

**Meeting with Bradley Powell from Prettys Solicitors
and Cllr Rhea Gardner and Cllr Trevor Bickers
Tuesday 1st July 2025**

This meeting was arranged by Cllr Trevor Bickers accompanied by Cllr Rhea Gardner.

We met Mr Bradley Powell at his Ipswich office. He was familiar with a Community Benefit Fund Agreement document and was very pleasant and helpful when asked a few questions.

He noted that Bucklesham Solar Farm will be 57.1 acres and will generate 24.8 MW.

Both Trevor and Rhea explained that the Parish Council was too small to fund the cost of the estimated legal fees. Bradley noted this and he will discuss with INNOVA.

We asked about a second pot of money called the 'Charity Benefit Fund' - is it £100 per MW. We asked who will administer this and who will decide who will benefit eg school, village hall, groups in Bucklesham? Bradley reassured Trevor and Rhea that he will look into this.

He has advised us to sign up promptly and not delay action.

Each Councillor now has to complete a PEP Declaration and submit a Utility Bill (less than 3 months old) to confirm proof of address. Either a current UK Passport or UK Driving Licence is acceptable ID.