

Dear Member of Zero Carbon Dorset,

RE: VOLTALIA LTD - PROPOSED SOLAR FARM DEVELOPMENT AT CLIFTON FARM

I am writing to you on behalf of Votalia Ltd to inform you about our proposal for a solar farm in West Dorset. **As a supporter of renewable energy and the sustainability agenda, I am writing to respectfully ask for your support, to help us get the planning permission we need to fulfil our commitment of securing approximately 100MW of subsidy-free renewable energy for Dorset.**

Our project forms a major part of our ambitions to contribute meaningfully to the security of energy supply in Dorset, through the provision of local, affordable renewable energy supply. We recently received planning consent for a similar 40MW scheme at South Farm, Spetisbury.

The main features of our proposal are as follows:

- We plan to install a ground mounted solar farm at Clifton Farm which will have a maximum output of 35MW
- At Clifton Farm the solar farm would generate enough energy to power up to 10,605 UK homes a year and displace circa 11,610 tonnes of carbon dioxide
- The solar farms' grid connection will make use of an existing electrical network that run through Clifton Farm
- Our plans include providing land for ecological mitigation and enhancement
- The full details of the planning applications can be found at <https://planning.dorset.gov.uk/online-applications/> (input planning application reference number: **WD/D/20/001057**).

Please find attached a map outlining the location of the proposed solar farm (outlined in red). It's important to us that you are kept informed of our proposal and that your voice is heard as part of the development process. We respectfully ask that should you wish to support our planning application that you sign and send or email the attached letters to the Planning Office for West Dorset (planningteamd@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk), at Dorset Council. Alternatively, you can copy the text from the accompanying letters into the online comments tab (via the link above inputting reference number **WD/D/20/001057**) to show your support for our planning application.

Please do not hesitate to email Jasmine El-Gabban, a member of the project team via jasmine.el-gabban@alpacacommunications.com who will facilitate a briefing should you wish to discuss anything mentioned in this letter further. Alternatively, we have a dedicated website where you can get further information. Please do have a look at www.cliftonfarmsolarpark.co/ to learn more about our proposal.

Yours Sincerely,



Kelly Clutterbuck
Head of Development UK