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Dear Sirs

Please find attached comments regarding the Sunnica Energy Farm

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16 May 2022

Dear Sirs,

Re Sunnica Energy Farm

We are writing regarding the Sunnica request to delay the preliminary meeting to the 18th July 2022.

We feel the meeting should be delayed for the following reasons :-

1. Sunnica are proposing a material change to their DCO application .

2. The changes will result in a large parts of the detail that have already been submitted being altered. We will need time to assess the changes, this will not be possible given the timetable if the examination process starts, fundamental changes to the application must be sorted before the examination process starts.

3. We do not believe setting a date for the preliminary meeting is correct, the meeting should only proceed when the applicant has provided all of the necessary information and all interested parties including the local communities and authorities have been given adequate time to assess the information. The applicant should consult fully with all parties, unfortunately to date Sunnica have refused to do so, it would not be unreasonable to suggest Sunnica's actions to date amount to nothing more than ' gratuitous violence'. This application will have a major impact on the landscape and lifestyle of the residents, the correct course of action can only be to ensure all parties are given adequate time to fully consider the impact of this application.

4. We have already incurred considerable costs in scrutinising what we thought was the final application, it would not be unreasonable to ask Sunnica to refund the costs incurred to date.

The applicants proposed timetable to consult on amendments intended to form the change request should be rejected for the following reasons :-

1. We do not believe it is possible for all the amendments and documents to be confirmed and paid by the end of May; the applicant cannot be allowed to continue to prepare.

2. The amendments will be considerable, it is incorrect to assume the amendments can be considered, professional opinion sought and constructive comment made in the timeframe.

3. Considering the locality, population and overriding agricultural employment of the area it is unfair to commence in mid July; Mid September would be a better time providing all documents have been prepared correctly.

The process cannot be followed if the timetable prohibits a fair and full examination, we would suggest the correct course of action should be that the applicant is asked to withdraw the application and re-submit when it has been correctly prepared and the necessary consultations taken place, only then can a proper examination take place.

It is simply staggering that Sunnica are making such a material change to the application, it must bring into question which other parts of their application may be 'floored' which may result in having a detrimental effect of the area.

