

# ***Mysten Leah Solar Farm***

Statutory Consultation Newsletter



## Introduction

Mylen Leah Solar Farm is a proposed new solar farm located between the villages of Seaton Ross, Melbourne, Laytham, Ellerton, East Cottingwith and Foggathorpe in the East Riding of Yorkshire.



## The consultation process

We are now in the statutory consultation period for Mylen Leah Solar Farm.

We want to hear your views on our plans. Our statutory consultation is running from **Thursday 16 April to Thursday 28 May 2026**.

### How our plans have evolved

Thank you to the people who provided feedback during our non-statutory consultation in November 2024, which involved two workshops with local and technical stakeholders.

In response to feedback at our non-statutory consultation and extensive survey work, we have made the following changes to our plans:

- Removed panels from southern area of the site closest to Foggathorpe
- Reduced panel heights from up to 5.5m to 3.5m
- Redesigned site layout to locate panels further away from homes

### Statutory consultation

You are now invited to take part in our statutory consultation, which runs from **Thursday 16 April to Thursday 28 May 2026**. During this period, we are asking for your feedback on our updated proposals. This is an opportunity for you to ask questions, have your say and shape our proposals before we submit our Development Consent Order (DCO) application, which we expect to be in late 2026.








We encourage you to share your feedback on our design proposals, including our preliminary environmental assessments and measures being taken to reduce the potential effects of the project.



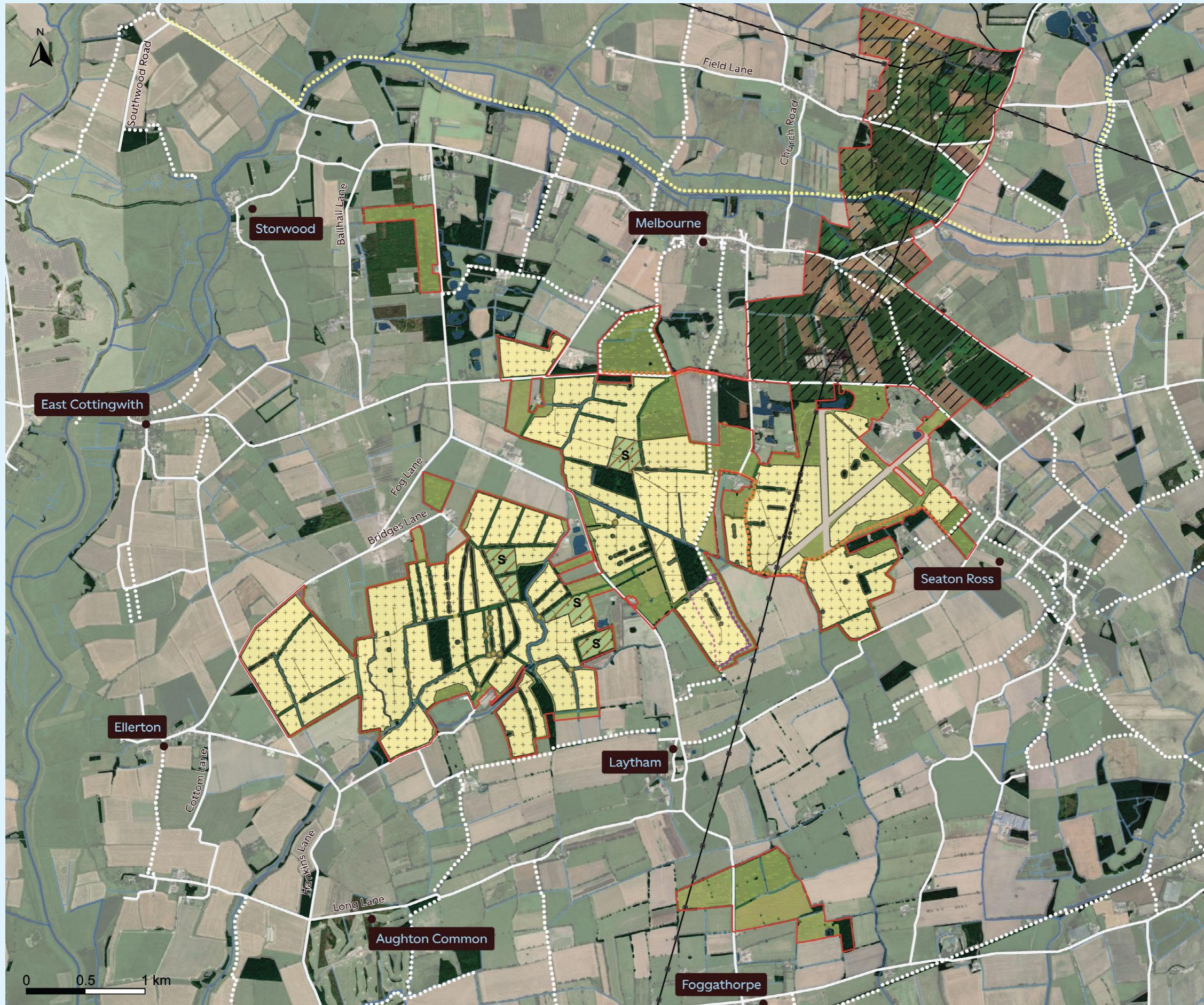
### Who is Statkraft?

Statkraft is at the heart of the UK's energy transition. Since 2006, Statkraft has gone from strength to strength in the UK, building experience across wind, solar, hydro, energy storage and grid stability projects.

### Our proposals for Mylen Leah Solar Farm

-  **500MW:** Capacity of approximately 500 megawatts (MW)
-  **Clean electricity:** For the equivalent of 180,000 homes
-  **No overhead lines or battery storage:** All electricity will go directly into the grid, via an underground cable
-  **Energy security:** Domestic, home-grown solar power in Yorkshire strengthening the UK's energy security
-  **Improving local connectivity:** New permissive paths and path enhancements within the site would lead to improved connectivity for users
-  **Over 10% BNG:** Providing a significant boost to Biodiversity Net Gain through new hedgerows, wildflower meadows, native woodland planting and enhanced grassland
-  **£200,000 annual community fund:** We are committed to supporting local community projects in the areas where we operate. In 2024 we doubled our commitment to £400 per MW of operational capacity of our solar farms
-  **Local suppliers:** Local suppliers are encouraged to sign up to the local suppliers register on our project website

# Our proposals for Mylen Leah Solar Farm



## Legend

- Draft Order Limits
  
- Existing Features and Constraints**
- Existing vegetation within and around the site
- Existing public rights of way (PRoW)
- National long distance path
- Existing overhead electricity lines
- Existing watercourses
- Existing waterbodies
- Existing former airfield runway
- Existing veteran or ancient tree
  
- Indicative Proposed Development**
- Proposed area of solar PV development and /or associated development
- Proposed area for ecological mitigation and enhancement
- Proposed woodland planting for screening
- Proposed hedgerows for screening and creation of ecological corridors to be maintained at a minimum height of 2.5m
- Existing hedgerow to be maintained at a minimum height of 2.5m (where required for screening purposes) and may require new planting (gapping up)
- Proposed section of PRoW to be diverted
- Proposed diverted PRoW
- Proposed permissive route
- Potential substation location (maximum 2 out of 4 will be included within DCO application. Locations identified as not requiring a substation are proposed to accommodate PV panels)
- Proposed underground grid connection corridor
- Proposed internal access roads

Please note, a high resolution version of this map can be viewed on our project website on the 'Project documents' tab.

# Guide to consultation

The consultation will run between Thursday 16 April to Thursday 28 May 2026.

We are hosting a series of in-person events and online webinars, the details of which are set out here. We invite you to attend these events, where the team will be available to discuss the project in more detail and answer any questions you may have.

You can register to attend our webinars on the project website or by emailing the Community Relations Team.

Venue	Date/Time
Holme-on-Spalding-Moor Village Hall, 60 High Street, Holme-on-Spalding-Moor, York, YO43 4EN	Thursday 30th April 13:00 – 20:00
Melbourne Village Hall, Main Street, Melbourne, York, YO42 4QJ	Wednesday 6th May 13:00 – 20:00
Bubwith Leisure and Sports Centre, Main Street, Bubwith, Selby, YO8 6LX	Thursday 7th May 12:00 – 18:30
Online Webinar 1	Saturday 9 May 10:00 – 11:00
Online Webinar 2	Monday 11 May 18:00 – 19:00
Online Webinar 3	Wednesday 13 May 19:00 – 20:00

## Local information points

Alternatively, you can visit one of our local information points, where you can view and take away hard copies of consultation documents.

Please note: a hard copy of the PEIR will not be available at these locations; however, the PEIR and the Non-Technical Summary of the PEIR will be available on USB sticks to take away.

Location	Address	Standard opening hours*
Elvington	Holy Trinity Church Elvington, Church Lane, Elvington, York, YO41 4AD	Open 10:00–17:00 daily
Bubwith	Bubwith Sports and Leisure Centre, Main Street, Bubwith, Selby, YO8 6LX	Open 09:00–11:30 on Mondays
Thornton	St Michael's Church, Church Lane, Thornton, York, YO42 4SA	Open 10:00–15:00 Tuesday to Saturday  Open 13:00–15:00 Sundays  <i>Please note the Church will not be open on 15 and 16 May 2026.</i>

\*Hours may be subject to change. Please check our website or give us a call for the latest opening hours.

## Where to find our consultation materials

All consultation materials will be available to view and download on our website throughout the statutory consultation period: [www.mylenleah-solar.co.uk](http://www.mylenleah-solar.co.uk)

Hard copies will also be available to view at our in-person events and at the information points, with the exclusion of the PEIR which will be available in hard copy and on USB sticks at our in person events. Copies in alternative formats are available upon request. Printed copies of selected consultation materials can be provided free of charge upon request. These are:






- Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)
- Consultation Information Booklet
- Consultation Feedback Form
- Consultation Newsletter
- Non-Technical Summary of the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR).

*A hard copy of the PEIR will not be available at these locations; however, the PEIR and the Non-Technical Summary of the PEIR will be available on USB sticks to take away.*

*A hard copy of the consultation material can also be supplied, but there will be a reasonable charge of £0.35 per page to cover the printing and posting costs associated with the PEIR.*

## How to respond

There are several ways to respond to the consultation, including:

-  in person at our consultation events
-  online via the Consultation Feedback Form on our project website
-  by email to [community@mylenleah.com](mailto:community@mylenleah.com)
-  by post using the FREEPOST address – FREEPOST MYLEN LEAH (no stamp required)
-  via a printed copy of the Consultation Feedback Form, copies of which are available at events, at local information points and by request.



Scan the QR code to visit our project website



## Contact us

If you have any questions or comments, or would like to be kept up to date on the project, please sign up for updates on our website or contact our Community Relations Team using the details below:



Website: [www.mylenleah-solar.co.uk](http://www.mylenleah-solar.co.uk)



Email: [community@mylenleah.com](mailto:community@mylenleah.com)



Phone: 0800 772 0134

*The Community Relations Team can assist you with any questions about the proposed development or consultation. Phonenumber are monitored from 9:00 to 17:30 Monday to Friday. Outside of these hours, callers will be asked to leave a message, and the team will be in touch at the earliest opportunity.*



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