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### **Re Proposed Sunnica Development**

May we paraphrase and update our earlier objections to this proposal as under.

The Newmarket Stud Farmers Association represent Stud Farmers in the Newmarket area who farm some 7,000 acres of prime horse grazing lands. It concerns us greatly that the potential loss of some of this land would be highly detrimental the areas worldwide reputation of horse breeding

We would further be concerned about the visual impact in an area of noted beauty. The loss of valuable agricultural land must also be considered. We fully appreciate the need for green energy but we would suggest that this is not the best area for a development of this size in an area which already has very considerable green developments.

The development would seem to be very inefficient in that there are four sites scattered over 15 miles, all needing to be connected to a central point.

We understand that the energy realised would not be for local use but would be sold back to the Grid and large corporations.

This development will result in greatly increased traffic volumes on local roads which, even now, cannot manage the volume of use.

Lastly, and by no means least may we draw to your attention the use of Lithium-ion batteries used in the Battery Energy Storage Systems. There have been well documented reports of them releasing gasses in an uncontrolled manner resulting in fires and releasing toxic gasses. This is perhaps the matter that concerns Members most and must be addressed to their satisfaction. This Association recently had a guest from America with knowledge of such installations. He stated quite categorically that, in his opinion, they were not safe. He expressed concern that he would be very wary of having his valuable bloodstock stabled in the vicinity of such installations. This is the opinion of an International Thoroughbred Breeder who has worldwide interest in the bloodstock field.

In conclusion we would suggest that the above objections should be noted and acted upon by the Planning Officer.

Yours

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