



Innova and Novus kick off 2022 planning programme with Ducklington Solar Success



Innova Renewables and Novus Renewable Services are delighted to announce thatplanning permission has been granted for Ducklington Solar Farm which will deliver an initial 24MWp. The project, located south of Witney, received planning permission on 28th February 2022 with West Oxfordshire District Councillors voting unanimously to approve the proposals.

Innova, in partnership with development consultancy Novus, are developing a fleet of renewable energy generation sites across the United Kingdom, with the duo currently working on a portfolio of 8GW of solar and battery storage with secured grid connections.

The Ducklington solar project is Innova and Novus' first solar farm to gain planning permission in 2022 and will deliver up to an initial 24MWp of clean renewable energy to West Oxfordshire.

Innova and Novus would like to publicly thank West Oxfordshire District Council for their engagement throughout the application determination process, with Simon Gamage, Planning Director at Innova also adding:

"We are particularly grateful to Ducklington Parish Council for their input to the project design and proactive engagement throughout the development process. We were pleased to take their feedback on board and with their support, believe the site will be a positive long-term asset for the local area."

"We'd also like to thank Corylus Planning & Environmental who provided invaluable planning support for the project and worked in tandem with Novus' Senior Project

Manager, Simon Murrells, to tailor the project to provide lasting benefits to the local area."

The site is expected to be operational during the second half of 2023 and as well as generating green energy powering around 7,800 homes, which is approximately 16% of all households in the West Oxfordshire District. The project will deliver significant biodiversity improvements, an enhancement of an existing public footpath that runs through the site, and the chance to give back locally in the form of a community benefit payment.

Ryan Adams, Director of Novus said:

"Ducklington Solar Farm marks the first successful planning decision of what is likely to be a busy 2022 for Novus and Innova. Together, we are making significant progress in the rollout of renewable energy across the UK in our push for Net Zero and as part of this we expect to submit a further 15 solar and battery storage projects into the planning system during the remainder of the year, alongside 4 currently awaiting decision, each seeking to bring clean, lower cost energy onto the grid whilst providing myriad benefits to local communities."

Novus were advised on the project by a multi-disciplinary team led by Roadnight Taylor on grid and Corylus on planning.



About Novus

Novus Renewable Services is a leading independent renewable energy development consultancy. Our mission is to help developers create utility scale renewable energy projects using multi-technologies by providing a broad range of innovative and creative consulting solutions.

Novus was born out of the success of Innova, to provide tailored consultancy services to developers, funds, landowners, and businesses to help power the UK-wide switch to green energy.

About Innova

With a broad capability combined with a highly commercial approach, Innova delivers long-term innovative solutions to energy and environmental problems in partnership with landowners and the local community.

Our long-term mission is to create utility scale renewable energy projects using multitechnologies and to take large energy intensive users off-grid. We will do this by providing a range of innovative long-term renewable energy solutions, positively improving the environment and benefiting the local community. Innova is the smart future of green energy.

