

Bottom Plain Solar Park



Commissioned	December 2014
Site area	38 acres
Installed capacity (MW)	10.1 MW
Annual production (MWh)	9,705 MWh
Households powered per annum	3,131
CO2 emissions saved (tonnes per annum)	4,797 tonnes

Overview

Bottom Plain is a discreet solar park development on green belt agricultural land approximately 1.5km west of the village of Wareham in Dorset. Some 15.5 hectares in area, the site has traditionally been used to grow arable crops, as has the most immediate land. The landowner was keen to develop a second site following the highly promising and trouble-free commission of the nearby Trigon solar project in March 2013. The two adjacent parks are linked and served by a common access trackway.

Biodiversity

At Bottom Plain we continue to work with the landowner to deliver a comprehensive strategic land management programme. As well as protecting the site's existing flora and fauna, we aim to benefit the park still more by introducing extensive new planting and husbandry measures. As the site matures, ongoing development will realise an increasing diversity of habitats and species.