CASE STUDY

The Piddle Valley is now a net exporter of renewable power!

Bourne Park Solar PV Installation



The system, designed by ANESCO, comprises 7,868 polycrystalline solar PV panels, arranged in in thirty two rows up to 165 metres long, generating DC power connected to a new 7.5MVA Primary Substation built for SSE Power Distribution, which 'steps up' the AC electricity from 11kV to 33kV



TOTAL = 2,400kW of capacity, expected to generate around 2,520,000 units/kWh per annum. This is enough electricity to supply the average annual needs of 750 average UK households.

Together with renewable electricity generated from the nearby ECO Sustainable Solutions food waste Anaerobic Digester plant and a second recently commissioned local 5MW solar PV scheme, the Piddle Valley, with 2,500 households, is now a net exporter of power.

The Project

- Planning Permission was granted in October
 2013 with full support of the Piddle Valley
 Parish Council (thank you!) and not one
 expression of dissent made to West Dorset CC.
- ANESCO were selected as prime contractor and the site was deployed within 100 days – involving seamless teamwork between Hanford Holdings, SSE Power Distribution and ANESCO
- There is no concrete in the field except for the transformer foundations and the whole 20acre enclosure is seeded with a robust wild flower mix including Ox-eye Daisy, Bird's-foottrefoil, Black Knapweed and Field Scabious (as recommended by Dr Phil Sterling of Dorset CC Natural Environment Team (thank you, too!)

