

RESPONSIBLE RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT

INVITATION TO PUBLIC CHARRETTE

Gascoyne Estates, as the custodian of Hatfield Park, takes a long-term view of the stewardship of its land in the county. We believe that green energy projects are vital for creating a sustainable future and this aligns with government policy. We also acknowledge that many communities feel that schemes are forced upon them, with little benefit or meaningful engagement.

Gascoyne regularly recieves letters from developers seeking to build renewable energy schemes on our land near South Mimms, Newgate Street and Essendon. We are therefore inviting the community to discuss the following:

LANDSCAPE IMPACT
COMMUNITY BENEFIT
RIGHTS OF ACCESS
FOOD SECURITY

The aim of the charrette is to understand the key opportunities and constraints, as understood by the wider community, so that any proposals are fully informed.

Tuesday 23rd September & Tuesday 30th September

4:00pm - 9:00pm

Cuffley Camp EN6 4PR

A full programme is available overleaf. Please RSVP: charrette@gascoyne.org

AGENDA

The Gascoyne team will be on hand between 4:00pm and 9:00pm to hear and discuss your views. There will be a series of presentations and opportunities for thematic discussions during each evening. The first session will seek to understand the views of the community. The second will respond to this feedback and attempt to understand the implications of it.

23rd September	
4pm	Doors open
4.30pm	What role does a responsible landowner have in the green transition?
5pm	What criteria are present in a good site for renewable energy projects?
6pm	What sort of land should be prioritised for food production?
7pm	What opportunities exist around developments to give greater access to the countryside?
8pm	How do we make sure that tenants and communities benefit from such developments?
8.30pm	Summary and close

30th September	
4pm	Doors open
5pm	Review of last week's discussion
6.30pm	Applying these principles to Gascoyne's land
7.30pm	Practical activity - achieving community support
8.30pm	Summary and close

We understand that you may not be able to join us for both dates or all sessions. A post-charrette paper will be produced and distributed following the event to make sure the key lessons are captured.

Please feel free to join us for as much or as little as you are able to. There will be ample opportunity to discuss, debate and provide feedback.