From:

To: Cleve Hill Solar Park

Subject: Deadline 5 submission on behalf Graveney & Goodnestone Parish Council

Date: 20 September 2019 12:38:01

Attachments:

Hi Hefin,

Please find attached the open floor hearing read by Lut Stewart on behalf of the Parish council.

Kind regards,

Marie

National Inspection Open Floor Hearing 10th September 2019

Oral presentation from the Graveney with Goodnestone Parish Council

(read by Lut Stewart)

The Parish Council (PC) noted that in the written summaries of the oral submissions Open Floor Hearings 1&2 on Health and Well-being, a comment was made about the Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) – "the EIA has been produced to ensure the development does not discriminate any group of people"

However, the EIA is a written assessment which just records possible impacts of developments on people with Protective Characteristics (PC) – the report in itself cannot ensure that any group of people are not discriminated against.

The applicant's submission relating to the EIA states that there is very limited guidance, in particular for individual developments. This is surprising, given that Pinsent Masons were the legal team supporting the Hornsea Project Three, which has a very extensive EIA. The legal team were led by Mr Gareth Phillips. In the Cleve Hill project the legal team are also Pinsent Masons and again this is led by Mr Gareth Phillips. This statement therefore is disingenuous.

The applicants' completed EIA concluded that there was only one aspect of possible discrimination and that was in respect of to the Graveney Primary School during the construction phase of the development.

This conclusion is not surprising as the developer, Wirsol, has an Equality Statement that is very incomplete and does not consider all PCs.

There is extensive research on the impact of the construction of a development like this and the PC will put in a paper to report on the many detrimental and catastrophic effects on a number of groups of people with a PC.

The PC also wants to comment on the many security cameras proposed on the outside of the development's fence. The PC would like to know about the security issues that have arisen with Wirsol's and Hive's solar parks to warrant this level/ amount of security cameras. The PC would also want to know whether there have been security breaches at other parks they have been involved in.

The PC also raises a question about the threat of terrorism in relation to this proposal. This development is very accessible by air, road, rail and sea. Its size, nature of the development, co-location with London Array and the battery storage, increases its vulnerability significantly.

The PC would like to know what actions have been taken in this respect.

Thank you.