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Response to Planning application from Hertfordshire County Council (T and CP GDP Order 2015)

Director of Planning

Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council
The Campus
Welwyn Garden City
Hertfordshire
AL8 6AW

District ref: 6/2022/2010/PN24
HCC ref: WH/13691/2022
HCC received: 6 September 2022
Area manager: Matthew Armstrong
Case officer: Steven Knight

Location

EAST SHOWROOM HATFIELD BUSINESS PARK HATFIELD AL10 9WN

Application type

Prior Approval

Proposal

Prior Approval for installation of 114kW solar PV system comprising of 300 x 380w Canadian Solar modules.

Recommendation

Notice is given under article 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 that Hertfordshire County Council as Highway Authority does not wish to restrict the grant of permission.

COMMENTS:

The application seeks prior approval for the installation of 300 roof-mounted solar panels.

The site is located near the junction between Mosquito Way and Gypsy Moth Avenue which are both unclassified local access roads with vehicle speeds restricted to 30mph. There is no recorded accident history in the vicinity of the site from the past five years.

From most parts of the highway the panels will be hidden behind other buildings. Where this isn't the case, they will be in the peripheral vision of drivers and not directly in their line of site. However, given the height and shallow pitch of the roof, it does not appear that the panels be visible from the highway at all.

The highway authority does not wish to restrict the approval of this application as the proposals will have no significant impact on the highway.

Signed
Steven Knight

12 September 2022