



Glenhead Solar Farm

March 2026

Following our public consultation which took place in summer 2024, and the results of ongoing site surveys and investigations, RES has made a number of design changes to the Glenhead Solar Farm Proposal that we would like to update the community on. The proposal, covering 183.2 hectares, comprises of up to 80MW of solar generated electricity and up to 100MW of Battery Energy Storage (BESS) and is located approximately 2.5km southwest of Limavady, Co. Derry/Londonderry.

Public Exhibition

We are holding a public exhibition in the local area to share our design changes and to enable you to submit comments. RES staff will be available to answer any questions or queries, and comment forms will be available.

Thursday 19 March 2026, 4-8pm

**Roe Valley Resort
Limavady, BT49 9FB**

All information presented at the Public Exhibition will be available to view on the dedicated project website glenhead-solarfarm.co.uk for a minimum of 28 days from 19 March 2026.

Anyone wishing to submit comments can do so via comment forms at the exhibition, on the project website, via email or by post (details overleaf). The closing date for comments is Thursday 16 April 2026.

Key design changes

A number of key design changes have been made throughout the design phase, including:



On site grid connection to minimise traffic disruption;



Reduced development area by 11.8 hectares, mostly in the northern section to reduce potential visual impact on dwellings;



Reduced maximum panel height from 3.6m to 3m to reduce potential visual impact;



100m setbacks from residential properties where applicable; and



Access locations along Highlands Road incorporating two new passing bays as a long-term positive impact on road users.

Please note that comments submitted to RES at this time are not representations to the determining authority (Strategic Planning Directorate Department for Infrastructure). There will be an opportunity to submit representations to the determining authority should an application be made.

Community benefits

Solar farms like Glenhead can make a meaningful and long-lasting contribution to the local area and communities, as well as supporting Northern Ireland's climate change and energy security targets.

LEDS Local Electricity Discount Scheme

If consented, RES is committed to launching our innovative Local Electricity Discount Scheme (LEDS) which provides an annual electricity bill discount for properties closest to the solar farm.

The scheme is eligible to all residential, business, and community buildings (schools, community halls, places of worship etc) with an electricity meter.

Alongside this, Glenhead Solar Farm has the ability to generate significant inward investment in the area, with RES committing to using local contractors and companies during construction and operation, wherever possible.

We continue to welcome feedback from the community on any alternative suggestions for community benefit that will help secure long-term economic, social, and environmental benefits.

Landscaping and ecological enhancements

The planning application for Glenhead Solar Farm will be accompanied by a comprehensive Landscape Masterplan and Outline Biodiversity Management Plan. These documents will contain a host of measures which will reduce potential visibility of the site whilst providing wildlife corridors and vital resources for mammals, birds, and insect species.

Glenhead has been specifically designed to enable continued agricultural use, in the form of sheep grazing. Sheep farming provides employment, supports rural economies, and provides a more diverse ecosystem across the site. Dual-purpose solar farms like Glenhead, allow for intensively farmed land to recover, provide clean renewable electricity, whilst maintaining livelihoods alongside traditional farming culture.

Additionally, a number of biodiversity enhancement measures have been proposed on the site, including:

- Creation of more than 3,184 metres of new native hedgerows;
- 1,429 metres of infill planting with native species in existing hedgerows;
- Approximately 1.8 hectares of woodland planting with native species;
- >5 hectares of winter stubble will provide year-round food and shelter for birds, mammals and invertebrates;
- >1.2 hectares of wildflower meadow areas; and
- 10 bird boxes and 2 kestrel boxes.

Get in touch

For more information or to make a comment on the proposal, please visit our website glenhead-solarfarm.co.uk. You can also contact us by using the details below.



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