

GRANGE SOLAR FARM LIAISON MEETING

8th JULY 2026

MINUTES

	Attendance at the Meeting Sandra Careless (Chair) Tim Tucker Graham Leigh
	Apologies Received Val Pudney Jane McClintock
1.	Actions Points from Previous Meeting Item 1 Meeting with Liberty Global (LG) The meeting still needs to be arranged. The new project manager only comes to site once a month usually mid-week to discuss progress with PSR. The technical adviser comes more frequent to cross check the installation to the design. Arranging a meeting on a Thursday when all the Liaison Group can attend may be difficult unless the Project Manager will rearrange his schedule. SC will follow this up with Seymour (Liberty Global Project Manager), now the Community Deed has been signed off. Item 2 Site Visit Another site tour will be arranged once AJ is back on site who returns from leave on the 20th July. However, TT is putting AJ on another site that week to cover and so will not be back until the week commencing 27th July. SC will follow this up on his return. Item 3/4 Finalisation of the Community Benefit Deed The Community Deed was signed off at the Parish Council meeting on Thursday 9th July 2026. LG have agreed to fund the solicitor fees up to £950 for this and also to index link the annual community amount received. Item 5 Revised Detailed Construction Project Plan The construction/project plan was received by SC after the last meeting and was forwarded to the PCLG. The risk register changes all the time and therefore this could not be electronically shared. At the last meeting AJ offered to let us view it on his office wall. AJ didn't want this to be copied or to leave the site but was happy for us to view it at the last meeting. TT said it is a general construction risk register that identifies open excavations etc. and is a CDM requirement which they keep in the general office. However, at this meeting TT said he didn't see why we wanted to see this and didn't see the point in sharing it. It was a member of the PCLG at a previous meeting who requested sight of this who was not at the meeting to explain why he had asked for it. Item 6 WhatsApp group Communications There has only been one WhatsApp from PSR since the last meeting. TT acknowledged this as there are things happening on site which have not been communicated to us and said he would ensure we were receiving updates. AJ is now on leave therefore TT asked that I include Bogdan (a new site manager for PSR) onto the group so that he could send out information.

Item 7 Watering the New Planting

PSR have not been watering the plants recently. TT said the landscapers came to site recently to check the plants who did a trial hole and said the ground was still showing water deep down. Watering is starting this week. They will be using their 4x4 vehicles to pull the truck with the water tank on. An employee has been given this job to do on a regular basis.

Item 8 Directional Drilling across Lion Road

This has still not been started yet. The section 50 has been approved and PSR are waiting for a date when this can begin. The plans have been accepted. TT said they are waiting for the Road Space Permit before they can start this which is booked in for the w/c 27th July. It will not interfere with the traffic on Lion Road. A WhatsApp will be sent when this starts..

Item 9 Dampening down of the Dust in Dry Weather

The employee that is doing the watering of the plants will also be doing the dampening down of the dust on the site as part of his daily routine. They will not be including the dust on Lion Road.

Item 10 Complaint – Thatched Cottage

Following the last PCLG meeting, a meeting was set up by SC to meet the resident at his house with AJ to go through his specific issues and how these impact on him. Due to people's holiday commitments a meeting was pencilled in for 23rd July to be confirmed nearer the time.

TT said he had not heard about this complaint and asked what it was about. SC appraised TT of this who said that it should not be AJ going to this meeting as he cannot represent PSR for these issues. He said that he did not think it should be PSR either as it is LG's responsibility going forward and that it would need to be Seymour who needed to sort this out. He said they had now sold the site to Liberty Global therefore it is their responsibility. TT said everything had gone through planning and they were installing to those conditions, and that PSR's responsibility is constructing to what has been approved. He said this would be mitigation going forward which would need further planning permission if anything was to be changed on the site.

Disappointment was expressed given that AJ has been the only representative PSR have been sending to the liaison meetings for several months and that it has been taken in good faith that AJ has the authority to be able to answer our questions or at least pass the information back to the project manager following the meeting. TT said he knew nothing about the complaint and that this was the first he had heard of it. It was pointed out that it was identified on the Action Points of the previous meeting which is sent out following the meetings. A PS Renewables WhatsApp had also been sent out on the 5th June to inform everyone of the meeting on the 23rd July. TT said he does not have time to read documentation and addresses things on the day. He was asked if AJ feeds back from these meetings. TT said he has weekly meetings with AJ but this is the first time he has heard of this complaint. Initially SC was asked to send TT the email regarding the complaint information and TT would talk to Seymour. However then it was agreed that SC would contact Seymour regarding the complaint in the first instance and copy TT in given that TT said it would be him going forward who we would need to liaise with. TT said PSR are only responsible for the construction in accordance with what has been planned and approved.

The day after the meeting SC was contacted by TT asking for the telephone number of the Thatched Cottage resident to be sent to Charlotte Peacock, Consenting Manager at PSR who has been involved in the Planning consents for PSR. TT said we should not be involving LG yet until Charlotte has spoken to the resident. At this point SC appraised CE (Parish Clerk) of PSR's approach to the complaint who is now involved in the matter. A further update will be shared with the PCLG at a later date when more information is available regarding the meeting with the resident.

	Item 11 Clarity on changes to the scheme Separate agenda item point 2a. Item 12 Permissive Footpath Separate agenda item point 2b. Item 13 Removal of Overhead Cable The old overhead electricity cable has still not been removed. PSR are still waiting for this to be done which is likely to now be the end of July. This is now holding up the completion of the south part of the North site.
2.	Outstanding Issues from Previous Meeting a. Permissive Footpath There are two issues here. There is the permissive footpath that already has approval and has gone through planning, and the possibility of a longer permissive footpath around the site previously discussed in the liaison meetings which would need further approval from the landowner and/or leaseholder. The leaseholder being confirmed by TT as PACE Nano owned by Liberty Global. TT said that a permissive footpath has already been approved through planning and therefore did not need further approvals. The path runs parallel to Lion Road and at some point, crosses over to the North site which then goes down to Millway Lane. TT showed members of the PCLG where this was shown on a map of the site. PSR will be preparing the area and erecting signage to display this along the agreed permissive footpath once the installation is complete. Anything further other than the above approved permissive footpath would need to be taken up with Seymour as the representative of Liberty Global. If the PCLG wish to follow this up further for more permissive footpaths then SC will contact Seymour. b. Removal of Acoustic Panels from Invertors It was explained that at the last meeting information had been brought regarding the removal of the acoustic panels. TT was asked what involvement LG had with this decision given the site was transferred to LG in December 2025 but the removal of the acoustic panels was still going through planning with the result in February 2026. TT said it was a good question, and he did not know the answer and would need to take that question away and come back to us with answers. Given the project had been transferred it was asked if LG knew about this change. TT said they had to go through due diligence when transferring a project and would have to declare any proposed future actions. TT said that PSR have done tests to show that there would be no impact from the removal of the invertors. However, given the site is not yet live SC asked how could they do meaningful tests before completion. Environmental Protection have also said they could not fully sign this off until they could do tests following the completion which will be done within the month following completion when the site is live. Of all the sites TT has been involved with he said PSR don't usually install acoustic panels. He said it is normally due to someone objecting at planning stage, or if a site was right on someone's boundary. TT said he did not know what PACE had put in place at the start to get the project through, PSR are only responsible for the construction. It was expressed that this is the problem the PCLG have in that the project has been passed on so many times, clarity in the detail is lost. TT said that many things are promised by developers to get a project through planning which subsequently get changed. He said that PSR do not usually put acoustic panels around the invertors

	and said the noise is minimal from them. TT said it would be for LG to pick up any issues in the future regarding these.
3.	Progress on Site to Date TT said that approximately 55% of the solar panels have been installed on site. The South site is almost complete and have the panels installed. The South site is now being tidied up. There is still a hold up on the North site until the old overhead electricity cable has been removed near to Millway Lane. TT said that the project is ahead of the programme. They have an expected completion date of 12th October 2026. He said the compound on the North site will have gone in about 4 to 5 weeks. At this point all personnel would leave the site. Our contact then would be Seymour and LG. PSR would only return intermittently for post completion commissioning work. Depending on the weather the commissioning work will take place up until December and into the new year depending on how well it goes to be able to agree the sign off. TT was asked if the Council ever come in to check and sign off the project, but we were informed this does not happen. The Council only come in if there are specific issues reported to them. Reliance is given on Liberty Global being happy to accept the handover in accordance with what has been planned and checks they do. Following the removal from site an O+M company would take over the day to day monitoring. TT said he did not know yet who this would be but will inform us when agreed.
4.	Roles & Responsibilities Aaron has now moved onto other things and will no longer be involved in the Grange project and is to be removed from all correspondence. Tim is now the project manager and main point of contact for liaison meetings, who will be dealing with the Grange project now. Adrian is now on leave until w/c 20th July. However, that week he will be going to support a different site to cover leave. In his absence it will be Bogdan and Cosmin. Cosmin was previously here at the beginning but left. He has now returned as a sub-contractor temporarily to cover absence. Bogdan is to be included on the WhatsApp group, and he will be asked to give us regular updates. There are currently 61 people working on the site most of which are from Spain. When asked why they are not employing local people or from the UK, TT said it is a part Spanish owned company. It is the mechanical staff that are from Spain. Throughout August staff will be taking leave on rotation, but the site will not close down at all.
5.	Future Meeting TT gave several possible dates for the next meeting to be put to the PCLG. These were 11th/12th/13th August or 25th/26th/27th August. TT said he only visits site on Tuesday and Wednesdays, but he was informed that some members of the group could only meet on Thursdays. TT then added the 13th and 27th. It is hoped that by giving plenty of notice Tim could reschedule his diary.
6.	Any Other Business Raised Clarification of Inverter Colours It had been raised by a resident that when driving North on Millway Lane the Inverters looked green but when driving East they looked grey which caused a distraction for drivers. It was confirmed that the inverters are green and the switch gear doors are grey.