



Candwr Solar Farm

Pre Application Consultation

Environmental Statement

Appendix 5.5 Visual Effects Summary Table

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Viewpoint/Receptor	Baseline View	Comments	Magnitude of Change	Overall Effect
Viewpoint 1 From PRow Footpath 366 116/2, looking south PRow users: High sensitivity	The view is taken from elevated ground, approximately 0.7km to the north of Parcel 3. The horizon is generally broad, although restricted due to intervening landform. The view is of a rolling landscape of fields with some small clusters of mature woodland. The view is characteristically rural. To the southwest in the foreground, the buildings associated with White House Farm are visible. Owing to the landform, the northern-facing slopes of Parcel 3 are partially visible from this location.	From this position, the northeastern most parts of Parcel 3 are visible. The majority of Parcel 3 is to be left undeveloped, with upper slopes free from panels. Due to the intervening topography, it is unlikely that panels would be visible in the view. Furthermore, Parcel 3 only occupies a small part of a much wider panoramic outlook, so the Proposed Development would not be a noticeable feature in the landscape.	Construction (temporary): Negligible	Construction (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Negligible	Year 1: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 15: Negligible	Year 15: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible	Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 2 From PRow Footpath 367 48/1, looking west	The view is from slightly elevated ground just north of Parcel 3. To the west, the views are broad and like those experienced at Viewpoint 1. Owing to its proximity to the Site boundary, the slopes of Parcel 3 are visible in the foreground, on the opposing side of a mature hedgerow, which is gappy in places.	The majority of Parcel 3 is to be left undeveloped, and this includes the slopes most visible from Viewpoint 2. A glimpsed partial view of the edge of the Proposed Development may be possible from this location, but in large part the view will remain unchanged.	Construction (temporary): Negligible	Construction (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Negligible	Year 1: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 15: Negligible	Year 15: Negligible (Not Significant)

Viewpoint/Receptor	Baseline View	Comments	Magnitude of Change	Overall Effect
PRoW users: High sensitivity			Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible	Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 3 From PRoW Footpath 367 47/1, looking south PRoW users: High sensitivity	The view is from an elevated position on the northern boundary of Parcel 5, taken through a field gate. Downslope and on the opposite side of a mature hedgerow comprised predominantly of hedgerow trees is Parcel 4. On the opposite side of the valley, on rising ground, Parcels 9 and 13 are visible. Further to the west (right of receptor), the southeastern corner of Parcel 6 is also in view. Down valley to the southeast the landform opens up, and the village of Ponthir is visible nestled in the valley floor.	. Parcel 5 occupies the foreground, but owing to the proposed layout, the Proposed Development would not occupy the top end of this field in the immediate view. Similarly, the upper extent of Parcel 4 visible in the west of the view (left of receptor) is proposed to remain undeveloped, with the Proposed Development occupying the lower slopes of this field parcel, which are screened from this location by dense and mature vegetation. In the middle distance, Parcels 9 and 13 occupy parts of the opposing hillside. Whilst within the Application Site, some of these fields are proposed to remain undeveloped, for example a buffer surrounding Pant-yr-eos. From Viewpoint 3, some of the Proposed Development would sit within view on the hillside in Parcels 9 and 13. Development within Parcel 6 would be partially visible. The amount of Development visible in the view would be small and visible from a gateway field entrance.	Construction (temporary): Medium	Construction (temporary): Major Adverse (Significant)
			Year 1: Medium	Year 1: Major Adverse (Significant)
			Year 15: Medium	Year 15: Major Adverse (Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Medium	Decommissioning (temporary): Major Adverse (Significant)
Viewpoint 4	The view is from elevated ground above Parcel 4 and is taken through a field gate. A residential building is visible in at the downslope (western) end of Parcel 4. In the middle distance, on rising ground but filtered	In the visible part of Parcel 9, the lower slopes are proposed to contain panels, which will be in large screened by mature vegetation along the valley floor. Only a small part of the visible areas of Parcel 13 will contain the Proposed Development which will be seen from this view	Construction (temporary): Low	Construction (temporary): Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)

Viewpoint/Receptor	Baseline View	Comments	Magnitude of Change	Overall Effect
From PRoW Footpath 367 29/1, looking west PRoW users: High sensitivity	by intervening vegetation, small areas of Parcels 6 and 9 are visible. Further west, on the opposite side of a mature hedgerow, filtered views of Parcel 5 are available. To the east, also filtered by vegetation, small portions of Parcel 13 are visible on rising ground.	on rising ground to the southwest (left of receptor). A small slither of Parcel 6 is in view, filtered by intervening hedgerows. Any panels visible would be further screened in summer months when boundary vegetation is in leaf.	Year 1: Low	Year 1: Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)
			Year 15: Low	Year 15: Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Low	Decommissioning (temporary): Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 5 From PRoW Footpath 424 33/1, looking east PRoW users: High sensitivity	The view is from a footpath to the west of Parcel 6 and southwest of Parcel 7. Owing to the landform and vegetation, the view here is constrained and the horizons short. Occupying the centre of the view in the middle distance is an area of rising ground, which limits the horizon directly to the east. In the immediate foreground lies a field currently in pastoral use, bound by trees with some gaps. On rising ground beyond the treeline lies Parcel 7 which is partially visible. Parcel 6 is barely perceptible. The other parcels of the Site are not visible.	The Proposed Development would be partially visible in Parcel 7 glimpsed between the trees. In the summer, when these trees are in leaf, views of the Proposed Development would be reduced. There may be a barely perceptible view of a very small part of Parcel 6, over the top of the hedgerow at the edge of the field. The northeastern edge of Parcel 6 is proposed to be left undeveloped, which would reduce the extent of panels that would be visible from this location, owing to a combination of hedgerows and landform.	Construction (temporary): Medium	Construction (temporary): Major Adverse (Significant)
			Year 1: Medium	Year 1: Major Adverse (Significant)
			Year 15: Medium	Year 15: Major Adverse (Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Medium	Decommissioning (temporary):

Viewpoint/Receptor	Baseline View	Comments	Magnitude of Change	Overall Effect
				Major Adverse (Significant)
Viewpoint 6 (Photomontage) PRoW Footpath 424 34/1, looking east PRoW users: High sensitivity	Viewpoint 6 is from high ground to the 5.1.1. The view is from high ground to the east of Parcels 6 and 9, and southeast of Parcel 7. The view is seen in sequence from viewpoint 5 by ramblers using the footpath heading south toward Llanfrechfa. The views are generally wide and expansive in all directions, although somewhat constrained in the middle of the view by an area of rising ground above Parcels 6 and 7. From this location, Parcels 4, 5, 6 and 7 are visible both on ground below the viewpoint.	From this position, the Proposed Development would be visible in Parcels 4, 5, 6 and 7. The Proposed Development in view in Parcels 6 and 7 would occupy the vast majority of the fields in view. These fields occupy lower ground in the wider view. The Proposed Development would be visible obliquely in Parcels 4 and 5, where it is proposed to occupy the lower slopes of these fields, which reduces the visual impact of the Proposed Development in this area.	Construction (temporary): High	Construction (temporary): Major Adverse (Significant)
			Year 1: High	Year 1: Major Adverse (Significant)
			Year 15: High	Year 15: Major Adverse (Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): High	Decommissioning (temporary): Major Adverse (Significant)
Viewpoint 7 PRoW Footpath 424 33/1, looking east	The view is taken east of Parcel 6, to the south of Viewpoint 7. The views from this location would be experienced in sequence with Viewpoint 6. Despite its proximity to Viewpoint 7, the outlook from this location is considerably different. The horizon is flatter and broader, and the initial outlook is over a large pastoral field which sits relatively flat upon this ridgetop. Parcel 7 is visible obliquely to the north, and filtered views of Parcels 4	The Proposed Development would be visible obliquely in Parcels 4, 5, and 7. Only glimpse views of the Proposed Development in Parcels 4 and 5 would be visible, as only the lower slopes of these parcels are proposed to contain solar PV panels. Parcel 7 occupies a very small portion of the overall view to the north, and sits low on the horizon. The Proposed Development would be	Construction (temporary): Low	Construction (temporary): Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Low	Year 1: Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)

Viewpoint/Receptor	Baseline View	Comments	Magnitude of Change	Overall Effect
PRoW users: High sensitivity	and 5 are visible in the middle distance to the northeast. Longer-distance views are of the rolling countryside in the area surrounding Llanfrechfa and are characteristically rural of the area.	seen here, partially screened behind a mature hedge. This parcel is not a defining part of the overall view, which is largely open to the east with long-distance views. The view from this location demonstrates how, despite the variation in overall effect along this footpath, the Site is generally well screened from view, and in large part does not form a defining part of the view.	Year 15: Low	Year 15: Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Low	Decommissioning (temporary): Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 8 From junction of minor lanes north of Church Farm, Llanfrechfa, looking east Road Users: Medium Sensitivity	The view is taken from the junction of two minor single-track lanes in the higher ground above Llanfrechfa. Receptors in this location would be road users (likely to be either local residents or farm traffic) and owing to the size of the roads are likely to be infrequent. Views are medium reaching owing to landform and vegetation. To the west, behind the receptor, lies higher ground outside of the site boundary. The view is characteristic of a rural lane, with well-maintained dense hedgerows and some mature hedgerow trees. Through the field gate in the centre of the view, on falling ground, lies Parcel 6. On rising ground beyond, filtered by hedgerows, Parcel 5 is visible. On the southwestern side of the lane (to the right of the viewer), Parcel 6 extends across the road. Owing to proximity and	From this location, the Proposed Development would be visible in two immediate fields comprising Parcel 6, on either side of the road visible. Panels would be visible through gaps in the hedgerows, and through the field gate visible. The Proposed Development is comprised of solar panels which are low in profile, and therefore will sit below the hedgerow. Parcel 5 is visible in the middle distance through a line of trees demarcating a the western boundary of the Parcel. As panels would only occupy the lower slopes of this field, it would not be highly visible from this location. Receptors are road users, who will not be able to see the view through hedgerow gaps or the gate shown in the image for any extended period. Despite this, the Proposed Development would occupy fields directly adjacent to the	Construction (temporary): Medium	Construction (temporary): Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Medium	Year 1: Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)
			Year 15: Medium	Year 15: Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)

Viewpoint/Receptor	Baseline View	Comments	Magnitude of Change	Overall Effect
	hedgerow height, views of the most immediate parcels would be limited to glimpse views through gaps in the hedgerows or gateways.	road, meaning there is potential for high intervisibility, especially during winter (worst case). There are opportunities at this viewpoint – and in the surrounding area – for some mitigation planting to gap up hedgerows. Additionally, the visual impact can be offset by inseting panels within the field boundaries, increasing the relative screening effect of the lower maintained hedgerows which are characteristic of the area.	Decommissioning (temporary): Medium	Decommissioning (temporary): Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 9 (Photomontage) From PRoW Footpath 424 26/1 looking north PRoW users: High sensitivity	The view is taken from a footpath to the east of Llanfrechfa, approximately 0.13km from All Saints Church. Receptors at this location are PRoW users. The view is of a rolling rural landscape. Views are generally long ranging, although landform in the centre of the view means visibility in some places is only into the middle-distance. The view is taken from the southeastern boundary of Parcel 9, which occupies the immediate foreground. From this position, filtered views of Parcels 6 and 7 are possible in the middle distance. On rising ground to the centre of the image, Parcel 5 occupies a prominent position on the hillside, adjacent to which Parcel 4 is also visible, albeit more obliquely as the landform rolls away from the receptor.	From this location, parts of the Proposed Development would be visible in all in-view field parcels. Parcel 9 occupies the foreground of the image, however, this is proposed to be retained as existing, with no solar panels. The immediate foreground of the image would therefore remain the same as the existing baseline. The remainder of Parcel 9 is visible downslope, partially screened by mature hedgerow and trees, and the Proposed Development would be visible, albeit obliquely, from this viewpoint. Parcels 6 and 7 occupy positions further down the valley in the centre of the view. The Proposed Development would be visible in these locations in the middle-distance. From this location, only parts of Parcels 4 and 5 which are proposed to contain solar panels are visible: the lower slopes of these fields are screened from view by a combination of hedgerow and landform, limiting views of these Proposed Development in these locations.	Construction (temporary): Medium	Construction (temporary): Major Adverse (Significant)
			Year 1: Medium	Year 1: Major Adverse (Significant)
			Year 15: Medium	Year 15: Major Adverse (Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Medium	Decommissioning (temporary): Major Adverse (Significant)

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Viewpoint 10 From PRoW Footpath 424 19/1, looking southeast PRoW users: High sensitivity	The view is from a footpath off the southeastern corner of Parcel 13, on the northern edge of Ponthir. The view has a broad horizon to the southeast and encompasses some residential properties on the northern edge of Ponthir. To the northwest and north, views are more constrained by mature trees and landform. The southeastern edge of Parcel 4 is visible through a small gap in the vegetation to the northwest. The western edge of Parcel 8 is visible obliquely in the distance as the landform rises slightly, south of the reservoir and waterworks. Views of both Parcels are filtered by vegetation, the screening effect of which is likely to be greater in the spring and summer when the trees and hedgerows are in leaf. Visible parts of the site form part of the wider tapestry of the landscape, and do not form a key part of the wider view.	From this location, only very limited parts of the Proposed Development would be visible at the very western edge of Parcel 8 in the centre of the view, and would be seen in context with the water works, electricity pylons and other built form. The amount of the Proposed Development visible in Parcel 8 would be minimal. Heavily filtered views of Parcel 4 from this location would mean some of the Proposed Development would be visible through the hedge and trees at the edge of the field from which the view is taken. During spring and summer, when trees are in leaf, these views would be extremely limited. Neither of these field parcels occupy a large portion of the view, and they do not define what is otherwise a broad outlook over a wide landscape.	Construction (temporary): Negligible	Construction (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Negligible	Year 1: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 15: Negligible	Year 15: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible	Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 11 From PRoW Footpath 424 18/1, looking east.	Viewpoint 11 is taken from a similar position to Viewpoint 10, further east along the northern edge of Ponthir. Views from this outlook are more constrained than at Viewpoint 10, and are characterised by an outlook over open agricultural fields bound by dense but managed mature hedgerows. At the edge of the field from which the view is taken, a row of mature trees filter views of the rising ground	From this location, limited parts of the Proposed Development would be visible filtered through trees to the north and northeast in Parcels 4 and 5. The Proposed layout means only the lower slopes of these field parcels would contain panels, meaning the portion of the view occupied by the Proposed Development would be negligible. Views during the spring and summer would be even more limited. During any	Construction (temporary): Negligible	Construction (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Negligible	Year 1: Negligible (Not Significant)

Viewpoint/Receptor	Baseline View	Comments	Magnitude of Change	Overall Effect
PRoW users: High sensitivity	in the middle distance in the direction of the water works. To the north and northeast, Parcels 4 and 5 are visible in glimpse view on rising ground, albeit filtered through Significant intervening vegetation. Occupying a roughly central position in the image is Candwr Camp Scheduled Monument. The remainder of the Site is out of view, owing to the rolling landform.	season, views of panels would be limited to glimpses through the trees.	Year 15: Negligible	Year 15: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible	Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 12 (Photomontage) From PRoW Footpath 389 17/1, looking north. PRoW users: High sensitivity	The view is taken from a more distant position relative to the Site, southeast of Ponthir and approximately 0.75km from the southern boundary of Parcel 12. In the immediate foreground, the landform drops away sharply towards Ponthir and a trading estate to the northeast. Central in the image is a small hill, which obscures views. In the middle distance to the north, the village of Ponthir is a prominent human feature on the landscape, whilst pylons and a chimney stack are also apparent from this location. Despite these human influences on the landscape, the view is of a rural character. From this position, there are long-distance views of Parcels 8 and 12 on rising ground beyond the trading estate. Central in the image, beyond Ponthir village, Parcels 4 and 5 are visible on the rising ground. There are filtered/glimpse views of Parcel 13 through mature trees on the side of the hill in the middle ground.	From this viewpoint, the Proposed Development would be visible in Parcels 4, 5, 8, 12 and 13. Whilst panels would only occupy parts of Parcels 4 and 5, owing to the distance between the Site and the viewpoint location, the Proposed Development would be visible in these parcels, albeit in the distance and in context with existing built form in and around Ponthir. Parcels 8 and 12 occupy positions closer to the viewpoint, and the Proposed Development would occupy Significant portions of the visible parts of these fields. Again, it would be seen in context with existing built form in Ponthir, including the industrial/trading estate.	Construction (temporary): Low	Construction (temporary): Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Low	Year 1: Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)
			Year 15: Low	Year 15: Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)
		Only a small portion of Parcel 13 is visible from this location, and glimpse views of the Proposed Development may be possible through the vegetation, especially during winter (worst case).	Decommissioning (temporary): Low	Decommissioning (temporary): Moderate Adverse (Not Significant)

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Viewpoint 13 From PRow Footpath 424 50/1, looking northwest PRow Users: High Sensitivity	The view is from a PRow in the southwestern corner of Parcel 12, adjacent to the sewage treatment plant. In front of the receptor, the topography rises toward Pentwyn Farm, which is visible on the rising ground in the centre of view. Owing to the landform, views are generally short-reaching and are of pastoral fields bound by mature hedgerows with hedgerow trees. Parcel 12 spans the majority of the width of the view, and the remaining site extents continue northeast of the viewpoint location, out of view behind tall vegetation and rising topography.	Despite being taken from within Parcel 12, the immediate foreground (i.e. the area directly to the east of the sewage treatment plant) is proposed to be left undeveloped. The developed area of Parcel 12 would be in view on rising ground in the centre of the image. Significant offsetting of panels around Pentwyn Farm would reduce the portion of the view which is occupied by panels. The short horizon in this location means the rising ground of Parcel 12 where the Proposed Development lies sits in a prominent position in view. It is worth noting that users of this PRow would be traveling either in a westerly or easterly direction, and therefore in large part would be looking toward areas outside the site boundary and Proposed Development extents.	Construction (temporary): High	Construction (temporary): Major Adverse (Significant)
			Year 1: High	Year 1: Major Adverse (Significant)
			Year 15: High	Year 15: Major Adverse (Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): High	Decommissioning (temporary): Major Adverse (Significant)
Viewpoint 14 From PRow Footpath 367 3/1, looking northwest	The view is from a PRow approximately 1.6km east of the Site, northwest of the village of Llanhennock. Taken from high ground, which slopes away from the receptor, a long-reaching view is framed by the sloping topography. The view is of a managed agricultural landscape, with little evidence of human settlement. In the immediate foreground, there are a pair of electricity pylons. From this position, the entire site within view, but most field parcels are screened by the undulating topography.	The Proposed Development would be visible in glimpse view in Parcels 1, 2 and 11. Owing to topography and vegetation, any visible panels would be seen at a very oblique angle, and would form part of a tapestry of different land uses in the wider landscape. The Parcels are surrounded by dense vegetation which appears as a dark area in the landscape. The extent to which the Proposed Development could be discerned in the wider landscape would therefore be very limited.	Construction (temporary): Negligible	Construction (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Negligible	Year 1: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 15: Negligible	Year 15: Negligible (Not Significant)

Viewpoint/Receptor	Baseline View	Comments	Magnitude of Change	Overall Effect
PRoW Users: High Sensitivity	Parcels 1, 2 and 11 are visible obliquely in the distance. Parcel 1 lies on topography which slopes southeasterly, meaning its lower slopes face receptors at this location.		Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible	Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 15 From PRoW Footpath 367 4/1 and Usk Road, looking west PRoW Users: High Sensitivity	Viewpoint 15 is from the junction of PRoW 367 4/1 and Usk road, approximately 0.8km east of the site, northwest of Llanhennock. The viewpoint is taken from lower and flatter ground than Viewpoint 14, and the horizon is constrained by topography. The view is of rolling pastoral fields, bound by trees and gappy hedgerows. In front of the receptor, to the west, the topography rises. Consequently, the site is not visible from this location.	From this location, none of the Parcels which comprise the Site are visible. Therefore, none of the Proposed Development would be visible, and there would be no change to the baseline view.	Construction (temporary): No change	Construction (temporary): No change (Not Significant)
			Year 1: No change	Year 1: No change (Not Significant)
			Year 15: No change	Year 15: No change (Not Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): No change (Not Significant)	Decommissioning (temporary): No change (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 16	The viewpoint is located approximately 0.2km north of Parcel 2, from the top of a small ridge. In the foreground, a large pastoral field falls away from the receptor, and the horizon is framed by the topography, with some longer	In this view, the Proposed Development would be visible in Parcels 1, 2 and 11 on rising ground in front of the receptor. The Proposed Site Layout in this location is such that, aside from offsetting the panels into the existing field	Construction (temporary): High	Construction (temporary): Major Adverse (Significant)

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From PRoW Footpath 367 34/1, looking south	distance views. Aside from the agricultural character, the view contains a large number of trees which occupy field boundaries. In the middle ground, central in the view, the topography rises and Parcels 1, 2 and 11 are visible on rising ground. Whilst the site boundary continues out of view, no other Parcels are in view owing to landform.	boundaries, the majority of each field parcel would be occupied by solar panels, which would therefore be highly visible from this location. It should be noted that this viewpoint is taken from a footpath approximately 1.85km north of Ponthir, meaning the frequency of use will be lower those closer to the village. Owing to the landform, the Parcels occupy a Significant portion of the view. Parcels 2 and 11 occupy lower-lying positions relative to Parcel 1, and the Proposed Development will therefore not intrude into the skyline as the view opens as down the valley to the southeast.	Year 1: High	Year 1: Major Adverse (Significant)
PRoW Users: High Sensitivity			Year 15: High	Year 15: Major Adverse (Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): High	Decommissioning (temporary): Major Adverse (Significant)
Viewpoint 17	The view is from a footpath on the northeastern corner of the reservoir, west of Parcel 2 and east of the western half of the site. It occupies a roughly central position in the site relative to all field parcels. The horizon is broad owing to the topography. There are long distance views of rolling pastoral fields and small wooded blocks. On rising ground in the centre of the view, through a gap in the hedgerow, Parcel 1 is partially visible. Further round to the east (left of receptor). Parcel 2 is also partially visible through the hedgerow and trees. To the west (right of receptor) rising ground around the reservoir obscures views of the western half of the site.	The Proposed Development would be visible in Parcels 1, 2 and 11. The central area of Parcel 1 occupies a more prominent position in the wider view, and the viewpoint would offer views of the panels in this parcel from the opposite side of a row of trees which contains several large gaps. During the summer, the Proposed Development would be less visible owing to vegetation; both in Parcel 1 through the hedgerow, and also in Parcels 2 and 11 on the lower-lying ground below. The view from this location is broad and none of the Proposed Development would occupy a Significant portion of the wider view. There are opportunities for mitigation planting along the northern boundary of Parcel 1 to strengthen and enhance the screening effect of the existing hedgerow and trees. As this matures over the	Construction (temporary): High	Construction (temporary): Major Adverse (Significant)
From PRoW Footpath 367 31/1, looking southeast			Year 1: Medium	Year 15: Major Adverse (Significant)
PRoW Users: High Sensitivity			Year 15: Medium	Year 15: Major Adverse (Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Medium	Decommissioning (temporary):

Viewpoint/Receptor	Baseline View	Comments	Magnitude of Change	Overall Effect
		period of the temporary permission sought, the magnitude of change may also reduce.		Major Adverse (Significant)
Viewpoint 18 From PRow Footpath 367 37/1, looking southeast PRow Users: High Sensitivity	The viewpoint is located approximately 0.3km west of Parcel 8 and 0.2km southeast of Parcel 10. It is southeast of Viewpoint 17 but still occupies a position broadly central within the site. Receptors are PRow users. The topography in this area is more gently rolling and there are some longer distance views over smaller hills in the foreground. From this point, the view is largely of agricultural fields, with Ponthir in view to the southwest (right of receptor). On rising ground, in the centre of the view, the westernmost edge of Parcel 8 is visible obliquely on the opposite side of a mature, maintained hedgerow.	From this viewpoint, the Proposed Development would be visible in the very western extent of Parcel 8. The developed area would sit behind an existing hedgerow and would appear as a small sliver at the top of an area of rising ground in front of the receptor. To the south (right of receptor), a proposed site access track may be visible obliquely, but this would have an agricultural appearance and not be discernible as part of the wider development in the landscape.	Construction (temporary): Negligible	Construction (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Negligible	Year 1: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 15: Negligible	Year 15: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible	Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 19 From PRow Footpath 289 24/1, looking west.	The view is taken from a footpath which runs the length of the access track to Pentwyn Farm. The site boundary lies immediately adjacent to the west of the receptor in this location. The view to the west is constrained by a mature hedgerow. The closest field parcel (12) lies on the opposite side of the hedgerow, but it is largely screened from view.	The field parcel (12D) closest to the receptor in this location is proposed to contain solar arrays, but they would not extend to abut the hedgerow in the immediate view. Due to the interaction of topography and the hedgerow from this location, there would be a negligible change to the view from this location. It should also be noted that views in the direction of the	Construction (temporary): Negligible	Construction (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Negligible	Year 1: Negligible (Not Significant)

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PRoW Users: High Sensitivity	Some mature trees set within the field parcels and within their boundary hedgerows are visible, but the horizon is very short owing to both the hedgerow and gently rising topography.	closest part of the site are adjacent to the direction of travel of receptors along the PRoW. Parcel 12B, which lies to the southwest of the receptor in this location, would not be visible due to the interaction of falling topography and the mature hedgerow to the west of the PRoW.	Year 15: Negligible	Year 15: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible	Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 20 From PRoW footpath 389 29/1, within Celtic Manor Golf Course, looking northwest PRoW Users: High Sensitivity	The view is taken from high ground approximately 2.5km to the southwest of the site. Receptors in this location are PRoW users and users of the golf course. The view is wide and expansive with a long horizon. The foreground is occupied by a golf course, with a band of mature trees in the middle ground partially screening views in the direction of the site. The view contains rolling agricultural fields and dispersed settlements. Parts of the site are visible from this location, some – for example Parcel 5 – on ground that rises gently, increasing its prominence in the view. The extent of the site that is visible from this location is limited, and occupies only a small portion of the overall view.	From this location, the Proposed Development would be partially visible within the centre of the view. However, it would occupy only a small portion of the overall view, with parts of the site screened by vegetation in the middle ground. The view contains a mix of land uses and settlement, and the proposed development would be seen as further variation in the view. Owing to distance from the site, there would be little appreciable change to the view.	Construction (temporary): Negligible	Construction (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Negligible	Year 1: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 15: Negligible	Year 15: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible	Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 21	The view is taken from a public footpath north of Catsash, approximately 3.75km southeast of the site. The view is wide, expansive and with a long horizon. It contains a mix of land uses including agricultural woodland,	From this location, parts of the Proposed Development may be partially visible. Owing to the expanse of the view, the proportion of the view that would be occupied by solar arrays would be small, and they would be seen as part	Construction (temporary): Negligible	Construction (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)

Viewpoint/Receptor	Baseline View	Comments	Magnitude of Change	Overall Effect
From PRow Footpath 389 41/1, looking northwest PRow Users: High Sensitivity	settlement and a golf course associated with Celtic Manor Resort in the middle ground, on the opposite side of the A449. The site is seen at considerable distance, and therefore only occupies a small portion of the overall view. Not all of the site is visible due to the rolling topography of the landscape. In the longer distance, views into the Brecon Beacons are available.	of a tapestry of land uses, with considerable existing human influence, and thus not be strident features within the landscape. Whilst visible, the Proposed Development would not redefine or alter any of the key characteristics of the view.	Year 1: Negligible	Year 1: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 15: Negligible	Year 15: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible	Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
Viewpoint 22 From PRow Footpath 420 20/1, looking southeast PRow Users: High Sensitivity	The view is taken from relatively high ground to the northwest of the site, approximately 0.5km from the site boundary. The view is relatively wide, with a long horizon and few intervening features. The foreground is occupied by an agricultural field, presently laid to grass, and contains hedgerows and some mature hedgerow trees. In view is some existing built form, including Ty-Llwyd Farm. The majority of the site is not visible from this location, with the topography of the foreground obscuring the most proximal field parcel to the receptor. Longer distance views are available, although primarily comprise wooded hills in the distance. From this location, the upper slope of Parcel 3 is visible.	From this location, if visible at all, only very small portions of the Proposed Development would be in view. The upper slope of Parcel 3 that is visible from this location would not be occupied by solar arrays, and the remainder of the site is largely obscured by vegetation and the rolling topography. The view is taken through a gap in a mature hedgerow, meaning it is not experienced for the full length of the PRow in this location. There would be a negligible magnitude of change at Years 1 and 15.	Construction (temporary): Negligible	Construction (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Negligible	Year 1: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 15: Negligible	Year 15: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible	Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)

Viewpoint/Receptor	Baseline View	Comments	Magnitude of Change	Overall Effect
Viewpoint 23 From Tre Herbert Road, looking south Road Users: Medium Sensitivity	This view is taken from Tre Herbert Road, which follows a small ridgeline approximately 2.67km northwest of the site. The view is taken over a mature hedgerow which has been managed at a low overall height, such that the view is available for drivers of cars along the road. The horizon is broad and contains a rolling agricultural landscape, including woodland blocks. The site is partially visible, with topography and vegetation obscuring substantial portions of the overall site area. Much of the site occupies lower lying ground that is not visible from this location, whilst the rolling topography determines the visibility of the remainder of the site, with some obscured by a small hill in the centre of the view. Parcel 3 is visible on this rising ground, partially obscured by intervening landscape features.	From this location, it is likely that the only portion of the Proposed Development that would be visible would be located within Parcel 3. It should be noted that solar arrays are only proposed to occupy the lower portions of this field parcel, meaning they would not breach the skyline in the view, and would be set within the existing field boundaries. This portion of the Proposed Development would occupy a very small portion of a broad view. Receptors would view the Proposed Development in a transitory nature, and the view is not an integral component of their reason for being in the landscape (i.e. to travel along the road). The magnitude of change would be negligible at all development stages.	Construction (temporary): Negligible	Construction (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 1: Negligible	Year 1: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Year 15: Negligible	Year 15: Negligible (Not Significant)
			Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible	Decommissioning (temporary): Negligible (Not Significant)