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To: [Sunnica Energy Farm](#)
Subject: FAO Mr Grahame Kean. Sunnica delay request
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Dear Mr Kean,

I received the Sunnica update and link to your letter dated 4 May 2022. Thank you for asking my views on Sunnica's request for a delay and their revised timetable.

I find it hard to believe that Sunnica have submitted an application for an energy plant with no agreed means to connect it to the national grid. We had been told many times that Sunnica had secured a grid connection and that Option 1 was their preferred location to extend the substation at Burwell. The way in which this was presented by Sunnica had led me to believe that this had all been established in conjunction with National Grid.

To find out that this is not the case at this late stage is rather shocking and also unfair. I have spent considerable time looking at the application documents but it seems that these will now be subject to change. This has been a waste of my time and I am now unable to finalise my next submission because I know that the scheme will change further.

I do feel that this scheme has been brought forward under false pretences, and it has not been fully evaluated despite it being in the making since 2019. The application has many areas that are lacking in detail (battery storage, wildlife impacts, traffic assessments etc). And now it does not have a viable plan to download the energy it produces to the national grid. This application needs to go back to the drawing board to address the grid problem, as well as the lack of content in other areas, before resubmitting it.

There does need to be a delay to address these issues, otherwise this would make the examination process unfair to me and others who are putting together representations. This delay, therefore, needs to be longer rather than shorter as there are too many areas that need clarifying, further documents that need reviewing and I would need a reasonable amount of time to do this and to respond accordingly.

I object to the timetable proposed by Sunnica to delay the preliminary meeting to mid-July as this would mean that I would have very little time to review the updated application details before the examination is underway. How can they put a timetable on a change to the scheme that they don't even know will be viable? How do they know how long it will take to establish this? How do they know what impacts it might have? To suggest they can evaluate all of this before the end of May is unrealistic. To then rush through a consultation with the changes would be very unfair on residents.

Not only is the short timeframe a problem, but the fact that Sunnica is suggesting the examination period starts during the peak holiday season is heavily biased in their favour. They would know that many people, including myself, have booked holidays in July. They would know that parents and grandparents, like myself, with children to look after will not be able to participate if they are having to juggle Sunnica issues with childcare and with work and other commitments over the school summer holiday period. I cannot help but feel that Sunnica have deliberately suggested a timetable that precludes many registered parties from fully participating.

I wish to have the chance to fully participate in the preliminary meeting and the examination and to present my views as I have devoted considerable time to reviewing this scheme. The timetable suggested by Sunnica would prevent this.

Best regards,

Mrs Sandra Judkins