

Key Benefits

- Considerable positive contribution to UK and international target for net carbon neutrality, displacing the equivalent of 1,200,000 tonnes of CO₂ from fossil fuel sources;
- Improvement in the biodiversity of the site by a minimum of 94% through the conversion from arable land to a 'greenfield' site, including the creation of over 46 acres of wildflower/woodland meadows, over 4.6km of hedgerow and trees and 236 acres of new grassland;
- Significant investment in green Infrastructure for the local community including a green corridor route and new blue corridor permissive path circular walk opening up access between the surrounding villages and improving links with the Millennium Way;
- Picnic benches, community orchard, outdoor educational space and interpretation boards at various intervals;
- Flooding betterment proposals along the Stock Green Brook;
- Battery storage will allow the site to export clean renewable energy to the grid 24/7, not just during the daylight hours, making the grid more stable;
- Over £7m in local business rates, directly supporting local council services;
- A Community Benefit to support the installation of rooftop solar pv systems on local community buildings;
- Free school lessons from qualified beekeepers on and off site for local school children;
- An opportunity for farm diversification on land which is grade 3b and considered not best and most versatile (BMV).

