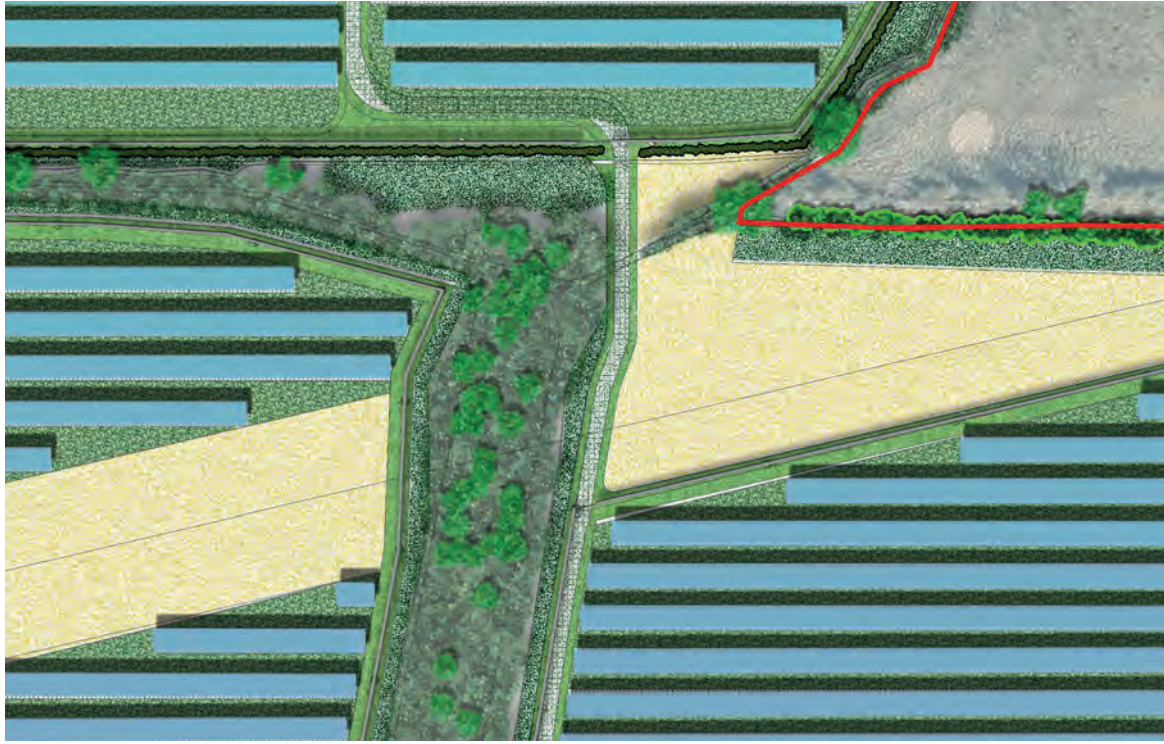
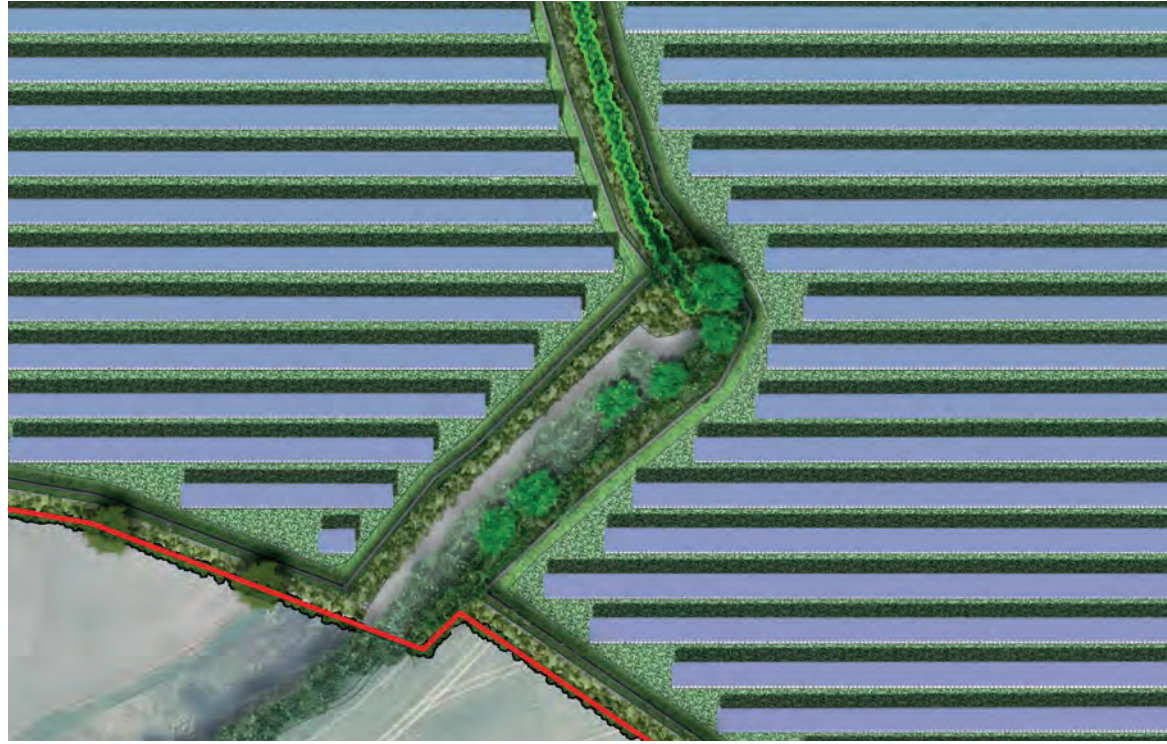


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Enhancements and Mitigation

01 Existing trees, hedgerows and vegetation on the site boundaries and intersecting the site which are of suitable quality will be retained and enhanced as part of the landscape strategy. Existing vegetation will be reinforced by new strategic planting such as native trees shrubs and native buffer planting in linear belts. This additional planting will enhance the existing landscape context and aid the integration of the development of views from the wider landscape.



02 Existing native hedges in relation to views into the site on the boundary. Hedges are being allowed to grow and establish to a height of 3.5-4m high. After which they will be topped and managed at a height of 3m high to provide visual screening. Where visibility splays are required, heights and widths to be observed and managed accordingly.



03 Example of existing and mature proposed native hedges in relation to solar panels, fence line, security cameras and access around land parcels. Proposed Native hedge rows will be grown on to establish similar principles. Access seeded with wildflower meadow and hedges managed to a height of 3-3.5m high. Maintenance access routes are to be laid with grasscrete/grass reinforcement which is occasionally mown to ensure clear access and remain presentable. This is to support vehicles along access routes whilst providing a low impact on the ground. Verges and margins close to field boundaries such as hedges and native buffer vegetation to either retain the existing grass or to be seeded with a wildflower mix appropriate to the scenarios. For example, Hedgerow mix along the base of the hedge, wildflower meadow mix in open space or slow grow tussock grass mix in trafficked areas. Grass at the base of the security fencing will be mown more regularly to maintain access to the cameras for maintenance and management.



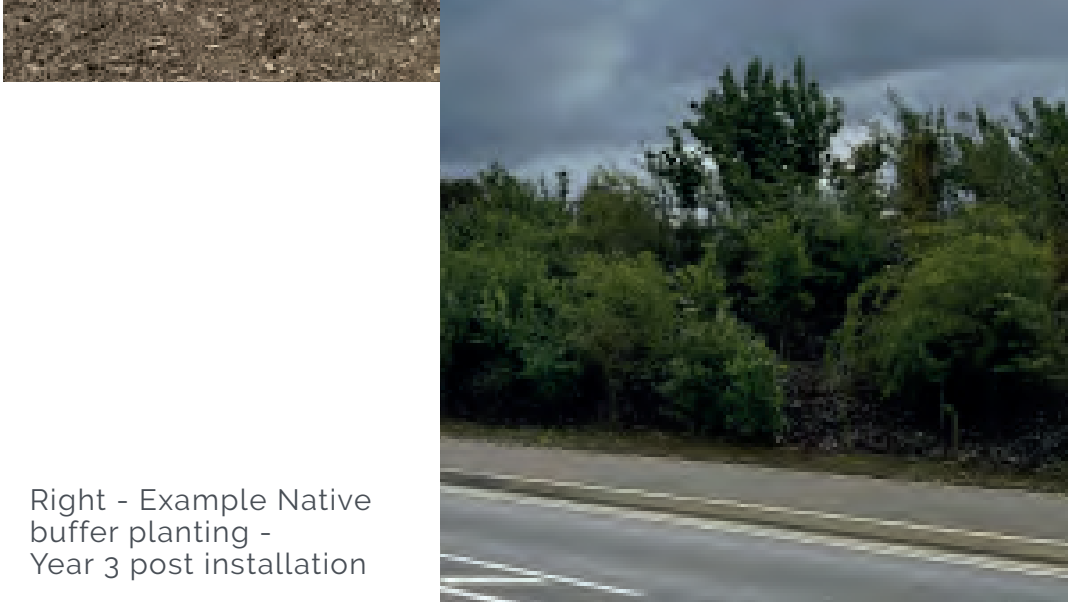
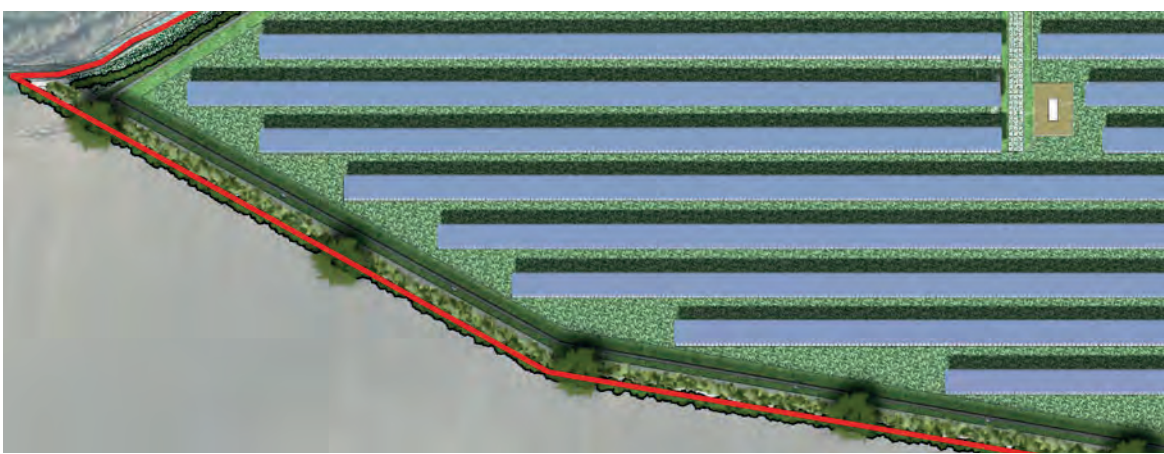
04 Example of proposed tree lined, native hedge and native buffer planting on the western boundary at implementation and 1 -2 years establishment. Positioned around land parcels and managed to a height of 4-8m high dependant on species. The new Extra thick hedge planted will provide year-round screening from properties interspersed with semi-mature trees (2-3m high at planting) to provide immediate landscape benefit. Where possible, the planting should take place in advance of the internal development to enable time to establish ahead of construction. Carried out in the optimum season for establishment.

Planting is proposed as native vegetation including a selective mix of small trees, buffer and native shrubs to provide year round amenity qualities as well as a positive contribution to biodiversity for the benefit of local wildlife. It will consist of whips planted at 1m centres small feathered trees and mixed native buffer shrubs. The requirement for taller vegetation on the western boundary provides visual screening for the solar panels on the higher ground in the distance as the land is higher toward Corner Farm. This would screen the solar panels but retain an openness to still view the building from the ProW. A selective view through the vegetation could be retained in line with the ProW if required through smaller habit plant selection or management.

The reinstatement of the 'Bull Pen' as an historic landscape character feature near to the listed building provides an offset to the proposed solar panels and visual mitigation for the view towards the solar farm from the buildings. The nature of the propose landscape will be low to medium height to retain the visual presence of the Corner Farm buildings and opportunity to be seen from the wider landscape.

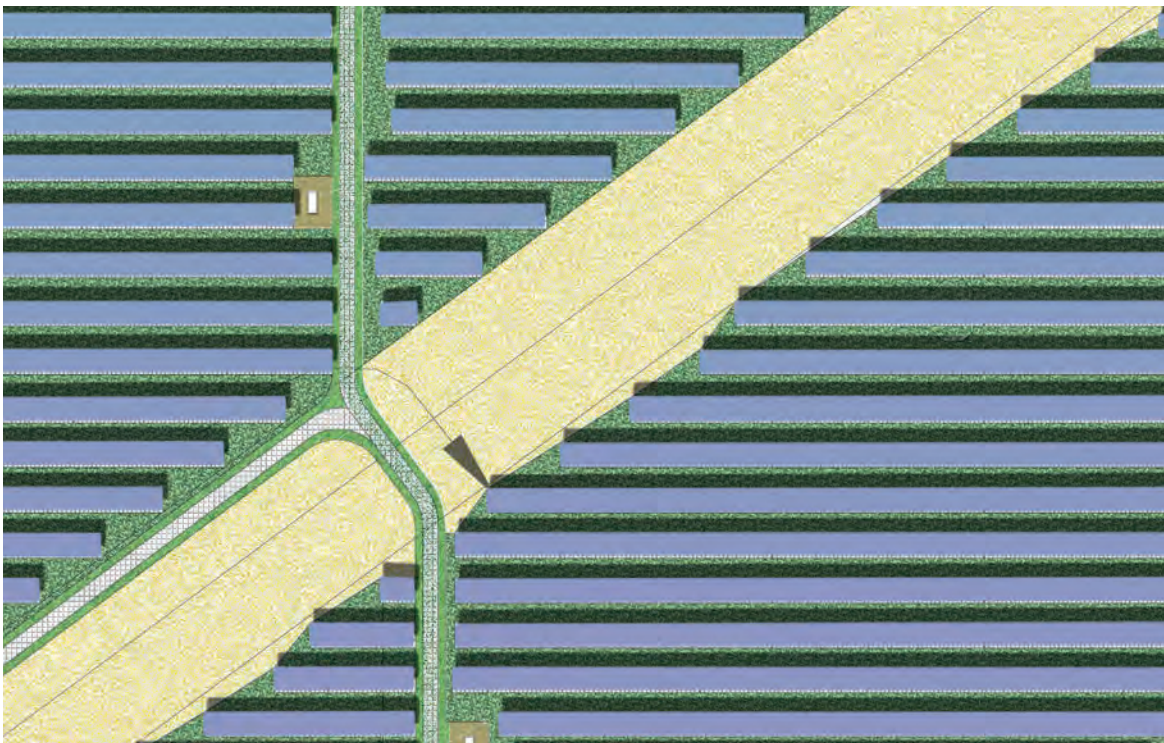


Left - Example Native buffer planting - Year 1 installation



Right - Example Native buffer planting - Year 3 post installation

05 Proposed wildflower meadow areas in central easement and boundary areas for occasional access. To be mown annually and maintained in line with best practice.



KEY

- Site Boundary
- Development Areas - Solar Panels
- Development Areas - Substations within Solar Panel fields
- Development Areas - Hardstanding Compound area
- Proposed Maintenance Access
- Areas of existing land to be retained
- Public Rights of Way
- Bridleway
- Site Access points
- Existing tree/ vegetation to be maintained and managed
- Existing Retained Native Hedgerows to be managed at 3-3.5m high
- Permissive Path
- Proposed native hedgerow to help screen the development from all permissive footpaths, ProWs and Bridleways
- Proposed native buffer and tree planting to help screen the development.
- Proposed native planting in Bull Pen area including native buffer, sub canopy, specimen trees enclosed with wildflower
- Areas of Solar Panels to received tussock wildflower meadow seeding and managed
- Proposed wildflower meadow areas in central gas easement and boundary areas for occasional access