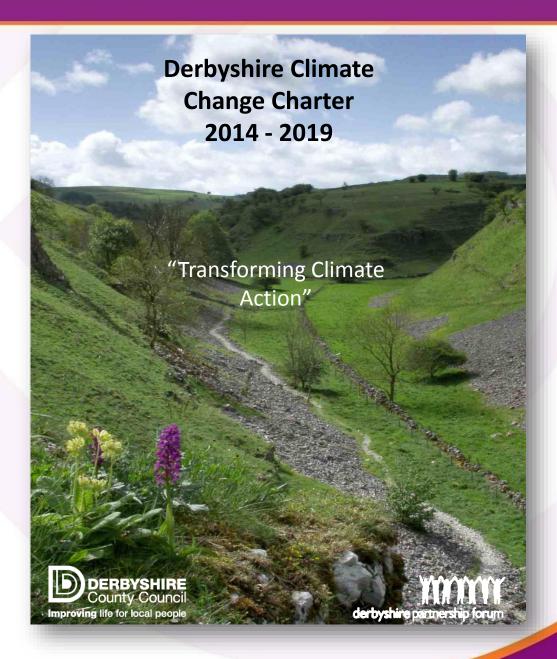
# Derbyshire Climate Change Charter 2014 - 2019

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#### **Derbyshire Communities**





Minimising Flood Risk

Infrastructure

Building Resilience Within Service Delivery

Adapting the Built Enviroment

Community Resilience Planning



## 6 Key Priority Areas





# Ground Mounted Solar PV in Derbyshire Post-industrial land – generating solar power and income



#### **Council Plan 2014 – 2017**

# A Safer Derbyshire – Green and Sustainable Communities

- Lead on climate change mitigation and adaptation
  - Climate Change Charter
- Reduce the Council's carbon footprint
- Assess efficiency of all assets
- Invest in renewable energy
  - Reduce risk of future energy price rises
  - Generate income streams



#### **Environmental Sustainability Group**

- Established in 2010
- Objectives;
  - Achieve greater sustainability impacts from existing resources
  - Performance framework for sustainability accounting across the whole council
    - Balanced Scorecard



#### **Review of Sustainable Energy Potential**

- Improvement and Scrutiny Committee (Resources)
- Aim;
  - Investigate current council sustainable energy projects
  - Ascertain viability of future projects on council owned land and projects, including those identified in the Non-Operational Review



#### **Review of Sustainable Energy Potential**

- Land based solar PV
  - Best suited to sites unfit for agriculture and housing
  - Former heavy industrial sites now present opportunities for developing large scale sustainable energy on brownfield and contaminated sites on a commercial basis

# Sustainable Energy Generation – Initial Site Identification

- Size minimum 2 hectares
- Department and current use
- Vacant possession or Tenanted (whole or part)
- Details of any tenancies in place including start date, end date, tenant and current rent.
- Flood risk
- Shape and topography



- Land Use previously developed land
  - Brownfield
  - Contaminated
  - Industrial
  - Agricultural land classed 3b, 4 and 5



- Grid connection and capacity
  - Sub-station proximity
  - Capacity
  - Length of cable runs
- Access
  - Construction and maintenance
  - Highways Development Control



- Local Plan Policy
  - Review adopted plans and emerging policies
  - NPPF
- Visual and landscape impact
  - Reduce impact from visual receptors
  - Utilise natural screening



- Protected landscapes
  - Avoid Green Belt, SSSI, conservation areas
- Heritage assets
- Ecology
- Biodiversity gains
  - Long term land management



#### DNO – Western Power

- Early discussions (approximate connection costs)
- Contestable/Non-Contestable works
- Grid connection applications and accepting grid offers.



### Non Statutory Consultation

- Roadshow
- Ensuring issues dealt with early
- Informing local communities
- Gauging opinion



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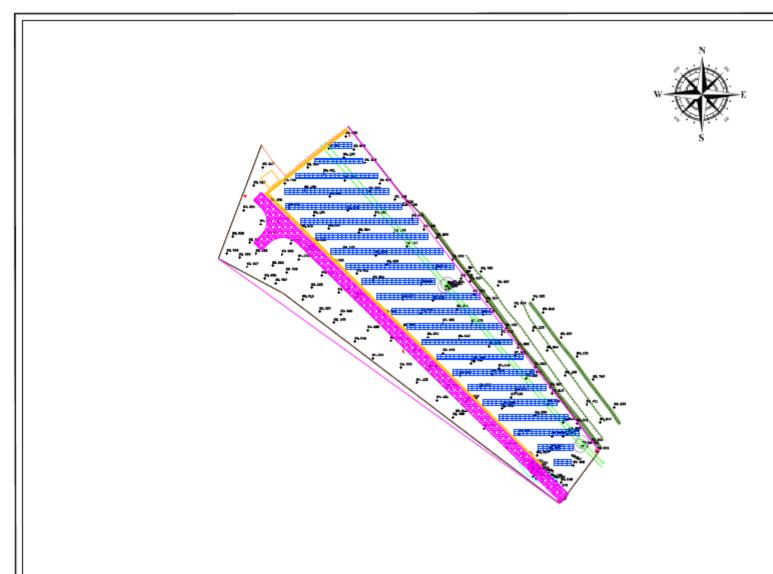




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- 1,242 panels
- Installed capacity =0.4 MWp
- Annual generation= 321 MWh
- Approx. 75 homes



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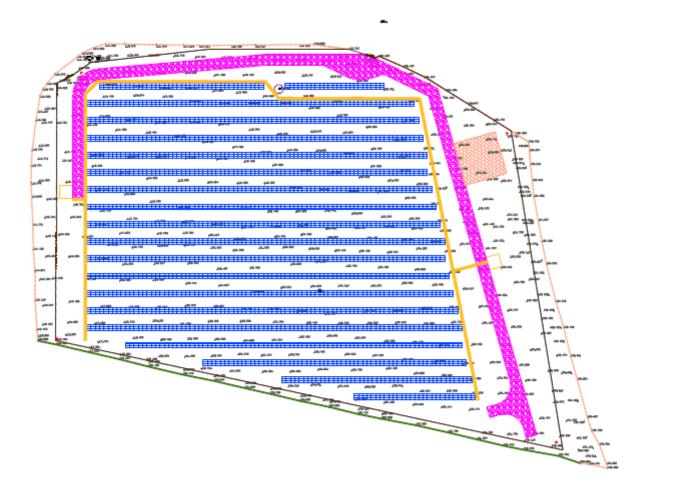


# Former Swanwick Colliery



- 3.6 Ha
- 4,236 panels
- Installed capacity =1.3 MWp
- Annual generation = 1,141 MWh
- Approx. 270 homes





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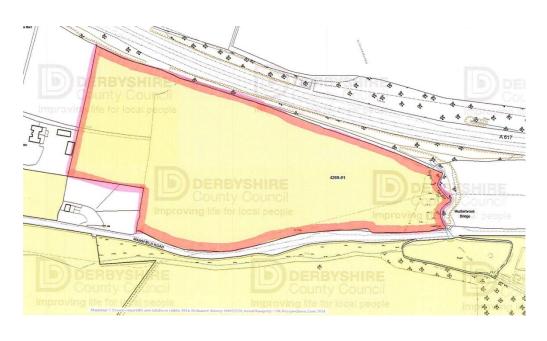
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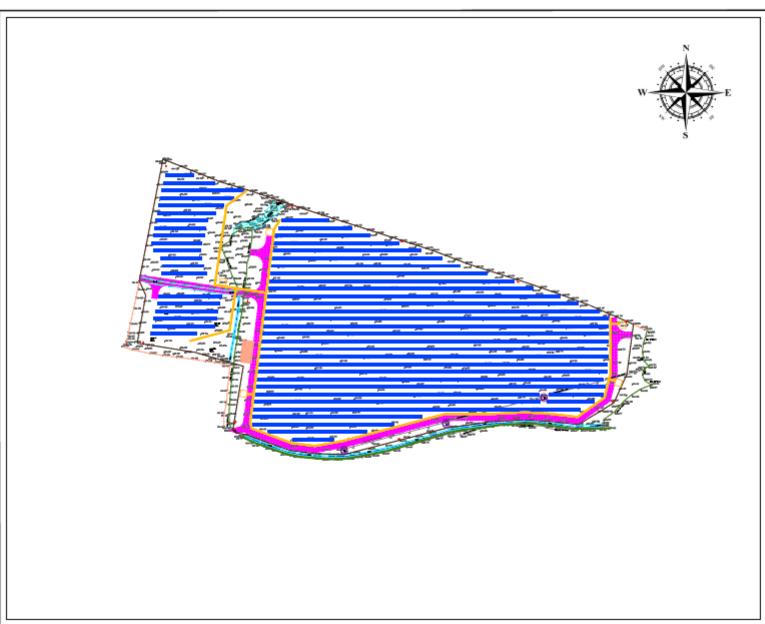
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### Land off Mansfield Road



- 7.54 Ha
- 11,928 panels
- Installed capacity =3.7 MWp
- Annual generation = 3,249 MWh
- Approx. 768 homes



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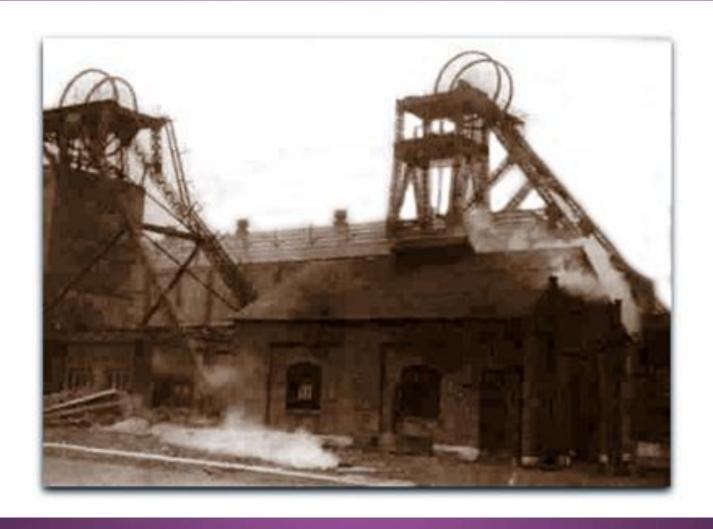
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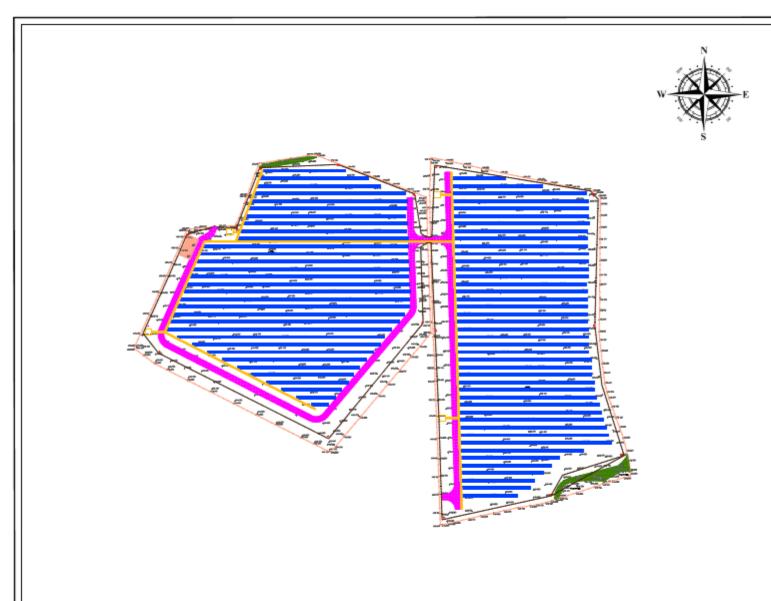




# Williamthorpe Colliery



- 10 Ha
- 14,231 panels
- Installed capacity =4.4 MWp
- Annual generation = 3,738 MWh
- Approx. 884 homes



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# Planning & Procurement

Planning applications submitted for four sites

Joint procurement exercise via APSE Energy

### Next Steps.....

- Consultation around subsidies could impact on our business case (initially predicted at 9% annual return on investment).
- Grid Parity? Drop in equipment costs?

Still working on a 2016/17 delivery date.

Thoughts and questions?.....

# Accessing the Derbyshire Climate Change Charter:

- Online: www.derbyshire.gov.uk
- Leaflets
- DPF members
- Paper copies available by order



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