



# Great Harmeston Solar Farm Environmental Statement

Technical Appendix 5.4

Preliminary Views – Scoping Out



The following table provides a succinct review of the Preliminary Views identified as part of baseline research and site survey work carried out in June 2025 and February 2026. These views were selected to confirm the inter-visibility with the Site and confirm the character and nature of views in winter months. Site photographs illustrating these Preliminary Views are shown at **Appendix 5.2** and **Appendix 5.3**.

This preliminary scoping out exercise is carried out in order to identify the extent of the ‘core’ study area and locations in the surrounding landscape from where views of the Site can be gained and their analysis would be informative to **Chapter 5**.

Cumulative schemes have been reviewed and the more notable features noted below, but it does not follow that other cumulative schemes or elements of infrastructure are not visible, or conversely that they exert strong or notable influence on the view / receptor. This review helped establish to what extent the operational solar and wind schemes have a bearing on the character of the local landscape and visual amenity of the associated receptors.

Site Land means the main developable areas where the proposed solar panels and Substation would be located, and excludes access tracks.

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1.	Yes.	Yes. Relatively consistent along this lane.	Road user. Rural lane between Rosemarket and Trooper’s Inn.	Representative.	2596m	No.	Nil.	No.	No.
2.	Yes	Yes. Relatively consistent along this PRow.	Recreational user.	Representative.	2670m	Yes, but not discernible. Views are limited to Fields F28, F31 and F32 seen c. 3.4 km away.	Inconsequential.	Operational Solar Site B.  Operational Wind Scheme No. 9.  Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven.	No.
3.	Yes	Limited, edge of SZTV.	Recreational user. Residents.	Representative.	1512m	Yes. Identifiable but distant – forms an inconsequential element in the view. Views are limited to Fields F28, F31 and F32 seen c. 2.2 km away.	Inconsequential.	Operational Solar Site B.  Operational Wind Scheme No. 9.	No.
4.	Yes	Yes, consistent along this section of road.	Road users. Bastleford Road leading north from Rosemarket.	Illustrative.	1538m	Yes. Old Rosemarket Road, on the higher ground in mid distance, screens the southern part of the Site. Westfields farm just visible to the left (green building); Rose Hill almost completely screened – upper part of dark agricultural shed visible amongst tree canopies. Views are limited to Field F28, and partially F31 and F32, seen c. 1.8 km away.	Inconsequential.	Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven – partial visibility. Very distant turbines near the oil refinery facilities, north west of Liddeston.  Operational Wind Scheme No. 9.	No.
5.	Yes	Limited, edge of the SZTV.	Road users. Bastleford Road leading north from Rosemarket.	Illustrative.	1576m	No.	Nil.	Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven. Very distant turbine near the oil refinery facilities, north west of Liddeston.	No.
6.	Yes	Yes. Consistent along the majority of Langford Road .	Road users. Target Road; Langford Road leading west to Johnston.	Illustrative.	1661m	Yes.  Identifiable in the context of Johnston, but distant – forms an inconsequential element in the view. Substantially	Inconsequential.	Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven. Very distant turbine near the oil refinery facilities, north west of Liddeston. Operational Solar Site B – very restricted, seen above Johnston.	No.

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						restricted views of Fields F31 and F32 seen c. 1.8 km away, and southern fields of the central parcel.		Operational Wind Scheme No. 9.	
7.	Yes	Very limited, very patchy and intermittent on this section of road.	Road users. Langford Road leading west to Johnston.	Representative.	1157m	No inter-visibility.	Nil.	Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven.  Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – substantially screened, seen above Johnston.	No.
016	Yes	No	Road user. South eastern section of Old Rosemarket Road.	Illustrative.	600m	No inter-visibility. Dwellings at St. Mary’s Park visible. Church tower in Stenyton visible on the horizon.	Nil	Large scale pylons & substation south west of Rosemarket.  Turbines around Milford Haven – very limited and substantially screened.	No.
9.	Yes	Limited area of the SZTV, higher ground along this Road.	Road user. Central section of Old Rosemarket Road.  Occasional walkers and cyclist, linking with SUSTRANS Route No. 4.	Representative.	476m	Yes. Views limited to the higher ground in Fields F28 and F31.	Very limited.  Views for road users channelled along the road corridor and substantial restricted by the hedgebank.	No.	No.  Similar to Preliminary View 10, which is closer.
10.	Yes	Yes, relatively consistent along this section of road.	Road user. North western section of Old Rosemarket Road.  Occasional walkers and cyclist, linking with SUSTRANS Route No. 4.	Representative.	394m	Yes. Views limited to the higher ground in Fields F28 and F31.	Very Limited but increasingly closer / medium range.	No.	Yes. To confirm the extent of visibility & core study area.
11.	Yes	Yes, but substantially curtailed by roadside vegetation.	Road user. North western section of Old Rosemarket Road.  Occasional walkers and cyclist, linking with SUSTRANS Route No. 4.	Illustrative.	11m	Yes. Direct to slight oblique views overlooking the northern part of the eastern parcel.	Some.	Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven.	Yes. Close range views and to confirm the extent of visibility & core study area.
12.	Yes	Yes, but substantially curtailed by	Road user. North western end of Old Rosemarket Road.	Illustrative.	1m	Yes. Direct to slight oblique views overlooking the northern part of the eastern parcel.	Limited, despite close proximity.	Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven.	Yes. Close range views and to confirm the extent of visibility within

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		roadside vegetation.	Occasional walkers and cyclist, linking with SUSTRANS Route No. 4.  Residents in Johnston.						Johnston & core study area.
13.	Yes	Yes, very patchy coverage along this section of PRow.	Recreational users.	Representative.	182m	Yes. The mid and lower slope of Field F39 is visible in restricted and partially filtered views, in winter months.			Yes. Close range views of the south eastern part of the Site gained by high sensitivity PRow receptors.
14.	Yes	Yes, very patchy coverage along this section of PRow.	Recreational users.	Illustrative.	35m	Yes. Heavily filtered by tree canopies even in winter months.	Very limited, despite close proximity.	No.	No. Preliminary View 13 is more informative.
15.	Yes	Yes, consistent along this section of road, but edge of SZTV.	Road user. Rural lane linking Rosemarket with the A477.	Illustrative.	959m	Yes. Restricted views of the higher ground in the central and eastern parcels: Fields F28, F29 (very restricted), F31, and F32 (very restricted).	Very limited.	Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – restricted views.	No. Very restricted and glimpsed view, gained through a field gate at very oblique angle.
16.	Yes	Yes, although patchy and on edge of SZTV.	Road user. Rural lane linking Rosemarket with the A477.	Illustrative.	910m	Yes. Restricted views of the higher ground in the central and eastern parcels: Fields F28 and F31.	Very limited.	Three operational turbines north of Johnston.	No. Very restricted and glimpsed view, gained through a vehicular access to private dwelling, at very oblique angle.
17.	Yes	Yes, consistent coverage in this area.	Road user: the A477 to and from Johnston.	Representative.	0m	Yes. Very restricted views of Field F33. Field F37 visible on the right hand side of the A477.	Very limited.	No.	Yes. Part of sequential assessment upon road users traveling to and from Johnston.

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18.	Yes	Yes, consistent coverage on this section of road.	Road user: the A477 to and from Johnston. Residents on the southern edge of Johnston.	Representative.	0m	Yes. Restricted views into Field F31. Very restricted views through roadside hedgerow into Field F28.	Some.	Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven. Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – restricted views.	Yes. Part of sequential assessment upon road users traveling to and from Johnston.
19.	Yes	Yes, consistent coverage on this section of road.	Road user: the A477 to and from Johnston. Residents on the southern edge of Johnston.	Representative.	0m	Yes. Very restricted views through roadside hedgerow into Field F28.	Some.	Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven. Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – restricted views.	No. Similar view to Preliminary View 18 and 20.
20.	Yes	Yes, on edge of SZTV but consistent coverage along this section of road.	Road user on the edge of Johnston. Residents on the southern edge of Johnston.	Representative.	0m	Yes. Very restricted views through roadside hedgerow into Field F15 and F41.	Limited.	Solar Site B – very restricted, seen above the roadside hedgerow. Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – partially restricted views.	Yes. Part of sequential assessment upon road users traveling to and from Johnston.
21.	Yes	Limited coverage on edge of SZTV.	Nil. Photography taken to assist in the layout design and devising mitigation planting.	Illustrative.	688m	Yes. Restricted views of the higher ground in the western parcel: Fields F12 – F15; central parcel: Fields F28 – F30, and F31 of the eastern parcel.	Very limited.	Solar Site B – very restricted, seen above the roadside hedgerow. Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – partially restricted views. Operational turbines north of Johnston.	No. Incidental view through a gap in the boundary vegetation. No benches or picnic facilities to indicate recreational use.
22.	Yes	Patchy coverage along the road, on edge of SZTV in this location.	Road user. The A477 / Neyland Road leading to Steynton.	Illustrative.	1193m	Yes. Restricted views of the higher ground in the western parcel: Fields F14 and F10; F12, F11, in the central parcel: Fields: F28 and F29 and potentially in the eastern parcel: F33 (not verified).	Very limited.	Solar Site B – very restricted, seen above the roadside hedgerow. Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – partially restricted views. One of the turbines north of Johnston.	Yes. To confirm the nature of effects upon distant receptors across the wider southern study area. Sequential views along the A477 / Neyland Road.
23.	Yes	Patchy coverage along the road, on	Road user. The A477 / Neyland Road. Edge of	Illustrative.	1120m	Yes. Restricted views of the higher ground in the western parcel: Fields F15 F7, F11, F12, F15.	Very limited.	Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – partially restricted views.	Yes. To confirm the nature of effects upon

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		edge of SZTV in this location.	Steynton. Residents					Three operational turbines north of Johnston.	distant receptors across the wider southern study area. Sequential views along the A477 / Neyland Road.
24.	Yes	Yes, relatively consistent coverage along the majority of PRoW.	Recreational users.	Representative.	1192m	Yes. Very restricted views of Fields F3 and F4 in the western part of the Site. Field 15 comes into the view occasionally along this PRoW.	Very limited.	Solar Site B – very restricted, seen above the roadside hedgerow.  Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – partially restricted views.  Three operational turbines north of Johnston – very restricted.	Yes. To confirm the nature of effects upon distant receptors across the wider southern study area.
25.	Yes	Yes, relatively consistent coverage along this lane.	Road user. Rural lane north of Liddeston.	Illustrative.	2891m	Not identifiable. Potentially fields in the northern part of the central parcel (not verified).	Inconsequential.	Solar Site B – very restricted, seen above the roadside hedgerow.  Operational Wind Scheme No. 9.	No.
26.	Yes	Yes, but patchy coverage in this location, edge of SZTV.	Road users. Thornton Road at Steynton.	Representative.	1516m	No.	Nil.	Solar Site B – very restricted, seen above the roadside hedgerow.  Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – partially restricted views.	No.
27.	Yes	Yes, consistent along the road.	Road users. The A4076 / Milford Road to and from Johnston.	Representative.	550m	Yes. Fields in the western parcel: F15 (very restricted), F12, F14 and F10	Very limited.	Operational Wind Scheme No. 9.	Yes. Part of sequential assessment upon road users traveling to and from Johnston.
28.	Yes	Yes, consistent along the road.	Road users. The A4076 / Milford Road to and from Johnston.	Representative.	1m	No.	Nil.	Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – views restricted.	No.
29.	Yes	Yes, consistent coverage along this section of road.	Road users. The A4076 / Milford Road to and from Johnston.	Illustrative.	0m	Yes. Fields in the western parcel: F3, F4, and F5, F14 and F10,	Limited.	Solar Site B – very restricted, seen above the roadside hedgerow.  Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – very restricted and very oblique to right angle views.	Yes. Part of sequential assessment upon road users

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									traveling to and from Johnston.
30.	Yes	Yes, consistent coverage along this section of road.	Road users. The A4076 / Milford Road to and from Johnston.	Representative.	0m	Yes. F7 (very restricted but close range), F1, F3, F4,	Some.	Very distant turbine near the oil refinery facilities, north west of Liddeston.  Solar Site B on the higher ground above the Site.  Operational Wind Scheme No. 9.	Yes. Part of sequential assessment upon road users traveling to and from Johnston.
31.	Yes	No.	Road users. Rural lean linking the A4076 / Milford Road with Tierson.	Representative.	11m	No.	Nil.	Solar Site B – very limited and restricted, seen in a channelled view along the road corridor.	No.
32.	Yes	Yes, relatively consistent coverage, although towards the edge of SZTV.	Road users. Rural lane linking the A4076 / Milford Road with Tierson.  Recreational users.	Illustrative.  Representative.	553m	Yes. Majority of western parcel.	Strong.	Solar Site B – adjacent.  Operational Wind Scheme No. 9.	Yes. Part of sequential assessment of PRow.
33.	Yes	Yes, consistent coverage along PRow.	Recreational users.	Representative.	237m	Yes. Majority of the western parcel.	Strong.	Solar Site B – adjacent.  Operational Wind Scheme No. 9.  Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven.	Yes. Part of sequential assessment of PRow.
34.	Yes	Yes, consistent coverage along the lane and western section of PRow.	Recreational users.	Illustrative.	772m	Yes, Field F15, F12, F5 (very restricted) F6, F7 of the western parcel.	Limited.	Operational Wind Scheme No. 9.  Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven.	Yes. Part of sequential assessment of PRow.
35.	Yes	Limited and patchy coverage on edge of SZTV in this area.	Recreational users.	Representative.	725m	No.	Nil.	Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – restricted.  Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven.	No.
36.	Yes	Yes, PRow marks the very edge of SZTV.	Recreational users.	Illustrative.	523m	Yes. Majority of the western parcel.	Some.	Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – restricted.  Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven.	Yes. Part of sequential assessment of PRow.

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37.	Yes	Yes, PRow marks the very edge of SZTV.	Recreational users.	Representative.	465m	No.	Nil.	Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – restricted.  Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven.	No.
38.	Yes	Location lies just outside of STZV.	Recreational users.	Representative.	492m	No.	Nil.	No.	No.
39.	Yes	Yes, consistent coverage along this section of road..	Recreational users. Cyclists, occasional pedestrians. Road users.	Representative.	212m	Yes. Field 15 (restricted).	Very limited.	Solar Site B – very limited, seen through tree canopies.	No. Similar to Preliminary View 40, which is closer to the Site and settlement of Johnston.
40.	Yes	Yes, consistent coverage along this section of road..	Recreational users. Cyclists, occasional pedestrians. Road users.	Representative.	178m	Yes. Field 15 and Field 12 (very restricted).	Very limited.	Solar Site B – very limited, seen on the higher ground.  Operational Wind Scheme No. 9 – restricted.  Distant large scale turbines south of Milford Haven. Large scale turbines east of Milford Haven.	Yes. Close range views from the northern study area and edge of Johnston; variety of receptors.