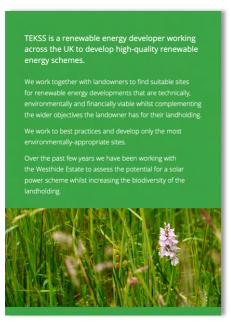
Appendix 3 – Project brochure







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The environmental benefits

A solar power project at Westhide fits within and supports the long-term sustainability strategy of the Estate.

Firstly, within the wider sustainability context, the potential site identified at West and a significant contribution to renewable energy and carbon emission targets, by generating enough green electricity to power over 14,000 homes – equivalent to more than 40% of the number of households in the Hereford roll calls, and offsetting around 9,700 tonnes of CO2 annually.

The lad used for the scheme will be taken out of the monoculture of arable crop production for up to three decades and reseeded with a wildflower mix, thus creating a wildflower meadow under the panels; this is not only a substantial benefit to a variety of wildfile, but also improves soil quality.

Existing valuable habitat, such as woodland and hedgerows, is retained as part of the scheme and further enhanced with additional planting (which has the added benefit of screening the site visually).

Westhide Estate has insisted on the creation of additional habitat, with supplementary features and ecological enhancements, such as the introduction of onsite beethives and hibernacula for small mammals and reptiles, is included within the scheme.

A site of this size could generate enough green electricity to power over 14,000 homes per annum, equivalent to more than 40% of the number of households in the entire Hereford locality.

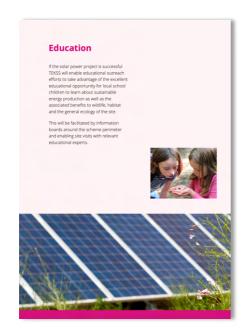




The landowner's view

Agri-business – agricultural activity providing a long-term, sustained revenue stream for the estate

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