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The Town & Country Planning Acts  
The Town and Country Planning (Listed Buildings and  
Conservation Areas) Act 1990  
The Town & Country Planning (General Development)  
Orders  
The Town and Country Planning (Control of  
Advertisements) Regulations 1992 (as amended)

## DECISION NOTICE

Major Full Planning Application

Application Ref: PAP/2023/0071

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### Site Address

Land 800 Metres South Of Park House Farm, Meriden Road,  
Fillongley,

Grid Ref: Easting 427624.17  
Northing 286021.23

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### Description of Development

Construction of a temporary Solar Farm, to include the installation of ground-mounted solar panels together with associated works, equipment and necessary infrastructure.

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### Applicant

Enviromena Project Management UK Ltd

Your planning application was valid on 24 February 2023. It has now been considered by the Council. I can inform you that:

Planning permission is **REFUSED** for the following reason:

The proposed development is inappropriate development in the Green Belt. It is not considered that it would preserve the openness of the Green Belt as required by Policy LP3 of the North Warwickshire Local Plan 2021 and the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) 2023. It would additionally cause landscape and visual harm such that it does not accord with Policies LP1, LP14 and LP30 of the North Warwickshire Local Plan 2021, or Policies FNP01 and FNP02 of the Fillongley Neighbourhood Plan 2019. The Local and Neighbourhood Plan policies require new development to conserve and enhance the landscape; to integrate appropriately into the natural environment, harmonise with its immediate and wider settings, as well as to protect the rural landscape of the Parish, the scenic aspects of the village and the setting of the Church. The cumulative harms caused are considered to be substantial because of the development's proposed size, its siting on higher land, there being no surrounding higher land and its public visibility over a wide area. It is not considered that this substantial harm is clearly outweighed by any benefits that the proposal might give rise to.

Authorised Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

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## INFORMATIVES

1. The Local Planning Authority has met the requirements of the NPPF in this case through active engagement with the applicant, to deal with a number of planning and technical issues which resulted in a series of amendments. However, on balance in the final assessment, the Council considered that they were not of such weight to clearly outweigh harms to Development Plan policies - particularly on Green Belt and Landscape matters.

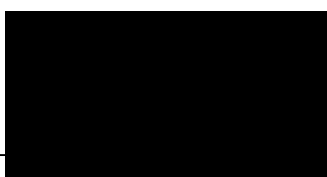
## APPEALS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE

- (1) If you are aggrieved by the decision of the Local Planning Authority, you can appeal to the Secretary of State under Section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- (2) If you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision, then you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice.
- (3) Appeals can be made online at: <https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate>.  
If you are unable to access the online appeal form, please contact the Planning Inspectorate to obtain a paper copy of the appeal form on tel: 0303 444 5000.
- (4) The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal, but he will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.
- (5) The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to him that the Local Planning Authority could not have granted planning permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.
- (6) The Secretary of State does not refuse to consider appeals solely because the Local Planning Authority based their decision on a direction given by him.
- (7) If you intend to submit an appeal that you would like examined by inquiry then you must notify the Local Planning Authority and Planning Inspectorate ([inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk)) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. [Further details are on GOV.UK](#).

## NOTES

1. This decision is for the purposes of the Town and Country Planning Act only. It is not a decision under Building Regulations or any other statutory provision. Separate applications may be required.
2. A report has been prepared that details more fully the matters that have been taken into account when reaching this decision. You can view a copy on the Council's web site via the Planning Application Search pages <http://www.northwarks.gov.uk/planning>. It will be described as 'Decision Notice and Application File'. Alternatively, you can view it by calling into the Council's Reception during normal opening hours (up to date details of the Council's opening hours can be found on our web site <http://www.northwarks.gov.uk/contact>).
3. Plans and information accompanying this decision notice can be viewed online at our website <http://www.northwarks.gov.uk/planning>.

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