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I am writing to inform the Examining Authority of my personal concerns about how the Sunnica Energy Farm will impact my life and the life of my partner, Gavin Hunter. We are residents of Chippenham and are both retired and . One of the things we most enjoy is walking our dog on the secure beautiful footpath linking Snailwell to the end of the Bury Road in Newmarket. It is one of the few footpaths that is fenced making it very safe for both children and dogs. I regularly meet up with my friends and my daughter, Rebecca Dunlop, and grandchildren through this walk, so it is not only beneficial for my wellbeing, but also my social life.

I also object to the Sunnica proposal which takes away arable land in our area which grows over 30,000 tonnes of carrots, potatoes, and onions a year for the country. I find it hard to believe that this land is of the low calibre that Sunnica maintains given the amount of food produced in the area every year.

As well as this, I believe the villages are not suitable to accommodate large industrial construction vehicles and cranes. This will no doubt change our village life as we know it, negatively affecting the lifestyles of many.

For many years I have enjoyed walking my dogs in the afternoon on the Limekilns in Newmarket. We are very privileged to be allowed to walk there on the famous training grounds with the large expanses of grass, covered in spring with wild flowers, intermingled with small woods. As you walk you can enjoy the lovely views of the Suffolk/Cambridgeshire countryside all around you. For this reason, I am horrified to learn that if the proposed plan by Sunnica goes through we will be looking at fields of glass solar panels and maybe high batteries.

Surely solar panels would be more suited to roofs or brownfield sites rather than ruining arable land and our beautiful countryside.

Hoping that sense will prevail and that the Examining Authority will consider how this scheme will be detrimental to the lives of villagers affected.