## **Planning Statement**

## Cleave Hill, Membury,

## Axminster, Devon, EX13 7AJ

Solar-frames (South west) Ltd have been instructed to act on behalf of Mr and Mrs A Pritchard to apply for the installation of 16 ground mounted solar panels in their field to the South East of their property. The proposed Solar array area is to be located on the Southern Boundary.

Mr and Mrs Pritchard want to reduce their dependence on fossil fuels and make a positive contribution to the environment by installing a small-scale solar PV system. The electricity produced will be used in a residential property known as Cleave, Membury, Axminster. EX13 7AJ.

East Devon District Council declared a climate emergency in December 2019, and this installation of 16 solar PV panels would be Mr and Mrs Pritchard's additional contribution to support East Devon District Council's aims to enable a reduction in individual CO2eq (carbon equivalent) emissions as set out in the Council's documentation. This array will not need any concrete to be installed.

They would also hope to have an electric car and this array will help power this, reducing their carbon footprint and the pollution within the East Devon area even further. This installation will support the responsibility that all individuals have to live in a more sustainable way.

The solar array will be in 2 blocks of 8 panels mounted in a Double landscape format and less than 2 metres high from the ground in the winter position. The array will Not be visible from their house.

The solar array will not be seen from any roads or neighbours. Vehicular access would be from an existing gateway to install the solar system at Cleave Hill. The property is off the lane from the road between Membury and Beckford Bridge. There is ample parking off road on the property as only a vehicle and trailer are needed for this small-scale installation of 16 solar panels.