



North Leigh Parish Council
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MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting of North Leigh Parish Council (NLPC) held on Thursday the 12th March 2026 at 7:30pm in the Turner Hall

Councillors Present: Chairman Andy Clements, Councillors David Harris (DH), Sarah Veasey (SV), Malcolm Shead (MS), Carol Frost (CF) and Kevin Swann (KS)

In attendance: Allison Leigh, Clerk, County Councillor Liam Walker, District Councillor Sarah Veasey

224/25. Apologies for absence: Paul Kitchin (PK) and Robert Gunn (RG)

225/25. Declarations of interest/Dispensation requests: DH declared an interest on agenda item 232/25: 25/01905/RES a i.

226/25. Minutes: NLPC agreed and signed the minutes of the following meetings:

- Planning Committee meeting of the 26th January 2026
- Planning Committee meeting of the 10th February 2026
- NLPC meeting of the 12th February 2026

227/25: Parish Councillor Vacancy: The Clerk noted there has been no call for election and has advertised this. An advertisement will also be placed on the noticeboards.

228/25. Public Forum

- Representatives from the proposed Eynsham Park Padel Club were in attendance and reported the following:
 - They are working on a project to build a local padel tennis club.
 - They will be putting a planning pre application in the near future.
 - This will not be an exclusive club but a community focused facility.

NLPC would like it to be noted in the planning agreement that this will be a facility the community can use.

- The Chairman of the Witney Buttercross Scouts was in attendance and provided a report. See attachment 1.



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229/25. Reports from the County Councillor and District Councillor:

West Oxfordshire District Council (WODC)

The District Councillor reported the following:

- There was a recent burst water mains at the Swinford Toll Bridge. There was a gap in the Thames Water Priority Register where some vulnerable people did not have water. The District Councillor was able to supply this via local supplies from Thames Water.
- The Adventure Playground planning application is progressing.
- She met with the team from the proposed Eynsham Park Padel Club.
- She has spoken to WODC about the potential disposal of assets following the local government reorganisation and it was noted there is a possibility NLPC could take ownership of the area NLPC leases off of Windmill Road.
- She has attended the premier of the documentary produced by Windrush Against Sewage Pollution.

Oxfordshire County Council (OCC)

The County Councillor reported the following:

- He had a useful meeting with the head of Highways about potholes.
- There is currently £269M of unspent s106 funds being held by OCC.
- A meeting was held between OCC, WODC, NLPC and Hailey to consider the route of the traffic relating to University Solar Farm. He noted a third route is being considered.

230/25. Action items and Clerk's Report: See Attachment 2.

- Update on the tree lighting debrief meeting: See Attachment 3.



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231/25. Finance:

- a. **Finance Report:** NLPC agreed the bank reconciliation as of 28/2/26 and payments for authorisation and noted the receipts as of 28/2/26. See Attachment 4.
- b. **Asset Register:** NLPC agreed the 2025/2026 Asset Register with a minor edit. This can be found on the website.
- c. **Review of Effectiveness:** NLPC agreed the Review of Effectiveness of Internal Controls for 2025/2026. This can be found on the website.
- d. **Donation Request:** NLPC considered the following donation requests:
 - a. North Leigh Youth Project: NLPC considered its Grant/Donation Policy and resolved to donate £500. NLPC noted that North Leigh Youth Project (NLYP) holds a strong level of reserves. However, NLPC does want to make NLYP aware that if they were ever in a situation where those reserves were severely depleted/NLYP was in a severe financial state, NLPC would be willing to look to provide financial assistance as it was able.
 - b. North Leigh Primary School: NLPC resolved not to contribute to this cost and will encourage the school to liaise with OCC due to ownership.
- e. **Training:** NLPC considered the ongoing action to investigate any appropriate training courses for NLPC to take as a whole. NLPC resolved to re-consider this once the vacancy has been filled.

232/25: Planning:

a. **25/01905/RES**

Land (E) 438738 (N) 212506 Witney Road North Leigh
Reserved matters application for 55 dwellings pursuant to outline permission (22/02498/OUT) providing details of layout, scale, appearance, and landscape (AMENDED PLANS)

NLPC resolved for DH to draft a comment for the Clerk to submit including the following:



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- There needs to be a proper construction management plan.
 - NLPC is concerned about the land left for a cycle path.
 - NLPC is concerned about the Grampian Clause and the possibility of a private sewerage.
- ii. NLPC is concerned about the preliminary works being carried out at the above site. WODC has confirmed this is a breach of planning. NLPC has received a letter from the developer with apologies as to what has happened to date. See Attachment 5.
- b. 26/00444/HHD**
40 Common Road
Erection of a single storey rear extension to replace existing conservatory
NLPC has no comments on this planning application.
- c. NLPC noted responses made since the recent meetings of the Planning Committee:
- i. **24/03100/OUT**: See Attachment 6.
 - ii. **26/00050/S73**: See Attachment 7.

233/25: West Oxfordshire Lowlands Movement and Place Plan: The Chairman reported he had attended a Teams call on this. NLPC has no comments on this Plan.

234/25: Policies: NLPC resolved to adopt the Investment Strategy with minor edits. This can be found on the website.

235/25: Local Government Reorganisation: NLPC resolved to respond in support of the two councils proposal. NLPC is concerned about how any local government reorganisation will impact on parish councils and local democracy.

236/25: Gospel Hall: NLPC noted that they have not had information on the event so will wait for further information to consider.



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237/25: Adventure Playground:

a. Planning application:

- i. NLPC noted the application has been submitted and the fee for submission of £234 has been paid under the Scheme of Delegation
- ii. DH reported that there are additional items needed for the application to be completed and the final plans should be in this week.
- iii. NLPC resolved for DH to check the contractual agreement from Community First Oxfordshire. NLPC would like to pay 50% upon validation and 50% upon a decision from WODC.

b. **Lease:** DH reported he is working on the issue of vehicular access.

238/25: Correspondence: NLPC considered the correspondence since the last meeting.

239/25. Matters for report:

- The delivery of newsletters is to be done this week
- CF has contacted Savills to see if someone not living in the village can run the allotments.
- MS reported that the Community Café is one year old and continues to grow.
- CF reported the litter pick had been successful.
- AC intends to step down as Chairman in May and to step down from NLPC in September.

The date and time of next meeting were confirmed as Thursday the 9th April 2026 at 7.30pm in the Turner Hall.

The deadline for items for the April agenda is Thursday the 26th March 2026.The meeting closed at 21:07.



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Report from the Witney Buttercross Scouts

Work to prepare the site is ongoing. Our field contractor continues to improve the field surface and has cut the hedgerows. We have had additional stone on the track and have created three passing places to aid traffic flows.

Our strategy is to apply for planning consent for change of use and the siting of temporary toilets. Should this be granted we would design a permanent building and apply for planning consent for that.

We appointed a Traffic and Transport consultant to produce a report on our anticipated use of the site and the effects on the local road network. This was taken to Oxfordshire Highways for pre planning advice and a site meeting was held with a Highways Officer. His preference is for the track to be widened where it joins Park Road, to enable two cars to pass before it reaches the highway. He accepted that this would mean works on land that we do not own. From previous conversations I know that the landowner will not allow us to do that. The Highways Officer stated that he would not recommend refusal in any case.

Following this we applied to WODC for pre planning advice. A site meeting was held with a Principal Planner to discuss our immediate and longer term plans. The formal response was that Planning Officers would support an application for change of use and temporary toilets. It should be noted that WODC have been very helpful with both advice and planning costs.

We've appointed a planning consultant to pull all of the information and required reports together and to submit a full planning application. This should be submitted in a few weeks.

This application will come to you in due course and we would be very grateful for the Parish Council's formal support. When you have the application I'd be happy to attend a council meeting to answer questions if you wish.

Scout age is 10 - 13 years old, Following this we have Explorer Scouts from 14 - 18 years old. It's great that Explorer Scouts is popular locally, but we've been unable to meet the demand in Witney and the Hanborough / Freeland unit is also full.

WBSG has recruited leaders to open a new Explorer Scout Unit. This will be managed, supported and financed by WBSG. Following a discussion with the North Leigh Scouts,



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WBSG has rented the youth club at North Leigh Memorial Hall on Tuesday evenings as their meeting location. They had their first meeting three weeks ago, with 10 young people attending. They chose to call themselves The Old Oak Explorer Unit. This unit will take young people from North Leigh who wish to continue Scouting, as well as those from Witney that we haven't been able to accommodate.

I'm sure you'll agree that this is a welcome addition to North Leigh and is further evidence of our commitment to community engagement in the village.



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Action List

<u>Action</u>	<u>Meeting date</u>	<u>Minute Reference</u>	<u>Responsible</u>	<u>Date Due</u>	<u>Update</u>
Submit comments on planning application 25/01905/RES to the Clerk for submission	12/3/25	232/25 a	DH		
Respond to the Local Government Reorganisation Consultation	12/3/25	235/25	Clerk	26/3/26	
Check CFO contract with regards to payment	12/3/25	237/25	DH		
Contact the planning consultant confirming the planning application for the MUGA at the Adventure Playground is ready for submission	12/2/26	21/25 i a	Clerk		Done. The planning application has been submitted, but the consultant needs to do some further plans in order for the application to be valid.
Begin S106 application for the MUGA at the Adventure Playground	12/2/26	218/24 i a	Clerk		In progress.
Circulate a draft flyer for the Annual Parish Meeting	12/2/26	219/25	Clerk		Done.
Arrange banners and refreshments for the Annual Parish Meeting	12/2/26	219/25	Clerk		In progress.
Put the consideration of salt for winter	15/1/26	205/25	Clerk	September	



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provision on the September agenda				agenda	
Invite the Parish Path Warden to a future meeting	15/1/26	205/25	Clerk		The Clerk has invited the Parish Path Warden to a future meeting, but has not had a reply.
Complete application for the MUGA and lease for the Adventure Playground	8/1/26	193/26	DH	End of January	See above
Look into introductory training courses for PK and planning training course for KS and RG	11/12/25	183/25 iii	Clerk		The Clerk has emailed PK regarding a Roles and Responsibilities course on the 13 th July 2025. As of 8/2/26 there are no planning training courses scheduled.
Review play inspection report	11/12/25	185/25 ii	Clerk		In progress.
Work on SID pole at Common Road	13/11/25	157/25	Chairman		ODS indicated they would supply the pole towards the end of February. The Clerk has emailed ODS on 5/3 to follow up.
Get a rough estimate for the cost of a car park by the allotments	13/11/25	163/25	Clerk		The Clerk has emailed a contractor on 25/11 to arrange to meet with a view to get a rough estimate.
Speak to Boward re tree works	13/11/25	173/25 i	Clerk		The works have been completed.
Investigate options for signage in East	9/10/25	147/25	KS		



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End					
Make insurance claim for the damaged bus shelter on Park Road	9/10/25	149/25 ii	Clerk		In progress. Externiture came to the village, but despite having photographs, did not see the damage. The Clerk has contacted ODS who do not carry out these works. The Clerk will continue to seek a contractor.
Investigate any appropriate training courses for NLPC to take as a whole	11/9/25	114/25 ii a			This is on the March agenda.
Investigate market value for suggested land for a village car park	11/9/25	124/25	DH		
Signs at the Adventure Playground	21/8/25	99/25 c	Clerk		This has been ordered.
Bollards	10/7/25 and 21/8/25	78/25 and 93/25iii	Clerk	17/9/25	The Clerk has been in touch with the contractor and they've advised the work will be completed by the end of the financial year. It was noted that parking in the village is worsening. It was noted there is a sprayed red line on grass inside damaged area. The County Councillor will check as to whether



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					OCC is doing any work there prior to the bollards being installed.
Investigate ink plans	10/7/25	77/25 iv	KS		KS and the Clerk have been investigating laser printers which may be more cost effective. The printer identified doesn't fit the space required, so the Clerk and KS will discuss further.
Provide the County Councillor with a letter regarding the Children's Playground lease background	10/7/25	85/25	DH		
Craft a spec for the village map artists for quotes	12/6/25 (previously 13/3/25)	60/25 (previously) 241/24	KS		KS reported he has investigated the cost of 3 maps which is approximately £1200 – 1500 each. There is approximately £6300 in the S106 fund for public art. These funds must be spent by August 2026. KS and the Clerk met with the S106 team who indicated that the project would fall within the criteria for public art. It was noted that if any funds are remaining NLPC could



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					consider the Threads of North Leigh.
Clarify the asset register is correct on the insurance schedule	8/5/25	46/25 iii	Clerk		Zurich has sent an update, but it still not the same. The Clerk has followed up again.
Quotes for clearing greenery for a MUGA at the Adventure Playground	13/2/25	222/24	Clerk		The Clerk will ask the supplier once the lease is sorted. NLPC has not requested any immediate action.
Submit edits to the letter written by Pellmans to OCC re the Children's Playground	10/10/24	136/24	DH		See above (85/25)
Village consultation and parish meeting regarding the Adventure Playground	10/10/24	129/34	Council	Once the Adventure Playground lease is sorted	
Review a map of the bins in the village	11/7/24	85/24	Council		
Refurbishment of noticeboards	2023		Clerk		The Clerk has not had time to research this following the contractors contacted not being able to carry out works.
Compile a list of landowners	13/7/23	66/23	Chair and Clerk		The Chair and Clerk will work on this but have not had a chance yet as there have been more pressing



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					priorities. Some of this work has been done as part of the Neighbourhood Plan process.
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NL Tree Lighting Debrief **23rd February 2026**

The group in attendance unanimously thought the event was a success and would like to hold the event in 2026 as well. The group agreed to a date of the 5th December. The Clerk has booked the Memorial Hall.

Tree lighting:

- The group would like to consider a larger tree and more lights in the other trees on Cuckamus Green. It was noted that a larger tree would involve more exploration in terms of set up/dismantle (i.e. may require a cherry picker).
- The group would like to consider using the brass quartet again in 2026. The Clerk has emailed to check availability.
- The group thought Santa worked well and would like to have Santa and the sleigh for 2026. The Scouts will arrange this.
- Having 5 people acting as directional assistance and the wands worked well. It was felt that more lighting on Cuckamus Green would be useful for safety.
- The group would like to consider holding more outdoors such as village organisations having stalls. This could include individual marquees and games, etc.
- It was suggested that if more was done outdoors, we could ask the Gospel Hall if they are willing to open for toilet facilities, etc.
- The group would like Witney Radio to attend in 2026, if able.

Memorial Hall

- It was noted that the Hall was very well attended and NLPC would like to ensure that the Hall's capacity is discussed.
- The concert was well received. It was noted that the length of the programme should be considered in advance for 2026.
- The WI would like to have aprons.
- The WI wasn't aware the mulled wine needed to be heated, so will have appropriate jugs for 2026.



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- The donation boxes could be placed more prominently with QR codes on the tables for donations.
- The table décor and goody bags made by the Threads of North Leigh were well received.

Attachment 4

Payments authorised

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Total</u>
21/01/2026 - 31/03/2026	Confidential		2,661.73
16/02/2026	Planning fee	Planning Portal	234.00
28/02/2026	Unity Bank service charge	Unity Bank	6.00
09/02/2026	Council mobile phone	Lebara	6.95
09/02/2026	Office supplies	Argos	8.99
09/02/2026	Office supplies	Co-operative Food Grocery Stores	8.00
09/02/2026	Lloyds monthly fee	Lloyds Bank	3.00
09/02/2026	Office supplies	TG Jones	13.49
12/03/2026	Village Sign Installation	Oxford Direct Services Trading LTD	1,120.00
12/03/2026	Topping up graves	Broadleaf Services	180.00
12/03/2026	Noticeboard repair	Broadleaf Services	204.00
12/03/2026	Web hosting and WordPress up- dates	Dark White Digital	35.00
12/03/2026	Cemetery paths	G. Hill & Sons Ltd	10,056.00
31/03/2026	Public Works Loan	PWLB	2,141.25
12/03/2026	Planning Consultant	Community First Oxfordshire	TBD based on agenda item 234/25 a.
12/03/2026	Christmas tree	Appleton Christmas Tree Barn	239.99
12/03/2026	Christmas tree	Appleton Christmas Tree Barn	215.00
12/03/2026	Clerk mileage and home allowance	Allison Leigh	53.00
12/03/2026	Cemetery bin management	Grundon	71.72
Total			17,258.12

Receipts



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There were no receipts from 1/2/26 – 28/2/26.

**Bank Reconciliation at
28/02/2026**

	Cash in Hand 01/04/2025		69,142.93
	ADD		
	Receipts 01/04/2025 - 28/02/2026		81,370.20
			150,513.13
	SUBTRACT		
	Payments 01/04/2025 - 28/02/2026		72,154.21
A	Cash in Hand 28/02/2026		78,358.92
	(per Cash Book)		
	Cash in hand per Bank Statements		
	Petty Cash	28/02/2026	0.00
	Unity Bank	28/02/2026	26,390.61
	Lloyds	28/02/2026	0.00
	Unity Instant Access Ac- count	28/02/2026	51,968.31
			78,358.92
	Less unrepresented payments		
			78,358.92
	Plus unrepresented receipts		
B	Adjusted Bank Balance		78,358.92



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A = B Checks out OK

Attachment 5

Statement from Backhouse regarding vegetation clearance

I am Planning Manager here at Backhouse and you may recall that I met with some of you at two Parish meetings we previously attended prior to the submission of the planning application.

Backhouse is very sorry about the inconvenience caused by the vegetation clearance last week. The works should have been of minimal impact, but due to the contractors parking on the adjacent streets and some of their conduct, the works regrettably caused a nuisance for neighbours. Once we were made aware of this issue, we ensured that when the contractors went back to the site on Friday that they did not park on the neighbouring residential streets. We also spoke to the contractors at length about the sensitivities and ensured that a Backhouse representative was with them when they reattended site. The vegetation clearance works are now complete so there will be no more works until the reserved matters planning permission has been granted.

When the reserved matters planning permission is forthcoming we will be required to prepare and agree a Construction Management Plan with the local planning authority, which will include measures to minimise impact during construction. We will also ensure that we liaise directly with the Parish Council regarding the construction programme once this is known.

Any further issues going forward, please do contact me on 07932 095754.

Attachment 6

Response to planning application 24/03100/OUT

This Application is an amendment to the original application for up to 115 Houses. The new one reduces the number to 80. The objection made by North Leigh Parish Council remain the same and are appended to this submission. However some updates are needed and these are set out below.

This new application is still inappropriate. The applicants seem to believe that with WODC being unable to meet its 5 year Housing Supply with the NPPF tilting the balance in favour of development they can submit an application which has no regard to WODC Policies the requirements of the NPPF



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and the wishes of the Local residents. The Conservation officer in their submission sums it up in their objection by stating this is a backland development a loss of the linear character of the village and the development will have a negative impact on the historic landscape character.

In our earlier submission we were very critical of the absence of consultation with the village residents and Parish Council. The applicants did attend a Parish Council meeting last year but this is the limit of their consultation. Their lack of consultation is highlighted by Savills comment there is an emerging Neighbourhood Local Plan but no draft policies as yet. Well nobody on behalf of the Applicants has contacted the neighbourhood plan Committee nor the parish council about this. had they done so they would have discovered the draft plan has been prepared approved by the Parish Council and the Reg14 process is now starting to obtain approval for adoption. .To date there have been several public meetings a survey and the Housing Policies represent the views of the residents.

The proposed highways access is extremely dangerous with its close proximity to the Common Road junction with the A4095. The junction from the A4095 for vehicles travelling east is a swept junction meaning vehicles can enter at above 30 MPH-the speed limit there is 40 MPH-and will be an accident waiting to happen.

This property was not identified for development in the current WODC Local Plan 2031. It has not been identified in the emerging WODC Local Plan 2043. North leigh is classed as a tier 3 village meaning limited development and although the definition of this is not yet confirmed, given the more than 40% increase in housing in North Leigh in recent years, it is very unlikely to be as many as 80 houses over the life of the 2043 plan.

Since our comment to the previous proposal, there has been no improvement in the sewage treatment capacity at Church Hanborough STW nor any upgrade to the sewer network. Furthermore due to a Grampian clause being required development could not start until at least 2030 by which time the new Local Plan will be adopted and the 5 year housing supply figure met.

No mention is made as to affordable housing and this is very puzzling as the Applicants must know the requirements.

These fields are known to flood - the surface water strategy would need to take this into account as it's dangerous if Common Road floods.



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A construction management plan has not been provided and is essential if NLPC is minded to grant permission.

The proposal is for housing development on a predominantly greenfield site on the edge of the settlement of North Leigh. The design, scale, form and layout of the proposal would not form a logical complement to the existing scale, pattern and character of development in this location; it would fail to protect or enhance the local landscape and the setting of the village, and would fail to conserve the natural environment. While the development would provide some economic benefits, these benefits are insufficient to outweigh the conflict with the Development Plan as a whole. As such, the proposed development is contrary to policies H2, OS2, OS4 and EH2 of the adopted West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031, the West Oxfordshire Design Guide 2016, and the relevant paragraphs of the National Planning Policy Framework.

The applicant has not entered into a legal agreement or agreements to secure the provision of affordable housing; or contributions to waste; public transport services and infrastructure; or highways improvement schemes. The proposal therefore conflicts with West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031 Policies OS5, H3, T1, T2, and T3.

The density and scale of this proposed development would be overly urban and visually intrusive for the village and would erode the rural approach to the village. We ask WODC to reject this application.

Attachment 7

Response to planning application 26/00050/S73

The Solar Farm Planning Application came before the Lowlands Planning Committee meeting in April 2025. For a project of this size and with so much construction traffic which has to access the site through small rural lanes, it is astounding that more consideration was not given to the construction traffic route at the very earliest stage of the project with none of the statutory consultees actually visiting the delivery routes but just submitting desk based assessments. In view of the number of issues raised on the proposed routing of the construction traffic through North Leigh the application was deferred. The Committee members had the OCC highways comments but they had carried out their review on paper and had not visited the proposed route. The Application came back to the Lowlands Planning Committee in May 2025. The proposed route through North Leigh was rejected unanimously and a number of NLPClors who spoke commented on their local



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knowledge and how unsuitable the route through North Leigh was. There are a number of tight bends in the route, including a pinch point outside Paddock House in New Yatt Road which has stone walls on both sides of the road, where it is a physical impossibility to get a 54ft HGV through the gap.

The Applicants now seek to return the construction traffic route through North Leigh. This will involve in the construction period estimated at 52 weeks a significant amount of traffic movements which based on their own figures could result in around 16,000 HGV movements and 18,500 smaller vehicle movements this through a route totally unsuitable unsafe very dangerous and practically impossible.

Whilst the S73 proposal suggests no traffic lights and 2 passing places via North Leigh, in reality it would involve a 6 way traffic light system having to be installed at the junction of Common Road and Park Road (which is also the turning point of the double decker S7 bus) and stretching all the way to the entrance to Breakspear Way on New Yatt Road (through 2 very dangerous pinch points). The vehicles would then move along a road which has a small width pavement on one side only for a part of the journey through North Leigh and no pavement at all in the remainder making it extremely dangerous for any pedestrians there is a strong possibility of properties being damaged and it would be virtually impossible for the large HGV's to use this route if there are cars parked. Upon leaving North Leigh the route would then proceed along country lines just wide enough for two cars to pass side by side.

Passing places would have to be installed and the HGV's could not pass cyclists or horse riders as the roads are simply not wide enough.

The applicants Traffic report places great emphasis on the NPPF guidelines at paragraphs 2.2 to 2.10 and refer to WODC policies from paragraph 2.11. This in their view justifies the rejection of the current route but they seem to have failed to appreciate these comments also apply equally well to the route through North Leigh. Their position appears to be the proposed route is unsafe and unsuitable so lets revert to another unsafe and unsuitable route as its shorter. They place emphasis on the OCC Highways report but this was before the Lowlands Planning Committee and as mentioned above was a paper exercise only.

No new information to warrant an application under S73 has been provide. This appears to be a profit maximising exercise by the developer. An environmental screen 26/00003/SCREEN was refused by WODC Planning Officers due to no new information. Whilst RWE stated that the existing



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route is perhaps 5 or 6 times as long as the North Leigh route, in environmental terms the incremental difference is negligible given the long route via land and sea (using diesel powered ships) of these panels from their country of supply. Charlbury has raised issues about the route through Charlbury but it should be noted that this was the EXACT route used by same-size HGVs during the construction of the Southhill Solar Farm at Charlbury. The route through Charlbury may cause inconvenience but the route through North Leigh would cause much greater inconvenience to a much larger group of people but most importantly it is impossible logistically.

In the response from Hailey PC and indeed others they refer to another route directly to access the site via an existing track off the A4095. This would cause far less damage and impact on all of the surrounding villages and their residents.

We note the submission by OCC Highways. It has not changed its position but yet again has carried out a paper exercise. if it came to view the access route it would be quite clear the route through North Leigh is not only unsuitable and dangerous but also impossible. In any event as the report has not changed this is not new evidence and of course this route was unanimously rejected by the Planning Committee.

The Applicants have failed to provide any new evidence to support their application and we therefore ask for this application to be rejected.