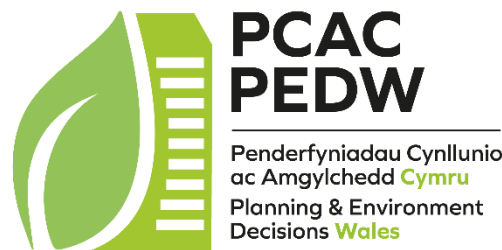


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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 THE DEVELOPMENTS OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE (PROCEDURE) (WALES) ORDER 2016 (as amended)

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (WALES) REGULATIONS 2017 (as amended)

Potential DNS Application

Site Address: 550m North of the Village of Goytre and 1.4km to south of the village of Cwmafan.

Proposed Development: Proposed 50 MW ground mounted photovoltaic solar farm with associated equipment, infrastructure, grid connection and ancillary works.

Planning and Environment Decisions Wales (PEDW) has received a request for a screening direction in relation to the above development and is therefore in the process of assessing whether the project is EIA development, within the meaning of Schedule 2 to the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment (Wales) Regulations 2017.

In undertaking our assessment we will take into account the selection criteria in Schedule 3 of the 2017 Regulations and advice contained in Welsh Office Circular 11/99: Environmental Impact Assessment. When undertaking EIA screening we do not take account of the planning merits of the project.

We are consulting your organisation as we have limited information before us as to potential environmental issues related to this site.

Please note that whilst we have cited our reason for consulting you, your response should indicate whether you consider there is likely to be any significant environmental effect in relation to any matter which falls within your organisation's remit.

We would welcome your advice on:

- Any environmental effects the development may have and whether you consider that any of those effects would be **likely** to be **significant**.

Please note, if you identify any potentially significant effects which are not **likely**, you should specify this in your response.

Rydym yn croesawu gohebiaeth Gymraeg. Cewch ateb Cymraeg i bob gohebiaeth Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh. Correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not involve any delay.

Your advice will help to inform our screening direction as to whether EIA is required.

If you wish to highlight any concerns regarding the determination of the application at this stage, please do so in an Appendix to your response, so that is clear what relates to EIA Screening, and what relates to the final decision making process.

Any response should be made by Monday 10 July 2023. All the relevant documents are either attached to the enclosing e-mail or can be viewed online at:

<https://planningcasework.service.gov.wales/> by searching for the case using the reference number at the top of this letter.

If you have any difficulty viewing the documents, please let me know. Once the issues have been considered a screening direction will be issued and made publicly available. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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