## Consultee Comment for planning application 22/01682/F

**Application Number** | 22/01682/F

Location

Land North Of Manor Farm Noke

**Proposal** 

Development of a ground mounted solar farm incorporating the installation of solar PV panels, associated infrastructure and access, as well as landscape planting and designated ecological enhancement areas.

**Case Officer** 

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**Type of Comment** 

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**Comments** 

Drainage/Flood Risk

The application contains a Flood Risk Assessment within which is a Surface Water Management Plan. Part of the site lies within Flood Zones 2 and 3 though all the photovoltaic cells will be above maximum flood level. Only the supporting posts and some switchgear units will cause flood water displacement to a minor extent. The Surface Water Management Plan contains appropriate attenuation in the form of swales to mitigate the effects.

Because it is partly within Flood Zone 3 and if the proposed solar farm is deemed Essential Infrastructure under PPG Table 3 an Exception Test is required. As the proposal is for the carbon-free generation of power I am satisfied that the Exception Test can be passed and that all flood risk considerations will be appropriately managed.

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