-Technical Summary (NTS), which presents information from the PEI Report in non-technical language so that it may be understood by a wider audience. The PEI Report NTS will be available to view at information points (see Table 2).

At the statutory consultation the PEI Report and NTS will be available online at the documents page on [www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk](http://www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk). A copy will also be available at events. The Applicant will respond to reasonable requests for further copies. Hard copy requests for full suites of consultation and technical documents will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and will have a minimum copying charge of £500.

How the Applicant will publicise and consult on the PEI Report and other consultation documents is set out in sections 9 and 10 of this SoCC.

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### Environmental Statement (ES)

After the statutory consultation, the assessments presented in the PEI Report will be developed based on the final design of the Proposed Development, environmental surveys and impact assessment in order to produce the ES.

It will also describe any changes to the project and any mitigation measures which need to be implemented. The ES will form part of the DCO submission.

## 8. What the Applicant will consult on

The statutory consultation will take place between 21 October and 2 December 2024. This is 43 days, above the minimum period of 28 days. Responses received after the close of consultation will be considered wherever possible. The statutory consultation provides the opportunity to comment upon the PEI Report, which describes the preliminary results of the ongoing EIA process. The Applicant will seek feedback on this document from statutory consultees and the public, with a particular focus on the following elements:

### **The solar PV arrays and associated infrastructure, including design and layout considerations**

An early masterplan for Fosse Green Energy was presented at the non-statutory consultation which ran from 11 September 2023 to 20 October 2023. This masterplan presented potential development areas of solar PV panels, battery energy storage systems, the onsite substation and the Site Boundary.

At the statutory consultation, feedback will be sought on the updated layout for the Proposed Development following consideration of feedback from the non-statutory consultation and further technical and design work.

### **The grid connection corridor**

At non-statutory consultation two broad grid connection corridors were presented. These corridors represent the areas where underground cables could transport electricity from the solar energy and storage park to a proposed substation at a site near Navenby to connect to the national grid. At statutory consultation these corridors have been refined and a single route presented. We are consulting on the location of this route, and any information you think is relevant to further develop the grid connection corridor's design.

### **Environmental mitigation and public recreation**

The Applicant is exploring the creation of improved habitats and green spaces, which focus on positive landscape, ecology and biodiversity net gain outcomes. Feedback will be sought on the Proposed Development's environmental mitigation measures and on suggestions for permissive paths to connect into existing networks.

### **Construction, maintenance and traffic**

The PEI Report will contain assessments relating to construction and traffic. The Applicant will be asking for particular feedback on aspects relating to construction, maintenance and traffic, including access requirements.

### **Community benefits**

Community benefits are being explored as part of the proposals for Fosse Green Energy. The Applicant is inviting people to suggest ideas for local projects or schemes that could be supported, particularly suggestions for the design of permissive paths and other access arrangements for the site. During the non-statutory consultation the Applicant received suggestions for community spaces, environmental schemes for biodiversity net gain and to support recreation such as the creation of new paths and cycle tracks.

The Applicant appreciates and considers all feedback on the proposals and people can leave their feedback on any aspect of the Proposed Development.

Feedback can be provided by email at [info@fossegreenenergy.co.uk](mailto:info@fossegreenenergy.co.uk), by feedback form, available as hard-copies or on the project website at [www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk](http://www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk) or by Freepost address at **FREEPOST FOSSE GREEN ENERGY.**

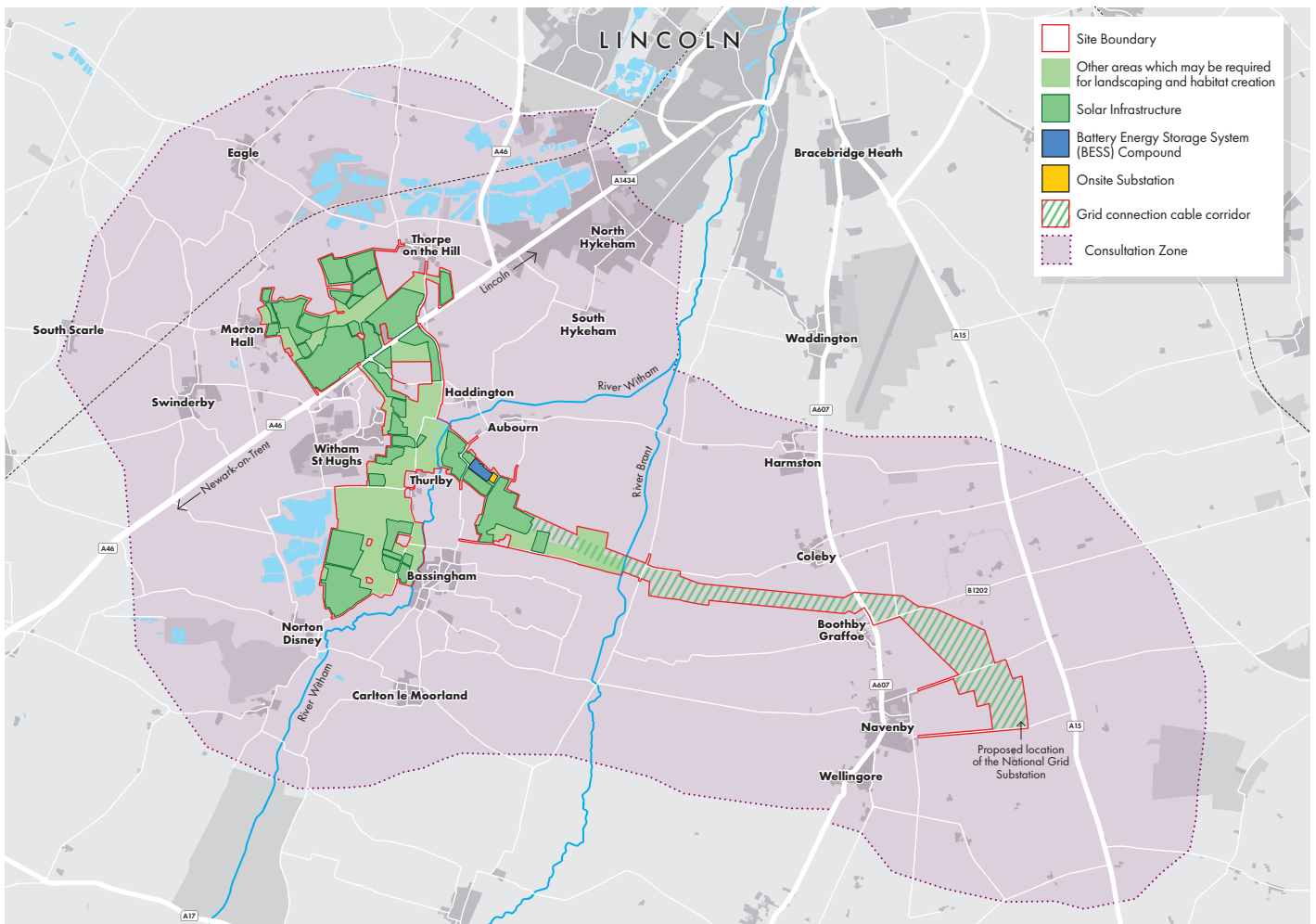
# 9. Who will the Applicant consult?

The consultation process has been designed to engage with those local communities who may be most affected by the Proposed Development. The Applicant has defined a Core Consultation Zone and a Wider Consultation Zone to help structure the consultation proposals.

**Core Consultation Zone:** This zone comprises in the region of 11,000 residential and commercial properties. This area centres on the proposed site, including the solar and energy storage park and the grid connection corridor, extending by a minimum distance of three kilometres from the Proposed Development Site Boundary.

Properties within the Core Consultation Zone will directly receive communications such as consultation postcards (as set out in Section 10).

The Applicant did not receive any feedback at the non-statutory consultation requesting inclusion of additional areas or specific addresses for the direct postcard mailing. This zone also considers the potential mailing zones of other solar DCOs being proposed nearby to understand and, where possible, avoid overlap.



**Figure 1: 3km consultation zone for the statutory consultation.**

*To note: this shows the consultation zone in relation to the latest design of the Proposed Development (as of September 2024). There may be some small changes to this design ahead of the statutory consultation.*

If the site boundary of the Proposed Development is reduced or expanded ahead of the statutory consultation the Core Consultation Zone will be adjusted to maintain the 3km minimum zone.

### Wider Consultation Area

The Applicant recognises that there may be some interested individuals or parties who are not within the Core Consultation Zone. The Applicant is committed to ensuring that these interested parties still have an opportunity to view the proposals and have their say. The Applicant will publicise the consultation to communities outside of the Core Consultation Zone by advertising in local media, issuing posters (see section 10) and by Google online advertising targeted in an area around 5km from the Proposed Development. The towns and villages which will be within this wider consultation area include but are not limited to, North Hykeham, Waddington, Nocton, Metheringham, Rowston, Digby, Bloxholm, Ruskington, Leadenham, Fulbeck, Stragglethorpe, Brant Broughton, Stapleford and Collingham.

The Applicant also maintains a register of interested individuals who will be kept informed at key milestones. Anyone wishing to be kept informed can use the online registration form at [www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk/register/](http://www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk/register/) to receive updates.

### Google advertising

Google search advertising will be used, which are adverts that appear on Google's search engine results pages when users search for keywords relating to Fosse Green Energy. The advertising will be geographically targeted to Lincolnshire.

### Local media

Media releases will be issued to outlets covering Lincolnshire and will include a mix of regional and local titles. The coverage area of the Lincolnshire Echo is shown below, which covers the largest area of the media titles which will be contacted. A list of the publications to which the Applicant will issue media releases can be found in section 10.



Figure 2: coverage area of Lincolnshire Echo

### Information points

Information points will be located in community spaces at a number of locations near to the Proposed Development.

The information points will hold copies of consultation materials and the PEI Report NTS. A copy of the SoCC will also be available for inspection.

**Table 2: information points**

<b>Information point</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Opening times</b>
<b>North Hykeham Community Library</b>	Valerian Place, North Hykeham, Lincoln, LN6 9YW	<b>Mon:</b> 2:30pm to 5:30pm <b>Tue:</b> 9:30am to 12:30pm and 2:30pm to 5pm <b>Wed:</b> 9:30am to 12:30pm <b>Thu:</b> 2:30pm to 5pm <b>Fri:</b> 9:30am to 12:30pm <b>Sat:</b> 9:30am to 12:30pm <b>Sun:</b> closed
<b>Lincoln Library</b>	Free School Lane, Lincoln, LN2 1EZ	<b>Mon:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Tue:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Wed:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Thu:</b> 9am to 6pm <b>Fri:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Sat:</b> 9am to 4pm <b>Sun:</b> closed
<b>Collingham Community Partnership Library</b>	71 High Street, Collingham, Newark, NG23 1LB	<b>Mon:</b> 2pm to 5pm <b>Tue:</b> 9:30am to 1pm <b>Wed:</b> 2pm to 5pm <b>Thu:</b> 9:30am to 1pm <b>Fri:</b> 9:30am to 1pm <b>Sat:</b> 9:30am to 12:30pm <b>Sun:</b> closed
<b>Navenby Parish Council office</b>	The Venue, Navenby, Grantham Road, Navenby, Lincoln, LN5 0JJ	<b>Mon:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Tue:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Wed:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Thu:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Fri:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Sat:</b> closed <b>Sun:</b> closed
<b>Bassingham Parish Council office</b>	The Hammond Hall Lincoln Road Bassingham Lincoln, LN5 9HQ	<b>Mon:</b> closed <b>Tue:</b> 8:30am to 4:30pm <b>Wed:</b> 8:30am to 4:30pm <b>Thu:</b> 8:30am to 4:30pm <b>Fri:</b> closed <b>Sat:</b> closed <b>Sun:</b> closed
<b>Sleaford Library</b>	13-16 Market Place, Sleaford, Lincolnshire, NG34 7SR	<b>Mon:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Tue:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Wed:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Thu:</b> 9am to 6pm <b>Fri:</b> 9am to 5pm <b>Sat:</b> 9am to 1pm <b>Sun:</b> closed

Please check opening times before visiting.

### **Engagement with elected representatives**

Elected representatives (district and county council members, parish councils, Members of Parliament) representing wards, parishes and constituencies that lie within the core consultation zone boundaries will be notified of the consultation and offered a briefing.

### **Seldom heard groups and community organisations**

We are committed to ensuring the consultation process and associated communications reach as many parts of the community as possible. A range of seldom heard groups and individuals working in the Lincolnshire area who may be less likely to participate in or respond to traditional consultation techniques will be notified of the consultation. These include but are not limited to:

- The elderly.
- Young people.
- People with visual impairments.
- People with deafness or hard of hearing.
- Minority ethnic groups.

For the non-statutory consultation the seldom heard groups contacted were agreed with North Kesteven District Council with input from its Communities' Team. These seldom heard groups will also be contacted for the statutory consultation.

A list of seldom heard groups to be notified of the statutory consultation can be found in Appendix A.

Requests for specific consultation activity to cater for members of seldom heard groups will be agreed and planned with the requesting organisations. Consultation documents can also be requested in an accessible format for those with visual and/or hearing impairments.

Where email addresses are available seldom heard groups and community organisations will be contacted by email at the launch of the statutory consultation.

### **Statutory stakeholders**

We will consult the main point of contact at each host local planning authority, neighbouring local authorities, landowners (including those with non-landowning interests that are affected) and other technical stakeholders such as Natural England, National Highways, the Environment Agency and Historic England as required by Section 42 of the PA 2008.

# 10. How the Applicant consults

The Applicant will provide information about the Proposed Development at the statutory consultation using a range of methods:

## Public events

Anyone with an interest in the Proposed Development is welcome to attend events. Attendees will be able to ask questions about the Proposed Development and the ways to provide feedback will be presented and / or feedback forms provided.

The Applicant will hold four in-person events in areas around the Site and one online webinar. The in-person events will be held at Witham St Hughs Village Hall, Oliver Roper Parish Meeting Room (Thorpe on the Hill), The Venue, Navenby and Hammond Hall and Sports Centre. These are the same venues where events were held for the non-statutory consultation.

**Table 3: Anticipated in-person consultation events**

Event venue	Date and time	Address
The Venue, Navenby	Friday 8 November, 1:30 to 5:30pm	The Venue Navenby, Grantham Road, Navenby, Lincoln, LN5 0JJ
Oliver Roper Parish Meeting Room	Saturday 9 November, 3 to 7pm	Oliver Roper Parish Meeting Room, Lincoln Lane, Thorpe on the Hill, Lincoln, LN6 9BH
Hammond Hall and Sports Centre	Friday 22 November, 3pm to 7pm	Hammond Hall and Sports Centre, 35 Lincoln Road, Bassingham, Lincoln, LN5 9HQ
Witham St Hughs Village Hall	Saturday 23 November, 12:30 to 16:30pm	Witham St Hughs Village Hall, Caraway Drive, Witham St Hughs, Lincoln, LN6 9XG

Events are scheduled at a mixture of times and on both weekdays and weekends to enable people with different time commitments to attend the events.

The online event is to be held during an evening and will consist of a presentation followed by a question and answer session.

Information panels and plans will be shown at events containing information about the Proposed Development and the ways to provide feedback.



**Table 4: online webinar event**

<b>Webinar</b>	<b>Date and Time</b>	<b>Platform</b>
<b>Fosse Green Energy: statutory consultation webinar</b>	Tuesday 26 November, 6pm to 7pm	Zoom

Should an event need to be cancelled or rescheduled due to unforeseen circumstances, the Applicant will seek to alert people as early as possible by updating the website [www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk](http://www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk) and sending emails to the Parish Councils contacted at the launch of consultation.

### **Information postcard**

Postcards will be mailed to over 11,000 addresses within the Core Consultation Zone (as seen in section 9). This will inform the local community of the consultation and the events taking place.

At the start of consultation, postcards will be issued to the host authorities' planning officers and councillors representing wards in the Core Consultation Zone.

### **Information booklet**

An Information booklet will be produced that summarises the information being consulted on. The Information booklet will be available to view online, at in-person events, information points or by request.

### **Feedback form**

The feedback form will contain questions to capture feedback on the Proposed Development. The feedback form will be available to view and fill out online, at in-person events, at information points or by request.

### **Posters**

Posters advertising the public exhibitions will be issued to Parish Councils and information points for display in a 5km area around the Proposed Development.

### **Website**

The website [www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk](http://www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk) will contain information about the Proposed Development, consultation events and frequently asked questions. It will host the PEI Report and NTS, SoCC and other consultation documents and an online version of the feedback form will be available for use.

The website will also be updated to show new media releases and will have a register for updates feature where people can sign up to receive email updates about the Proposed Development.

### **Advertising and notices**

The Applicant will publish statutory notices in local and national newspapers providing details about the consultation, as required by Section 47 and Section 48 of the PA 2008. The notices will be published in one or more local newspapers for two consecutive weeks, and a national newspaper and the London Gazette for one week.

The newspaper outlets which will be used subject to availability for bookings are:

- Lincolnshire Echo
- The Guardian
- London Gazette

## Media releases

In addition to publishing a Section 48 Notice in regional and national newspapers, we will place advertisements in regional media outlets to promote the consultation and consultation events.

Advertisements will be placed with:

- Lincolnshire Echo
- Lincolnshire World
- The Newark Advertiser
- Digitally via Google. The Google advertisements will be geographically targeted to Lincolnshire, and to specific search terms relating to renewable energy and solar energy developments.

We will also issue press releases to regional press outlets and relevant trade titles, including:

- Lincolnshire Echo
- Lincolnshire Live
- Lincolnshire World
- Newark Advertiser
- Solar Power Portal
- ReNews
- BBC Radio Lincolnshire
- Lincs 102.2FM
- BBC Look North
- ITV News
- Lincolnshire Free Press
- Local Lincs Magazine
- Witham Herald
- Hykeham Gazette

## Contact lines

The Applicant's communication lines are open throughout the entire pre-application stage. Through these channels you will be able to speak to a member of the consultation team to ask questions, request information (including in alternative formats) and provide feedback. You can get in touch with members of the stakeholder engagement team using any of the communication lines listed below.

Should documents in large print or audio be required, please contact the Applicant at the details provided.



**0800 860 6262**

(open Monday – Friday 9am to 5pm)

This phonenumber has a voicemail service for out of hours calls. Calls can be scheduled with the consultation team for outside of working hours.



**info@fossegreenenergy.co.uk**



**www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk**



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# 11. Project timeline



**Figure 3: Project timeline**

## 12. Following statutory consultation

The Applicant will consider all written consultation responses received as feedback forms, emails to [info@fossegreenenergy.co.uk](mailto:info@fossegreenenergy.co.uk) and letters sent to the Freepost address **FREEPOST FOSSE GREEN ENERGY**.

Details of all consultation responses and how they have been addressed will be included in the Consultation Report that will be submitted to the Inspectorate as part of the DCO application. The Consultation Report will be a public document, but personal information will not be shared publicly unless specifically requested by the Inspectorate. The Applicant's privacy policy for the Proposed Development can be found at [www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk](http://www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk).

If, because of the feedback received, the proposals for the Proposed Development change to the extent that it is necessary to undertake further geographically targeted consultation, this would be undertaken, where relevant, in accordance with the principles and methods set out in this SoCC. The timetable and programme for the consultation would be publicised in the affected area via methods judged to be most appropriate by the Applicant.

The Applicant will continue to update the public and other stakeholders on the proposals at appropriate milestones, primarily through the website [www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk](http://www.fossegreenenergy.co.uk) and engagement activities such as briefings with political and technical stakeholders.

# Appendix A – seldom heard groups

- Lincolnshire Youth Association
- Lincolnshire County Council for Voluntary Services
- YMCA Lincolnshire
- Age UK Lincoln & South Lincolnshire
- Lincoln and Lindsey Blind Society
- Royal National Institute for Deaf People (RNID)
- Lincolnshire Sensory Services
- NSPCC North
- SSAFA Lincolnshire
- British Legion Alford & District
- North Lincs Veterans Community Hub
- Lincolnshire Rural Support Network
- Lincolnshire Youth Council
- Lincoln and West Lindsey youth workers
- Lincolnshire Young Farmers
- Scouts Lincolnshire
- Barnardos
- Young Lincolnshire
- Girlguiding Lincolnshire North
- Lincolnshire Elderly Support
- 4all – Lincolnshire Children’s Disability Register
- Royal National Institute for Blind People (RNIB)
- Lincoln and Lindsey Blind Society
- British Deaf Association
- Lincolnshire Autistic Society
- Action on Disability
- Disability Lincs
- Alzheimer’s and Dementia Support
- Lincolnshire Food Partnership
- Able Futures
- Lincolnshire Polish Society
- Association of Ukrainians in Great Britain
- Lincolnshire Gypsy Liaison Group
- National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups
- Lincolnshire Travellers Initiative
- BME Inclusion Service– Lincolnshire
- Lincolnshire Pamoja
- Active Lincolnshire
- Adult Care (Lincolnshire County Council)
- LTC – Beat It! Social Isolation
- Federation of small business – Lincolnshire
- Lincolnshire Chamber of Commerce
- Voluntary Centre Services Lincoln
- Lincolnshire Community Foundation
- Abbeyfield UK Lincoln
- ADHD 360
- Adults Supporting Adults (ASA)
- Age Friendly Future
- Alzheimer’s Society
- Alzheimer’s Society – Side by Side North East Lincolnshire
- Autistic Society Lincolnshire

- Blue Badge Scheme – Lincolnshire County Council
- Childrens Disability Register – Lincolnshire County Council
- Churches All Together in Lincolnshire
- Citizens Advice Mid Lincolnshire
- Community Digital Hubs
- Community Lincs
- Dementia Cafe Lincoln
- Dementia Cafe Sleaford
- Dementia Support South Lincolnshire
- Diabetes Service Lincolnshire
- Diabetes UK – Midlands and East of England
- Disability Services – Lincolnshire County Council
- EDAN Lincs Domestic Abuse Service Lincoln
- Equality Diversity and Inclusion Team – Lincolnshire Police
- Ethnic Minority and Traveller Education Team
- Evergreen Care Sleaford
- GAIN – Guillain-Barré & Associated Inflammatory Neuropathies
- Good Neighbour Scheme
- Grantham Short Breaks & Respite – Ambient Support
- Groud Level Network Lincoln
- Guide Dogs
- Homestart Lincolnshire
- JUST Lincolnshire
- KISIMUL School
- Laffletics Disability Sports Club Sleaford
- LGBTQ+ BAME Cancer Support Lincolnshire
- Lincoln and District Stroke Club
- Lincoln Central Mosque and Cultural Centre
- Lincoln Methodist Church
- Lincoln MS Therapy Centre
- Lincoln Parkinson’s Social Meet Up
- Lincolnshire Action Trust
- Lincolnshire Black Police Association
- Lincolnshire Community & Voluntary Service (CVS)
- Lincolnshire Council for Voluntary Youth Services
- Lincolnshire Learning Disability Partnership Board – Total Voice Lincolnshire
- Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
- Lincolnshire Police Federation
- Lincolnshire South Federation – Inspiring Women
- Lincolnshire Stroke Recovery Service
- Lincolnshire Transport Helpline – Dial a ride
- Lincolnshire Transport Helpline – Lincs Bus
- Lincolnshire Young Carers
- Linkage – Learning Disability
- Lions Club Sleaford & District
- MND – Motor Neurone Disease Cuppa and a Chat Support Group
- MND – Motor Neurone Disease NELSWeLaR Support Group (North East Leicestershire, South West Lincolnshire and Rutland)
- MND – Motor Neurone Disease South Lincolnshire Support Group
- MS Support Boston & South Holland Society

- NACRO Services in Lincolnshire
- National Deaf Children's Society
- New Life Church Sleaford
- NK Social Strollers
- Nomad Trust Lincoln
- North East Lincolnshire Women's Aid
- North Hykeham Children Centre
- Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church
- Parkinson's Service NHS Team
- Rainbow Stars Sleaford
- Religious Society of Friends Quakers – Lincoln Quakers Meeting
- Rethink Mental Illness Woodhall Spa Group
- Rotary Club of Sleaford
- Royal British Legion Sleaford
- Royal Naval Association Cleethorpes & Grimsby
- Royal Naval Association Lincoln
- Salvation Army – Sleaford
- Samaritans Lincoln
- SEND – Special Educational Needs & Disabilities in North Kesteven and South Kesteven
- Seventh-Day Adventist Church
- SHINE Lincolnshire Support Group
- Shine Mental Health Support network in Lincolnshire
- Short Breaks for Disabled Children
- Sleaford Children Centre
- Sleaford Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)
- Sleaford Community Grocer
- Sleaford Foyer – Housing Group
- Sleaford Methodist Church
- Sleaford Mosque and Community Centre
- SOLDAS – South Lincolnshire Domestic Abuse Service – Boston Women's Aid
- South Lincolnshire Blind Society
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Local Offer – North East Lincolnshire
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Local Offer – North Lincolnshire
- Stepping Up Walks
- Stroke Association – North East Lincolnshire
- T.E.D. Ageing Better in east Lindsey
- The Centre for Reconciliation
- VICTA – Support for Children and Young Adults who are blind or partially sighted
- VoiceAbility Lincolnshire
- Voluntary Centre Services North Kesteven
- We Are With you (Previously Addaction) National
- Wellbeing Lincs



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