# **5** Reasons Little South Solar Farm is the right project for Dover

Statkraft have submitted plans to Dover District Council for Little South Solar Farm – **REF: 23/01363** <u>View and comment on the planning application here.</u>

# **1** SUPPORTING OUR GREEN FUTURE:

If consented the **49.9MW solar farm** is estimated to generate renewable electricity equivalent to the needs of over **15,000** homes\*, support the decarbonisation of the local area and contribute to the Government's target of **70GW** solar generation capacity by **2035**. \*Based on average household consumption of 3,509kWh, BEIS 2022

## **ECONOMIC BENEFITS:**

We work with local business groups to increase the awareness of opportunities to get involved in the construction and operation of our projects. Find out more at by scanning the QR code opposite. The project is expected to deliver over £50,000 pa to Dover District Council in business rates and generate a community benefit fund of over £700,000 for local causes over it's operational lifetime.

# **SITE LOCATION TARGETS LOWER QUALITY AGRICULTURAL LAND:**

Specialist surveys were undertaken during the site design to ensure there will be no loss of "Best and Most Versatile" agricultural land as a result of the solar farm.

#### SUPPORTING IMPORTANT HABITATS AND LOCAL WILDLIFE:

Our plans will generate **21% biodiversity net gain for habitats**, including habitat enhancements for protected species and **143% net gain in hedgerow habitat**, significantly higher than national and local policy targets.

16 ha of the site will be set aside for a new Nature Restoration Area.

A commitment to deliver around **17% of the 200 ha recommended Coastal Floodplain Grazing Marsh** creation target for the Stour Valley Biodiversity Opportunity Area.

Approximately 900 metres of new native species hedgerow will be planted creating much needed habitats for wildlife and providing vital corridors for species such as bats, birds and bees.

### **5** CAREFULLY DESIGNED:

To help preserve the character of the Roman Fort and Amphitheatre and local properties, we will use a range of natural screening and a design that seeks to enhance and work with the local landscape.

We have highlighted some key facts from the application, no new information has been presented. To find out more about Little South Solar Farm, please visit <a href="http://www.statkraft.co.uk/little-south-solar-farm">www.statkraft.co.uk/little-south-solar-farm</a>

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