

# Design And Access Statement

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**Ref: PP-12650964**

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I am writing in relation to ref: PP-12650964 for the installation of Solar Panels at the address specified above.

Since our house is listed, we are seeking Listed Building consent to install Solar Panels and a battery in the pursuit of energy independence. Solar provides a clean and green source of energy and produces no greenhouse gases or carbon emissions. An average-size home with a solar panel installation will save over one tonne of carbon dioxide from entering the atmosphere every year and so helps to combat climate change.

This installation would reduce our reliance on the traditional power grid, making our household more resilient to power outages and fluctuations in electricity prices. With a solar battery and panels, we can store surplus energy for later use, optimising our self-consumption. This not only increases energy savings but also reduces strain on the grid, contributing to overall energy efficiency.

As per the additional details provided as part of this application, our plan is to install the panels at the rear of our property in the 'valley' between the rear extension and the garage. These are slate 'roofs' and so are suitable for the installation of solar panels and our plan is to install a total of 14 panels with 7 on either side of the 'valley'. Although not an ideal location for the efficiency of the Solar Panels, when situated in the position shown they will not be visible from the front or side of the property. The only way anyone would be able to view the panels in the specified location is from the fields at the rear of the property or from above.

Having spoken to a previous listed planning officer (Barbara Bosworth) a number of years ago, it was suggested that placing solar panels in the location requested was acceptable. Hopefully you will concur that this is still the case and that permission can be granted,

Regards

Andrew Cousins  
SOLAR PANEL INSTALL  
4<sup>th</sup> December 2023