

APPEAL REF: APP/R3705/W/24/3349391

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Site at Land 800 Metres South of Park House Farm, Meriden Road, Fillongley

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

Appellant - Enviromena Project Management UK Ltd

Note in respect of Access to Scheduled Monument (SM)

10 April 2025

The Definitive Map 1998 (ID11) shows the alignment of the footpaths; the actual walked routes may be marginally different but essentially accord with the overall routes in terms of the origin and destination within the wider area. The definitive map shows the footpath, there is a 'walked route' nearby that is parallel/further south, the SM is accessed via the stile and bridge which it is said have been in place since the late 1980s. The footbridge was washed away and a temporary footbridge of two planks is in place (as witnessed on the site visit) until a new footbridge is installed.

In terms of the alignment of the 'walked route', Fillongley Parish Council has an email from the Guides noting that they are happy for this walked route to continue if Fillongley Parish Council would source funding for the new bridge over the watercourse.

The SM land is owned by Bonds Hospital Estate Charity (WK431983) and leased to the Coventry Guides Association.

Within the SM, beyond the definitively mapped public footpath, there is no public right of way. Ingress into the SM, off the official line of the footpath, is understood to not be enforced against at this time by this landowner. The Guides have leased the land for decades and have not stopped anyone walking the whole of the SAM.