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Hello

I reply to the email dated 8th May 2022 where it was detailed Sunnica have asked for a delay to the proceedings resulting in the Inspectorate to ask for comments on Sunnica's request from all registered Interested Parties. I'm a registered Interested Party, my name is Kevin Hempson and my address is T [REDACTED]
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PINS are asking:-

- a) Whether Preliminary Meeting should be delayed until mid July 2022; and
- b) The Applicants proposed timetable to consult further on amendments intended to form the formal Change Request to be made to the ExA.

To me this is a highly irregular development. From the outset it appeared Sunnica's justification (only for them as an organisation) for siting the Solar Farm near to Chippenham and it's surrounding villages was its closeness to Burwell and them tapping into the substation that's already located there, it needed this link to the Burwell substation to make the project work financially. I strongly objected to Sunnica's proposal for many reasons, the main ones of which I submitted when registering my Interested Party application. It now appears Sunnica's justification is lost because they cannot utilise the Burwell substation, and to me that takes away any logic for siting the Solar Farm near to Chippenham as proposed, and as such the project should be scrapped and Sunnica should look for a different location that has better reasons for a Solar Farm to be located there.

So to answer the specific questions asked:-

- a) I'm in favour of the Preliminary Meeting being delayed. I would want the delay to be long enough to ensure that all affected parties have access to the full details of the scheme changes and it's impacts, so maybe mid July is too soon. It's important that the changes proposed are given enough time to be properly assessed; and
- b) The Applicants proposed timetable for the assessment, evaluation, and consultation is too short for things to be properly considered. There are a lot of unknowns now, so I object to anything that would rush things such that the affected parties are not given time to express their views etc. I still think the application should be withdrawn for the reasons mentioned above, but I also believe in fairness and that is to Sunnica as well, and so I would want a fair timetable to be put in place to enable fair participation from all affected parties.

Thank you

Kind Regards

Kevin Hempson

Sent from my iPad