

Solar Project

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I refer to the recent message received from LBSA regarding the above. My comments are as follows:

1. Some years ago this Application or something similar was, or might have been, submitted to the County Planning Department for determination. Because of this local procedure the Company voluntarily offered a "sweetener" by way of a capital sum to be shared out to the affected areas through the relevant Community Councils. This offer was not as a result of any planning requirement but merely a "goodwill" comfort payment. As I recall our Council looked forward to receiving its share.

2. However, planning procedures for this type of development have changed. In this case probably because the proposal is considered of wider importance to the Country and deserving of a national approach.

This procedure has to a large extent taken the decision making out of local hands and this more distant government process has resulted in the original community offer no longer being included - there was never a compulsion to pay any amount.

In my view, the decision by the Senedd will not be based on such payment being required, otherwise this matter would have been addressed at "Application" stage.

In the event of any Sum voluntarily becoming available, following the planning decision, then an equitable arrangement would be required for a share out between all the organisations affected.

This position will not change by further contact with the Senedd.

Regards

Alan

Sent from my iPad