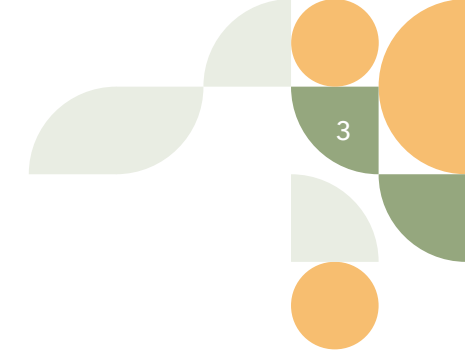


# Statement of Community Consultation

January 2025





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# 1. Introduction

- 1.1. **Lime Down Solar Park Limited ('we' or 'the Applicant') is publishing this Statement of Community Consultation ('SoCC') in connection with its proposals for a new solar and battery energy storage project known as Lime Down Solar Park ('the Project').**
- 1.2. The Project is a solar and energy storage project with associated infrastructure to connect the scheme to the national grid at Melksham substation, located in Wiltshire.
- 1.3. The Project is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) because the amount of electricity it could generate exceeds 50MW. This requires development consent under the Planning Act 2008 (PA2008). Development consent is granted in the form of a Development Consent Order ('DCO').
- 1.4. An application for development consent for the construction and operation of the proposed project will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate ('the Inspectorate'), the body responsible of managing the examination of NSIPs. Further to examination of the application being carried out, the Inspectorate will make a recommendation to the Secretary of State (SoS) for Energy Security and Net Zero who will then decide whether to grant the DCO for the Project.
- 1.5. This SoCC has been prepared in accordance with Section 47 'Duty to consult local community' of the PA2008; its purpose being to set out how we intend to consult people living in the vicinity of the land that is needed for the Project; including an explanation of the consultation we will carry out before submission of our application for development consent. It includes:
  - 1.5.1. A description of the consenting process we must follow
  - 1.5.2. What we will be consulting on
  - 1.5.3. Who we will be consulting
  - 1.5.4. How we will be consulting
  - 1.5.5. How people can respond to the consultation
  - 1.5.6. How we will use feedback to the consultation
- 1.6. The SoCC will be published on Tuesday 14 January 2025 ahead of statutory consultation launching.
- 1.7. As required by Section 47 (6) of the PA2008 we will publish a Section 47 Notice in local newspapers for one week to advertise that the SoCC has been published as follows:
  - 1.7.1. Wiltshire Gazette and Herald - Thursday 16 January 2025
  - 1.7.2. Wiltshire Times - Friday 17 January 2025
- 1.8. Statutory consultation is taking place over a period of seven weeks (49 days) starting 29 January and running until 19 March 2025. This would see the statutory consultation period exceed the minimum period of 28 days as required by the PA2008. The deadline for receipt of feedback to the statutory consultation is 23.59 on Wednesday 19 March 2025.
- 1.9. The SoCC is available to view and download from the Project website, and printed reference copies will be made available from Community Access Points (CAPs) (see Table 5). Printed reference copies will also be available to view at in-person consultation events being held during statutory consultation (see Table 6).

# 2. About us

- 2.1. The Project is a development proposed by Island Green Power (IGP) who is an international developer of renewable energy projects.
- 2.2. Lime Down Solar Park Limited is a 100 per cent subsidiary of IGP UK Projects Limited, which is in turn a 100 per cent subsidiary of Island Green Power's UK group holding company, Island Green Power Group Limited.
- 2.3. Established in 2013, IGP has delivered 34 solar projects worldwide totalling more than one gigawatt of clean, renewable energy assets. This includes 17 projects in the UK and Republic of Ireland.
- 2.4. IGP specialises in the development of utility-scale solar projects and battery energy storage systems; overseeing the entire development process from start to finish, including sourcing land, securing grid connections and obtaining planning consents.
- 2.5. IGP's mission is to help the UK decarbonise and meet net zero goals, increasing solar energy generation and making more renewable energy possible while drastically reducing our carbon emissions.
- 2.6. IGP has appointed a professional project team to provide support and expertise throughout the project development process for the project. Together, the project team has significant experience working across solar and DCO projects, and in developing plans that are sensitive to the needs of the local community and surrounding environment.



### 3. The Project

- 3.1. Lime Down Solar Park comprises a solar photovoltaic (PV) electricity generating station and ‘associated development’ including an on-site Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), grid connection infrastructure and other infrastructure integral to the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of the Project.
- 3.2. The PV electricity generating station and BESS would be contained within five land parcels - collectively referred to as ‘the Solar PV Sites’. Within the boundaries of the Solar PV Sites there will be areas for environmental mitigation and enhancement, along with buffer zones to maintain a suitable distance between equipment and infrastructure and existing homes, landscape, ecological and habitat features and Public Rights of Way.
- 3.3. The Solar PV Sites comprise approximately 878 hectares (ha) (2,169 acres) of predominantly agricultural land which lie to the north of the M4, southwest of Malmesbury between the villages of Alderton, Luckington, Sherston, Foxley, Norton, Corston, Startley, Upper Seagry, Lower Stanton St Quintin and Hullavington.
- 3.4. The Cable Route Search Corridor comprises the area in which underground cable would be installed to connect the individual Solar PV Sites to one another (referred to as the Interconnecting Cables) and the underground cable connection into the national grid at Melksham Substation (referred to as the Grid Connection Cables).
- 3.5. The Project would be wholly contained within the development area (referred to as the ‘Site’) shown in Figure 1. This map shows the extent of the land required for the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of the Solar PV Sites and the connection into the national grid at Melksham Substation.

- 3.6. The Project is anticipated as being able to deliver up to 500 megawatts (MW) of renewable electricity to the national grid, and store up to 1,000MWh (megawatt-hours) of energy in the BESS.
- 3.7. Subject to being consented, the Project has the potential to:
  - 3.7.1. Generate enough renewable electricity to power the equivalent of 115,000 homes annually;
  - 3.7.2. Support national and regional obligations to reduce carbon emissions to net zero by 2035;
  - 3.7.3. Boost local biodiversity by a minimum of 10 percent, ensuring wildlife habitats are in a measurably better state than before; and
  - 3.7.4. Deliver tangible benefits to local communities closest to the Project.

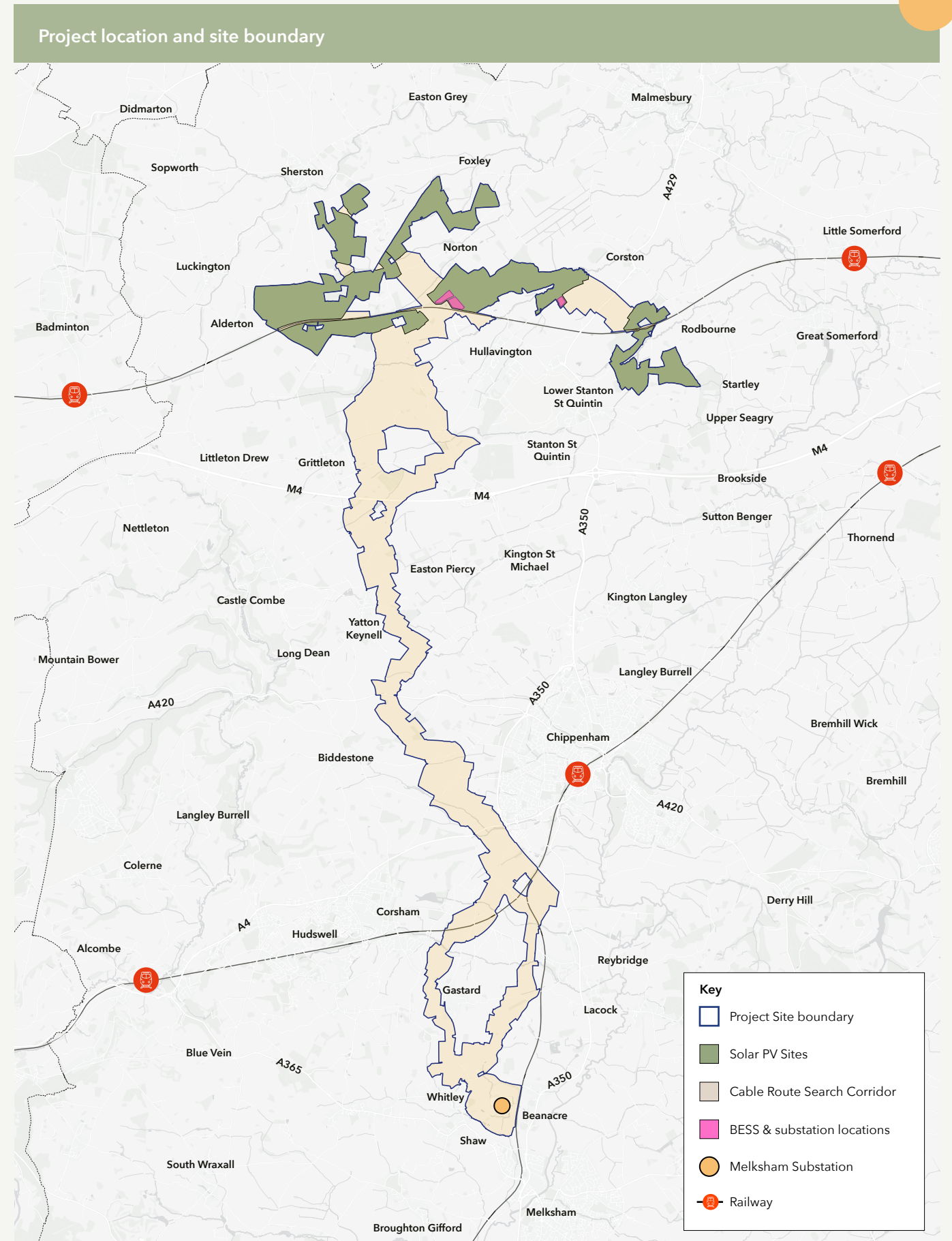
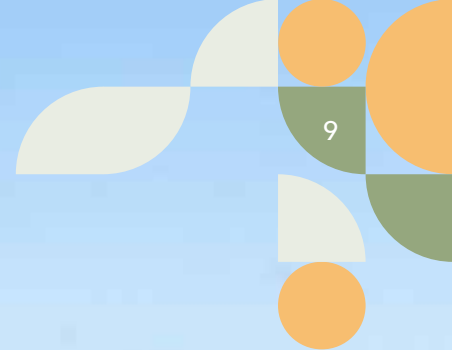


Figure 1: Project location and site boundary





3.8. The Project would comprise the following principal components:

- 3.8.1. Solar PV panels converting sunlight into electricity.
- 3.8.2. Solar PV mounting structures.
- 3.8.3. Supporting infrastructure - inverters, transformers and switchgear - converting the direct current (DC) electricity collected by the Solar PV panels into alternating current (AC) and stepping up the voltage so it can be exported to the national grid.
- 3.8.4. An energy storage system (the BESS) enabling electricity generated by the solar PV panels to be stored on-site, and released to the national grid when needed. It may also enable energy to be imported from the national grid so it can be stored until it is needed.
- 3.8.5. Substations to export the electricity from the Solar PV panels to the national grid. The substations will include a control building with welfare facilities.
- 3.8.6. On-site cables connecting the Solar PV panels and BESS to the inverters which, in turn connect to the transformers.
- 3.8.7. Grid connection cables providing the connection between the on-site substation and Melksham Substation to export the electricity generated by the Solar PV panels onto the national grid.
- 3.8.8. Temporary construction compounds and temporary roadway accesses to enable access to the land within the Site for the purposes of constructing the Project.
- 3.8.9. Accesses to the Site during construction and for routine maintenance when the Project is operational.
- 3.8.10. Fencing comprising wire mesh and wooden posts to enclose operational areas of the site with pole mounted internal facing CCTV systems around the perimeter.
- 3.8.11. New planting, landscaping and biodiversity measures across the site and around the perimeter to enhance biodiversity and improve the landscape.

3.9. An indicative diagram illustrating the components of a typical solar project is set out in **Figure 2**.

**Components of a typical solar farm**

- 1. Solar energy
- 2. Fencing
- 3. Solar panels
- 4. Inverter (DC to AC power converter)
- 5. Landscape area
- 6. Substation
- 7. Battery storage
- 8. Underground cable

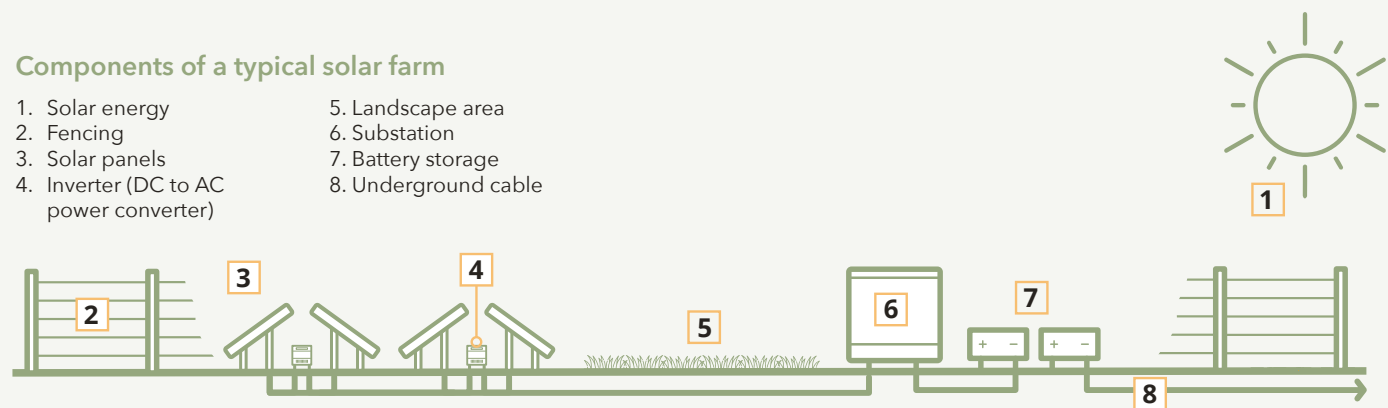
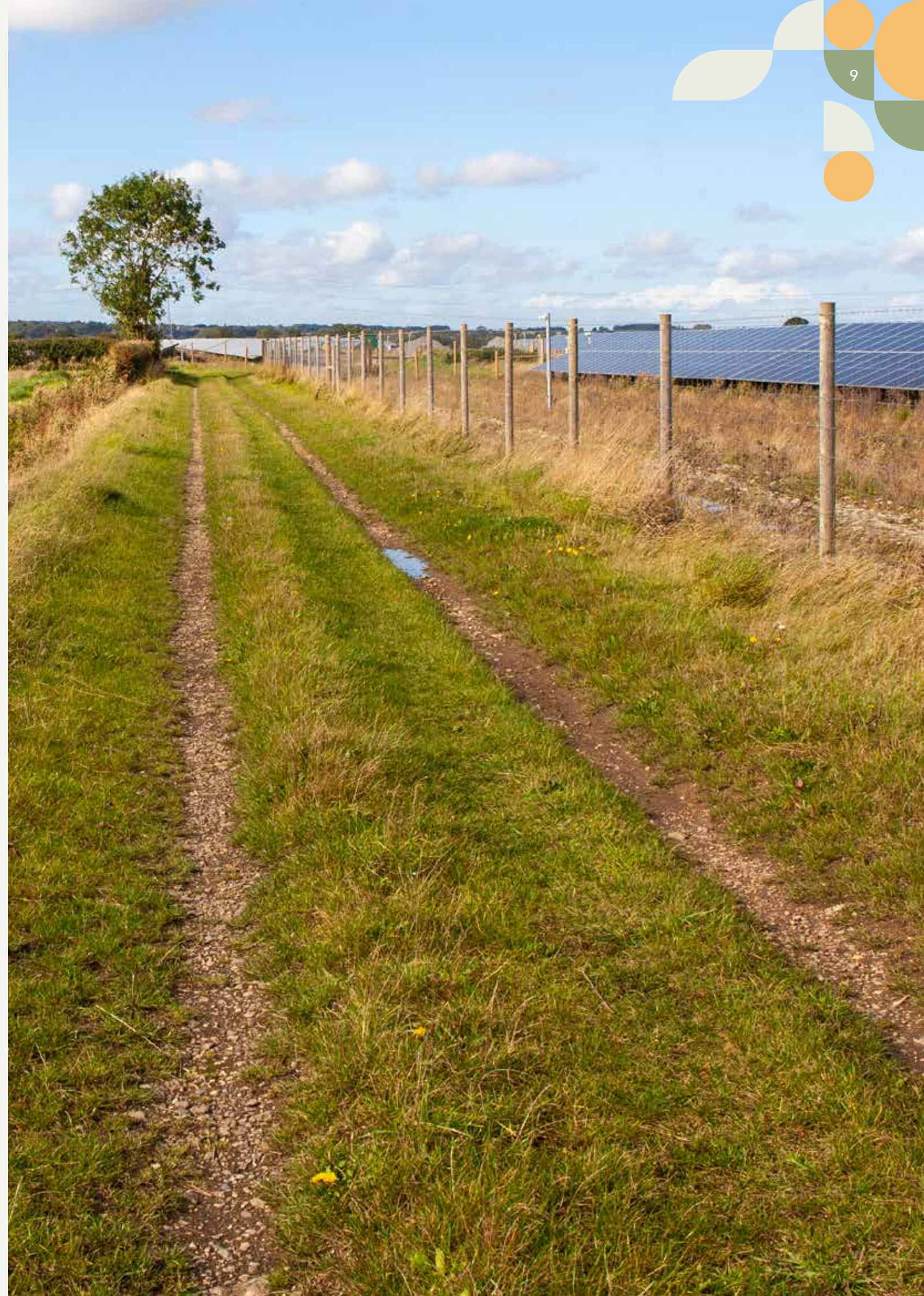
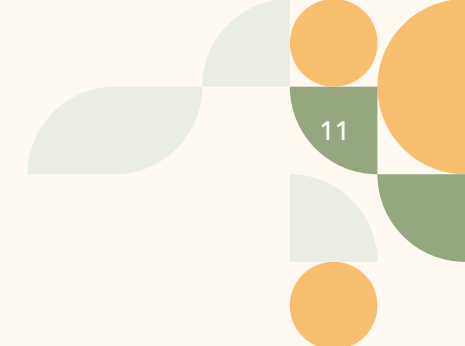


Figure 2: Components of a typical solar project







## 4. The DCO consenting process

- 4.1. The Project is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) because it comprises the construction of a solar generating station with a capacity over 50MW.
- 4.2. The development consenting regime for an NSIP comes under the PA2008. This means that we need to submit an application for development consent for the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of the Project to the Inspectorate, the body responsible for managing the examination process for NSIPs.
- 4.3. In the case of energy-related NSIPs, the Inspectorate acts on behalf of the SoS for Energy Security and Net Zero. Should the Inspectorate accept the application for Examination, they will appoint an Examining Authority and the public will be able to submit a relevant representation and become an interested party.
- 4.4. The Examining Authority will then conduct an Examination of our application and make a recommendation to the SoS on whether to grant development consent. The SoS will review the recommendation and decide whether to grant development consent for the Project. **Table 1** provides an overview of the key stages of the DCO application process.
- 4.5. Before submitting an application for development consent, we must carry out statutory consultation in accordance with the PA2008. This document - the SoCC - has been prepared in accordance with Section 47 (1) of the PA2008 and associated guidance<sup>1</sup>. It explains how we intend to carry out statutory consultation with the local community during the pre-application stage, sharing information about and inviting feedback on the Project.
- 4.6. Wiltshire Council, as the local host authority, has been consulted on the contents of this document as required by Section 47 (2) of the PA2008. Wiltshire Council has also had the opportunity to provide comments on an early draft of this SoCC. We have had regard to the feedback Wiltshire Council provided, with it having been considered and used to inform this final version.
- 4.7. We currently anticipate submitting our application for development consent to the Inspectorate in Autumn 2025. Subject to a DCO being granted, the earliest construction would start is 2027 (see Section 9 - Indicative Project Timeline).
- 4.8. More information about the stages of the application process and how you can have your say can be found on the Inspectorate's website<sup>2</sup>.

### DCO Application process

#### 1. Pre-application

We, as the Applicant, must consult with the community and statutory consultees in compliance with the PA2008. To demonstrate this to the Inspectorate, the DCO application we submit will include a Consultation Report setting out our method for consulting, the feedback received in response to the consultation, and how this has influenced our proposals.

#### 2. Acceptance

The Inspectorate, on behalf of the SoS, has 28 days to decide whether the application meets the required standards to proceed to the Examination. This includes consideration of whether our consultation has been adequate.

#### 3. Pre-Examination

Further to the application being accepted, an Examining Authority will be appointed and you can submit a relevant representation and become an interested party to have the right to provide comments at the Examination stage, have the right to request to speak at hearings and hear about events and decisions as well as the progress of the application. The Examining Authority will hold a preliminary meeting and set the timetable for Examination.

#### 4. Examination

The Examining Authority has up to six months to conduct the Examination of our application. This will involve a series of open floor / public hearings, compulsory acquisition hearings and topic specific hearings and additional opportunities for you to digitally submit your comments in writing.

#### 5. Decision

A recommendation to the SoS will be issued by the Examining Authority within three months of the close of the Examination. The SoS then has a further three months to issue a decision on whether to grant development consent for the Application.

*Table 1: DCO application process*

<sup>1</sup><https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2008/29/section/47#:~:text=47Duty%20to%20consult%20local%20community&text=>

<sup>2</sup><https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nationally-significant-infrastructure-projects-the-stages-of-the-nsip-process-and-how-you-can-have-your-say>

## 5. Our public consultation process

5.1. Pre-application consultation forms an important part of the planning and development process, and the PA2008 requires developers to publicise their proposals widely. It also requires developers to consult with local communities, local authorities, statutory bodies and persons with an interest in land potentially affected by the proposed NSIP.

### Consultation objectives

5.2. Our overall objectives for the Stage Two consultation are to:

- 5.2.1. Raise awareness about the Project proposals and the consultation so local communities have the opportunity to:
  - Understand the Project, its potential impacts and the measures proposed to reduce those impacts.
  - Engage in discussion relating to ways of maximising local benefits to meet their long-term needs so they can provide their views and feedback.
- 5.2.2. Give local communities, relevant authorities and other stakeholders an opportunity to comment on the proposals based on appropriately detailed information that is clear and accessible.
- 5.2.3. Provide a range of ways for people to engage with the Project at a time that is convenient to them. For example, online (website, webinars), in person (events, briefings), in writing (feedback form, letters).
- 5.2.4. Clearly signpost the different ways people can comment on the Project.
- 5.2.5. Ensure that everyone who has an interest in the Project is made aware of the examination process and provided with information explaining how they can participate in that process.

5.3. The pre-application process for the Project comprises at least two stages of consultation as follows:

- 5.3.1. Stage One 'non-statutory' consultation on our early stage proposals for the Project; and
- 5.3.2. Stage Two 'statutory' consultation which will be delivered in accordance with the requirements of the PA2008.

### Stage One 'non-statutory' consultation

5.4. We carried out an initial stage of 'non-statutory' consultation between 14 March and 26 April 2024. The aim of this initial consultation was to introduce the Project, present our early-stage proposals for the solar and energy storage park and its connection to Melksham Substation, and give individuals and interested parties the opportunity to share their views. The consultation also invited local communities and stakeholders to suggest schemes or initiatives that we could support to benefit those communities closest the Project.

5.5. Stage One consultation was open to all interested members of the public and featured digital and non-digital methods of engagement. Direct written and email communications were issued to local political representatives and parish councils provide them with details of the Stage One consultation. A consultation postcard was then direct mailed to over 11,000 residential and business addresses lying within a defined consultation zone to directly notify them of the consultation, publicise events taking place and signpost people to where information about the Project and the consultation could be found. A press release was issued to local print, broadcast and online media outlets, with adverts promoting the consultation also being placed in local newspapers, including the Wiltshire Times, Gazette & Herald, Melksham Independent News and Swindon Advertiser.

5.6. Over the course of this initial consultation six in-person information events and two online webinar sessions were held (see Table 2) to provide opportunity for people to speak with members of the Project team to ask questions about the Project, the consultation and how they could take part.

5.7. Through the publicity, information events and a number of other means including the Project website, freephone community information line, and project email address, local communities and stakeholders were provided with initial information on the Project and given the opportunity to submit their views and comments.

5.8. We received around 1,400 submissions of feedback to Stage One consultation, which enabled us to gain a broader understanding of the local area. We have used this feedback, together with the findings from ongoing surveys and discussion with technical stakeholders, to help shape more detailed proposals for the Project.

5.9. A summary of the Stage One consultation and how we have used feedback received to inform the ongoing development of our proposals for Lime Down Solar Park is set out in our [Stage One Consultation Summary Report](#). This is available to view and download from the Project website<sup>3</sup>.

5.10. The information gathered during this first stage of consultation has also informed the preparation of this SoCC.

Date/time	Location
Fri 22 March 2024 15:30 - 19:30	Sherston Village Hall, High Street, Sherston, Malmesbury, SN16 0LQ
Sat 23 March 2024 11:00 - 15:00	Hullavington Village Hall, Hill Hayes Lane, Hullavington, Chippenham, SN14 6EB
Mon 25 March 2024 13:30 - 17:30	Grittleton Village Hall, The Street, Grittleton, Chippenham, SN14 6AW
Wed 27 March 2024 17:30 - 19:00	Virtual webinar (held on Zoom)
Tues 09 April 2024 15:30 - 19:30	Goss Croft Hall, Startley Road, Upper Seagry, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 5HD
Wed 10 April 2024 15:30 - 19:30	Corsham Town Council Hall, Town Hall, 65 High St, Corsham, SN13 0EZ
Thurs 11 April 2024 14:00 - 18:00	Shaw Village Hall, The Beeches, Shaw, Melksham, SN12 8EW
Wed 17 April 2024 17:30 - 19:00	Virtual webinar (held on Zoom)

*Table 2: Stage One Consultation information event programme*

<sup>3</sup><https://www.limedownsolar.co.uk/documents>

**Stage Two ‘statutory’ consultation**

- 5.11. Stage Two Statutory consultation will take place over a period of seven weeks (49 days) from Wednesday 29 January until Wednesday 19 March 2025. This consultation period exceeds the minimum period of 28 days as required by the PA2008.
- 5.12. This second stage of consultation enables us to share more detailed information about the Project and provide local communities and other stakeholders with the opportunity to find out how our proposals have evolved since Stage One consultation and submit their views for consideration. Stage Two consultation will take place in accordance with the requirements of the PA2008.
- 5.13. During this time, local communities will be consulted on proposals via a range of methods including in-person information events held at local venues, as well as online events. At the same time as carrying out this consultation in accordance with Section 47 ‘Duty to consult local community’ of the PA2008, we are proposing to carry out statutory consultation in accordance with Sections 42 and 48 of the PA2008 which includes local authorities, parish councils, statutory stakeholders and owners, tenants and occupiers of the land who may be potentially affected by the Project.
- 5.14. This statutory consultation will be publicised to local communities within a defined core consultation zone (see Figure 3) as well as other stakeholders using a variety of communication methods (see Section 7).
- 5.15. Consultation documents and materials will be made available to view at Community Access Points (CAPs) (see Table 5) and in-person information events (see Table 6). They will also be available to view and download from the Project website: [www.limedownsolar.co.uk](http://www.limedownsolar.co.uk). Members of the Project team will be available at events to answer questions about the Project and provide information about the consultation.
- 5.16. Unless agreed with us directly, the deadline for submitting responses to this statutory consultation is 23.59 on Wednesday 19 March 2025.

**What we will consult on**

- 5.17. The aim of our pre-application consultation is to ensure that community, landowners and tenants, public representatives and technical consultees all have a chance to understand and influence the Project. We will consider the feedback we receive to help refine our proposals ahead of preparing our application for development consent.
- 5.18. During statutory consultation we welcome and will consider feedback on all aspects of our proposals for the Project, and will specifically invite comments on:
  - 5.18.1. The design for the five Solar PV Sites in which the electricity generating station and BESS would be contained;
  - 5.18.2. The proposed Cable Route Search Corridor in which an underground cable would be installed to connect the Solar PV Sites to one another and provide an electrical connection into the national grid at Melksham Substation;
  - 5.18.3. The environmental effects of the Project detailed in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) which sets out the results of our preliminary environmental assessments and associated mitigation;
  - 5.18.4. The timescales and next steps for the Project; and
  - 5.18.5. Anything else you think we need to consider.

Statutory consultation - key dates	
14 Jan 2025	SoCC available to view at CAPs and on the Project website
From 14 Jan 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Section 48 Notices published in regional papers, one national paper, and the London Gazette</li> <li>• Section 42 consultation information sent to statutory and prescribed persons</li> </ul>
From 27 Jan 2025	Consultation leaflet announcing consultation launch distributed to addresses within the core consultation zone
29 Jan 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statutory consultation launches</li> <li>• Consultation materials available to view at CAPs and on the Project website</li> <li>• Public information events held at local venues and online</li> </ul>
19 Mar 2025	Stage Two statutory consultation closes at 23.59

*Table 3: Statutory consultation - key dates*

**Consultation reporting**

- 5.19. When statutory consultation has closed we will review and finalise the proposed application for the Project, having regard to the feedback received.
- 5.20. We will then produce a Consultation Report which will be included with our DCO application.
- 5.21. The Consultation Report will:
  - 5.21.1. Describe the consultation that has been carried out (in accordance with the SoCC);
  - 5.21.2. Evidence how we have satisfied and adhered to legal requirements;
  - 5.21.3. Detail how we have worked with Wiltshire Council to ensure our consultation is suitable for the area through the proposals set out in this SoCC;
  - 5.21.4. Set out the key themes raised in the feedback and consultation responses received; and
  - 5.21.5. Respond to the feedback, setting out how we have had regard to feedback relevant to the Project and how it has influenced our proposals.
- 5.22. Any comments submitted to the statutory consultation could be made public. Any personal data received as part of the Consultation will be stored and protected in accordance with the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). The Privacy Notice is available on the Project website<sup>4</sup> and hard copies can be made available on request.
- 5.23. The Consultation Report will be available to view on the Lime Down Solar Park webpage of the Inspectorate’s website subject to our application being accepted for examination<sup>5</sup>.

**Examination process**

- 5.24. After submission, the Inspectorate, on behalf of the SoS, will decide whether the application meets the standards required to be accepted for examination.
- 5.25. Subject to the application being accepted, members of the public will be able to register with the Inspectorate to become an Interested Party by making a Relevant Representation.
- 5.26. The Inspectorate then has up to six months to carry out an examination. During this stage, Interested Parties who have registered by making a Relevant Representation are able to participate in the process by attending hearings and making further written submissions.
- 5.27. An overview of the five key stages in the DCO application process is provided in Table 1.

<sup>4</sup><https://www.limedownsolar.co.uk/privacy-policy>

<sup>5</sup><https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010168>



## 6. Who we will consult

- 6.1. Our consultation process is open to anyone who is affected by or has an interest in our proposals for the Project. We are seeking to engage with a range of individuals and groups and want our consultation to be accessible for everyone to take part.
- 6.2. In accordance with Section 47 of the PA2008, the SoCC must outline how we propose to consult people living 'in the vicinity of the land' for the Project. This also encompasses those working and visiting areas within the vicinity of the Project.
- 6.3. There is no set rule that defines those people, groups or organisations falling into this category. We have therefore used our professional judgement and consulted with Wiltshire Council on what is appropriate for the Project.

### Core consultation zone

- 6.4. To help determine the core consultation zone, we considered where may be directly or indirectly impacted by the Project permanently or temporarily as a result of its construction, operation, maintenance, and decommissioning.
- 6.5. Having considered these impacts, we then determined an appropriate core consultation zone by initially extending a minimum distance of two kilometres (km) from the boundaries of the five Solar PV Sites and 500 metres (m) from the edge of the Cable Route Search Corridor.
- 6.6. The zone has been extended further, where proportionate, to include reasonable consideration of:
  - 6.6.1. Zone of theoretical visibility to assess the areas in vicinity of the Project site boundary which could experience a degree of visual impact;
  - 6.6.2. Existing natural and human geographical boundaries, for example, the M4 and A350;
  - 6.6.3. Coverage of parishes hosting any of the five Solar PV Sites as follows:
    - Norton and Foxley Parish Meeting
    - Sherston Parish Council
    - Hullavington Parish Council
    - Luckington and Alderton Parish Council
    - St Paul Malmesbury Without Parish Council
- 6.7. We will seek to engage directly with those people who live and work, or have an interest, in land within our core consultation zone including residents, local businesses, and community organisations (including parish councils) to raise awareness and encourage participation in the consultation through a selection of communication channels (see Section 7).
- 6.8. The core consultation zone we have determined is shown **Figure 3**. Addresses are generated from data available from Royal Mail.

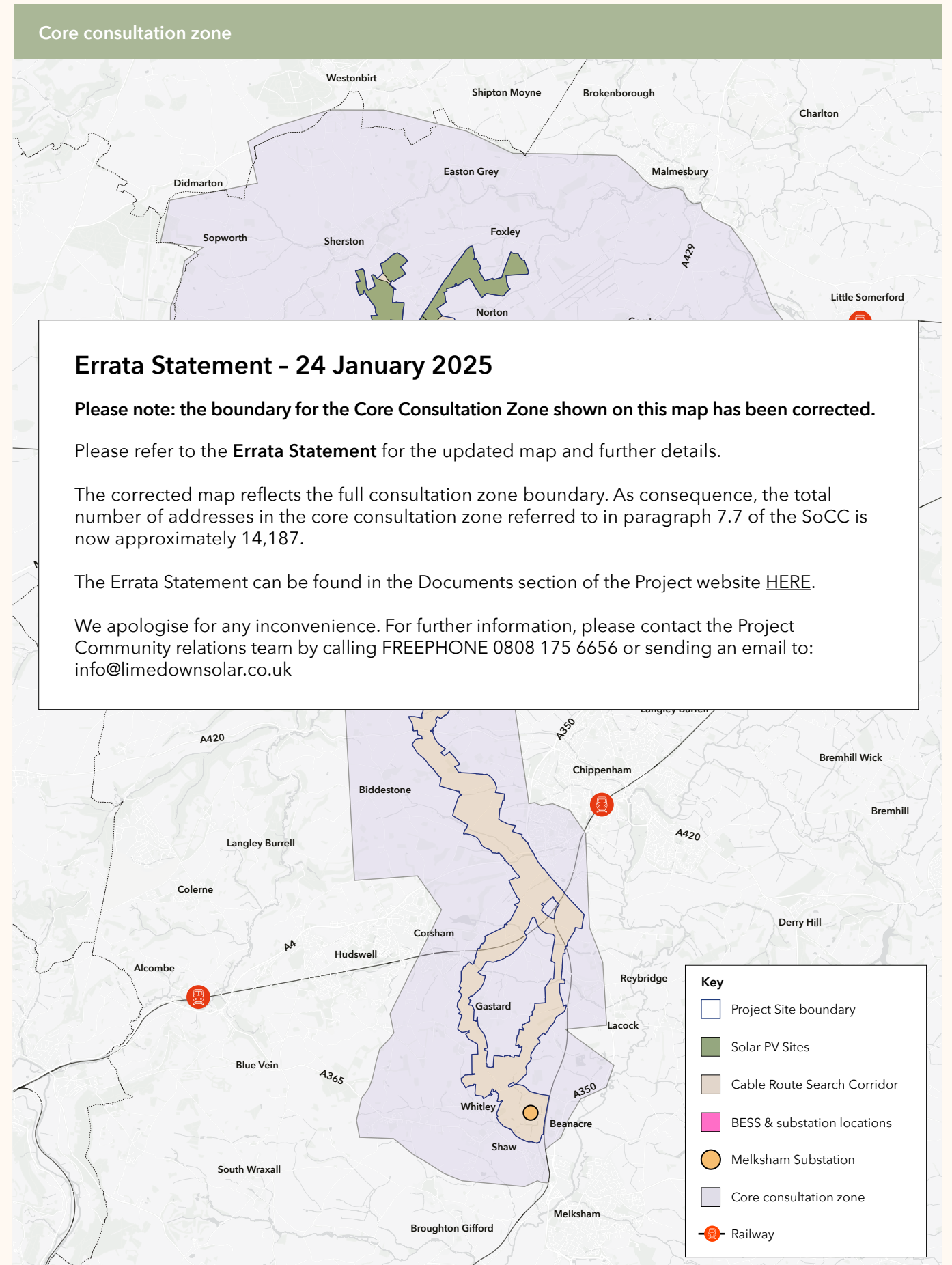


Figure 3: Core consultation zone

### Consulting people beyond the core consultation zone

- 6.9. We recognise that individuals, groups and organisations who live and work beyond the core consultation zone may also have an interest in the Project and may have taken part in Stage One Consultation.
- 6.10. To give these individuals and organisations the opportunity to participate in this second stage of consultation we will raise awareness in the following ways:
- 6.10.1. Directly notify any individual who has registered to receive information about the Project, including those who have expressed concern or opposition to the proposals;
- 6.10.2. Publish a Section 48 notice in the local and national press and London Gazette (see Table 7);
- 6.10.3. Advertise the consultation in local media outlets reaching audiences beyond the core consultation zone (see Table 8);
- 6.10.4. Publish consultation materials so they are available to view online (see Table 4); and
- 6.10.5. Fulfil requests for copies of the consultation materials received through the Project communications channels (see 7.34-7.37).
- 6.11. We will also engage those parties representing the interests of those communities which lie beyond the core consultation zone including:
- 6.11.1. Members of Parliament representing the host constituencies:
- Roz Savage MP (South Cotswolds)
  - Sarah Gibson MP (Chippenham)
  - Brian Mathew MP (Melksham and Devizes)
- 6.11.2. Wiltshire Council electoral division members (councillors)
- 6.11.3. Wiltshire Area Boards within whose boundaries the Project site boundary lies including:
- Chippenham and Villages Area Board;
  - Corsham Area Board;
  - Malmesbury Area Board; and
  - Melksham Area Board.
- 6.11.4. Community interest groups and voluntary organisations (see Appendix 1);

### Consulting with under-represented or seldom heard groups

- 6.12. We are committed to ensuring the consultation process and associated communications reach as many parts of the community as possible.
- 6.13. We have identified various 'under-represented' or 'seldom-heard' groups and individuals within the core consultation zone who may be less likely to engage with, or participate in, consultation. These groups are:
- 6.13.1. Children and young people
- 6.13.2. Lone parents
- 6.13.3. Older people
- 6.13.4. People with disabilities
- 6.13.5. People with learning difficulties
- 6.13.6. People visiting mental health support groups
- 6.13.7. Minority ethnic groups
- 6.13.8. Those who may not speak English as their first language
- 6.13.9. Gypsy and traveller communities
- 6.13.10. The military
- 6.13.11. Residents who work outside Wiltshire
- 6.13.12. People who work in Wiltshire but live elsewhere
- 6.13.13. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual (LGBTQIA+) community
- 6.13.14. Carers
- 6.13.15. People who are time poor i.e. working full time and/or shift workers
- 6.14. Our consultation methodology (see Section 7) has been designed to communicate as effectively as possible with these groups, ensuring they have the opportunity to access information and participate in the consultation.
- 6.15. We will contact bodies and organisations representing these groups ahead of statutory consultation starting to provide information about the consultation and ensure our approach considers the needs of their members. See **Appendix 1** for a list of the gateway organisations and local groups we will contact.
- 6.16. Requests for specific consultation activity to cater for their members will be considered on a case-by-case basis and agreed and planned with the requesting organisations. We will continue to notify them of further consultation and engagement activity as information becomes available.
- 6.17. Our community relations team is available to assist anyone who may find it difficult to submit written comments to the consultation and can be contacted directly via the Project communications channels (see 10.5). Requests for community consultation literature to meet specific requirements (such as large print or audio for those with visual impairments, or an alternative language for those who do not speak English as their first language) will be considered on a case-by-case basis so we can establish how to provide the information required.



### Wider consultation in accordance with Section 42 of the PA2008

6.18. At the same time as carrying out Stage Two 'statutory' consultation in accordance with Section 47 'Duty to Consult local community' of the PA2008, we will be carrying out statutory consultation in accordance with Section 42 and Section 48 of the PA2008. This will involve stakeholders including:

- 6.18.1. Wiltshire Council (the host authority) as well as neighbouring authorities:
- Cotswold District Council
  - Swindon Borough Council
  - Vale of White Horse District Council
  - West Berkshire Council
  - Test Valley Borough Council
  - New Forest District Council
  - New Forest National Park Authority
  - Dorset Council
  - Somerset Council
  - Bath and North East Somerset Council
  - South Gloucestershire Council
  - Oxfordshire County Council
  - Gloucestershire County Council
  - Hampshire County Council

6.18.2. The relevant parish councils including those listed in 6.6.3, and additional parish councils as follows:

- Atworth Parish Council
  - Biddestone and Slaughterford Parish Council
  - Broughton Gifford Parish Council
  - Chippenham Without Parish Council
  - Corsham Town Council
  - Great Somerford Parish Council
  - Grittleton Parish Council
  - Hullavington Parish Council
  - Kington Langley Parish Council
  - Kington St Michael Parish Council
  - Lacock Parish Council
  - Luckington and Alderton Parish Council
  - Malmesbury Town Council
  - Melksham Town Council
  - Melksham Without Parish Council
  - Norton and Foxley Parish Meeting
  - Sherston Parish Council
  - St Paul Malmesbury Without Parish Council
  - Stanton St Quintin Parish Council
  - Sutton Benger Parish Council
  - Yatton Keynell Parish Council
- 6.18.3. Statutory Environmental Bodies such as Natural England, the Environment Agency, and the Cotswold National Landscape Board.
- 6.18.4. Persons having an interest in land affected by the Project (Section 42(1) (d) consultees) including property and land owners and occupiers





## 7. How we will consult

- 7.1. We are endeavouring to conduct consultation in a way that gives as many people as possible the opportunity to access information about the project and provide their views.
- 7.2. We have identified a number of ways in which, throughout the consultation period, people can:
- 7.2.1. Access clear and concise information about the project and the potential effects (this will include making available all relevant technical documents relating to the project);
  - 7.2.2. Review and comment on consultation documents at a time which is convenient to them; and
  - 7.2.3. Express their views regarding the Project by submitting feedback to the statutory consultation via easy to use and accessible methods.
- 7.3. The consultation activities described in this section of the SoCC aim to deliver inclusive, meaningful, and open consultation. They include a range of methods to ensure that the consultation can be accessed by all members of the local community (including those 'under-represented' or 'seldom heard' groups set out in 6.16).

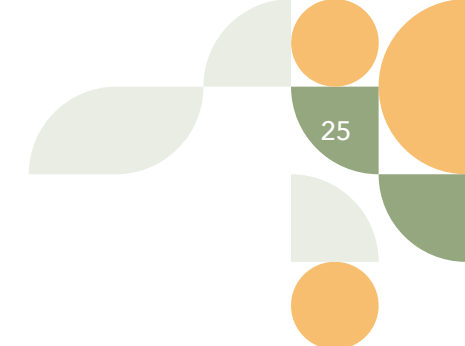
### Project website

- 7.4. The Project website [www.limedownsolar.co.uk](http://www.limedownsolar.co.uk) will be updated to provide information about the consultation and what we are consulting on. All the community consultation literature and technical documents produced to support the statutory consultation (see 7.7-7.18) will be available to view and download from the 'Documents' section of the website.
- 7.5. It will be possible to submit a response to the consultation via the website using a dedicated online feedback form which will be live throughout the consultation period.
- 7.6. The website will continue to provide the facility for people to register their contact details with the Project so they can receive future updates and information directly.

### Community consultation literature

- 7.7. A **Consultation Leaflet** will be direct mailed to approximately 10,523 addresses which lie within the core consultation zone from 27 January 2025. Leaflets can also be posted to those outside the core consultation zone on request.
- 7.8. The Consultation Leaflet will be our main form of direct communication about the consultation with the public confirming the dates of the consultation and the deadline for receipt of feedback, details of in-person and online information events taking place, where they can find information about what is being consulted on and how they can take part. It will also provide details for the website and Project communications channels.
- 7.9. We will publish a **Project Information Booklet** to provide a summary of the Project and what is being consulted on, details of how people can take part in the consultation, and how feedback will be considered and used to influence the Project.
- 7.10. A **Feedback Form** will be made available for people to respond to the consultation in writing. Completed feedback forms can be returned by post, free of charge, to the Project freepost address **FREEPOST Lime Down Solar**. An online version of the Feedback Form will also be made available on the Project website so people can submit their feedback electronically.
- 7.11. Throughout the consultation period, people will also be welcome to submit written feedback by post to FREEPOST Lime Down Solar or by email to the Project email address: [info@limedownsolar.co.uk](mailto:info@limedownsolar.co.uk)
- 7.12. Feedback submitted to the consultation by email must be received by 23:59 on Wednesday 19 March 2025. Written feedback sent to the Project freepost address which is received after this deadline will be accepted subject to the postmark date being no later than the prescribed deadline of 19 March 2025.
- 7.13. By appointment with the Project team it will be possible to make a verbal representation over the Project freephone information line 0808 175 6656. Feedback provided will be transcribed and agreed verbally prior to submission. Appointments to provide verbal feedback should be made by contacting the Project team via Project freepost, email address or telephone number described above.
- 7.14. The Consultation Leaflet, Project Information Booklet and Feedback form will be available to view and download from the Project website from the start of statutory consultation on 29 January 2025. Hard copies of these documents will be available to take away free of charge from CAPs (see Table 5) from the same date, and to collect from in-person information events taking place (see Table 6). Digital and printed copies can be made available on request by contacting the Project community relations team (see 10.5).
- 7.15. Requests for community consultation literature set out above to meet specific requirements (such as large print or audio for those with visual impairments, or in an alternative language for those who do not speak English as their first language) will be considered on a case-by-case basis.





**Technical documents**

7.16. We will publish all those technical documents we have produced which describe and evaluate our proposals for the Project under consultation on the Project website when consultation launches on 29 January 2025. These comprise:

- 7.16.1. The **Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)**, a core technical document setting out the initial Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) findings and identifying those measures we are proposing to reduce, enhance, and improve the effects our proposed development may have on the environment. Please see **Section 8** of this SoCC for further details.
- 7.16.2. A **Non-Technical Summary (NTS) of the PEIR**
- 7.16.3. Maps and plans at appropriate scales.

7.17. Printed reference copies of the PEIR, NTS, maps and plans will be available to view free of charge at CAPs from the launch of consultation, and at in-person information events. Requests for a printed hard copy of the PEIR will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. To cover printing and postage costs, a charge of up to £4,874.00 may apply. (The charge will be calculated based on cost per individual volume requested as follows: Volume 1 - Main Report, £896.00; Volume Two - Figures, £700.00 and Volume Three - Appendices, £3,278.00).

7.18. A **Document Navigation Booklet** will be published to assist with the review of community consultation literature and technical documents. This document will be available online, and to view and take away from CAPs and in-person information events.

7.19. Details of where documents will be available during the statutory consultation period are set out in **Table 4**.

Consultation document	Project website	Community Access Points (CAPs)	In-person information events
SoCC (this document)	Y	Y	Y
Consultation Leaflet	Y	Y	Y
Project Information Booklet	Y	Y	Y
Document Navigation Booklet	Y	Y	Y
Consultation Feedback Form	Y	Y	Y
Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)	Y	Y	Y
PEIR Non-Technical Summary (NTS)	Y	Y	Y
Maps and plans	Y	Y	Y
Event display panels	Y	N	Y

Table 4: Consultation document availability

**Community Access Points (CAPs)**

7.20. Reference copies of technical documents (PEIR, NTS of the PEIR, and maps and plans) will be available to view free of charge at CAPs for inspection in printed and electronic format. Copies of the community consultation literature (Consultation Leaflet, Project Information Booklet, Feedback Form, and Document Navigation Booklet) which will also be available at CAPs to view and takeaway free of charge.

7.21. CAPs have been selected on the criteria of them being in proximity of the Project and publicly accessible. The location, opening times (as currently known) and contact details for the venues where materials will be located are set out in **Table 5**<sup>7</sup>. A map showing the location of these venues is included in Appendix 2.

Venue and address	Opening times
<b>Corsham Library</b> Springfield Community Campus Beechfield Road Corsham, Wiltshire SN13 9DN T: 01249 468490	Mon (staffed): 09:00 - 19:00 Tues (staffed): 09:00 - 17:00 Weds (staffed): 09:00 - 17:00 Thurs (staffed): 09:00 - 17:00 Fri (staffed): 09:00 - 19:00 Sat (staffed): 09:00 - 17:00 Sun (not staffed)
<b>Melksham Library</b> Melksham Community Campus Market Place Melksham, Wiltshire SN12 6ES T: 01225 702 039	Mon (staffed): 09.30 - 19:00 Tues (staffed): 09.30 - 17:00 Weds (not staffed). Thurs (staffed): 09.30 - 19:00 Fri (staffed): 09.30 - 17:00 Sat (staffed): 09.30 - 17:00 Sun (not staffed)
<b>Malmesbury Library</b> 24 Cross Hayes Malmesbury, Wiltshire SN16 9BG T: 01666 823611	Mon: 14:00 - 19:00 Tues: 09:30 - 17:00 Weds: 09:30 - 17:00 Thurs: closed Fri: 09:30 - 19:00 Sat: 09.30- 13:00 Sun: closed
<b>Chippenham Library</b> Timber Street Chippenham, Wiltshire SN15 3EJ T: 01249 650536	Mon: 10:00 - 19:00 Tues: 09:00 - 17:00 Weds: 09:00 - 13:00 Thurs: 09:00 - 19:00 Fri: 09:00 - 19:00 Sat: 09:00 - 17:00 Sun: closed

Table 5: Community Access Points

<sup>7</sup>Please note that due to limited space at Corsham Library and Melksham Library hard copies of the consultation materials will only be available to view during staffed hours when it is possible to request assistance from a member of staff to provide access to the documents.

7.22. Opening times and accessibility may vary, so it is advised to check with venues directly for up-to-date information. It should also be noted that these venues require visitors to show proof of identity to use an on-site computer to view the consultation documents online. For more information go to: [wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries-accessing-computers](http://wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries-accessing-computers)

**Public information events**

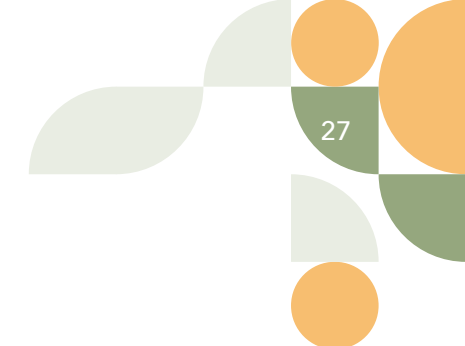
7.23. During the statutory consultation, we will hold public information events on days and at times designed to maximise attendance, including two events on a Saturday. At these events, you will be able to access information about the Project and the aspects we are consulting on. Members of the Project team will be available to discuss the proposals and answer any questions.

7.24. The programme of public information events comprises eight in-person events and two online events.

7.25. **In-person information events** will be held at publicly accessible venues which accommodate the needs of individuals with limited mobility. They will take the form of 'drop-in' events that people can come along at any point during the advertised opening hours.

7.26. Information available to view at in-person events will include display panels, reference copies of technical documents, maps and plans published as part of the consultation (including the PEIR and NTS), and the SoCC (this document). Printed copies of community consultation literature will be available to take away. Representatives from the Project team will be available to discuss the proposals and provide guidance on how people can take part in the consultation.

7.27. **Online information events** will take the form of webinars conducted on 'Zoom', the date and time for which will be publicised along with details of in-person events.



- 7.28. Webinars will be held for any member of the public to join via telephone or the internet. The format of these webinars will involve the presentation of information consistent with that made available at in-person events (i.e. display panels) by representatives from the Project team, followed by a moderated question and answer session. Participants will be invited to submit questions during the webinar.
- 7.29. Webinar sessions will be recorded and made available.
- 7.30. The timings for in-person and online information events have been coordinated to ensure they are not restricted to take place during typical working hours to maximise opportunities for engagement<sup>8</sup>. The full programme of events anticipated as being held are set out in **Table 6**.
- 7.31. A map showing the location of where in-person information events are being held is included in **Appendix 2**.
- 7.32. To manage venue capacity and ensure the safety of all participants at in-person events, staff will be on hand to monitor the number of attendees in the room at any given time and ensure capacity limits are not exceeded.
- 7.33. Where any information event set out in **Table 6** are cancelled or rearranged for any reason, as much notice as possible will be given. Notice of any alternative arrangements (if any) will be given as soon as possible after the cancellation or rearrangement is made.

Date and time	Location
Wed 05 February 2025 18:30 - 20:00	<b>ONLINE (Zoom)</b> - register to attend via Project website www.limedownsolar.co.uk
Fri 07 February 2025 14:30 - 19:30	<b>Sherston Village Hall</b> High Street, Sherston, Malmesbury, SN16 0LQ
Sat 08 February 2025 11:00 - 15:00	<b>Hullavington Village Hall</b> Hill Hayes Lane, Hullavington, Chippenham, SN14 6EB
Wed 12 February 2025 14:30 - 19:30	<b>Grittleton Village Hall</b> The Street, Grittleton, Chippenham, SN14 6AW
Thurs 13 February 2025 14:30 - 19:30	<b>Corsham Town Council Hall</b> Town Hall, 65 High Street, Corsham, SN13 0EZ
Fri 14 February 2025 14:30 - 19:30	<b>Malmesbury Town Hall</b> Cross Hayes, Malmesbury, SN16 9BZ
Sat 15 February 2025 11:00 - 15:00	<b>Luckington Village Hall</b> Bristol Road, Luckington, Chippenham, SN14 6NP
Tues 25 February 2025 14:30 - 19:30	<b>Goss Croft Hall</b> Startley Road, Upper Seagry, Chippenham, SN15 5HD
Wed 26 February 2025 17:30 - 20:30	<b>Shaw CofE Primary School</b> Corsham Road, Shaw, Melksham, SN12 8EQ
Thurs 27 February 2025 18:30 - 20:00	<b>ONLINE (Zoom)</b> - register to attend via Project website www.limedownsolar.co.uk

**Table 6:** Public information event programme

**Open communication**

- 7.34. The Project communications channels will remain open throughout the pre-application stage. Outside of the statutory consultation period you will still be able to speak to a member of our Project community relations team to ask questions through these channels.
- 7.35. During the consultation period consultees can provide feedback by:
  - 7.35.1. Submitting an online feedback form through the Project website
  - 7.35.2. Completing a printed copy of the feedback form and submitting it an in-person information event or returning it to FREEPOST Lime Down Solar (no stamp required)
  - 7.35.3. Sending an email to: info@limedownsolar.co.uk
  - 7.35.4. Providing comments in writing and posting them to FREEPOST Lime Down Solar
- 7.36. By appointment with the Project team, it will be possible to make a verbal representation over the Project freephone 0808 175 6656. Feedback provided will be transcribed and agreed verbally prior to submission. Appointments to provide verbal feedback should be made by contacting the Project team via Project freepost, email address or telephone number described above.
- 7.37. Questions and requests for information can be made using the communications channels above and by calling the Project freephone line 0808 175 6656 (open 09:00-17:00, Monday-Friday, with a voice message service operating during out of office hours so a callback can be made subject to the correct information being provided in the message).

**Section 48 notice**

- 7.38. As required by Section 48 of the PA2008 we will publish a Section 48 Notice advertising our intention to submit a DCO application in local newspapers in the vicinity of the Project for two consecutive weeks, and a national newspaper and the London Gazette for one week.
- 7.39. A list of the newspaper outlets and dates when the Section 48 Notice will appear are set out in **Table 7**.

Newspaper outlet	1st publication date	2nd publication date
Wiltshire Gazette and Herald	16 January 2025	23 January 2025
Wiltshire Times	17 January 2025	24 January 2025
The Guardian	22 January 2025	N/A
The London Gazette	24 January 2025	N/A

**Table 7:** Section 48 Notice schedule

<sup>8</sup>The running times for in-person information events have also been determined based on venue availability.



**Media and advertising**

- 7.40. To raise awareness about the Project and consultation within and beyond the core consultation zone we will issue media releases:
  - 7.40.1. At the start of consultation to provide an overview of the proposed application, why we are consulting and how people can access information about the Project, including dates of information events (online and in-person) and the deadline for receipt of feedback to the consultation.
  - 7.40.2. Towards the end of the consultation period to remind people of the deadline for feedback and encourage people to have their say before consultation closes
  - 7.40.3. After the consultation has closed to provide a summary of participation and details of what happens next.
- 7.41. In addition to publishing a formal Section 48 Notice in regional and national newspapers, we will place advertisements in local media to publicise the consultation and information events taking place (online and in-person).
- 7.42. A list of local and regional media outlets to whom media releases will be issued, and at least one round of advertising placed with, is set out in **Table 8**.

<b>Media releases will be issued to:</b>	
BBC Politics West	This is Wiltshire
BBC Points West	Warminster Journal
BBC Wiltshire	West and North Wiltshire Star
Connect Magazine	Wiltshire and Gloucestershire Standard
Fosseway News	Wiltshire Gazette and Herald
Gloucestershire Live	Wiltshire Life
Hullavington News	Wiltshire Live
Inspiratia	Wiltshire News
ITV West Country	Wiltshire Publications
Melksham Independent News	Wiltshire Star
PA Media	Wiltshire Times
Salisbury Journal	Your Wiltshire Magazine
Shropshire Star	
Somerset Live	
Swindon Advertiser	
Swindon Link	
The Sherston Cliffhanger	
The Signpost	
The Parish Life	
The Swindonian	
<b>Advertisements will be placed with:</b>	
Hullavington News	
Melksham Independent News	
Swindon Advertiser	
The Signpost	
This is Wiltshire	
Wiltshire Gazette and Herald	
Wiltshire Times	

*Table 8: Media outlets*

**Posters**

- 7.43. Posters publicising the consultation will be issued to venues where in-person information events are taking place, and the clerks of parish councils listed in **Section 6** (see 6.18.2) for display on local parish notice boards. They will also be made available to other community venues and local information points such as village halls, shops, pubs, after-school clubs, health facilities, and civic buildings within the core consultation zone. A list of those venues and local information points to which posters will be sent is included in **Appendix 3**.

**Stakeholder communications and briefings**

- 7.44. We will issue communications to key stakeholders including local political representatives (Wiltshire Councillors and Members of Parliament) and parish council clerks representing electoral divisions, constituencies, and parishes within the core consultation zone to provide information about the proposals we are consulting on and invite them to take part in the consultation.
- 7.45. Communications will direct key stakeholders to digital versions of consultation materials to enable them to advertise and promote the consultation through their own online channels (websites, community forums, social media), with requests for printed copies of consultation materials being considered on a case-by-case basis.
- 7.46. In addition to public information events to which prescribed consultees and other bodies will be invited to attend at the start of the consultation; we will consider invitations to, or requests for, in-person and/or virtual meetings with local groups or special interest organisations on a case-by-case basis.
- 7.47. We extend the offer to Wiltshire Council to brief and provide information on how we are consulting and what we are consulting on.

**Changes to consultation activities**

- 7.48. Should any changes to our consultation activities be required due to circumstances outside of our control, details will be publicised in line with the methods set out in this SoCC to the extent it is reasonable and proportionate to do so.



## 8. Environmental information

- 8.1. Lime Down Solar Park is classified as an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development. The application for development consent will therefore require an EIA to be carried out to identify and evaluate the likely significant effects of the Project on the environment, where practicable identify appropriate mitigation measures to control or reduce adverse environmental effects, and explore opportunities to enhance beneficial effects.
- 8.2. EIA is the iterative process in which the assessment of environmental impacts is carried out in parallel with the development design process.
- 8.3. The results of the EIA will be set out in the Environmental Statement (ES) which will be included in the application for development consent.

### EIA Scoping

- 8.4. Our EIA Scoping Report was submitted to the Inspectorate on Tuesday 16 July 2024. The Scoping Report sets out the environmental topics and matters which are proposed to be scoped into the EIA, as well as matters proposed to be scoped out of the assessment. For those matters scoped into the EIA, the Scoping Report includes details of the methods to be used to assess impacts and to determine significance of effect.
- 8.5. The Inspectorate issued an EIA Scoping Opinion. This identifies the environmental topics and matters relevant to the Project which should be scoped into the EIA and presented in the ES. The Inspectorate published its Scoping Opinion on Thursday 22 August 2024 on its website.
- 8.6. EIA Scoping Opinion, and our EIA Scoping Report are available to view on the Inspectorate's dedicated webpage for the Project: <https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN010168/documents>

### Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)

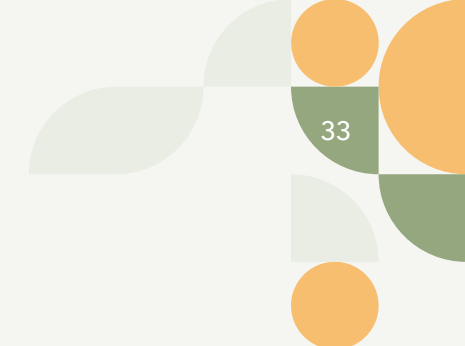
- 8.7. A Preliminary Environmental Information Report ('PEIR') and PEIR Non-Technical Summary ('NTS') will be made available to inform statutory consultation.
- 8.8. The PEIR is a technical document that sets out the initial findings of the EIA to date and identifies proposed mitigation measures to control or reduce environmental effects the Project may have on the environment. It is intended to facilitate consultation on the Project. The NTS will accompany the PEIR, will help to maximise accessibility during the consultation.
- 8.9. In accordance with the PA2008, the PEIR which will be presented at statutory consultation and feedback on the findings it sets out. This is so those living in the vicinity the Project, local authorities, persons with an interest in land and prescribed statutory consultees can understand the likely environmental effects the Project may have on the local environment. Interested parties and local community are invited to comment on the Project, including its likely environmental effects and proposed mitigation measures as presented within the PEIR.

### Environmental Statement (ES)

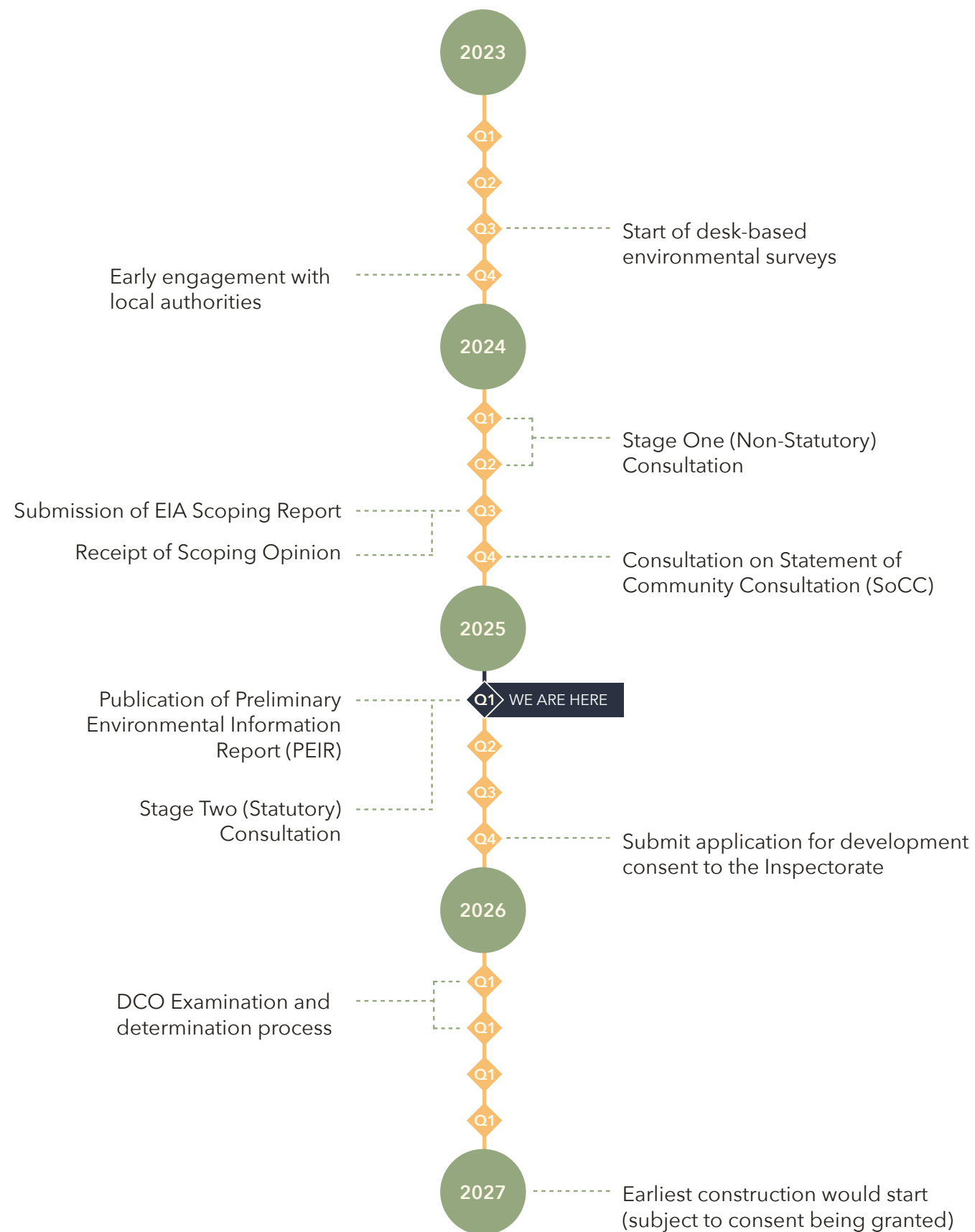
- 8.10. Following statutory consultation, we will prepare the ES. This will build on the content of the PEIR, incorporating feedback received during statutory consultation, and the outcomes of the EIA.
- 8.11. The ES will describe the Project after incorporating statutory consultation feedback, and those mitigation measures proposed to control or reduce environmental effects of the Project, along with any measures identified to enhance beneficial effects. The ES will form part of the DCO application we submit to the Inspectorate.







## 9. Indicative timeline\*



\*Dates are inclusive and could be subject to change

## 10. Next steps and contact details

### Consultation responses

- 10.1. Feedback to the consultation must be submitted in writing or online by 23:59 on Wednesday 19 March 2025, unless agreed otherwise with us directly.
- 10.2. When a respondent submits feedback to the consultation online (via the online feedback form or via email) an automated acknowledgement to confirm receipt will be issued.
- 10.3. Any person submitting feedback online who is concerned that they have not received acknowledgment of receipt is advised to contact the Project community relations team using the communication channels (see 10.5).

### Information services

- 10.4. The Project community relations team is available to provide people with assistance in finding out about the Project and our consultation.
- 10.5. You can get in touch with the Project community relations team using any of the communications channels listed below:
  - 10.5.1. Email: [info@limedownsolar.co.uk](mailto:info@limedownsolar.co.uk)
  - 10.5.2. Freephone: 0808 175 6656 (09.00-17.00 Monday to Friday excluding Bank Holidays)
  - 10.5.3. Post: FREEPOST Lime Down Solar (no stamp is required)
- 10.6. These communications channels will remain open throughout the pre-application stage. This is to enable engagement between consultees, communities and the Project team to continue beyond the defined consultation period. The Project website may also be updated with relevant information as it becomes available.

### Ongoing engagement and potential further consultation

- 10.7. If, as a result of feedback, our proposals change to the extent we consider it necessary to undertake further targeted consultation, this will be undertaken, so far as relevant and proportionate, in accordance with the principles and methods set out in this SoCC.

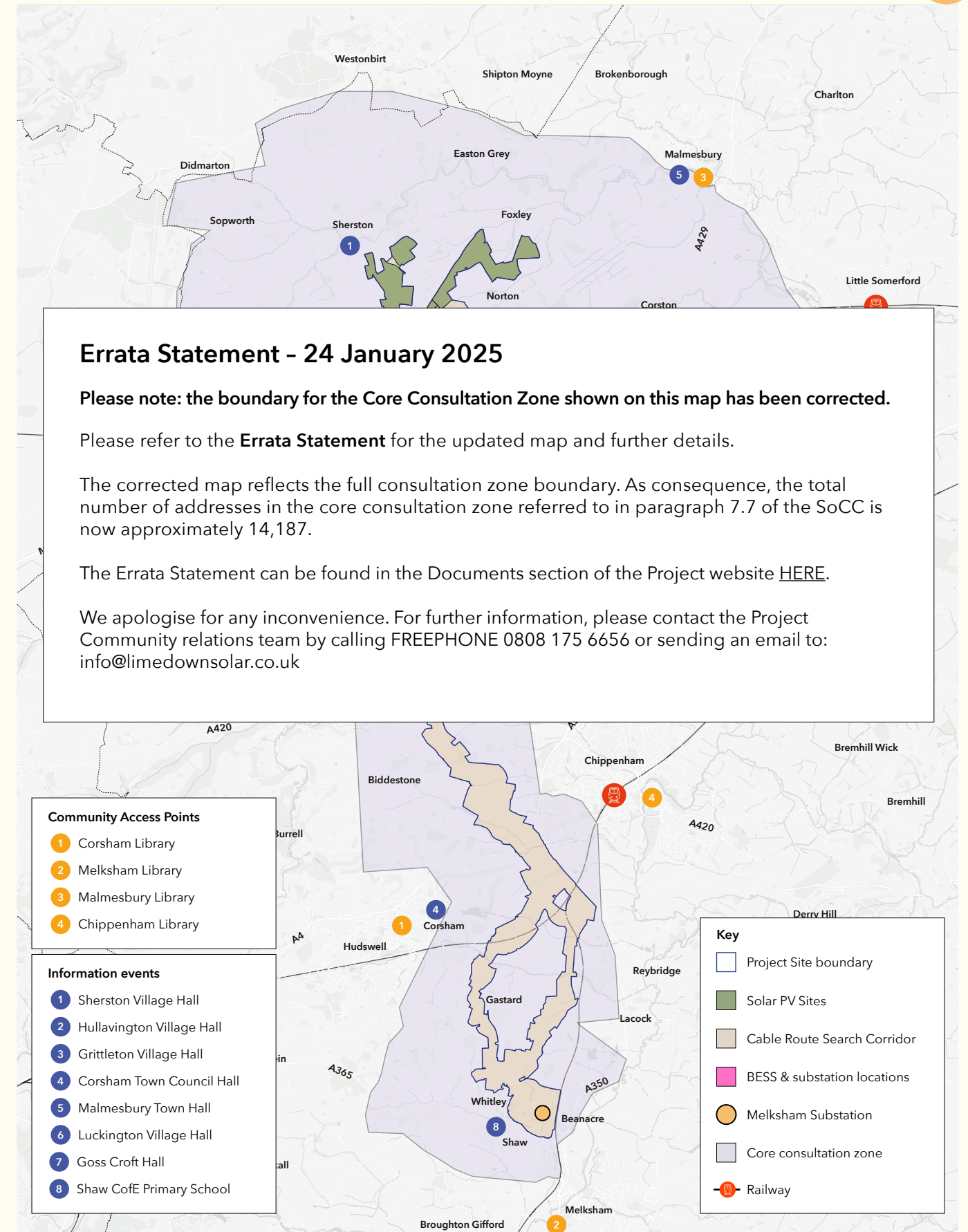
# Appendix 1: Gateway organisations and local groups

Category	Gateway organisations / group
<b>Children and young people</b>	<p>Malmesbury Young Farmers Club            Out of The Can+ LGBTQ+ Youth Group in Swindon            Wiltshire Army Cadets            Wiltshire Climate Alliance Youth Group            Wiltshire Global Education Centre            Wiltshire SENDIASS            Wiltshire Scouts            Wiltshire Young Farmers Club            Wiltshire Youth Union            Young Carers - Youth Action Wiltshire            Youth Action Wiltshire</p> <p><b>Primary Schools and Pre-Schools</b>            Aloeric Primary School            Bowerhill Primary School            Box Church of England Primary School            ByBrook Valley CofE Primary School            Charter Primary School            Christian Malford CofE Primary School            Colerne CofE Primary School            Corsham Primary School            Happy Caterpillars Pre-School            Heywood Prep School            Hullavington Church of England Primary &amp; Nursery School            Kings Lodge Primary School            Kington St Michael CofE Primary School            Lacock CofE Primary School            Luckington Community School            Monkton Park Primary School            Queen's Crescent School            Redland Primary School            Seagry Church Of England Primary School            Shaw Church of England Primary Schoo            Sherston Church of England Primary School            St Paul's Primary School            St Peter's CofE Academy            Stanton St Quintin Primary and Nursery School            Sutton Benger CofE Primary School            Trinity Church of England Primary School            Wishford Education Group</p> <p><b>Secondary and Sixth Form Attached Schools</b>            Abbeyfield School            The Corsham School            Hardenhuish School            Malmesbury Secondary School            Melksham Oak Community School            Sheldon School            Silverwood School - Sixth Form College</p> <p><b>Tertiary Colleges</b>            Wiltshire College and University Centre</p>
<b>Lone parents</b>	<p>Family Lives            Gingerbread - support for single parents            Home-Start Wiltshire            Single Parent Action Network (SPAN)            Wiltshire Parent Carer Council (WPCC)</p>
<b>Older people</b>	<p>Age UK Wiltshire            Friends of the Elderly            Re-engage - Bringing generations together            Shared Lives Wiltshire            Tuesday Club - Malmesbury</p>

Category	Gateway organisations / group
<b>People with disabilities</b>	<p>Chippenham &amp; District Transport for the Disabled Society            SCOPE - Disabled charity            Shared Lives Wiltshire            Wiltshire &amp; Dorset Deaf Association            Wiltshire Autism Diagnostic Service (WADS)            Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living            Wiltshire SENDIASS</p>
<b>People with learning difficulties</b>	<p>Phoenix Enterprises            Shared Lives Wiltshire            Wiltshire Autism Diagnostic Service (WADS)            Wiltshire Dyslexia Association            Wiltshire People First            Wiltshire SENDIASS</p>
<b>People visiting mental health support groups</b>	<p>Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust            Mind Wiltshire            Phoenix Enterprises            PTSD Resolution            Shared Lives Wiltshire            Wiltshire Mental Health Inclusion Service</p>
<b>Black and minority ethnic people</b>	<p>The West Wiltshire Multi Faith Forum            Traveller Achievement Service (EMTAS)            Wiltshire Council's Ethnic Minority and Wiltshire Global Education Centre            Wiltshire Inclusion Network            Wiltshire Islamic Cultural Centre (WICC)            Wiltshire Racial Equality Council (WREC)</p>
<b>Those who may not speak English as their first language</b>	<p>Association of Ukrainians in Great Britain            Wiltshire Council's Ethnic Minority and Traveller Achievement Service (EMTAS)            Wiltshire Global Education Centre            Wiltshire Racial Equality Council (WREC)</p>
<b>The Traveller community</b>	<p>Friends, Families &amp; Travellers (FFT)            National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups            The Traveller Movement            Wiltshire Council's Ethnic Minority and Traveller Achievement Service (EMTAS)</p>
<b>The military</b>	<p>Help for Heroes            PTSD Resolution            The Royal British Legion - Royal Wootton Bassett Branch            SSAFA - The Armed Forces Charity (Wiltshire Branch)            Wiltshire Army Cadets            Wiltshire Veterans Breakfast Club            9th Regiment RLC            81 Signal Squadron (Basil Hill Barracks)</p>
<b>Residents who work outside Wiltshire</b>	<p>Federation of Small Businesses - Somerset and Wiltshire            Melksham Transport Users            Swindon and Wiltshire Local Enterprise Partnership (SWLEP)</p>
<b>People who work in Wiltshire but live elsewhere</b>	<p>GMB Union - Southern Region            Melksham Transport Users            Wiltshire UNISON</p>
<b>Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual (LGBTQIA+) community</b>	<p>Gay Outdoor Club (GOC)            Out and About Wiltshire            Out of The Can+ LGBTQ+ Youth Group in Swindon            Salisbury Pride UK            Swindon &amp; Wiltshire Pride            Swindon Transgender Support Group</p>

## Appendix 2: Information event and community access point locations

Category	Gateway organisations / group
<b>Carers</b>	Alzheimer's support - North Wiltshire Carers' Group Avon Court Care Home Burnham Court Carer Support Wiltshire The Fairways Retirement Village Ferfoot Care Home Flowers Manor Care Home Middlefields House OSJCT Athelstan House Care Home Stainsbridge House Shared Lives Wiltshire Wiltshire Parent Carer Council (WPCC) Young Carers - Youth Action Wiltshire
<b>Community interest groups</b>	Action with Communities in Rural England Chippenham & District Wheelers Community Action - Whitley and Shaw (CAWS) The Countryside Charity Wiltshire Get Wiltshire Walking Grove Wood Group Malmesbury U3A Malmesbury and District Garden Club Pickwick Association Sherston Parish Footpaths Group Sherston Velo Wiltshire Association of Local Councils (WALC) Wiltshire Scouts (Sherston & Malmesbury) Wiltshire Walks
<b>Community interest - environmental</b>	Corsham Climate Action Imperfect Sustainability Malmesbury Community Climate Action Network Northern Operational flood Working Group North Wilts Friends of Earth Sustainable Dezives Sustainable Sherston Trowbridge Environmental Community Wilts & Berks Canal Partnership Wiltshire Climate Alliance Wiltshire Wildlife Trust Zero Chippenham
<b>Community interest - socio economic</b>	Able Futures Confederation of British Industry (CBI) South West Federation of Small Businesses - Somerset and Wiltshire Friends of the Elderly GMB Union - Southern Region Homes 4 Wiltshire National Farmers Union (NFU) South West Science Museum Group Wroughton Solar Park Sustainable Futures Grants Swindon and Wiltshire Growth Hub Swindon and Wiltshire Local Enterprise Partnership (SWLEP) Wiltshire Chamber of Commerce Wiltshire Community Foundation Wiltshire Community Foundation - Poverty Hurts Appeal Wiltshire UNISON

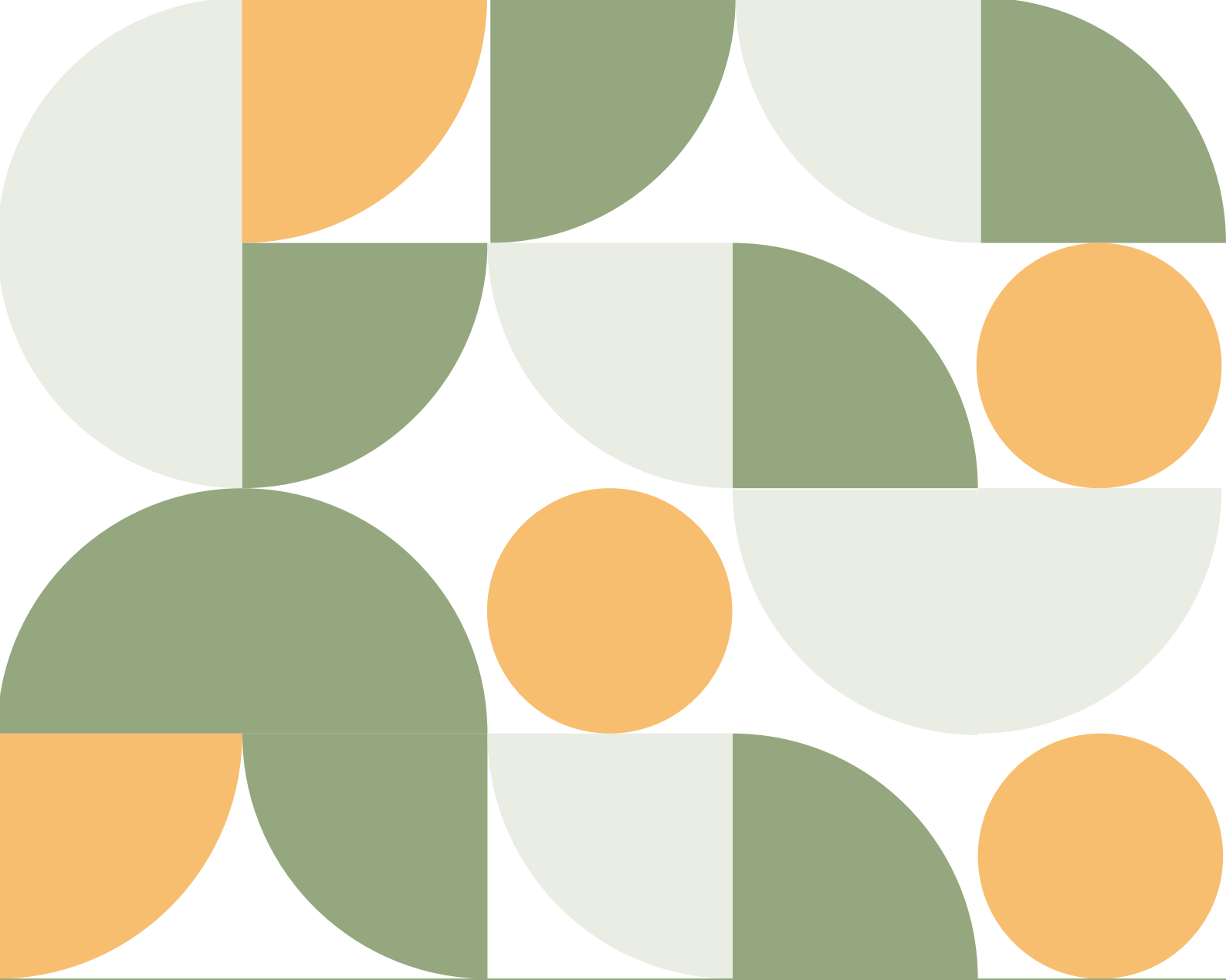


## Appendix 3: Local information points

Venue	Address
Alderton Village Hall	Sunset Cottage, The Street, Alderton, Chippenham, SN14 6NL
Allington Farm Shop	Allington, Farm, Chippenham, SN14 6LJ
Atworth Village Hall	Bath Road, Atworth, Melksham, SN12 8JY
Box Kids	Jubilee Centre, Market Place, Box, Corsham, Wiltshire, SN13 8NZ
Breakfast and After School Club	Redland Primary School, Brook Street, Chippenham, SN14 0JE
By Brook Pre-School (After School Club)	Biddestone Lane, Yatton Keynell, SN14 7BD
Central Church	Monkton Hill, Chippenham, SN15 1EP
Chippenham Christian Fellowship	Wood Lane, Chippenham, SN15 3EB
Corsham Baptist Church	Priory Street, Corsham, SN13 0AS
Corston and Redbourne Reading Room	Main Road, Corston, Malmesbury, SN16 0HD
Co-op Food (Malmesbury)	Gloucester Road, Malmesbury, SN16 9JS
Courtyard Clinic	Cross Hayes, Malmesbury, SN16 9BE
Flying Monk Brewery	Bradfield Manor Farm, Hullavington, Chippenham, SN14 6EU
Forest Community Centre, Marshfield	Bowmans Ct, Melksham, SN12 7FF
Foxley Church	Foxley Road, Malmesbury, SN16 0JJ
Gospel Truth Church	Top Floor, 64a Market Place, Chippenham, SN15 3HG
Goss Cross Hall	Startley Road, Upper Seagry, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 5HD
Grittleton Village Hall	The Street, Grittleton, Chippenham, SN14 6AW
Hathaway Surgery	Middlefield Road, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN14 6GT
Hullavington Village Hall	Hill Hayes, Hullavington, Chippenham, SN14 6EB
Hullavington Post Office / Londis	29A The Street, Hullavington, Chippenham, SN14 6DP
Ivy Kidz After School Club	Ivy Lane School, Ivy Lane, Chippenham, SN15 1HE
Jubilee Field Surgery	Yatton Keynell, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN14 7EJ
Kingsley Road Community Hall	Kingsley Road, Chippenham SN14 0AS
Kington St Michael Village Hall	Stubbs Ln, St Michael, Chippenham, SN14 6HX
Lowden Garden Centre	Bath Road, Shaw, Melksham, SN12 8EZ
Luckington Village Hall	Bristol Road, Luckington, Wiltshire, SN14 6NP
Malmesbury Primary Care Centre	Priory Way, Burton Hill, Malmesbury, SN16 0FB
Malmesbury Town Hall	Cross Hayes, Malmesbury, SN16 9BZ
Melksham Assembly Hall	Market Place, Melksham, Wiltshire, SN12 6ES
Melksham Community Campus	Market Place, Melksham, Wiltshire, SN12 6ES
Neston Memorial Hall	Pool Grn, Neston, Corsham, SN13 9SN
Old Royal Ship	Luckington, Chippenham, SN14 6PA
Peas in the Pod (before & after school club)	Malmesbury CE Primary School, Tetbury Hill, Malmesbury, SN16 9JR
Rising Star Sports Club for SEND Children	Sheldon School, Hardenhuish Lane, Chippenham, SN14 6HJ
Shaw Village Hall	The Beeches, Shaw, Melksham, SN12 8EW
Sheldon Road Methodist Church	Audley Road, Chippenham, SN14 0DU
Sherston Sub Post Office & Stores / Co-operative Food	The Old School, Sherston, Malmesbury, SN16 0LH

Venue	Address
Sherston Village Hall	High St, Sherston, Malmesbury SN16 0LQ
St Andrew's Church	St Mary Street, Chippenham, SN15 3JN
St Aldhelm's Roman Catholic Church	26 Cross Hayes, Malmesbury, SN16 9BG
Station Hill Church	2-4 Station Hill, Chippenham, SN15 1EG
St Bartholomew's Church	Church Square, Corsham, SN13 0BY
St Giles Church	Kington Lane, Stanton St Quintin, Chippenham, SN14 6DQ
St Mary's Hall	Gloucester Road, Malmesbury, SN16 0AH
Stanton St Quintin Parish Hall	Church Ln, Stanton St Quintin, Chippenham, SN14 6DE
The Bell Inn, Yatton Keynell	High Street, Yatton Keynell, Chippenham, SN14 7BG
The Fox and Hounds	Burton Road, Acton Turville, Badminton, GL9 1HW
The Great Western	21 Pound Pill, Corsham, SN13 9JA
The King's Arms	The Street, Didmarton, Gloucestershire, GL9 1DT
The Kingfisher	Hungerdown Lane, Chippenham, SN14 0JL
The Neeld Arms	The Street, Grittleton, Chippenham, SN14 6AP
The New Inn	32 Hen Lane, Upper Seagry, Chippenham, SN15 5HA
The Porch Surgery	Beechfield Road, Corsham, Wiltshire, SN13 9DL
The Reading Rooms, Whitley	Middle Lane, Whitley, Melksham, SN12 8QR
The Salutation Inn	Castle Combe, Chippenham, SN14 7LH
The White Horse	The Green, Biddestone, Chippenham, SN14 7DG
Three Brewers	51 Priory Street, Corsham, SN13 0AS
Tolsey Surgery	High Street, Sherston, Malmesbury, SN16 0LQ
United Reformed Church	St Mary Street, Malmesbury, SN16 0BJ
Vine Tree	Foxley Road, Norton, Malmesbury, SN16 0JP
Whitehall Garden Centre	Corsham Rd, Lacock, Chippenham, SN15 2LZ
Whitley Methodist Church	177 Top Ln, Whitley, Melksham, SN12 8QU
Wiltshire Health and Care	Chippenham Community Hospital, Rowden Hill, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 2AJ
Yatton Keynell Village Hall	Biddestone Lane, Yatton Keynell, Chippenham, SN14 7EJ





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