

Yelvertoft Parish Council

15 May 2023

Yelvertoft Solar Farm - Construction Update



Construction progress



- Construction of the frames for the solar panels is finished and all the panels have been mounted. Electrical work to connect the solar panels is progressing well.
- Work on the substation is underway and progressing as expected.
- BT partially closed Crick Road for cabling work on 8th and 9th of May, with small vehicles still able to pass. Works have finished as expected.
- The transformers are expected to arrive at the site in the week commencing 15th May.
- Construction of the swales is scheduled to start at the end of May.



Progress on other matters

Community Benefit Fund

- The Community Benefit Fund agreement is being progressed by GrantScape and further liaison with Yelvertoft Parish Council will take place shortly with the aim to finalise the agreement.

Yelvertoft Primary School

- The team is yet to hear back from Yelvertoft Primary School. The school has proposed that the project team attend a school assembly to talk to pupils about Yelvertoft Solar Farm and answer any questions that the children may have. This session may be followed by a classroom lesson in due course.

Community engagement

- During the course of April, no further questions or comments from the local community have been received. All communications channels remain open and available for the community to get in touch for the duration of the construction phase.
- The team will be participating again in Yelvertoft Parish Council's Residents' Meeting on 24th June.



Next steps – indicative timeline*

- **April 2023** All solar panels have been mounted onto frames
- **April - June 2023** Deliveries of further infrastructure to site, e.g. inverters, transformers and substation equipment
- **Summer 2023** Infrastructure installation and cabling
- **Late Summer 2023** Testing and commissioning
- **Autumn 2023** Expected contractor demobilisation

** Progress is dependent on many factors, for example weather conditions*

