

Introduction

We're inviting feedback from local people on our proposals for Sunnica Energy Farm.

Sunnica Energy Farm is a proposed new solar energy farm and battery storage facility connecting to the Burwell National Grid Substation in Cambridgeshire.

We set out the full details of how we are planning to consult in a document called a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC).

The SoCC is a legal document which we are required to publish because the proposed Sunnica Energy Farm is a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP).

You can read the full SoCC by going to our website: <https://sunnica.co.uk/public-consultation>
You can also get in touch with us directly to request a copy using the details on the first page.

How to contact us

For further information, please contact us by:
Visiting the proposed Sunnica Energy Farm website sunnica.co.uk

Calling **08081 687 925**
(9:00am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday)

Email at info@sunnica.co.uk

Writing to the project team at:
Sunnica Consultation,
FREEPOST reference RTRB-LUJJ-AGBY,
c/o Newgate Communications,
Sky Light City Tower, 50 Basinghall Street,
London, EC2V 5DE

Consulting during the COVID 19 pandemic

We are consulting at a time when the ongoing COVID 19 pandemic means there are restrictions on holding public meetings and events.

Our approach has been developed to comply with the current COVID 19 alert level set by the Government. For further details on this please consult the SoCC.

How we're consulting on our proposals for Sunnica Energy Farm

This poster summarises how we're planning to consult.

Why are we consulting?

We are required to seek the views of the local community by the Planning Act 2008. This is the law that sets out requirements for NSIPs.

This is the second round of public consultation on our proposals. Previously, we carried out a round of non-statutory consultation in summer 2019.

When are we consulting?

We are consulting between 22 September 2020 and 2 December 2020.

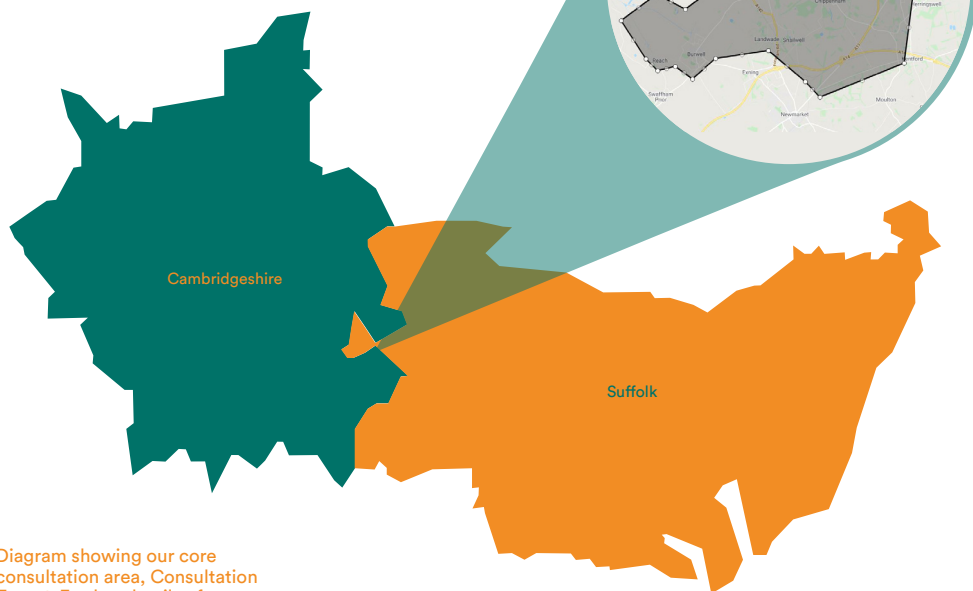


Diagram showing our core consultation area, Consultation Zone 1. Further details of our consultation zones are given in the SoCC.

What are we asking for views on?

We are asking for your views on:

- The proposed Sunnica Energy Farm
- The short term and long term impacts of the proposed Sunnica Energy Farm including:
 - Construction impacts
 - Environmental impacts
 - Operational impacts
 - Impacts from decommissioning

Who are we consulting?

We have identified three different zones of consultation and will be consulting within these zones as set out in the SoCC. We'll also publish details of the consultation online and in local newspapers for people living outside this zone.

We are also consulting with a range of statutory consultees as set out by the Planning Act 2008. This includes local authorities and statutory bodies such as Historic England.

Our consultation documents

Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)
Consultation booklet
Consultation questionnaire
Online virtual exhibition
Photomontages
Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)
Non-technical summary of the PEIR
Section 47 notice
Section 48 notice

You can view these documents by visiting sunnica.co.uk or by requesting copies of the materials in a memory stick or CD/DVD.

Hard copies of the documents are also available on request although fees may apply for printing the documents.

How can I find out more?

You can find out more by:

- Viewing a series of webinars we will give about the proposals online. These will offer the opportunity to ask questions about the proposals. A full list of our webinars is provided at the bottom of this page.
- Viewing a virtual public exhibition on our website, sunnica.co.uk, which will be available to view at any time from the start of consultation to the close.
- Booking an appointment to speak with members of the project team about our proposals individually. You can book an appointment by contacting us using the details on the 'How to contact us' section on the front page of this leaflet.
- Reading a booklet summarising our proposals. We will send a copy of the booklet to everyone living within consultation zone 1 as defined in the SoCC. The booklet will also be available from our website sunnica.co.uk/downloads and in hard copy on request.
- Reviewing the PEIR and other consultation documents by going to our website, sunnica.co.uk. You can request copies of the consultation materials on a memory stick or CD/DVD, using the contact details on the first page.
- If you would like a copy of the PEIR or its non-technical summary please contact us using the same details. A charge of £0.35 per page will be made for these materials.

Environmental Impact Assessment

The proposed Sunnica Energy Farm is considered to be 'EIA development' for the purposes of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations. As a result, an Environmental Statement reporting the EIA will be submitted alongside the DCO application. As part of the statutory consultation, we will be seeking feedback on a preliminary environmental information report (PEIR), which will set out our preliminary findings from the EIA.

Further information on NSIPs

You can find more information about the Planning Act 2008, the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) and how to participate in the DCO process on the PINS National Infrastructure Planning website: infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk, or by calling PINS on 0303 444 5000.

Webinars

You can find out more by viewing a series of webinars we will give about the proposals online. These will offer the opportunity to ask questions about the proposals. These will include the following webinars.

You can register for the webinars at sunnica.co.uk/public-consultation

- 18:00 on 01/10/20: Introducing the consultation
- 14:00 on 03/10/20: Sunnica East Site A and Site B
- 18:00 on 08/10/20: Sunnica West Site A and Site B
- 14:00 on 10/10/20: The grid connection
- 18:00 on 15/10/20: Environmental impact assessments (including landscape and biodiversity)
- 14:00 on 17/10/20: Construction and operations
- 14:00 on 24/10/20: Repeat of Introducing the consultation
- 18:00 on 29/10/20: Repeat of Sunnica East Site A and Site B
- 14:00 on 31/10/20: Repeat of Sunnica West Site A and Site B
- 18:00 on 05/11/20: Repeat of the grid connection
- 14:00 on 07/11/20: Repeat of Environmental impact assessments (including landscape and biodiversity)
- 18:00 on 12/11/20: Repeat of Construction and operations

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