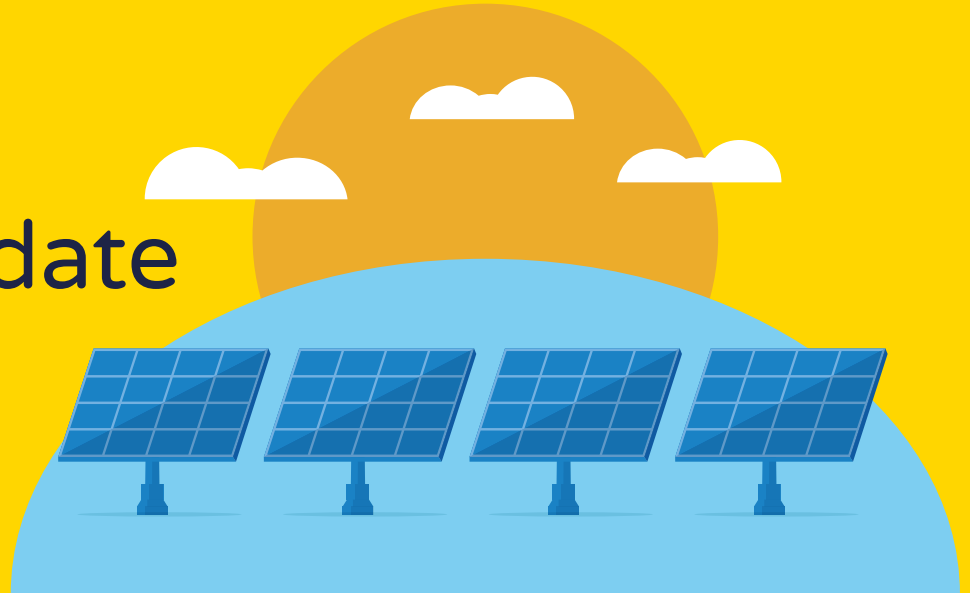




Project update

July 2024



Brockwell Storage and Solar is developing plans for a new solar farm and energy storage project to the northwest of St Neots, known as East Park Energy.

Our proposals would be capable of generating up to 400 megawatts of clean energy, which is enough electricity to power approximately 108,000 homes – more than the total number in Bedford.

In this update you can read about some of the work that's been taking place since our initial public consultation last year, including:

- An overview of the key statistics and themes arising from our first round of consultation
- An update on Brockwell Energy's acquisition of RNA Energy
- Information on upcoming survey works
- Information on next steps and upcoming further consultation

THE STORY SO FAR

Last year we hosted an initial round of public consultation, where we invited local residents and stakeholders to share their views on our early proposals for East Park Energy.

As part of this consultation, we wrote to elected members, plus all business and residential addresses in the parishes that the project would be located within. We also met with Richard Fuller MP, along with parish, district and county councils, held three public exhibitions, launched a project website with details of our early proposals, and advertised on social media.

370+

pieces of
feedback
received

280+

local residents
attended
our public
exhibitions

1,400+

leaflets sent
to nearby
residential and
commercial
properties

We're grateful to all those who provided their comments. Some of the recurring themes seen in feedback included questions about the need for and location of the project, along with concerns about the potential impacts of the proposals on the environment, including the loss of agricultural land and impact on food security.

All of this feedback, along with the results of ongoing technical assessments, is being carefully considered as we develop our proposals further. As part of our upcoming statutory consultation, we will publish a detailed non-statutory consultation report that sets out the feedback submitted to our previous consultation, along with our response to it. You can read more about this later in this update.



UPCOMING SURVEYS UPDATE

To inform the development of our proposals, we need to undertake a range of surveys across the land required for East Park Energy. You may have already seen members of our team out conducting surveys on land across the project area.

In the coming weeks we are due to commence archaeological investigations. The purpose of these surveys is to identify the presence of any archaeological sites of significance. Survey work is due to commence in August and run through until winter 2024/25.

As these surveys progress, we will continue to keep the local community and key stakeholders updated. More information on upcoming surveys will be shared on our website as and when works take place.

NEXT STEPS AND FURTHER CONSULTATION

Since the close of our non-statutory consultation in 2023, our team has been busy reviewing consultation feedback and the results of survey work. We are now planning to hold a statutory consultation on our plans for East Park Energy from September 2024. This is the legal consultation that we must hold before we can submit our application for development consent, which we intend to do in early 2025.

As part of this consultation, we will present our detailed plans for the project and publicise the results of our preliminary environmental assessments. We will write to you again at the start of this consultation to set out the different ways you can find out more about our detailed plans and how you can submit your feedback.

BROCKWELL ENERGY ACQUIRES RNA ENERGY LTD

Proposals for East Park Energy are now being developed by Brockwell Storage and Solar, formerly known as RNA Energy. In March 2024, Brockwell Energy reached an agreement to acquire 100% of RNA Energy, inheriting its solar and battery storage pipeline with a commitment to further investment.

Since incorporation in 2017, Brockwell Energy has delivered renewable energy projects in the UK requiring approximately £800m of capital. These projects include 400 MW of onshore wind, including the flagship 220.5 MW North Kyle wind farm and Energy from Waste projects in Grangemouth and Fife. The Brockwell team are delivering projects through the development phase and subsequently into construction and operation, with teams based in Edinburgh and London.

You can find out more about Brockwell at brockwellstoragesolar.com or brockwellenergy.co.uk.

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