

From: [Nick Hirst](#)
To: [DCAdmin](#)
Subject: FW: Low Farm application 2021/93644
Date: 10 February 2022 17:22:55

Please log this as a representation. However he's asked for us to use this email:

Can you send a confirmation to that email please.

Ta

Nick

From:
Sent: 10 February 2022 16:09
To: Nick Hirst <Nick.Hirst@kirklees.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Low Farm application 2021/93644

Hi Nick,

My main concern has always been to get some more detail on the measures included in the proposal to improve biodiversity. Unfortunately, the LVIA doesn't contain much detail as to how biodiversity net gain can be achieved so I've had to rely on the Landscape and Ecology Enhancement Plan (LEEP).

The proposals on hedges and woodland seem quite strong but the grassland could be better. LEEP shows the areas around the solar panels as being sown with "Tussocky grassland with wildflowers" which is positive, but the area beneath the panels is shown as "Neutral Grassland". The LVIA has these latter areas as "species-rich native grassland....., with management using sheep grazing" which sounds better than "Neutral Grassland" but either way this needs to be clarified. There is evidence of wildflower sowing on solar farms being beneficial both to bees and other pollinators. See the link below. Failing to do this would be a good opportunity missed so I would be grateful if you would push the developer to replace "Neutral Grassland" under the panels with "Tussocky grassland with wildflowers".

<https://www.euronews.com/green/2021/12/14/planting-wildflowers-around-solar-panels-could-make-them-a-home-for-bees>

Regards,

On Friday, 7 January 2022, 18:08:51 GMT, Nick Hirst <nick.hirst@kirklees.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear

Further to my previous email, please note I send an out of date version. Please see the most up to date LVIA, which will be appearing online tomorrow.

Yours sincerely,

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From: Nick Hirst
Sent: 06 January 2022 12:13
To:
Subject: RE: Low Farm application 2021/93644

Please see the LVIA, doc R010 in the applicant's list, attached. This document and others will be uploaded in the coming days and a new public representation period undertaken.

Yours sincerely,

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From:
Sent: 04 January 2022 08:55
To: Nick Hirst <Nick.Hirst@kirklees.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Low Farm application 2021/93644

Hi Nick,

Still no sign of R010 on the website. Has it arrived yet?

Regards,