

## Solar Energy South Africa

# Solar photovoltaic panels for sheep farming



## Overview

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The £46m park was developed in 2014, when the business leased 61ha (151 acres) to a solar generation company on a 30-year agreement. A further 13ha (32 acres) was brought into the scheme the following year, taking the development to 74ha (183 acres). The solar panels are linked to an electricity substation 2km from.

Adjustments were needed to the sheep enterprise, with the most significant being a change of breed. The flock had been Welsh Mule ewes sired to a Texel, but the animals were too big to.

One of the downsides is that the land can not be used to grow wheat for the poultry enterprise. "We had 350 acres [142ha] in one block and lost 180 acres [73ha] of it, so it has limited the rest of.

A quad-mounted spinner is used to spread fertiliser, although none has been applied this year because the response rate would not have been enough to generate a sufficient return on the.

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TAMS support is now available to support up to 11kW solar PV on dairy, beef, tillage and sheep farms; 40pc support was already available to the pig and poultry sector, and is not limited to 11kW. The horticulture sector can ...

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