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Subject: Solar Energy Usage and Future Plans

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request information regarding your current and planned usage of solar energy across your estate.

Q1 Governance & Responsibility

- o Do you have a dedicated person or team responsible for solar energy investment and/or sustainability energy initiatives within your organisation?
- o If so, please provide their role/title (personal names are not required).

A1 No

Q2 Current Solar Deployment

- o How many solar panel installations (PV systems) do you currently operate across your estate?
- o What is the total installed capacity of these systems (in kWp)?
- o What proportion of your organisation's energy usage is currently provided by solar generation?

A2 Information not held - no PV systems installed

Q3 Investment & Strategy

- o Does your organisation have a documented investment strategy for expanding the use of solar panels or increasing on-site renewable energy generation?
- o If so, please provide a copy of or link to the relevant strategy or plan (or summarise key points if not published).

A3 Information not held - no strategy in place currently for PV

Q4 Solar and Net Zero Commitments

- o Does solar energy form part of your organisation's Net Zero / Carbon Reduction Strategy?
- o If yes, how is progress against this strategy communicated to the public (e.g. via website, reports, dashboards, etc.)?

A4 No

Q5 Future Plans

- o Are there any planned solar panel projects or expansions within the next 3 years? If yes, please provide high-level details (e.g. number of sites, scale of deployment, approximate timescales).
- o Have you conducted any feasibility studies on increasing solar capacity in the past 3 years? If so, can these be shared?

A5 No current plans or feasibility studies conducted

Q6 Procurement & Partnerships

o Does your organisation currently use any third-party companies or frameworks to deliver solar energy solutions or manage installations? If yes, which ones?

o Are there any upcoming procurement exercises planned relating to solar energy or wider renewable energy solutions?

A6 No

Q7 Battery Storage

o Do you currently use battery storage alongside your solar panels?

o Are there plans to invest in battery storage in future?

A7 No

Q8 Funding

o Has your organisation accessed or applied for any external funding to support solar energy projects (e.g. SALIX, Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme, LEP funding)?

A8 No

Q9 Barriers

o What are the main barriers your organisation faces to further adoption of solar energy (e.g. funding, planning restrictions, roof suitability, internal resource)?

A9 Information not held - not yet discussed