

## > Why this site

- > Available grid capacity and infrastructure on site
- Solar Farm is not located in Green Belt – only viable location outside the Green Belt that the solar farm can be located to benefit from the available grid capacity.
- > Site free of any significant environmental designations and good opportunities to provide biodiversity enhancements
- Majority of the site has been subject to open cast coal mining in the past

- ) Good access
- > Limited close-range receptors
- Located in an area with existing renewable energy generation
- > Both sites benefit from substantial screening from existing vegetation and the northern site is also screened by topography to the north
- > Site does not impact on Best and Most Versatile agricultural land - all land is Grade 3b or 4

