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Dear Sir,

**Application by Sunnica Ltd for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Sunnica Energy Farm Request by the Applicant in Respect of the Timing of the Preliminary Meeting/Examination.**

Thank you for your letter of May 4<sup>th</sup> 2022, requesting a response to the latest changes being requested by Sunnica Ltd to their DCO Application.

You ask:

**Whether the Preliminary Meeting should be delayed until mid July 2022.**

The change being asked for a 100m x 85m x10m new substation on the Sunnica West site, is both significant and material and cannot be cobbled together in a few short weeks. It is highly dubious that Sunnica has the resources to carry out the necessary feasibility studies, impact and technical assessments within the timetable they have indicated. They will need to produce professional and robust reports on the effect that these changes will have on the whole scheme, and what the impact will be on the landscape particularly as it will affect the historic Limekilns, wildlife, biodiversity, traffic impact, and health and safety.

**The Applicants proposed timetable to consult further on amendments intended to form the formal Chane Request to be made to the ExA.**

The significant and material change that is being proposed will need full and proper consultation. This cannot conceivably be accomplished within one short month. Sunnica have form with regard to the lack of consultation and paucity of information provided hitherto. The speed with which they propose to rush this through is of concern, as a consequence. Sunnica have not indicated with whom they will be consulting, and how. Furthermore, as the holiday season will be upon us, it will be difficult, if not impossible, for the relevant bodies to be able to makes their own impact assessments, let alone consult with the local communities who will be affected.

Given that Sunnica have, and are breaching, your timetable guidelines, it may be better for all concerned that Sunnica restart the process so that a proper and professional consultation is undertaken, once Sunnica have established precisely what their project plan is, which currently is not the case.

Yours faithfully

Peter Maxwell

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