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Planning Department
Havant Borough Council
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Subject: Application for Prior Approval – Solar Panel Installation by Energise South Downs

Dear Planning Officer,

I am writing to submit an application for Prior Approval for the proposed installation of solar panels at Hayling Island Sailing Club (HISC), Sandy Point, PO11 9SL, undertaken by Energise South Downs. This project will be a key part of our first batch of community owned solar PV panels which will contribute to local and national carbon reduction targets. We are working closely with HISC and Emma Toman has already sought pre-app guidance for solar panel installation from HBC and Chichester Harbour Conservancy (see attached supporting docs).

Project Overview:

The installation will involve the mounting of 158 photovoltaic panels on two building's roofs, which will produce 72kW of power and reduce annual CO2 emissions by 15 tonnes. The proposed site has been selected based on its suitability for solar energy capture, alignment with local planning policies and high energy use in the club house building.

Supporting Documentation:

Please find enclosed the following documents to support our application:

Completed application form.

HISC Location Plan to scale with N indicated, showing the proposed roof space to be developed in red highlights.

HISC Solar PV panel data sheet – showing the product info of the panels that would be used.

- HISC Solar Edge Headlines – showing power generation and annual carbon emission savings.
- A Pre-application response from Chichester Harbour Conservancy from Dec 22.
- A Pre-application response from Havant Borough Council from Jan 23.
- Birds eye view showing the proposed layout and distribution of solar panels.

Key Benefits of the Project:

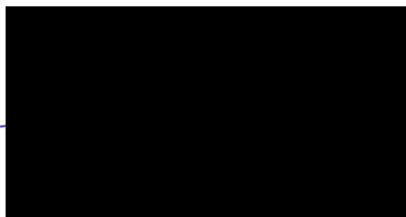
- Reduced carbon footprint for the community.
- Increased local energy resilience and reduced reliance on non-renewable sources.
- Long-term cost savings for the club and investment opportunities for the community.

We believe this initiative aligns closely with local development policies, national renewable energy goals, and community interests. Additionally, we are committed to ensuring that the project is executed with minimal disruption and full compliance with planning regulations. All panels will be placed more than 1m from the roof edge and will protrude less than 0.2m from the current roof pitch.

If any further information or clarification is required, please do not hesitate to contact me at amelia@esd.energy.

Thank you for considering this application.

Yours sincerely,



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