

# Soay Solar & Thornton Greener Grid Park Community Liaison Group Update 30 April 2025

Due to a light agenda, a written update is provided to members in lieu of a meeting.

## Actions from Meeting held 6 March

Action	Person	Status
Adjust site lighting and liaise with SR to get feedback on effectiveness	MG	Complete
Notify local residents of site investigations work and a commitment to host a drop-in event before solar construction phase, through a postcard to closest homes and the Parish News	AH	Complete
Share information about borehole work/site investigations to facebook pages	CM	Complete
Share a video and more information on piling to the CLG	DC	To follow
Arrange a Drop-In session for residents to meet the EPC contractor before construction of Phase 3: Solar commences	AH	Pending contractor appointment
Identify a suitable time for site visit and report back to CLG members	MG	Pending construction timetable update

## Construction Update – Phase 2 (BESS)

- LV (Low Voltage) supply works complete
- Ducting and cabling works ongoing according to schedule
- Electrical works ongoing according to schedule
- Battery commissioning ongoing
- Modular building deliveries
  - o Five modular buildings will be delivered to site at the end of May. These buildings house some of the key electrical equipment. No traffic delays anticipated due to these deliveries, no traffic lights or road closures required.
- Transformer delivery
  - o No news on the transformer delivery but unlikely to be in the next month. We will keep the CLG members updated by email when confirmed timing is known
- Fencing works – early stage works commencing to prepare post foundations



Stoning up between the cubes in Collector 1 27/03/25.





### Soay Solar Farm and Thornton Greener Grid Park

The project consists of three phases of construction. As we progress towards the end of Phase 2, we'd like to share this overview of the construction programme.

#### Phase 1: HV Yard

- Completed

#### Phase 2: Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)

- All BESS units installed
- Number of HGVs steadily decreasing to 10 per day during April & May
- Scheduled to be completed late 2025

#### Phase 3: Solar

- Not in construction
- A "drop-in" session for local residents will be held at the Allerthorpe Village Hall before construction starts, likely to be in late summer
- Approximately 12 months construction duration

#### Community Fund – Apply before 23 April!

£20,000 is available for community projects in Allerthorpe, Thornton, Melbourne, Barmby Moor and Bielby.

Apply for anywhere between £500 - £10,000 to support community and environmental projects.

To find out more and apply, visit:

[www.grantscape.org.uk/statkraft/soay](http://www.grantscape.org.uk/statkraft/soay)



Solar Panels on Allerthorpe Village Hall, funded in 2024



#### Contact us:

Scan to visit [www.statkraft.co.uk/soay](http://www.statkraft.co.uk/soay)

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14 March 2025

### Community Fund Open!

£20,000 is available for community projects in your area!  
Applications close 23 April 2025.

Statkraft established these funds to ensure that communities benefit from having one of our projects in their area. There is an annual round for applications to support community and environmental projects.

To find out more and to apply, visit:  
[www.grantscape.org.uk/fund/statkraft/soay](http://www.grantscape.org.uk/fund/statkraft/soay)

To discuss your funding idea contact GrantScape  
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In 2024 the fund supported applications from ValeWatch, Melbourne Primary School and the Allerthorpe Village Hall Management Committee.



#### Keep updated

Our project website contains more information.  
Use the QR code to visit [www.statkraft.co.uk/soay](http://www.statkraft.co.uk/soay)

### Soay Solar Farm and Thornton Greener Grid Park



#### Construction update

Dear Resident,

We would like to update you on progress of the project, and to explain some activity you may see taking place on the area where the solar farm will be located. More information is on our website, but if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

#### Phase 1: High Voltage Yard (or HV Yard)

- Completed

#### Phase 2: Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)

- All BESS units installed
- Approximately 10 HGVs per day during April & May
- Scheduled to be completed late 2025

#### Phase 3: Solar

- Not in construction
- Construction contractor presently not appointed
- Small areas of tree and vegetation removal taking place, ahead of bird nesting season
- Two week programme of ground investigations currently underway



Before construction of the solar farm commences, a residents "Drop-In" session at the Allerthorpe Village Hall will be held, likely to be late-summer

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### Next Meeting

25 June, 6.30pm – 7.30pm.