

DESIGN COMMISSION FOR WALES COMISIWN DYLUNIO CYMRU

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Dear Mr Jenkinson,

Re: Pen Caer Lan Solar Farm, Neath - DNS/3272424

Thank you for contacting the Design Commission for Wales.

The Design Commission has published guidance on <u>Designing for Renewable Energy in Wales</u>. The guidance supports Policies 17 and 18 in Future Wales: The National Plan 2040 and promotes a design-led approach to renewable energy development, with an emphasis on the importance of responding to the landscape as a guiding consideration.

The Design Commission recommends all developers and promoters make early use of its strategic Design Review service, which provides site specific expert design input at key stages in the evolution of proposals. The comment and input of our independent panel of experts provides opportunities to capture the value of good design and represents a material consideration in the planning process. Please refer to our website for more information: <a href="Design Review Service">Design Commission for Wales (dcfw.org)</a>.

Yours sincerely,

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