

Accelerating the installation of solar PV and battery storage in East Preston

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What is stopping us?

A range of barriers prevent rapid adoption.

These include:

- 1) Cost
- 2) Slow rates of return on investment
- 3) Lack of understanding of technologies
- 4) Distrust of suppliers
- 5) A lack of data and information.

Community Energy Service Companies (ESCos): Their purpose

Aim: To make it as simple and easy as possible for anyone - household or organisation
- to adopt renewable energy and battery storage

Key roles

- 1) To aggregate household and business projects in communities to achieve economies of scale and reduce finance costs
- 2) To offer household and businesses a 'Pay as you use' option

How this works

1. Conduct a geospatial survey of the area to identify potential energy projects
2. Build a list of those interested
3. Use this list to raise finance for project development
4. Conduct detailed feasibility study (including non-contractual expressions of interest from households)
5. Procurement, installation, commissioning, and operation
6. At this point:
 - a) Households that want buy the PV array purchase it
 - b) Households that cannot afford or do not want to purchase the PV array enter into a 'Pay as you Use' agreement
7. Scope for additional households to join later

What will this mean?

If you buy the PV:

- Reduced carbon emissions (0.19 kg CO₂e per kWh)
- Reduced cost of electricity (10-25% from the energy generated from the array)
- 7-15 years to pay for itself (working life: 30+ years)

'Pay as you use' option

- Reduced carbon emissions
- Reduced cost of electricity (10-25% from the energy generated from the array, assumes using a 'Time of Use' Tariff such as Economy 7)
- Regular options to buy the PV at residual value

What have we done so far?

1. Conducted a geospatial survey of East Preston

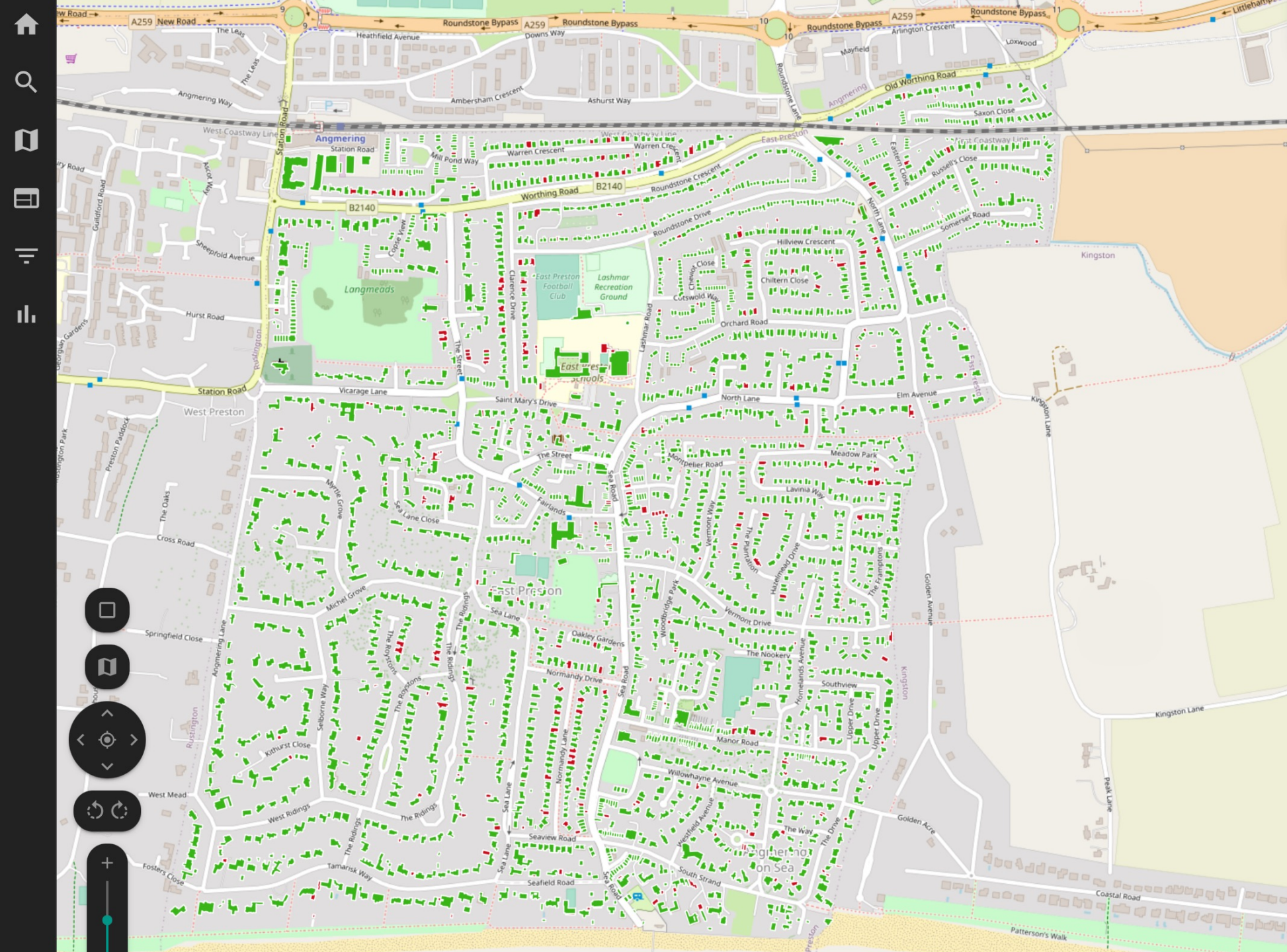
Total buildings: 2,548 (523 unsuitable)

Potential power generation 10.55 MW

2. Secured support of West Sussex County Council

The next five slides show:








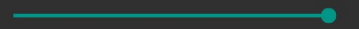
- 1) A high level view of East Preston showing buildings assessed by the survey
- 2) A closer view of a cluster of buildings
- 3) Detailed data on an individual building
- 4) A list of the categories of data that the geospatial survey analyses and produces for each building
- 5) The LOCATE platform can analyse land parcels as well, but this is not the focus of today's discussion



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Click on an item in the map to view its info

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 -  Sampled
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-  East Preston Rooftop Solar ...
 -  Sampled
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East Preston Rooftop Solar PV

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Canterbury District Rooftop Solar PV

Attributes

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Statistics

Fid Build	Footprint	Xcoord
osgb1000002019339	1957.01	614093.34
Ycoord	UPRN	
157236.19	100062280023	
Address	Postcode	
Class	Solar Suit	Rooftype
CR	Yes	sloped
Asp Max	Asp Mean	Asp Min
269.77	215.8	90.09
Slp Max	Slp Mean	Slp Min
51.19	17.93	0.76
Avg Irrd	Solar Area	Panel
1169.56	783.59	489
System Siz	Yield	System Cst
122	146633.82	183375
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20528.74	551614.81	2566.09
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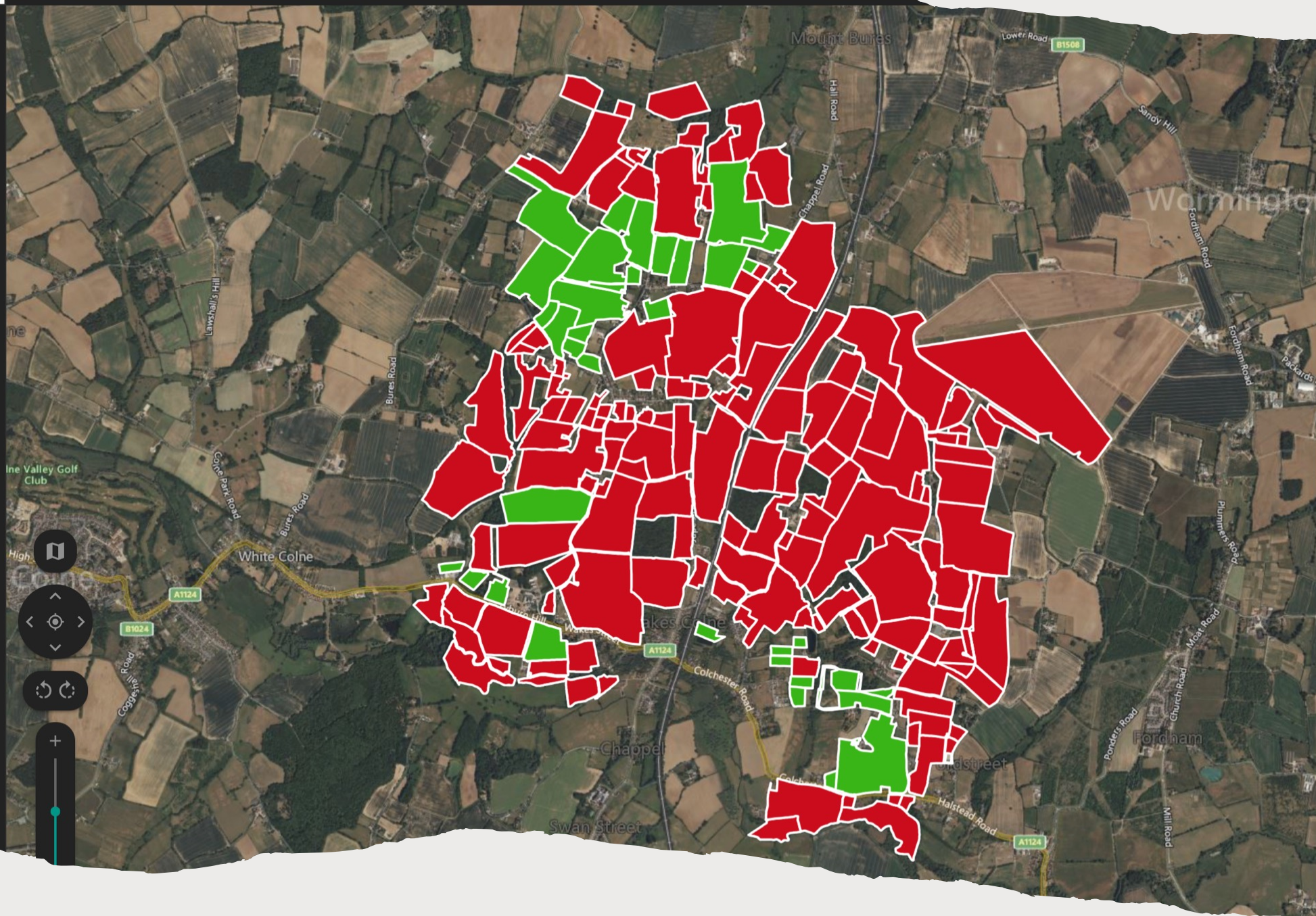
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Attribute Name	Description
FID_Build	Unique Roof Identifier
X_COORD	Geographical Position in OSGB projection coordinate
Y_COORD	Geographical Position in OSGB projection coordinate
Address	Address as provided by Ordnance Survey
Postcode	Postcode as provided by Ordnance Survey
Class	Building class as provided by Ordnance Survey
ROOF_TYPE	Type of roof on a building, defined as either Sloped or Flat
SOLAR_SUIT	Is the roof suitable for a solar installation? If not, this field is left blank
Asp_mean	Mean direction of the roof aspect from north (0) in degrees
Asp_max	Maximum direction of the roof aspect from north (0) in degrees
Asp_min	Minimum direction of the roof aspect from north (0) in degrees
Slp_mean	Mean angle of the roof slope from horizontal (0) in degrees
Slp_max	Maximum angle of the roof slope from horizontal (0) in degrees
Slp_min	Minimum angle of the roof slope from horizontal (0) in degrees
AVG_IRRD	Estimated annual solar irradiation received by the building based on location and roof aspect & pitch (kWh/m2/Year)
SOLAR_AREA	Suitable area for solar panels in square metres
PANEL	Number of panels possible to fit to the measured roof space
SYSTEM_SIZ	Total system size based on number of panels and individual panel output (kWp)
YIELD	Estimated amount of productivity possible per roof(kWh) in the first year
SYSTEM_CST	Estimated price of panel installation per property (£)
EXP_REV_1Y	Estimated amount of income received from the electricity fed back into the grid over a one year (£)
EXP_REV_20	Estimated amount of income received from the electricity fed back into the grid over twenty-five years (£)
ELE_SAV_1Y	Estimated amount of money saved by using generated electricity on site over a one year (£)
ELE_SAV_20	Estimated amount of money saved by using generated electricity on site over twenty years (£)
CO2_SAV	Estimated amount of carbon emissions saved over a one-year period (kg/MWh)
CO2_SAV_20	Estimated amount of carbon emissions saved over a twenty-year period (kg/MWh)
TOTAL_BEN	Estimated amount of income received after deductions of system costs (£)
No_DSM	'Yes' if the building requiring analysis was not contained with the LiDAR data
Year	Indicates the year of capture of the LIDAR data used for the processing



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Layers

+ Add Layer

+ Create Group

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Proceeding to the next stage: detailed analysis of a building

If you decide to participate, we will (as shown over the next 5 slides):

- 1) Model your roof
- 2) Assess shading from trees, and buildings
- 3) Assess the levels of light on the different parts of your roof
- 4) Come up with a design to maximise generation from your roof
- 5) If we have your energy bills, do a detailed calculation on the performance of the proposed system

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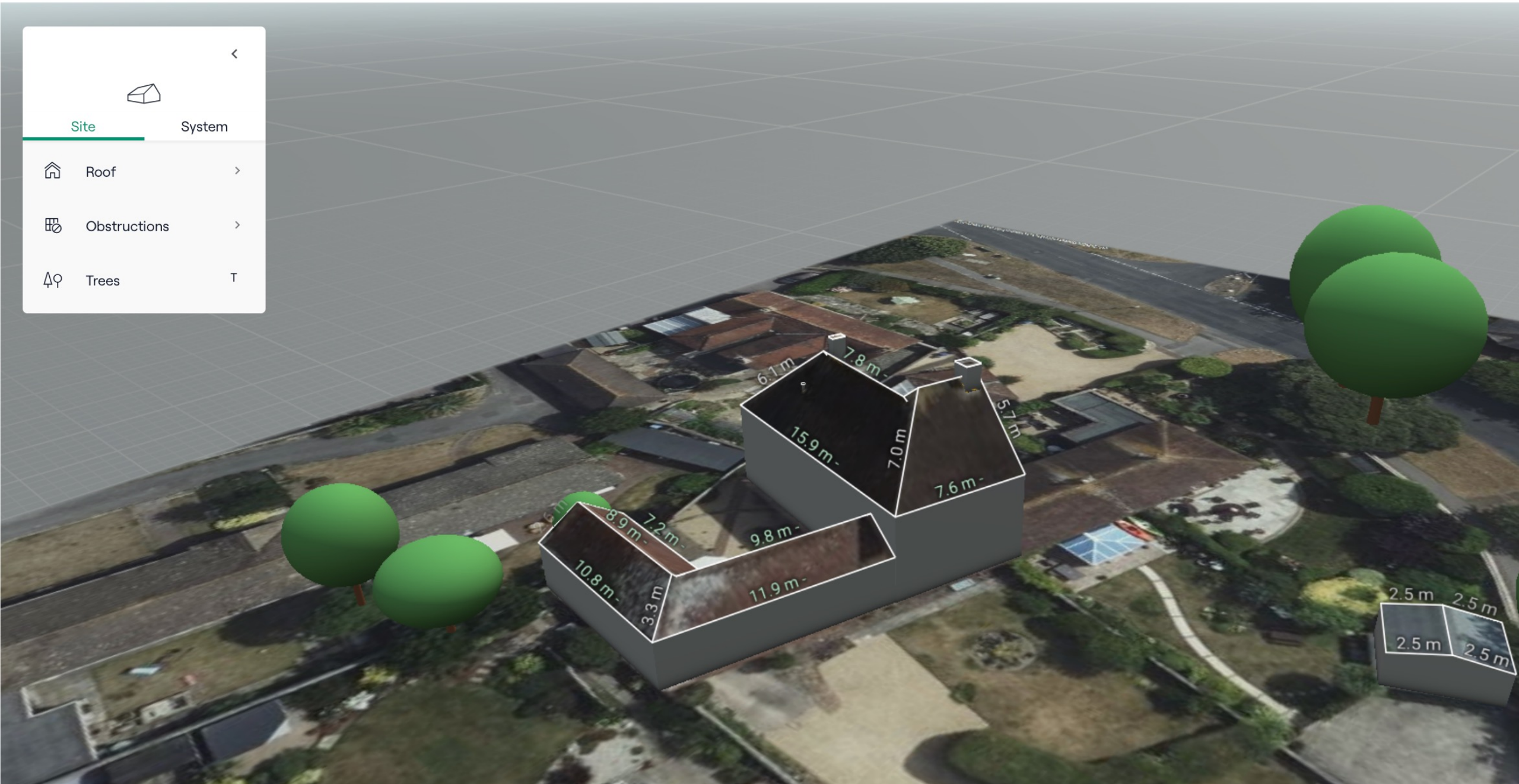
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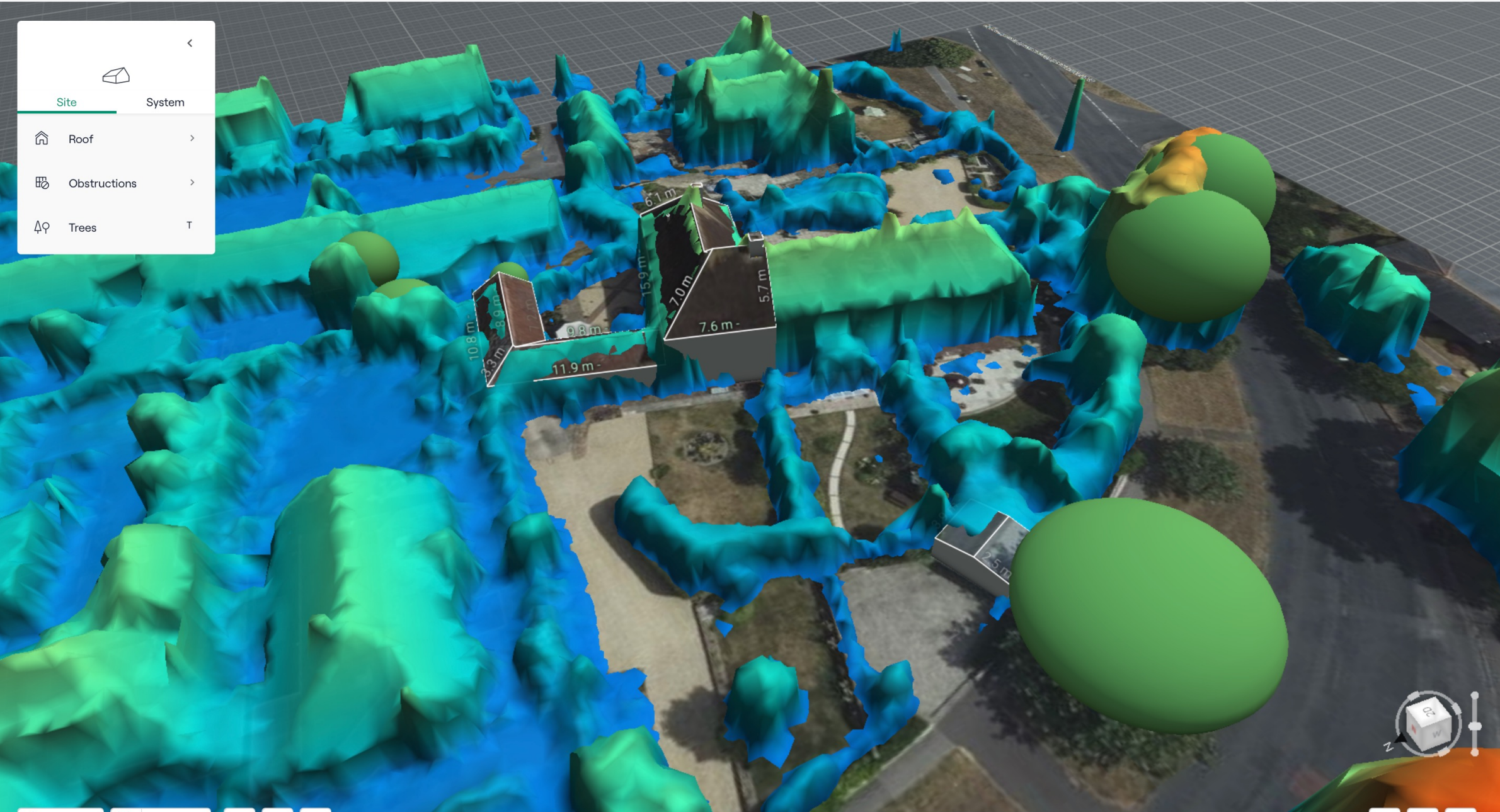
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ANNUAL (Panels) average

Irradiance	911 kWh/m²/yr
Solar Access	95%
TOF	97%
TSRF	92%

INSPECTOR

The screenshot shows the AutoDesigner software interface for solar panel layout. The left sidebar contains a menu with the following options: Site, System (highlighted), Fire pathways, AutoDesigner, Insert panels, Add components, and String/connect. The main workspace displays an aerial view of a roof with a white octagonal skylight. A brown overlay represents the proposed solar panel array, with dimensions and panel counts indicated. A green circle highlights a specific area on the roof. The array is divided into sections with dimensions such as 10.8 m, 8.9 m, 7.2 m, 3.1 m, 3.9 m, 2.6 m, 11.9 m, 9.8 m, 8.0 m, 2.5 m, 15.9 m, 7.0 m, 6.1 m, 7.8 m, 3.6 m, 5.7 m, 6.1 m, 7.8 m, 3.5 m, 1.5 m, 3.5 m, 1.5 m, and 1.5 m. The array consists of multiple rows of panels, with a total of 10 panels indicated in the top right corner.

Production	Utility Bill Savings
1000	1000
2000	2000
3000	3000
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5000	5000
6000	6000
7000	7000
8000	8000
9000	9000
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ANNUAL PRODUCTION

12	3.07MWh	--
Panels	Energy	Energy Offset

MONTHLY PRODUCTION (KWH)



Advanced ^

Yield
763 kWh/kWpPerformance Ratio
0.891

SYSTEM LOSSES

	Total kWh/m ²
Irradiance	979
-2.5% Tilt	955
-0.1% Horizon	954
-5.5% Shade	901
-2.0% Soiling	883
0.0% Snow	883
-3.3% Incident Angle	854

DC	Total kWh
After PV Conversion	3,440
-0.9% Environmental	3,411
0.0% Module Rating	3,411
-1.5% Degradation	3,359
-0.5% Connections	3,343
0.0% Mismatch	3,343
-2.0% DC Wiring	3,276

AC		
	-3.5% DC/AC Conversion	3,161
	0.0% Inverter Clipping	3,161

Category	Value	Count
Other	0.0% Age	3,161
	-3.0% System Availability	3,066
	0.0% Other	3,066

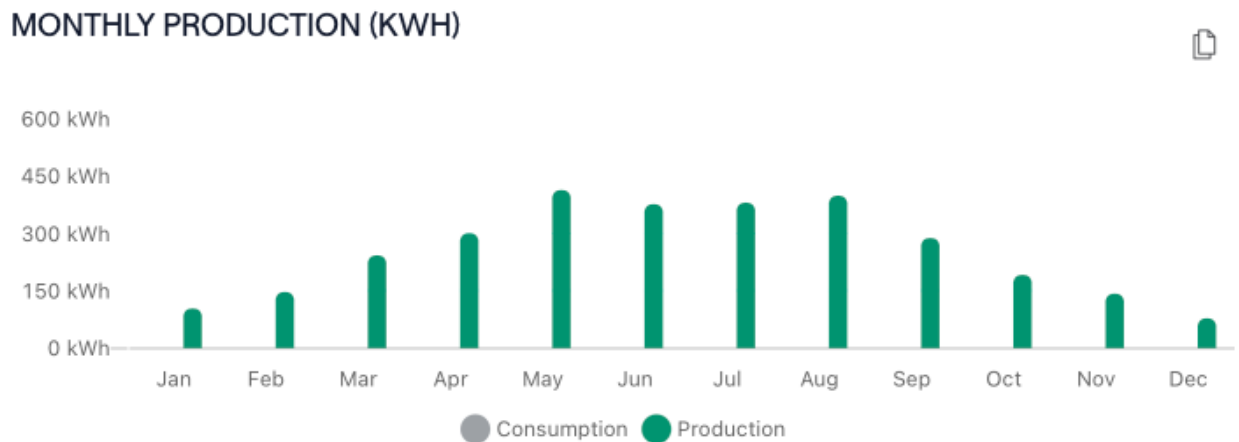
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Expressing your interest

To express an interest in participating in the East Preston Community Energy scheme, contact:

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