



Newmarket

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28th November 2022

On behalf of Newmarket Town Council, we would like to comment on the Written Representation of Say No To Sunnica Action Group Ltd (SNTS), dated 11th November 2022

We fully support the written representation of SNTS and comment specifically on the following:

- **Cumulative impact** – the sprawling design of Sunnica is created due to where willing Landowners could be found. This is why the industrialisation effect is so profound.
- **Heritage** - the proximity and quantity of solar panels around the villages will severely compromise the settings within those villages and the heritage of Newmarket.
- **Agriculture** - we know the land around the area is highly productive arable land. These crops cannot be grown on poor soils.
- **Horseracing industry** - We agree with the harm Sunnica will do to the famous Limekilns gallop and the damage this will cause to Newmarket and the racing industry.
- **Carbon** - we are very concerned about the findings of the Cranfield University report. How can this scheme be considered if it is carbon positive?
- **BESS** - we do not understand why Sunnica have refused for so long to give details of the BESS arrangements when they are submitting plans to the ExA dated August 2022. Why can they not be open about what they intend to do? This lack of transparency makes us even more nervous.
- **Consultation** - we have included comment in our Written Representation regarding the poor consultation process and we entirely support the position of the Action Group.

Regards,

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C Whitaker
Town Clerk