

Construction and access

The proposed site access, including construction traffic is to be taken off the existing farm access at Water Hall Farm. This access will then be used for maintenance vehicles for the lifetime of the Solar Farm. Construction is expected to take 9 months.

It is anticipated that the average number of deliveries to be made by HGVs, vans and smaller lorries during construction period which would be approximately 3 per day.

Once operational there would be limited vehicle visits each month comprising of a small commercial vehicle, accessing the site for maintenance purposes.



Route A: The most direct route for all vehicles approaching from the north, south, and west would be via the A11 or M11. This would route vehicles along the A1037, which connects into the A1017 approximately 7km northwest of the site, to then arrive at the A1017 / Ains Ford junction.

Route B: Whilst this route is appropriate for all vehicles leaving the site, the current junction arrangement cannot accommodate a HGV turning left. It is proposed that all HGVs arriving from the west would head south along the B1057 then east along the B1054 which connects back onto the A1017 at Wixoe. From this location, large vehicles are then able to turn right onto Ains Ford from the A1017.

Route C: For all vehicles approaching the site from the east it is likely they will use the A131. The A1017 provides direct access to the A131 approximately 21km southeast of the site. There is no concern regarding HGVs approaching / departing along this route as it would require all vehicles to naturally right in and left out at the Ains Ford / A1017 junction.