

# 1. Introduction

## Welcome

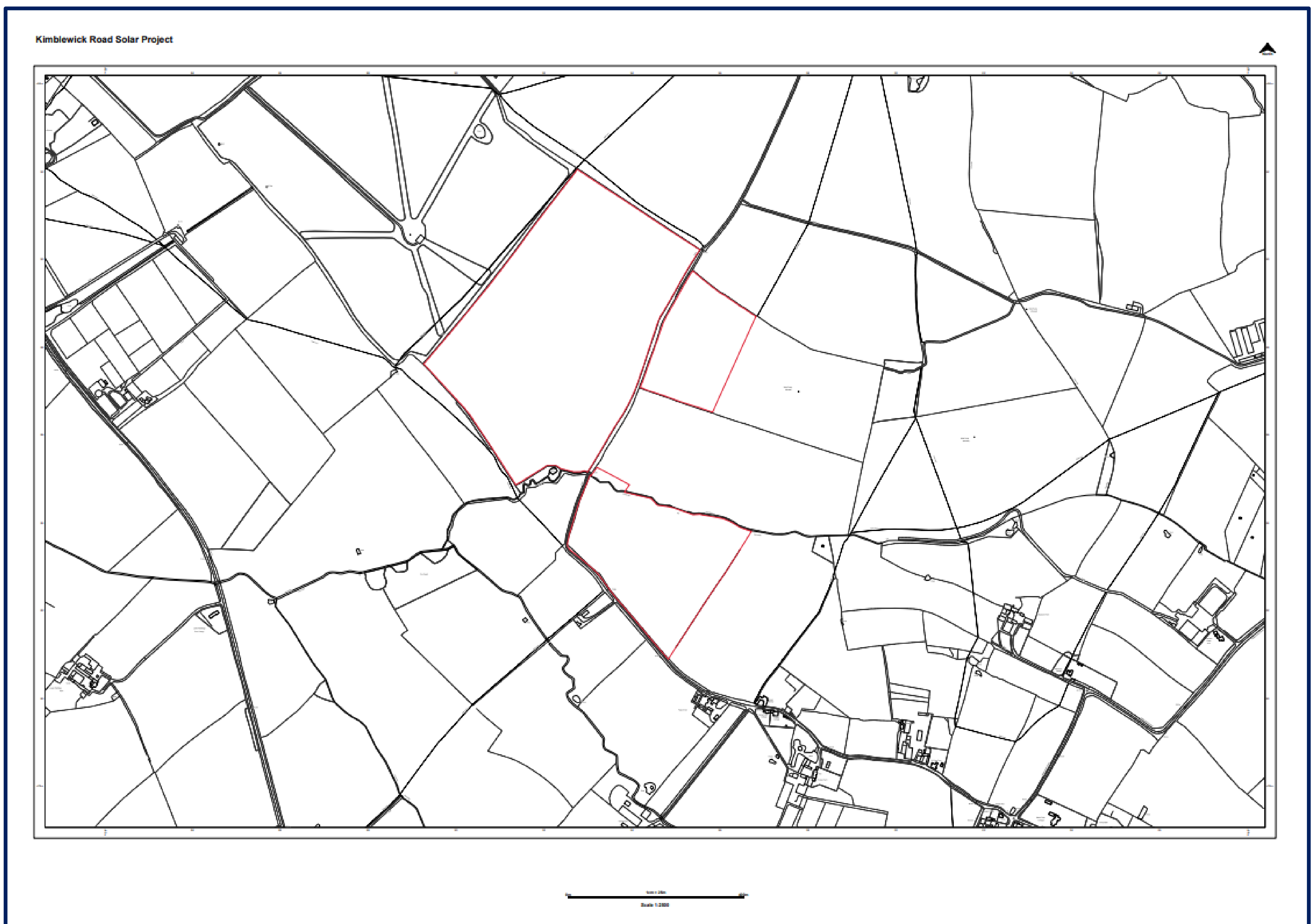
The purpose of this exhibition is to gain an understanding of the community's views on the emerging proposals for the installation of a solar farm with a 40MW output for a temporary period of 50 years, including associated infrastructure and environmental enhancements at Kimblewick Road, Kimble Wick. The total area comprises approximately 56.6 hectares of agricultural land which is relatively flat and well-screened by existing vegetation.

The display boards are intended to provide an overview of the proposals and the planning process. However, please feel free to raise any queries with the project's representatives and to provide feedback using the forms provided.

## The Proposed Site

The application site is located to the north of Kimble Wick and is roughly rectangular in shape, with a part of the site extending south towards Hill View Farm. The site is bounded by an area of woodland to the northwest known as Michael's Peace. It lies approximately 4km north of Princes Risborough and 3km from the boundary of the Chilterns AONB. The site is not bound by any main highways and is generally well contained within an area of land benefitting from natural boundaries such as mature trees and hedgerows.

The proposed site boundary is shown below, outlined in red.



## 2. The Site

### Site Selection

The site has been selected following a detailed selection process. There are several key reasons why the site is suitable to accommodate the development, which can be summarised as follows:

- The site has a viable and achievable grid connection and does not require any extensive network upgrades
- The site provides a large area of flat ground
- The site is low quality agricultural land (Grade 3b), not 'best and most versatile land'
- There are few residential properties adjoining or in close proximity to the site.
- The land is available for the development for the duration of the project lifetime
- The site itself is not subject to any statutory landscape designation including National Park, AONB, or Green Belt.
- The site is not located in the flood zone
- The site is not subject to any ecological designation such as SSSI land or nature reserve.
- It is well distanced from local heritage assets.
- The relatively high levels of solar irradiation within this location
- The site offers significant opportunity for ecological enhancements

