

Important Public Information for Wymeswold Residents -

The Parish Council have received the following information about a public consultation process from Exagen, a renewables developer, which we want to bring to the attention of the village.

Exagen (who are owned by Octopus Energy) were granted consent for a 500MW battery storage project in Leicestershire in January 2024, pledging over £4m in community benefit to the local area as part of the scheme.

They have an early-stage development situated within The Wolds ward of Charnwood Borough Council. The proposed project site is located south-east of Wymeswold. They are now launching a public consultation on this project with brochures to the local community arriving shortly.

Please see attached the project brochure with further details regarding the location of the proposed project and an initial concept layout for all Wymeswold residents to read.

The project, called Mantle Solar Farm, encompasses a 49.9MW solar farm along with associated infrastructure such as access tracks and substation buildings. The site is made up of three parcels – western parcel, central parcel and eastern parcel. The site is set back from the nearby settlements of Wymeswold and Six Hills.

Exagen are commencing a public consultation process, which will include an online webinar, and a 'drop in' consultation event which is booked in **Wymeswold Memorial Hall** on the **6th February 2025**. Feedback from the public consultation and environmental assessments will then help inform the final design of the development before they submit a planning application.