Isabel Nethell
Head of Operations
Planning Environment and Decisions Wales
Crown Buildings
Cathays Park
Cardiff
CF10 3NQ

10/12/21

Dear PEDW,

Re: Development of National Significance DNS/3260565 Bryn Rhyd, Llanedi, Solar.

I write further to the consultation on DNS/3260565. The details of the submission have been reported to Carmarthenshire County Council's Planning Committee on the 23rd November 2021 as an information item and as a result the following four issues have been identified which are hereby being formally submitted as a representation for consideration. The minutes of the meeting state the following:

1. That any approval of planning application DNS/3260565 should contain a condition for the provision of a detailed and robust decommissioning plan:-

   a. Providing assurance of the safe removal/treatment/disposal of the solar panels to prevent any leakage and subsequent ground contamination. The plan should be reviewed and updated approximately 5 years prior to the end of life of the application. This is to ensure that the land is protected for future generations.

   b. Confirmation to be sought that adequate provision / bond is in place for responsible decommissioning of the site.

2. The Authority notes that while it is outside of their remit, the Authority supports applications for community benefit payments from community council areas affected by the proposed development. The applicant should support clean energy projects in the area affected by the proposed development.

3. The Authority seeks further information regarding the long term impact the proposed development may have on productive agricultural land.

4. The impact of panels on biodiversity is questioned, with particular concern over the habitat and food source of Marsh Fritillary butterflies within the section of the site within the Caeau Mynydd Mawr SPG area.

Please can you acknowledge receipt of the above representation.

Regards,

Noelwyn Daniel

Noelwyn Daniel
(Interim) Head of Place and Sustainability