

APPEAL REFERENCE APP/U2235/W/23/3321094

Proposed installation of a renewable energy led generating station comprising of ground mounted solar arrays, associated electricity generation infrastructure and other ancillary equipment comprising of storage containers, access tracks, fencing, gates and CCTV together with the creation of woodland and biodiversity enhancements.

Land north of Little Cheveney Farm, Sheephurst Lane, Kent.

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Note and procedure for the Case Management Conference (CMC) to be held via Teams on 10 November 2023 at 10:00am

1. The CMC will be led by the Inspector, Philip Major, a chartered town planner.
2. The CMC will not engage in any discussion of the merits of the case. The objective is to set out a clear path for the consideration of the appeal.
3. The event itself is scheduled to open on 16 January 2024 at 1000am. The CMC will discuss the procedure and running order of the event.
4. The CMC will consider whether the proposed amendments to the scheme should be accepted for consideration.
5. At the present time it is likely that the main issues to be addressed at the inquiry are:
 - The impact of the proposal on the character and appearance of the area;

- The impact of the proposal on the supply of best and most versatile agricultural land;
 - The impact of the proposal on heritage assets;
 - The impact of the proposal on biodiversity.
 - The planning balance – would any identified harm be outweighed by any identified benefits of the proposal.
6. At the CMC it is anticipated that the following matters will be discussed, amongst others:
- The manner in which evidence will be heard;
 - The venue for the inquiry;
 - The attendance at the inquiry on behalf of the main parties and others;
 - Timings and likely duration of the inquiry;
 - Documentation;
 - The site visit or visits;
7. The CMC will consider how best to deal with the matters in play at the inquiry, including appropriate levels of written evidence.
8. A separate draft agenda will be issued with this note.