

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION Comment left on 06/9/2022 Stance Representation

Planning Application

22/00668/AS

Site Address

Land south of M20, Church Lane, Aldington, Kent

Proposal

Installation of a solar farm with a generating capacity of up to 49.9MW comprising: ground mounted solar panels; access tracks; inverter/transformers; substation; storage, spare parts and welfare cabins; underground cables and conduits; perimeter fence; CCTV equipment; temporary construction compounds; and associated infrastructure and planting scheme. \*This development is subject to an Environmental Statement

Noise

The acoustic assessment submitted (ION acoustics Ltd) considers the noise from the construction and operational phase. Noise during the operational phase would originate from the electrical components (inverters and transformers). However, these are located at a distance away from residential properties (over 100m) and have been calculated to not be audible outside of the site boundary.

The following condition is required for the construction phase:

We would like to request the application of the following informative as part of any consent granted:

EPINF Construction

The applicant should note the code of practice hours in relation to potentially noisy construction/demolition activities which are 0800-1800 Monday to Friday, and 0800-1300 hours Saturday. Noisy works should not, in general, occur outside of these times, on Sundays or Bank/Public Holidays.

In addition, the applicant should note that it is illegal to burn any controlled wastes, which includes all waste except green waste/vegetation cut down on the site where it can be burnt without causing a nuisance to neighbouring properties.

Finally, the applicant should take such measures as reasonably practical to minimise dust emissions from construction and demolition activities and for that purpose would refer them to the IAQM guidance on controlling dust on construction sites.

Regards

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