

# Free range pigs under solar photovoltaic panels

Can a solar farm graze livestock?

The developer, landowner and/or agricultural tenant/licensee may choose to graze livestock at higher stocking densities throughout the year over much of the solar farm, especially where the previous land use suggested higher yields or pasture quality.

Can sheep be used in a solar park?

Although they have had to adapt their sheep system to fit into the solar park, it is an arrangement that works well, says Mrs Morgan, who explains that the sheep are used as "lawn mowers" to manage grass while producing lambs. See also: Business Clinic: How would solar lease affect IHT reliefs? Fenton Home Farm, near Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire

How many birds can a 5 megawatt solar farm provide?

Stocking density of up to 2000 birds per hectare is allowed, so a 5 megawatt solar farm on 12 hectares would provide ranging for 24,000 birds. In most solar farms, the PV modules are mounted on metal frames anchored by driven or screw piles, causing minimal ground disturbance and occupying less than 1% of the land area.

How many sheep are in a solar park?

The solar park is stocked at 12 sheep/ha in the summer. This drops to 5/ha over the winter months. It took a while for the sheep to adjust to the panels. "We recently bought in 75 ewe lamb replacements and once we had finished quarantining them, we ran them with the ewes so they would adapt to the different environment," explains Mrs Morgan.

Should a solar farm agreement include a grazing plan?

It is desirable that the terms of a solar farm agreement should include a grazing plan that ensures the continuation of access to the land by the farmer, ideally in a form that enables the claiming of Basic Payment Scheme agricultural support (see page 2).

Are solar farms a good idea for grazing 'store lambs'?

The most common practice is likely to be the use of solar farms as part of a grazing plan for fattening/finishing of young hill-bred 'store' lambs for sale to market. Store lambs are those newly-weaned animals that have not yet put on enough weight for slaughter, often sold by hill farmers in the Autumn for finishing in the lowlands.

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