



Photograph 12 View from Poulters Lane adjacent to the north west corner of the Site looking south east

Visualisation Type 4 - Existing View
Cylindrical projection
48% @ A3, 96% @ A1
02.07.2025, 06:52
Canon 5D Mk4 1.6x, Canon EOS 50mm
HfoV 90°
Viewpoint Location (Lat, Long): 52.210355, 0.668295
Viewpoint altitude 94m AOD plus 1.5m (approx, rounded to nearest 0.5m)
Location data based on Leica GS18T GPS & Google Earth
Distance to closest boundary edge (approx): 3m
Looking direction: South east

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Photomontage from Viewpoint 12 - Year 1 View from Poulters Lane adjacent to the north west corner of the Site looking south east

Visualisation Type 4 - Proposed View Year 1

Cylindrical projection
48% @ A3, 96% @ A1
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Canon 5D Mk4 1.6x, Canon EOS 50mm
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Photomontage from Viewpoint 12 - Year 15 View from Poulter's Lane adjacent to the north west corner of the Site looking south east

Visualisation Type 4 - Proposed View Year 15
Cylindrical projection
48% @ A3, 96% @ A1
02.07.2025, 06:52
Canon 5D Mk4 1.6x, Canon EOS 50mm
Hfov 90°
Viewpoint Location (Lat, Long): 52.210355, 0.668295
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Photograph 17 View from Whepstead Road adjacent to the north east corner of the Site looking south west

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Cylindrical projection
48% @ A3, 96% @ A1
02.07.2025, 07:42
Canon 5D Mk4 1.6x, Canon EOS 50mm
HfoV 90°
Viewpoint Location (Lat, Long): 52.208744, 0.682998
Viewpoint altitude 89m AOD plus 1.5m (approx, rounded to nearest 0.5m)
Location data based on Leica GS18T GPS & Google Earth
Distance to closest boundary edge (approx): 458m
Looking direction: South west

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Photomontage from Viewpoint 17 - Year 1 View from Whepstead Road adjacent to the north east corner of the Site looking south west

Visualisation Type 4 - Proposed View Year 1

Cylindrical projection
48% @ A3, 96% @ A1
02.07.2025, 07:42
Canon 5D Mk4 1.6x, Canon EOS 50mm
HfoV 90°
Viewpoint Location (Lat, Long): 52.208744, 0.682998
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Photomontage from Viewpoint 17 - Year 15 View from Whepstead Road adjacent to the north east corner of the Site looking south west

Visualisation Type 4 - Proposed View Year 15

Cylindrical projection
48% @ A3, 96% @ A1
02.07.2025, 07:42
Canon 5D Mk4 1.6x, Canon EOS 50mm
HfoV 90°
Viewpoint Location (Lat, Long): 52.208744, 0.682998
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Photograph 20 View from Chedburgh Road looking north towards the Site

Visualisation Type 4 - Existing View
Cylindrical projection
48% @ A3, 96% @ A1
02.07.2025, 08:46
Canon 5D Mk4 1.6x, Canon EOS 50mm
HfoV 90°
Viewpoint Location (Lat, Long): 52.197692, 0.667566
Viewpoint altitude 104.5m AOD plus 1.5m (approx, rounded to nearest 0.5m)
Location data based on Leica GS18T GPS & Google Earth
Distance to closest boundary edge (approx): 255m
Looking direction: North

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Photomontage from Viewpoint 20 - Year 1 View from Chedburgh Road looking north towards the Site

Visualisation Type 4 - Proposed View Year 1

Cylindrical projection
48% @ A3, 96% @ A1
02.07.2025, 08:46
Canon 5D Mk4 1.6x, Canon EOS 50mm
HfoV 90°
Viewpoint Location (Lat, Long): 52.197692, 0.667566
Viewpoint altitude 104.5m AOD plus 1.5m (approx, rounded to nearest 0.5m)
Location data based on Leica GS18T GPS & Google Earth
Distance to closest boundary edge (approx): 255m
Looking direction: North

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Photomontage from Viewpoint 20 - Year 15View from Chedburgh Road looking north towards the Site

Visualisation Type 4 - Proposed View Year 15

Cylindrical projection
48% @ A3, 96% @ A1
02.07.2025, 08:46
Canon 5D Mk4 1.6x, Canon EOS 50mm
HfoV 90°
Viewpoint Location (Lat, Long): 52.197692, 0.667566
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Photograph 25 View from Bury Road looking north west towards the Site

Visualisation Type 4 - Existing View
Cylindrical projection
48% @ A3, 96% @ A1
02.07.2025, 08:24
Canon 5D Mk4 1.6x, Canon EOS 50mm
HfoV 90°
Viewpoint Location (Lat, Long): 52.193565, 0.681396
Viewpoint altitude 99m AOD plus 1.5m (approx, rounded to nearest 0.5m)
Location data based on Leica GS18T GPS & Google Earth
Distance to closest boundary edge (approx): 1031m
Looking direction: North west

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Photomontage from Viewpoint 25 - Year 1 View from Bury Road looking north west towards the Site

Visualisation Type 4 - Proposed View Year 1
Cylindrical projection
48% @ A3, 96% @ A1
02.07.2025, 08:24
Canon 5D Mk4 1.6x, Canon EOS 50mm
HfoV 90°
Viewpoint Location (Lat, Long): 52.193565, 0.681396
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Distance to closest boundary edge (approx): 1031m
Looking direction: North west

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Photomontage from Viewpoint 25 - Year 15 View from Bury Road looking north west towards the Site

Visualisation Type 4 - Proposed View Year 15

Cylindrical projection
48% @ A3, 96% @ A1
02.07.2025, 08:24
Canon 5D Mk4 1.6x, Canon EOS 50mm
HfoV 90°
Viewpoint Location (Lat, Long): 52.193565, 0.681396
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Appendix A: CGEye methodology

Qualifications

1.0 CGEye Ltd was founded in 2004 and is established as one of the most experienced studios in the UK producing high-quality visuals for marketing and planning. We are experts in 3d modelling and post-production. All work on survey-verified views (AVR's) is led by the founding Director Paul Smith.

1.1 It is a private company employing 8 staff with a team of highly experienced CG Artists qualified to degree level.

1.2 We have been producing AVR's for over 15 years, and in that time have helped with planning applications and appeals for many infrastructure projects for Scottish and Welsh Power in England, Scotland and Wales, a number of solar farm applications around the UK, and numerous private housing LVIA's for some of the UK's biggest housebuilders. We have also worked in this area for warehousing projects, water treatment works and Grain storage facilities. Our work is carried out in line with current Landscape Institute guidelines.

Work commissioned

2.1 CGEye was commissioned by CSA Environmental.

2.2 The model used for the project was created by CGEye Ltd using a standard Solar array design, set to a height of 3 Metres.

Choice of simulation technique & media used

3.1 A photomontage is best described as a hybrid view combining base photography and cgi overlays. The intention is to represent the finished built environment as closely as possible, although no media can currently reproduce the human experience of viewing a scene. There is no method of analysis or representation that will accurately summarise every lighting, material, social, sensory or climatic condition.

3.2 The photomontage used here is optimised to show:

- a) Visual impact of proposed solar farm.
- b) Planting mitigation & screening over 1 & 15 years.

3.3 All views were produced from single frame shots and compiled into panoramic views at Year 1. The resulting panoramas were used to produce the Year 15 variants.

Appendix A: CGEye methodology

Photography

4.1 Photography was carried out using the following equipment to meet LI type 4 specification.

Body: Canon EOS 5D Mk 4

Lens: 50mm fixed (Canon EF 50mm f/1.2L USM).

4.2 Photos were recorded in both Jpg and Raw (CR2) format so that any necessary adjustments to colour balance, white balance, exposure etc. could be made in post-production without a compromise in quality.

4.3 Photos were taken using a tripod set at a recorded height from the ground and levelled using an in-built bubble- level. A plumb bob was suspended from the central shaft to locate the ground position of the camera so that the surveyor could record the exact locations.

4.4 A series of photos were recorded from the same setup that cover a wider panoramic view when stitched. All were recorded with at least a 40% overlap to minimise vertical distortion when stitched.

Figs: 1 & 2 Single-frame base photo as shot, showing ground stakes and other features used to assist with alignment of model.



Appendix A: CGEye methodology

Surveying

5.1 Processed data delivery

Survey data was supplied by Wintech as a 3d .DWG file and excel spreadsheet.

Using a Leica GS18T with tilt function, a survey station control baseline was set up from GPS observations and related to Ordnance Survey(OS) National Grid(OSGB36) using the OS RTK Active Network (OS Net). All levels relate to OS datum (GPS).

From this baseline, the camera position and 5 or more points of detail within the photo frame were measured and these 3D coordinates were recorded.

The professional surveying equipment employed delivers sub-cm positional accuracy suitable for LI TGN 06/19 compliant 'Type 4 survey-verified' photography and photomontage work.

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Fig3: Sample from Surveyors data sheet as excel file.

Appendix A: CGEye methodology

3D Modelling and view verification

6.1 CGEye Ltd Created a model of the solar arrays and positioned them using the layout plan provided. Using topographical survey drawings of the area and finished levels we were able to correctly place the model in real-world space, in Eastings, Northings and vertical height.

6.2 The survey files containing the co-ordinates for the control points were supplied to us as a 3D CAD file and a spreadsheet and we imported this information into our 3d software.

6.3 Next, we placed the required photograph as a background image in our software and placed a 'virtual' camera at the co-ordinates recorded at the site visit (i.e. at the position of the pin/marker representing the location of the real camera). The camera settings (focal length) and height above ground were adjusted to match those of the real camera.

6.4 We then could see the imported control points in 3d space, and all that was then required was to adjust the roll and tilt of the virtual camera so that those points matched the corresponding references in the photo.

(See [Appendix C](#))

Appendix A: CGEye methodology

Post-Production

7.1 The aligned 3d model was rendered at the same resolution and aspect ratio as the base photos. Rendering was done with full material detail. Verified views have to be compiled from single frame shots. For the wider panoramas it was necessary to set up 3 x single verified views, then stitch the composite images together afterwards.

7.2 The anticipated screening at years 1 & 15 was shown for each location. The landscaping and planting plans were used as a guide for this.

7.3 Because of the organic and unpredictable nature of vegetation growth, the growth patterns are estimated based on expected density and usual growth of species type. Viewing foreshortening is also taken in to account.

Images should be presented to a scale matching the LI TGN 06/19 definition of a 100% reference image. This equates to presenting a single frame (from a full frame sensor SLR camera with a 50mm lens) at 390mm x 260mm (fitting on an A3 sheet). A 39.6° horizontal field of view is presented for correct viewing at a comfortable arm's length. Specifically, this creates an image that is correctly scaled (mathematically) when viewed at 542mm from the eye.



Fig 4: single frame verified views and resulting stitched panorama

Appendix B: Survey information & technical details

View No	location	season	style	Tripod height	Single/pano	Horizontal FOV	Vertical FOV	Lens	Date	Time	Eastings	Northings	Elevation (mAOD)	Eye level (mAOD)	Distance to nearest boundary	Bearing
LOC 12	Poulters Lane to NW corner of site	Summer Clear and sunny	Full rendered	1.59 M	Single/pano	39° (single frame)	26.9° (single frame)	50mm	02/07/25	06:52am	582406.602m	260259.65m	94.294	1.59m	3m	151°
LOC 17	Whepstead Road to East of site	Summer Clear and sunny	Full rendered	1.60 M	Single/pano	39° (single frame)	26.9° (single frame)	50mm	02/07/25	07:42am	583417.525m	260117.497m	89.418m	1.60m	458m	235°
LOC 20	Chedburgh Road to South of site	Summer Clear and sunny	Full rendered	1.62 M	Single/Pano	39° (single frame)	26.9° (single frame)	50mm	02/07/25	08:46am	582408.564m	258849.673m	104.73m	1.62m	255m	14°
LOC 25	Bury Road to SE of site	Summer Clear and sunny	Full rendered	1.56 M	Single/Pano	39° (single frame)	26.9° (single frame)	50mm	02/07/25	08:24am	583370.205m	258425.79m	99.109	1.56m	1031m	329°

Appendix C: Verified setup – Viewport captures

Fig 5: Base photo showing surveyors control points (yellow crosses) aligned with ground stakes and telegraph poles.



Fig 6: View with proposals shown in place prior to rendering.

