



Latest letter and License from Bruton Knowles:

Following on from our text and emails to Landowners last week we have reviewed in detail the letter with a form of licence issued last week by Bruton Knowles on behalf of GreenGen which was received by some landowners.

As we have made clear in the past we have many concerns about the licence – our view is that it **does not properly protect landowners** and **could expose them to potential liability and costs.**

Landowners in the Llandoverly Steering Group will not be signing the licence, granting access to their land or sending back the questionnaire enclosed with the Bruton Knowles letter.

While we can't give advice to landowners we would strongly advise that if anyone is thinking of signing the licence, they engage a solicitor as the licence is a technical legal document that gives rights to enter and use of your land.

Remember signing the licence will enable your land to be judged as to whether it is **suitable for pylons** and in return the sum payable to you in advance on signing the licence is **just £250 as before**-not the figure of £500 suggested in the cover letter from Bruton Knowles.

Farmers and landowners affected by the Towy Usk scheme in Carmarthenshire and the similar GreenGen Vyrnwy Frankton scheme in Montgomeryshire and the Towy Teifi scheme are saying **no to licences** and **no to land entry** and **no to pylons.**

Bruton Knowles have said that if they cannot gain voluntary entry onto your land they will have to consider their options including using statutory powers under Sec 172 of the Housing and Planning Act. We contacted them last year to ask for an explanation as to how they believe GreenGen can use those powers without an Ofgem licence which they don't currently have. They are yet to responded to us.

Bruton Knowles indicate that GreenGen would prefer not to try and use statutory powers to gain entry and we can understand why. It could be a PR disaster, cost them a great deal, cause significant delays and the end outcome for GreenGen in trying to use those powers is far from certain.

If there are any change of circumstances or any further developments, we will share with you as soon as possible. If you become aware of any developments, or if Bruton Knowles call with you or contact again, please let us know.