Online Comment

Application	H09-0037-24
Location	WILLIAM STUKELEY C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL SPALDING ROAD HOLBEACH PE12 7HG
Proposal	Installation of 42 PV panels and associated electrical works

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Typically, PV Cells would not be considered to be a material that is appropriate to a conservation area setting, in accordance with Policy 29, Section A of the SELLP. I would, therefore, consider the installation of PV cells to represent a form of harm. However, in this instance, because the cells would be situated upon the rear of the building, away from most public views, the harm can only be considered to be 'less than substantial harm' (as outlaid in Section 12, Para. 205 of the NPPF). In the case of 'less than substantial harm', the level of harm should be weighed against the public benefit of the proposal.

In this case, the public benefit is substantial and obvious in providing enhanced services to a public educational facility. Furthermore, the impact of the proposal upon the public appreciation of the Conservation Area would be extremely minimal, because the proposal area is to the rear, shielded from public view.

I therefore consider the proposal to be justified and as such wish to raise no objections.