

# JBM Solar plans for Honeyhall Solar Farm progress to application stage

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Some of the land between Langford and Brinsea. (Image: Google Maps)

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Solar panels could be installed across the land next to Langford and Brinsea — but 95% of that area would remain usable for sheep grazing.

Solar farm company JBM Solar said that Honeyhall Solar Farm, as it would be called, could generate enough energy to power 13,000 homes.

The scheme is still in an early phase of the planning process but has cleared a first hurdle. A report by North Somerset Council judged: "Due to the nature of solar PV array development, the proposal is not likely to lead to significant impacts on the environment."

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The plans can therefore now proceed to an application for planning permission without the need for an environmental impact assessment.

A representative of the solar farm said: "At the moment we are just getting ready to get the submission in."



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