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Our ref: WX/2026/139693/01-L01
Your ref: PL/2026/00795

Date: 11 March 2026

Dear Georgina,

INSTALLATION OF A SOLAR FARM WITH ANCILLARY STRUCTURES SUPPORTING THE ENERGY DEMAND OF THE ADJACENT APPROVED CHICKLADE (EV) SERVICE STATION.

LAND NORTH OF A303, AND NORTHWEST OF APPROVED EV HUB, CHICKLADE, SP3 5ST

Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency on the above application.

Environment Agency Position

We have **no objection** to the development as proposed and have provided some comments regarding the environmental constraints below for your consideration.

Source Protection Zones (SPZs)

The site is located within Source Protection Zone 3, a groundwater resource particularly sensitive to contamination. This should be considered during development of the site. Information on the designations and implications can be found in our Groundwater Protection guidance: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/groundwater-protection>.

Note to Applicant

We have reviewed the Environmental Statement – Volume 1: Main Report (Ref: 02482, February 2026, DKR Rural Planning), and are pleased to note the Biodiversity Net Gain of habitats on site. Specifically, we note the empty space within the Red Line Boundary will be made up of lowland meadow, shown in Figure 12 on page 38.

Note to LPA

If the applicant were to consider Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) on site in the future, we would need to be reconsulted.

Please provide us with a URL of the decision notice, or an electronic copy of the decision notice or outcome. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Sent on behalf of Lindsay Grant

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Yours sincerely,

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