

Bond offer now live with ISA wrapper



Just a quick email to let you know that Big Solar Co-op's new [Bond offer](#) is now live on the Ethex ethical investment platform.

This is our first bond offer and unlike the [rolling share offer](#), which is always open, the bonds offer will close in September. We are really pleased to be able to offer tax-free interest, thanks to the ability to wrap bonds in an ISA - something lots of people have asked about over the years.

What makes it even better is that this project could hardly be more symbolic of the transition to clean energy: we are turning a former opencast coal mine into a solar park!

Turning a former
coal mine into a
low-carbon solar
park



For all the details and to buy bonds please see the listing on Ethex. To purchase bonds you'll need to register with them - Ethex are a regulated platform, which is part of the reason they can offer the ISA wrapper.

[Take me to the bond offer!](#)

Whiteborough Solar Park

We are looking to raise £800,000 from the bond offer to finance the groundbreaking Whiteborough Solar Park in Nottinghamshire. To date, the Big Solar Co-op has focused on large rooftop solar, and continues to do so, with work underway on the roof of the [Midcounties store](#) at Bloxwich.

The ambition to do larger schemes on underused land has always been there as well - along with rooftop solar, comparatively small ground-mount solar is one of the scales at which solar delivery has flatlined in the UK over recent years.

It's taken several years to find and develop a scheme that fits the Big Solar Co-op's ethical approach. Our solar field was the site of coal mining over many years. It was last worked as an opencast mine in the 1950s. The mine was closed and filled in in the 1960s. The land is now Grade 4 (Poor) Agricultural Land and is currently used for grazing horses. You can find more details about the project itself on our website:

<https://bigsolar.coop/whiteborough-solar-park>



There's lots more news from the Big Solar Co-op (as ever) which we'll cover in an update next month. But we wanted our mailing list subscribers to be the first to know about the bond offer. It's a really exciting project with several 'firsts' and we hope our supporters will consider investing.

Exciting times!



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