

Substantive response of the Local Highway Authority to a planning consultation received under The Development Management Order.



Response provided under the delegated authority of the Director of Environment & Transport.

APPLICATION DETAILS:

Planning Application Number: 23/00726/FUL

Highway Reference Number: 2023/0726/04/H

Application Address: Oak Tree House Hinckley Fields Farm Rogues Lane Hinckley Leicestershire
LE10 3DX

Application Type: Full

Description of Application: Installation of 3no PV panels and erection of equipment storage building

GENERAL DETAILS

Planning Case Officer: David Spring

Applicant: Mr James Watson

County Councillor: Cllr David Bill MBE

Parish:

Road Classification: Unadopted / Private

Substantive Response provided in accordance with article 22(5) of The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015:

The Local Highway Authority advice is that, in its view, the impacts of the development on highway safety would not be unacceptable, and when considered cumulatively with other developments, the impacts on the road network would not be severe. Based on the information provided, the development therefore does not conflict with paragraph 111 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2021).

Advice to Local Planning Authority

Background

The Local Highway Authority (LHA) are in receipt of a consultation for a full application for the installation of 3no PV panels and erection of equipment storage building at Oak Tree House, Hinckley Fields Farm, Rogues Lane, Hinckley.

The applicant states there will be no alterations made to any existing public or private highways, and no new public or private highways or connections are being proposed.

Highway Safety

Based on available records to the LHA, there has been one recorded Personal Injury Collision (PIC) at the Rogues Lane / A447 junction within the last five years. The PIC occurred in December 2019 and was classified as slight in severity. Based on the PIC data the LHA would not seek to resist the proposed development.

Trip Generation

Given the temporary nature of construction, the scale of the proposals and the fact that the site is accessed via Rogues Lane and Stoke Road (or the A447), the LHA consider there would be a minimal level of additional vehicular traffic generated by the proposals during construction.

Once construction is complete, the LHA consider that in its experience of reviewing much larger scale solar farm proposals, maintenance visits following completion would generate a negligible level of van or car trips throughout the year.

Closing

Under the site specific circumstances, the LHA cannot demonstrate the proposals would result in a severe impact on the surrounding highway network in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework (2021).

Date Received
7 August 2023

Case Officer
David Hunt

Reviewer
RD

Date issued
24 August 2023