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For the attention of: Mr Gareth Davies

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[By email: planning@merthyr.gov.uk]

28 February 2025

Dear Mr Gareth Davies

Re: P/25/0044

Solar Farm and associated equipment and cabling; Pen Y Dre High School, Goitre, Gurnos

Thank you for your notification of 26 February 2025 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

We have reviewed the site location plan provided and can confirm that the site falls within the Coal Authority's defined Development Low Risk Area. On this basis we have no specific comments to make.

However, in the interest of public safety, it is requested that the Coal Authority's Standing Advice note is drawn to the applicant's attention, where relevant.

Yours

The Coal Authority Planning Team