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Should solar land be taxable?

Inheritance tax (IHT) is another very important consideration. While solar land may be classed as agricultural from a planning perspective, for tax purposes it ceases to be so the moment the lease is signed.

Are solar farm developments a tax issue?

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Can I rent land for a solar farm?

Renting land for a solar farm is a commercial lease and is not an agricultural use, so Agricultural Property Relief from inheritance tax may be lost. Transferring ownership of the land to another individual or trading entity before any development starts may be worth considering, to minimise the tax implications, but seek professional advice.

Are solar farm lease agreements taxable?

There are major tax implications for landowners to consider before entering into solar farm lease agreements as in the worst case scenario income could be taxed at 63%.

Do I need tax advice if I want a solar project?

Detailed tax advice may be required and new ownership structures put in place prior to signing the option agreement with the solar developer or undertaking the development, so plenty of time should be allowed for this and the cost included in the overall project budget.

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