

DNS: NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The Welsh Ministers are hereby notified of the intention to make an application for a Developments of National Significance (DNS) under section 62D of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

1. APPLICANT

Name	Robin Johnson
Organisation Name (if applicable)	RWE Solar and Storage UK Limited

2. AGENT (if any) FOR THE APPLICATION

Contact Name	Steve Harding
Organisation Name (if applicable)	Axis
Agent Reference	3312-01

3. LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY / AUTHORITIES (LPA) IN WHICH SITE IS LOCATED

Newport City Council

4. SITE LOCATION

You **must** include a site location plan, drawn to an identifiable scale and showing the direction of north. The site outline must be shown in red and other land in the ownership of the applicant should be shown in blue.

Description of location of the application site(s), or route of development
(Please reference appropriate plans)

The site is located on land between the M4 motorway and the South Wales Main Line railway, near Llanwern, Underwood and Bishton, with a proposed grid connection route located within the public highway from the west of the Site to the Grid Supply Point at Uskmouth Power Station.

The location of the Proposed Development is shown on SLP-J026A-5 Location Plan.

Is the site a single site or a linear site? Single ☒ Linear ☒

Please provide Grid reference(s)

SINGLE:	Easting	338746	Northing	187702
LINEAR: Start	Easting	337128	Northing	187889
LINEAR: Middle	Easting	333960	Northing	186382
LINEAR: End	Easting	332447	Northing	183812

5. DESCRIPTION OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL

Erection of a solar farm, battery storage units, associated infrastructure, access, landscaping and grid connection on land between the M4 motorway and the South Wales Main Line railway, near Llanwern, Underwood and Bishton.

Please provide an estimate for when you consider the DNS application will be submitted

Estimated date of submission

December 2026

6. DNS CATEGORY

Please indicate the type of development for which planning permission will be sought.

- A.

The construction, extension or alteration of a generating station that generates electricity

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- B.

Onshore Wind Generating Stations

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- C.

Development relating to underground gas storage facilities

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- D.

Overhead Electric Lines of 132 kV or less

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- E.

The construction or alteration of a Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) facility

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- F.

The construction or alteration of a gas reception facility

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- G.

Airport-related development

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- H.

The construction or alteration of a railway

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- I.

The construction or alteration of a rail freight interchange

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6. DNS CATEGORY (continued)

Please indicate the type of development for which planning permission will be sought.

- J.

The construction or alteration of a dam or reservoir

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- K.

Development relating to the transfer of water resources

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- L.

The construction or alteration of a waste water treatment plant or of infrastructure for the transfer or storage of waste water

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- M.

The construction or alteration of a hazardous waste facility

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If Category A (Generating Station) was selected, please add estimated generating capacity

99.9MW

If Category D was selected, please confirm the Overhead Electric Lines is associated to a devolved Generating Station

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7. SECONDARY CONSENTS

Are any Secondary Consents required?

Yes

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No

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If No go to section 8

If Yes please select which secondary consents will be required from the options below and confirm whether these will accompany the DNS application to Welsh Ministers

1. Consent under section 2(3) of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979 (control of works affecting scheduled monuments).

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Application to Welsh Ministers

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Description of Consent required

2. Consent under section 178(1) Highways Act 1980 (restriction on placing rails, beams etc over highways).

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Application to Welsh Ministers

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Description of Consent required

7. SECONDARY CONSENTS (continued)

3. Consent under section 8(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (authorisation of works: listed building consent).

Application to Welsh Ministers

Description of Consent required

4. Consent under section 74(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (control of demolition in conservation areas).

Application to Welsh Ministers

Description of Consent required

5. Consent under section 4(1) of the Planning (Hazardous Substances) Act 1990 (requirement of hazardous substances consent).

Application to Welsh Ministers

Description of Consent required

6. Consent under section 13 of the Planning (Hazardous Substances) Act 1990 (application for hazardous substances consent without condition attached to previous consent).

Application to Welsh Ministers

Description of Consent required

7. SECONDARY CONSENTS (continued)

7. Consent under section 17 of the Planning (Hazardous Substances) Act 1990
(revocation of hazardous substances consent on change of control of land).

Application to Welsh Ministers

Description of Consent required

8. Planning permission under section 57(1) of the Town and Country Planning 1990 Act
(planning permission required for development) other than outline planning permission.

Application to Welsh Ministers

Description of Consent required

9. Authorisation under section 247(1) of the 1990 Act (order authorising stopping up
or diversion of highway).

Application to Welsh Ministers

Description of Consent required

10. Authorisation under section 248(2) of the 1990 Act (order authorising the stopping up
or diversion of highway crossing or entering route of proposed new highway).

Application to Welsh Ministers

Description of Consent required

7. SECONDARY CONSENTS (continued)

11. An order under section 251(1) of the 1990 Act (order extinguishing public rights of way over land held for planning purposes).

Application to Welsh Ministers

Description of Consent required

12. Consent requested under section 16(1) of the Commons Act 2006 (deregistration and exchange: applications).

Application to Welsh Ministers

Description of Consent required

13. Consent required by section 38(1) of the Commons Act 2006 (prohibition on works without consent).

Application to Welsh Ministers

Description of Consent required

8. EIA DEVELOPMENT

If you do not consider that the development is 'EIA development' you must submit a copy of a negative Screening Direction issued by PEDW with this Notification.

	Yes	No
Is the development considered to be EIA development?	☒	☐
If 'Yes' please confirm that an Environmental statement will be provided when the application is submitted.	☒	☐
If 'No' please confirm that a copy of the screening direction confirming it is Non-EIA development is provided with this form.	☐	☐

9. FEE

Please note that we cannot accept BACS payments without first raising an invoice. Please contact us via **PEDW.infrastructure@gov.wales** to arrange raising an invoice before submitting your Notification. The timetable for PEDW to process your Notification will not commence until we are in receipt of the completed Notification form, the required site plan and the fee.

Have you submitted the initial fee for the notification of proposed development via BACS payment?

Yes	☒	No	☐
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Please provide details

Payment made from Axis PED Ltd with reference DNS 3279787.

EITHER 1 ELECTRONIC COPY or 1 HARD COPY should be sent to us at:

E-mail: PEDW.infrastructure@gov.wales

DNS Casework Team
PEDW
Welsh Government
Cathays Park
CARDIFF
CF10 3NQ

Helpline: 0300 123 1590

**DECLARATION IN RELATION TO NOTIFICATION OF INTENTION TO SUBMIT
A DNS PLANNING APPLICATION**

I understand that any application made in relation to the proposed development must be submitted within 12 months of the date of acceptance of this notice. Should your Notification lapse before a valid application is submitted, you will need to re-Notify and ensure that formal statutory publicity and consultation is undertaken with the new notice of 'Acceptance of Notification' issued by PEDW as one of the consultation documents.

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I understand that no consultation or engagement activity undertaken prior to receiving PEDW's notice of 'Acceptance of Notification' in relation to this development will constitute the statutorily required publicity and consultation under Section 61Z of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) and Articles 8 and 9 of Developments of National Significance (Procedure) (Wales) Order 2016 (as amended).

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I confirm that the Notification fee has been paid and I have included details of the payment in the relevant section of this form.

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I confirm that I have included a site location plan, drawn to an identifiable scale and showing the direction of north. The site outline is shown in red and other land in the ownership of the applicant is shown in blue.

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I understand that it is a legislative requirement to send a copy of the Notification form and accompanying site plan to each relevant Local Planning Authority, and I confirm that I have sent the relevant copy/copies at the same time as submitting this form to PEDW.

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I understand that you may use the information I have given for official purposes in connection with the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and of the above information and subsequent formal submission will be published online. By submitting this form I am agreeing to the use of the information I provide in this way.

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Signature	
Name (in capitals)	STEVE HARDING
On behalf of (if applicable)	RWE Solar and Storage UK Limited
Date	12 December 2025

On receipt of your Notification, we will acknowledge it within 3 working days. We have 10 working days from receipt of a validly made Notification to confirm in writing whether we Accept it or are turning it away.

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