

MEMORANDUM

From:	Catherine Brimble Senior Landscape Officer
Service	WBC Landscape and Trees
App No:	252263
Address:	Land North Of Sheepbridge Court Farm, Basingstoke Road, Swallowfield, RG7 1PT.
Proposal:	Application for submission of details to comply with the following condition of planning consent 232653 dated 27/03/2025. Condition 5. Materials. 6. Drainage Strategy. 7. Construction Phase Emergency Plan. 8. End User Emergency Plan. 9. Construction Environment Management Plan. 10. Public Rights of Way. 12. Boundary Treatment. 13. Hard and Soft Landscaping. 18. Ecological Permeability.
Type of Development:	
Site Visit Made:	Yes/No

Summary Of Recommendations

- ☐ No comment
- ☐ No objection
- ☐ No objection subject to conditions (and reasons) **stated below**
- ☒ Request further information before determination as **stated below**
- ☐ Objection due to the reason(s) **stated below**

Comments On Proposal

Conditions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10
No comment.

Condition 12 – Boundary Treatment

Details of the boundary Treatments are shown on the Boundary Treatment Schedule document. This indicates the boundary fencing on the perimeter of the solar farm will be enclosed by deer fencing approved as part of the original application (232653). The document will need to indicate the height of the fence which is not provided as part of the information, however I assume this will be 2m high as previously indicated, but this will need to be confirmed.

Condition 13 – Hard and Soft Landscaping

A Site/Landscape Plan (Rev 7) dated 15/09/2025 drawn by Greentech and associated Landscape Planting and Maintenance Plan has been submitted to discharge this condition. The planting schedule is included within this document.

The tree and hedgerow protection section suggests that hedgerows will be protected by stock fencing, however this won't be effective against rabbits and suggest guards are used instead.

Condition 18 – Ecological Permeability

The Wildlife Access Schedule includes details of the mammal gate which will be installed at 100m intervals around the perimeter of the site. I have no objection to this however the locations of these gates will need to be considered in association with the proposed hedgerow protection discussed in the Landscape Planting and Maintenance Plan. Stock fencing is proposed to be used in some locations however this won't be effective against rabbits and rabbit proof fencing will hinder the access of other larger mammals using the gate. These aspects will need to be coordinated.

Date:	22 nd October 2025	Signed:	C. Brimble
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