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00:00:00.700 --> 00:00:03.500
Okay, it's ten o'clock.
00:00:03.500 --> 00:00:06.400
Good morning everybody. Welcome to
00:00:06.400 --> 00:00:09.300
this second open floor hearing which is now open.
00:00:10.400 --> 00:00:12.800
Can I confirm that everyone can hear me clearly?
00:00:13.600 --> 00:00:15.700
You put your hands up at the back if you can't.
00:00:17.200 --> 00:00:17.700
Thank you.
00:00:18.600 --> 00:00:21.300
Can I just confirm with my colleagues that
00:00:21.300 --> 00:00:23.500
the live streaming has commenced?
00:00:24.500 --> 00:00:28.000
Yes, thank you. So this
00:00:27.100 --> 00:00:30.200
is the second open floor hearing for
10
00:00:30.200 --> 00:00:33.400
the application made by Seneca limited
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00:00:33.400 --> 00:00:36.700
the applicant for an order granting development
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00:00:36.700 --> 00:00:39.700
consent for the Seneca energy farm project.
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00:00:39.700 --> 00:00:42.900
This comprises the construction operation
14
00:00:42.900 --> 00:00:45.800
maintenance and decommissioning of a
15
00:00:45.800 --> 00:00:48.600
Generating Station with a gross electrical output capacity
16
00:00:48.600 --> 00:00:52.200
of 50 megawatts comprising ground
17
00:00:51.200 --> 00:00:55.200
mounted solar full-to-volta PV
18
00:00:54.200 --> 00:00:57.200
panel arrays a battery energy
19
00:00:57.200 --> 00:01:00.400
storage system with the growth storage capacity of
00:01:00.400 --> 00:01:04.100
over 50 megawatts connection to the UK electricity
21
00:01:03.100 --> 00:01:07.100
transmission system and other Associated
22
00:01:06.100 --> 00:01:08.600
and ancillary development.
23
00:01:09.600 --> 00:01:13.000
My name is Graham Keen. I'm a planning inspector
24
00:01:12.600 --> 00:01:15.100
solicitor employed by
25
00:01:15.100 --> 00:01:18.500
the planning inspectorate and I've been appointed by the Secretary
of
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00:01:18.500 --> 00:01:21.900
State for leveling up housing and communities to
27
00:01:21.900 --> 00:01:24.600
be the lead member of the panel examining this
00:01:24.600 --> 00:01:25.300
application.
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00:01:26.200 --> 00:01:29.700
I'll now ask the other members of the panel to introduce themselves
30
00:01:29.700 --> 00:01:32.200
starting with Mrs. Taylor
31
00:01:32.200 --> 00:01:32.700
on my left.
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00:01:33.500 --> 00:01:36.800
Thank you, Mr. Keane. Good morning everyone. I'm Karen Taylor.
33
00:01:36.800 --> 00:01:39.300
I'm a chartered Town planner and chartered member
34
00:01:39.300 --> 00:01:42.000
of the landscape Institute. I'm a member of
35
00:01:42.200 --> 00:01:45.500
a pool of qualified persons eligible to serve as an examining
36
00:01:45.500 --> 00:01:48.300
inspector, and I'm appointed to this panel and
37
00:01:48.300 --> 00:01:51.200
employed by the planning inspector at on a fixed term
00:01:51.200 --> 00:01:51.900
contract.
00:01:52.700 --> 00:01:55.400
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Thank you and to my right good morning
40
00:01:55.400 --> 00:01:58.600
everyone. My name is Guy Rigby. I'm a
41
00:01:58.600 --> 00:02:01.200
chartered civil engineer and a member of a pool
42
00:02:01.200 --> 00:02:04.600
of qualified persons. Like Mrs. Taylor eligible to serve
43
00:02:04.600 --> 00:02:07.800
as an examining inspector. I'm also appointed
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00:02:07.800 --> 00:02:10.800
to this panel and employed by the planning inspectors
00:02:10.800 --> 00:02:12.200
on a fixed term contract.
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00:02:13.200 --> 00:02:16.700
Thank you. So together. We constitute the
47
00:02:16.700 --> 00:02:19.400
panel IE the
48
00:02:19.400 --> 00:02:22.500
examining Authority and we will be reporting to the Secretary
49
00:02:22.500 --> 00:02:25.900
of State for business energy and Industrial strategy
50
00:02:25.900 --> 00:02:29.000
recommending whether the development consent
00:02:28.300 --> 00:02:31.300
order should be made and if so
00:02:31.300 --> 00:02:34.700
in what form the case managers
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53
00:02:34.700 --> 00:02:37.200
for the project are Louise haraway and
54
00:02:37.200 --> 00:02:38.400
Michelle Gregory.
00:02:39.100 --> 00:02:42.500
Miss haraway is here today sitting with us and
56
00:02:42.500 --> 00:02:45.900
supported here in the room by Ramil Bernie.
57
00:02:47.100 --> 00:02:51.300
Mrs. Gregory is providing support remotely. If
58
00:02:50.300 --> 00:02:53.400
you have any questions or queries about
59
00:02:53.400 --> 00:02:56.400
the examination process or the technology we
60
00:02:56.400 --> 00:02:59.800
are using they should be your first point of contact and
61
00:02:59.800 --> 00:03:02.200
their details are at the top of any letters you
62
00:03:02.200 --> 00:03:05.900
have received or on the project page of the national infrastructure
website.
63
00:03:06.900 --> 00:03:09.100
Please contact a case team member if you need
64
00:03:09.100 --> 00:03:10.300
help during the hearing.
65
00:03:13.900 --> 00:03:16.400
For those attending online. Please. Make sure that
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00:03:16.400 --> 00:03:18.800
you stay muted unless you are speaking.
67
00:03:19.500 --> 00:03:22.500
If you are participating online and wish to
68
00:03:22.500 --> 00:03:26.000
speak at a relevant point, please use the Microsoft teams hands
69
00:03:25.100 --> 00:03:28.200
up function and weights be invited to
00:03:28.200 --> 00:03:30.900
speak or ask to speak at the relevant time.
71
00:03:31.600 --> 00:03:34.300
The chat function on teams will not work. So
72
00:03:34.300 --> 00:03:35.700
please don't try to use this.
00:03:37.600 --> 00:03:40.300
The digital recordings are retained and published and
00:03:40.300 --> 00:03:44.300
 former public record that can contain your personal information the
7.5
00:03:43.300 --> 00:03:46.200
practice, excuse me.
76
00:03:47.700 --> 00:03:50.200
The practice of the planning inspector is to retain
00:03:50.200 --> 00:03:53.800
and publish recordings for five years from the Secretary of State's
78
00:03:53.800 --> 00:03:53.900
decision.
79
00:03:54.600 --> 00:03:57.800
If you take part in today's meeting you should understand that
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80
00:03:57.800 --> 00:04:00.700
 you will be live streamed and recorded and the
81
00:04:00.700 --> 00:04:02.500
digital recordings will be published.
82
00:04:03.500 --> 00:04:06.400
So if you are attending online and do not
83
00:04:06.400 --> 00:04:09.400
wish your image to be recorded, you should switch off
84
00:04:09.400 --> 00:04:10.000
your camera.
85
00:04:11.200 --> 00:04:14.700
If you feel that personal information is necessary to impart
86
00:04:14.700 --> 00:04:17.700
at this hearing
87
00:04:17.700 --> 00:04:20.400
we would ask you to provide it
88
00:04:20.400 --> 00:04:23.100
in a written document instead that we can
89
00:04:23.100 --> 00:04:25.400
redact before publication.
90
00:04:26.800 --> 00:04:29.300
Does anybody have any questions on this particular matter?
91
00:04:30.300 --> 00:04:31.300
Thank you.
92
00:04:32.300 --> 00:04:35.900
So just one or two preliminary matters
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00:04:35.900 --> 00:04:40.000
to to go through for those
94
00:04:39.700 --> 00:04:42.800
attending in the hall today
95
00:04:42.800 --> 00:04:45.700
can everyone please settle note device
96
00:04:45.700 --> 00:04:47.500
notifications to silent.
00:04:48.900 --> 00:04:51.600
If only one needs the hearing Loop facility,
98
00:04:51.600 --> 00:04:53.600
please contact the case team.
99
00:04:55.700 --> 00:04:58.400
I've not been advised there any fire alarm drills
00:04:58.400 --> 00:05:01.300
or tests today? So in the event of the fire
101
00:05:01.300 --> 00:05:04.300
alarm going please exit the whole way you
102
00:05:04.300 --> 00:05:07.600
came in through those stores behind you and out into
103
00:05:07.600 --> 00:05:08.500
the through the main.
104
00:05:09.700 --> 00:05:10.900
doors into the street
105
00:05:12.900 --> 00:05:15.800
toilets are located through those
106
00:05:15.800 --> 00:05:17.800
doors there along the corridor.
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107
00:05:20.600 --> 00:05:24.200
so arrangements for this hearing Logistics
108
00:05:23.200 --> 00:05:27.000
explain a little bit about open floor hearings open
109
00:05:26.200 --> 00:05:29.700
for hearings are where individuals and organizations
110
00:05:29.700 --> 00:05:30.900
have their say
111
00:05:31.600 --> 00:05:35.000
Cross-questioning is not normally allowed and as
112
00:05:34.400 --> 00:05:37.200
the examining Authority, we may
113
00:05:37.200 --> 00:05:38.700
ask questions that arise.
00:05:40.400 --> 00:05:43.400
We will make necessary provision for the introduction of more
115
00:05:43.400 --> 00:05:46.400
detailed evidence from experts at issue specific
116
00:05:46.400 --> 00:05:50.300
hearings or through the written process and it
117
00:05:49.300 --> 00:05:52.200
is important to bear in mind that the
118
00:05:52.200 --> 00:05:55.400
the examination process is
119
00:05:55.400 --> 00:05:58.400
primarily a written process under the
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00:05:58.400 --> 00:06:00.200
planning act 2008.
121
00:06:01.800 --> 00:06:04.600
Also for people who have land or rights affected
122
00:06:04.600 --> 00:06:08.200
by compulsory acquisition or temporary possession. These
123
00:06:07.200 --> 00:06:10.900
These are known as affected persons
124
00:06:10.900 --> 00:06:13.800
and they have the right to be heard at
125
00:06:13.800 --> 00:06:16.300
a compulsory acquisition hearing otherwise known
126
00:06:16.300 --> 00:06:19.200
as c a h and that may be the
00:06:19.200 --> 00:06:22.000
best Forum to raise those particular issues.
128
00:06:23.900 --> 00:06:26.200
So the agenda for the hearing is set out
129
00:06:26.200 --> 00:06:30.000
in the notification published on the national infrastructure
website.
130
00:06:29.300 --> 00:06:32.100
I hope you have a copy of
131
00:06:32.100 --> 00:06:35.400
that to hand or you are aware of it. And if not the
132
00:06:35.400 --> 00:06:37.800
case team may be able to provide you with a copy.
133
00:06:39.300 --> 00:06:42.700
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It's fairly straightforward agenda open for
134
00:06:42.700 --> 00:06:46.000
hearings do not have any subject matter controlled agendas
135
00:06:45.500 --> 00:06:48.400
and participants May raise any
136
00:06:48.400 --> 00:06:51.700
Matters from the application that are important and relevant
137
00:06:51.700 --> 00:06:52.600
to the decision.
138
00:06:53.700 --> 00:06:56.400
These types of hearings aim to identify planning
139
00:06:56.400 --> 00:06:59.300
issues that are important and relevant.
140
00:07:00.300 --> 00:07:03.100
Once an issue has been identified. It does not
141
00:07:03.100 --> 00:07:06.100
need to be repeated. It is sufficient to say that you
142
00:07:06.100 --> 00:07:09.500
agree with something a previous speaker has raised.
143
00:07:11.600 --> 00:07:14.600
Once you have spoken at one open floor hearing you
144
00:07:14.600 --> 00:07:18.000
to not have the right to speak again at another so it
00:07:17.100 --> 00:07:20.400
is important that you use your allotted time
146
00:07:20.400 --> 00:07:23.200
well to communicate your messages to the
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147
00:07:23.200 --> 00:07:23.600
panel.
148
00:07:25.700 --> 00:07:28.400
The evidence presented orally at these hearings may
149
00:07:28.400 --> 00:07:31.800
be included in post hearing submissions and submitted
150
00:07:31.800 --> 00:07:34.900
at deadline for which is Friday
151
00:07:34.900 --> 00:07:36.300
16 December.
152
00:07:37.300 --> 00:07:38.700
2022
153
00:07:40.700 --> 00:07:43.600
so all the speaking slots are time
154
00:07:43.600 --> 00:07:46.400
limited and for reasons of fairness the
155
00:07:46.400 --> 00:07:49.400
time limit shown on the detailed agenda will
156
00:07:49.400 --> 00:07:52.400
be closely applied and we will remind
157
00:07:52.400 --> 00:07:55.300
you to conclude approximately one minute before the
158
00:07:55.300 --> 00:07:57.100
end of your allotted speaking time.
159
00:07:58.900 --> 00:08:02.800
The agenda will consist of firstly represented representations
160
00:08:01.800 --> 00:08:04.700
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by interested parties
161
00:08:04.700 --> 00:08:07.500
who are named in the list speakers will
162
00:08:07.500 --> 00:08:10.800
be heard in the order shown under the list of speakers and
163
00:08:10.800 --> 00:08:13.300
you can find that in Annex B of the
164
00:08:13.300 --> 00:08:16.600
agenda. I'll just run through that shortly.
165
00:08:18.100 --> 00:08:21.300
There will be a maximum speaking time of five minutes that will
166
00:08:21.300 --> 00:08:25.200
apply to oral submissions made by individual interested parties.
167
00:08:26.400 --> 00:08:30.000
A maximum speaking time of 10 minutes will apply to oral submissions
168
00:08:29.600 --> 00:08:32.600
made by organization groups or
169
00:08:32.600 --> 00:08:36.000
representatives of a number of individual interested parties.
170
00:08:37.500 --> 00:08:40.200
Non-interested parties will be heard at
171
00:08:40.200 --> 00:08:44.600
the discretion of the examining Authority after the IPS interested
172
00:08:44.600 --> 00:08:47.500
parties, and these are included in the list of speakers in
00:08:47.500 --> 00:08:48.400
Annex B.
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00:08:49.200 --> 00:08:53.200
The same maximum speaking times and procedure will apply
175
00:08:52.200 --> 00:08:55.700
as for IPs and we
176
00:08:55.700 --> 00:08:58.600
will endeavor to hear all the speakers identified in
177
00:08:58.600 --> 00:09:00.800
in that list a tan XP.
178
00:09:02.800 --> 00:09:05.200
So the examining Authority may ask questions
179
00:09:05.200 --> 00:09:08.400
of ips non-ips and the
180
00:09:08.400 --> 00:09:11.900
applicant about matters rising from written and oral submissions.
181
00:09:12.800 --> 00:09:15.500
If we do so during a timed oral submission
182
00:09:15.500 --> 00:09:18.500
the time taken by us as panel will
183
00:09:18.500 --> 00:09:20.400
not count against speaking time.
184
00:09:23.600 --> 00:09:26.300
Secondly after representations have been made in
185
00:09:26.300 --> 00:09:30.000
accordance with the procedure. I've outlined the applicants
00:09:29.200 --> 00:09:32.900
will be invited to respond to matters raised
187
00:09:32.900 --> 00:09:36.100
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and to questions arising from the panel
188
00:09:35.100 --> 00:09:39.000
either orally or after interested parties
189
00:09:38.300 --> 00:09:42.600
and non-ip's of spoken or they
190
00:09:41.600 --> 00:09:44.200
may choose to say that they will
191
00:09:44.200 --> 00:09:47.800
reply in writing by deadline for
192
00:09:47.800 --> 00:09:49.000
the 16th of December.
00:09:51.200 --> 00:09:54.300
So what I'll do now is just move to
194
00:09:54.300 --> 00:09:57.300
the annex B
195
00:09:57.300 --> 00:10:00.600
of the agenda and the order list
196
00:10:00.600 --> 00:10:04.100
to check who is present. And
197
00:10:03.100 --> 00:10:07.300
as I run through the order
198
00:10:06.300 --> 00:10:09.200
in which you are down to speak
199
00:10:09.200 --> 00:10:13.100
perhaps you could take note of who is who is
200
00:10:12.100 --> 00:10:15.300
in front of you so that you are ready to
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201
00:10:15.300 --> 00:10:19.500
come up to the table to speak to streamline
202
00:10:18.500 --> 00:10:21.400
the process that will be helpful.
00:10:22.400 --> 00:10:22.700
So
204
00:10:25.100 --> 00:10:26.300
we'll just
205
00:10:28.300 --> 00:10:31.700
have a look. First of all, could I just check is the
206
00:10:31.700 --> 00:10:33.600
applicant represented in the room?
207
00:10:35.500 --> 00:10:37.500
Yes, Mr. Griffiths. Yes. Good morning.
208
00:10:40.300 --> 00:10:43.400
Right, so I will start off. The first
209
00:10:43.400 --> 00:10:46.900
one on list is Lucy Fraser and he yes,
210
00:10:46.900 --> 00:10:49.400
thank you and then Matt Hancock.
211
00:10:50.500 --> 00:10:53.100
Is Matt Hancock here? Yes. Good morning.
212
00:10:54.700 --> 00:10:57.400
Then number three will Fletcher hit
213
00:10:57.400 --> 00:11:00.300
from historic England. I think Mr. Fletcher you're
214
00:11:00.300 --> 00:11:01.200
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attending virtually.
215
00:11:01.800 --> 00:11:04.800
Not present yet not present yet. Okay.
216
00:11:07.500 --> 00:11:10.400
And then for Sir Mark Prescott.
217
00:11:11.200 --> 00:11:11.700
Thank you.
218
00:11:12.400 --> 00:11:15.300
Five Richard Duke who may be
219
00:11:15.300 --> 00:11:15.500
online?
220
00:11:16.900 --> 00:11:18.400
Are you online Mr. Chuke?
221
00:11:25.900 --> 00:11:26.900
No, okay.
222
00:11:29.600 --> 00:11:32.900
And then five we have Mr. Mogridge
223
00:11:32.900 --> 00:11:35.800
Peter mogridge from snailwell Parish Council.
224
00:11:37.100 --> 00:11:38.300
Yes, good morning.
225
00:11:39.400 --> 00:11:41.700
And then Mrs. Mackenzie from
226
00:11:43.100 --> 00:11:45.400
Worthington Parish Council
227
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00:11:46.500 --> 00:11:49.600

Yes. Good morning, Mrs. Mackenzie. Then we

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228
00:11:49.600 --> 00:11:52.200
have number eight Nicholas aklam from
229
00:11:52.200 --> 00:11:55.600
reach Parish Council. Yes. Thank you. And then
230
00:11:55.600 --> 00:11:58.500
Richard Radcliffe from Iceland Parish Council.
231
00:11:58.500 --> 00:11:59.300
Thank you very much.
232
00:12:00.600 --> 00:12:04.500
And then number 10 we have John steel Casey.
233
00:12:03.500 --> 00:12:05.400
Good morning.
234
00:12:06.100 --> 00:12:09.500
And then Catherine Judkins, yes. Good morning.
235
00:12:09.500 --> 00:12:12.600
Then we have Nick Wright from
236
00:12:12.600 --> 00:12:15.800
AG Wright & Son Farms limited. Thank you
237
00:12:15.800 --> 00:12:18.400
and Dr. Fordham, Dr.
238
00:12:18.400 --> 00:12:20.000
Edmond, Fordham yesc.
239
00:12:20.600 --> 00:12:23.600
Then we have Andrew Monroe who
240
00:12:23.600 --> 00:12:26.800
I think is online. Okay. Yes.
241
00:12:26.800 --> 00:12:27.200
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242
00:12:28.100 --> 00:12:28.800
Thank you very much.
243
00:12:29.900 --> 00:12:33.300
We have John leech. Thank
244
00:12:32.300 --> 00:12:35.800
you and Jane leech.
245
00:12:35.800 --> 00:12:39.400
Thank you very much. Liam McGillivray.
246
00:12:38.400 --> 00:12:42.800
Yes, Mark goldsak. Yes
00:12:41.800 --> 00:12:44.500
Simon Stafford.
248
00:12:45.200 --> 00:12:49.500
Yep, Josie Jennings. Thank you John James
249
00:12:49.500 --> 00:12:53.500
from Brookside stud. Yes. Thank you Mark Fletcher
00:12:52.500 --> 00:12:54.900
from The Isle Home Society.
251
00:12:56.900 --> 00:12:59.300
Not speaking today. I understand. Okay.
252
00:13:06.500 --> 00:13:09.800
So next on the list is Shazia suja
253
00:13:09.800 --> 00:13:11.700
from Red Lodge Parish Council.
254
00:13:12.800 --> 00:13:15.500
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Ms. Susha here. Oh, yes.

I'm here sir.

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255
00:13:15.500 --> 00:13:16.000
Thank you very much.
256
00:13:17.400 --> 00:13:20.300
And then Richard lyddington from The Ark Church
257
00:13:20.300 --> 00:13:22.500
in Isle home. Yes. Good morning, sir.
258
00:13:23.600 --> 00:13:26.200
counselor Lance stanbury from Suffolk County
259
00:13:26.200 --> 00:13:27.800
Council cute
260
00:13:28.400 --> 00:13:31.400
And Rachel Hood from New Market
261
00:13:31.400 --> 00:13:32.300
Town Council.
262
00:13:33.600 --> 00:13:35.400
Is oh, yes.
263
00:13:39.700 --> 00:13:41.600
Oh, I see, right. Okay. Well.
264
00:13:47.300 --> 00:13:49.800
Tell me why.
265
00:13:52.700 --> 00:13:55.300
So I think that completes the people on
266
00:13:55.300 --> 00:13:56.900
the list just bear with me a moment.
267
00:14:04.500 --> 00:14:08.300
Thanks, and
268
00:14:07.300 --> 00:14:10.700
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I also have a Gary Warren
269
00:14:10.700 --> 00:14:11.600
who I think is online.
270
00:14:14.400 --> 00:14:15.700
Yes, I am just one.
271
00:14:17.500 --> 00:14:18.500
I guess I am.
272
00:14:21.100 --> 00:14:23.500
Yes. Yes. Thank you very much.
273
00:14:25.900 --> 00:14:29.200
So we'll come to you after Rachel Hood.
00:14:32.600 --> 00:14:32.700
so
275
00:14:35.300 --> 00:14:38.000
that I think is everybody who is on the list so
276
00:14:39.700 --> 00:14:41.600
We will now go to.
277
00:14:43.400 --> 00:14:44.900
the representations
278
00:14:47.400 --> 00:14:50.400
Now to say if Miss Fraser,
279
00:14:50.400 --> 00:14:50.800
perhaps you could.
280
00:14:51.600 --> 00:14:54.800
Come out disable. Thank you. So say
281
00:14:54.800 --> 00:14:57.500
be helpful, if people could remember who speaking
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282
00:14:57.500 --> 00:15:01.500
after after when
283
00:15:00.500 --> 00:15:03.600
the name is called. So what it would
284
00:15:03.600 --> 00:15:05.000
help streamline the proceedings.
285
00:15:06.500 --> 00:15:09.800
I would also mention that the previous
286
00:15:09.800 --> 00:15:12.400
open floor hearing we had was was a
287
00:15:12.400 --> 00:15:13.400
successful hearing.
288
00:15:16.700 --> 00:15:19.100
That said members of
289
00:15:19.100 --> 00:15:22.200
the panel appreciate that many of
290
00:15:22.200 --> 00:15:26.100
you would like to express your
291
00:15:25.100 --> 00:15:29.500
appreciation of the representations that
292
00:15:28.500 --> 00:15:31.300
have been made or maybe
293
00:15:31.300 --> 00:15:34.600
made this morning, but we would
00:15:34.600 --> 00:15:38.500
ask you to to perhaps do
295
00:15:38.500 --> 00:15:41.400
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that with each other or outside the
296
00:15:41.400 --> 00:15:46.400
 formal session of the meeting. So extended extended
297
00:15:44.400 --> 00:15:48.300
Round of
298
00:15:48.300 --> 00:15:51.100
Applause does not
299
00:15:51.100 --> 00:15:54.600
particularly assist us in in receiving your messages,
300
00:15:54.600 --> 00:15:56.100
which we are Keen to hear.
301
00:15:57.900 --> 00:16:01.300
Okay, so we'll start off and now
302
00:16:00.300 --> 00:16:03.500
organizations and
303
00:16:03.500 --> 00:16:06.700
people representing organizations are allotted
304
00:16:06.700 --> 00:16:09.400
10 minutes and other interested parties are
305
00:16:09.400 --> 00:16:12.100
allotted five minutes, and so as we'll go
306
00:16:12.100 --> 00:16:16.100
through I'll indicate which time limit applies and
307
00:16:15.100 --> 00:16:18.400
I'll also indicate when the
00:16:18.400 --> 00:16:21.700
 speaker is reaching round about a minute before the end
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309
00:16:21.700 --> 00:16:24.700
of their allotted time. So let's crack
310
00:16:24.700 --> 00:16:27.200
on and we'll start with Miss praise the
311
00:16:27.200 --> 00:16:29.800
good morning to you. Good morning and thank you very much for the
opportunity.
312
00:16:31.500 --> 00:16:31.700
present
313
00:16:32.900 --> 00:16:33.900
ations and I am the
314
00:16:35.100 --> 00:16:38.800
EMP Cambridgeshire, and that is in that representative capacity
315
00:16:38.800 --> 00:16:41.700
that I speak to you today. I represent
316
00:16:41.700 --> 00:16:44.100
six villagers who are affected by
317
00:16:44.100 --> 00:16:46.100
the application, which is before you
318
00:16:46.600 --> 00:16:49.400
And I would like to make submissions in relation
319
00:16:49.400 --> 00:16:52.700
to the scale of the planning application before
320
00:16:52.700 --> 00:16:55.900
you the nature of the changes in
321
00:16:55.900 --> 00:16:58.500
character to the areas that would be affected
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00:16:58.500 --> 00:17:01.800
and the fact that this is on agricultural best
323
00:17:01.800 --> 00:17:03.200
 and most versatile land.
324
00:17:03.900 --> 00:17:06.400
So I'll deal with those those first two
325
00:17:06.400 --> 00:17:07.000
together.
326
00:17:07.700 --> 00:17:11.300
Because the scale of the application significantly affects
327
00:17:10.300 --> 00:17:13.300
the character of the
328
00:17:13.300 --> 00:17:16.100
villagers that I represent and the area
00:17:16.100 --> 00:17:20.000
in which those Villages find themselves. This
330
00:17:19.700 --> 00:17:22.200
application is over two and a
331
00:17:22.200 --> 00:17:25.200
half thousand acres and if permission is
332
00:17:25.200 --> 00:17:28.800
granted will be the largest solar farm in Europe.
333
00:17:28.800 --> 00:17:32.000
It isn't just in one area. It
334
00:17:31.300 --> 00:17:35.300
 spans five separate sites. So multiple
335
00:17:34.300 --> 00:17:38.900
 sites going down simultaneously effectively
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336
00:17:37.900 --> 00:17:40.200
in closing both
337
00:17:40.200 --> 00:17:43.500
my Villages and The Villages of the next person
338
00:17:43.500 --> 00:17:47.000
that you will hear those of in West
339
00:17:46.000 --> 00:17:47.600
Suffolk.
340
00:17:48.200 --> 00:17:51.800
And so five separate applications in one
341
00:17:51.800 --> 00:17:54.400
go in closing a large number
342
00:17:54.400 --> 00:17:57.600
of villagers. It is the scale and nature that
00:17:57.600 --> 00:18:00.400
changes the character of each of those
344
00:18:00.400 --> 00:18:01.100
villagers.
345
00:18:02.200 --> 00:18:05.900
Are on what is essentially now farmland and so
346
00:18:05.900 --> 00:18:09.300
and in a racing region? So
347
00:18:08.300 --> 00:18:12.200
what we will have is a beautiful
348
00:18:11.200 --> 00:18:15.100
area and which
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00:18:14.100 --> 00:18:17.900
is which is which
350
00:18:17.900 --> 00:18:20.900
is a specifically farming
351
00:18:20.900 --> 00:18:24.700
effectively becoming industrialized at
352
00:18:23.700 --> 00:18:26.200
one fell sweep and I
353
00:18:26.200 --> 00:18:30.200
would say that is Holy out of character with what
354
00:18:29.200 --> 00:18:33.200
is currently there significantly altering
355
00:18:32.200 --> 00:18:36.000
the environment in which my constituents currently
00:18:35.000 --> 00:18:36.300
live.
357
00:18:37.400 --> 00:18:40.100
Secondly, I like to touch on the nature of the
358
00:18:40.100 --> 00:18:44.100
land and that is the fact that this land is Farmland.
359
00:18:43.100 --> 00:18:46.400
In fact, we estimate up to
360
00:18:46.400 --> 00:18:49.900
83% is best and most versatile
361
00:18:49.900 --> 00:18:50.400
land.
362
00:18:51.100 --> 00:18:54.500
We come to that in my constituents have come to that assessment
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363
00:18:54.500 --> 00:18:57.500
based on Expert evidence, which
364
00:18:57.500 --> 00:19:00.600
they have sought they also
365
00:19:00.600 --> 00:19:03.300
have come to that assessment and I'm sure you'll hear from some
366
00:19:03.300 --> 00:19:06.500
of them today and may indeed also have heard from
367
00:19:06.500 --> 00:19:09.200
them yesterday because they are
368
00:19:09.200 --> 00:19:12.300
farming neighboring land and the
369
00:19:12.300 --> 00:19:16.200
yield which they are getting is producing potatoes sugar
00:19:15.200 --> 00:19:17.500
beet onions.
00:19:18.600 --> 00:19:20.000
I'm cereals.
372
00:19:20.600 --> 00:19:23.500
Now if this is in contention that
373
00:19:23.500 --> 00:19:26.800
this land is up to 83% best
374
00:19:26.800 --> 00:19:28.100
and most versatile.
375
00:19:28.700 --> 00:19:31.500
The best way to ascertain that is for the
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00:19:31.500 --> 00:19:33.500
 Seneca land owners to allow.
377
00:19:35.600 --> 00:19:36.800
expert evidence
378
00:19:38.500 --> 00:19:41.500
of my constituents to assess that
379
00:19:41.500 --> 00:19:44.500
and challenge their evidence and to date they
380
00:19:44.500 --> 00:19:47.200
haven't allowed that to happen. So I would say
381
00:19:47.200 --> 00:19:50.300
that in the absence of any ability to
382
00:19:50.300 --> 00:19:53.100
challenge the assessments which has been
383
00:19:53.100 --> 00:19:56.400
put forward by my constituents by experts by
384
00:19:56.400 --> 00:19:59.300
Farmers themselves should be accepted that that
385
00:19:59.300 --> 00:20:02.300
is 83% best up to 83% best
386
00:20:02.300 --> 00:20:03.400
and most versatile.
387
00:20:04.600 --> 00:20:07.900
So in conclusion, of course energy security
388
00:20:07.900 --> 00:20:10.400
is important, and we all accept that
389
00:20:10.400 --> 00:20:13.300
and my constituents, of course
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390
00:20:13.300 --> 00:20:16.600
also accept that but food security is also
391
00:20:16.600 --> 00:20:19.900
important and what this application does
392
00:20:19.900 --> 00:20:22.800
is impose on a
393
00:20:22.800 --> 00:20:26.000
large number of our constituents a
394
00:20:25.600 --> 00:20:29.500
a change in the nature fundamental change
395
00:20:28.500 --> 00:20:31.600
in the nature of the character of
396
00:20:31.600 --> 00:20:34.800
their landscape, which is enclosing a
397
00:20:34.800 --> 00:20:37.100
large number of neighborhoods, which are
398
00:20:37.100 --> 00:20:40.800
effectively at the moment in Countryside and farmland,
399
00:20:40.800 --> 00:20:43.700
and I would ask you to take the changes of character
400
00:20:43.700 --> 00:20:46.400
and the agricultural nature of the Farmland, which
401
00:20:46.400 --> 00:20:49.100
is being used into account when you come to your
402
00:20:49.100 --> 00:20:52.400
consideration of this planning application. Thank you.
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00:20:52.400 --> 00:20:56.800
Thank you very much MRSA. Thank you. I do
404
00:20:56.800 --> 00:20:59.400
have actually a question if I may you referred to
405
00:20:59.400 --> 00:21:02.900
the the importance
406
00:21:02.900 --> 00:21:03.600
of allowing.
407
00:21:04.600 --> 00:21:07.400
both evidence to be given in relation to
408
00:21:07.400 --> 00:21:07.500
the
409
00:21:09.400 --> 00:21:12.300
The quality of the agricultural land,
00:21:12.300 --> 00:21:15.300
I think you referred to.
411
00:21:16.300 --> 00:21:19.800
yeah, I'm not sure whether will you
412
00:21:19.800 --> 00:21:22.700
referring to access to the land Sue
413
00:21:22.700 --> 00:21:23.000
and
414
00:21:26.100 --> 00:21:26.400
their own
415
00:21:27.900 --> 00:21:31.100
ert and and that analysis has come
416
00:21:30.100 --> 00:21:33.900
up with a conclusions, which I have identified it,
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417
00:21:33.900 --> 00:21:36.300
but they haven't been allowed access on to the land
418
00:21:36.300 --> 00:21:39.400
itself. Yes. I thought that was the and so there's but
419
00:21:39.400 --> 00:21:43.500
they do farm the neighboring land. So they they're confident
420
00:21:43.500 --> 00:21:46.800
that they're assessment is correct based on the analysis that
421
00:21:46.800 --> 00:21:50.100
 they have conducted on the land that they can access which
422
00:21:49.100 --> 00:21:52.700
is neighboring and and
423
00:21:52.700 --> 00:21:55.400
what they are themselves farming and what
00:21:55.400 --> 00:21:56.400
it is producing.
425
00:21:57.200 --> 00:22:00.100
And Seneca have put forward a radically different
426
00:22:00.100 --> 00:22:03.200
proposal of the percentage of
427
00:22:03.200 --> 00:22:06.600
best and most versatile land which my constituents don't
428
00:22:06.600 --> 00:22:06.900
accept.
429
00:22:07.600 --> 00:22:08.700
and so
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00:22:09.900 --> 00:22:13.700
and I would suggest that it
431
00:22:12.700 --> 00:22:16.300
would be inappropriate to accept
432
00:22:15.300 --> 00:22:20.200
seneca's assessment without challenge.
433
00:22:22.300 --> 00:22:26.700
Unless they're willing to accept some assessment independent
434
00:22:25.700 --> 00:22:28.600
assessment on their land itself.
435
00:22:28.600 --> 00:22:31.500
If they don't accept that assessment, then I
436
00:22:31.500 --> 00:22:34.300
would ask you it to take into consideration and
437
00:22:34.300 --> 00:22:37.500
accept the expert evidence of that has
438
00:22:37.500 --> 00:22:40.400
been produced by my constituents. Thank you very much. That's
that's
439
00:22:40.400 --> 00:22:43.500
understood. I just wanted to clarify the point because
440
00:22:43.500 --> 00:22:46.300
we did have a discussion about about that
441
00:22:46.300 --> 00:22:49.200
issue generally yesterday. So that that is
442
00:22:49.200 --> 00:22:52.300
an ongoing discussion that's taking place within the
443
00:22:52.300 --> 00:22:55.500
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examination and we'll be looked thank you very much.
444
00:22:55.500 --> 00:22:59.400
So next we have Mr. Hancock,
445
00:22:58.400 --> 00:23:00.300
MP. Good morning.
446
00:23:01.600 --> 00:23:05.200
Option thank you for the opportunity to speak this
447
00:23:04.200 --> 00:23:07.300
morning. And first I'd
448
00:23:07.300 --> 00:23:07.800
say that I
449
00:23:08.900 --> 00:23:12.200
I agree entirely with my parliamentary neighbor
450
00:23:11.200 --> 00:23:14.300
Lucy Fraser. I'm
451
00:23:14.300 --> 00:23:17.600
Matt Hancock. I'm the MP for West Suffolk and I represent 10
Villages
452
00:23:17.600 --> 00:23:20.200
affected by this proposal. And of course
453
00:23:20.200 --> 00:23:23.800
at the town of Newmarket and fundamentally,
454
00:23:23.800 --> 00:23:27.000
this is an irrational plan to
455
00:23:26.300 --> 00:23:29.500
industrialize rural Suffolk,
456
00:23:29.500 --> 00:23:32.300
and I I hope to
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457
00:23:32.300 --> 00:23:36.200
set out in 10 minutes why it's irrational and
458
00:23:35.200 --> 00:23:39.200
I think it's self-evident that it
459
00:23:38.200 --> 00:23:41.800
will have the effect of industrializing rural
460
00:23:41.800 --> 00:23:44.100
Suffolk and like Lucy. I'm
461
00:23:44.100 --> 00:23:48.000
 a strong supporter of solar power and in fact of supported solar
462
00:23:47.300 --> 00:23:51.300
schemes throughout my constituency indeed
463
00:23:50.300 --> 00:23:54.300
West Suffolk Council themselves who oppose
464
00:23:53.300 --> 00:23:57.800
this plan and have have
465
00:23:56.800 --> 00:24:01.300
in the past put together solar farms
466
00:24:00.300 --> 00:24:04.100
nearby and the
467
00:24:03.100 --> 00:24:06.300
the strength of
468
00:24:06.300 --> 00:24:08.300
feeling against this plan.
469
00:24:08.900 --> 00:24:11.800
is because it's in the wrong place
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00:24:11.800 --> 00:24:14.500
and because it's irrational and not because
471
00:24:14.500 --> 00:24:17.600
of Any view on solar per se
472
00:24:17.600 --> 00:24:20.500
and there are in total 16 parishes affected
473
00:24:20.500 --> 00:24:23.000
as well as New Market and
474
00:24:23.800 --> 00:24:26.700
and I agree with Lucy that
475
00:24:26.700 --> 00:24:29.300
this would impose a fundamental change to the
476
00:24:29.300 --> 00:24:33.000
character of the area a radical reduction in amenity and
00:24:32.400 --> 00:24:34.500
it is like a
478
00:24:35.100 --> 00:24:39.100
set of horseshoes around Villages and
479
00:24:38.100 --> 00:24:41.200
and will change.
480
00:24:42.200 --> 00:24:45.500
The nature and living in those Villages
481
00:24:45.500 --> 00:24:48.200
and it's also rational if you look at it
482
00:24:48.200 --> 00:24:52.000
on a map and it's five separate schemes that
483
00:24:51.400 --> 00:24:54.400
nobody who came at this from a policy point
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484
00:24:54.400 --> 00:24:57.900
of view. If you wanted to achieve increased solar and
485
00:24:57.900 --> 00:25:01.500
you nobody would come up with this map. But
486
00:25:00.500 --> 00:25:03.500
the map has been put together
487
00:25:03.500 --> 00:25:06.500
essentially based on which landowners will
488
00:25:06.500 --> 00:25:07.800
and won't go into the scheme.
489
00:25:08.800 --> 00:25:11.500
And some of the strongest objections come from
490
00:25:11.500 --> 00:25:14.300
the landowners locally who
491
00:25:14.300 --> 00:25:18.200
will be encircled in some cases by
492
00:25:17.200 --> 00:25:20.200
solar if it goes
493
00:25:20.200 --> 00:25:23.800
ahead and it's also vital to speak to
494
00:25:23.800 --> 00:25:26.600
the direct negative impact on
495
00:25:26.600 --> 00:25:29.800
the predominant industry locally, which
496
00:25:29.800 --> 00:25:32.500
is horse racing and New Market is
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00:25:32.500 --> 00:25:36.300
 the global headquarters of flat racing. It's
498
00:25:35.300 --> 00:25:39.200
leads to employment of over
499
00:25:38.200 --> 00:25:41.500
half of the the town
500
00:25:41.500 --> 00:25:45.800
directly and indirectly and the the
501
00:25:44.800 --> 00:25:48.400
impact of
502
00:25:48.400 --> 00:25:52.000
the Southern element of this proposal on
503
00:25:51.100 --> 00:25:54.200
the lime Kilns, which is a hundreds of
504
00:25:54.200 --> 00:25:57.400
years old training ground. One of the most sought after training
00:25:57.400 --> 00:26:01.400
grounds in the world. The impact
506
00:26:00.400 --> 00:26:04.100
on that immunity is direct and
507
00:26:03.100 --> 00:26:06.500
negative and it is not fair to
508
00:26:06.500 --> 00:26:08.600
say that that is a perceived negative.
509
00:26:08.700 --> 00:26:13.700
Impact because the nature of training horses requires
510
00:26:12.700 --> 00:26:16.400
 the attraction of
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511
00:26:15.400 --> 00:26:18.400
of those who invest
512
00:26:18.400 --> 00:26:21.900
in the industry by buying
513
00:26:21.900 --> 00:26:24.700
horses wanting to come and watch them train and
514
00:26:24.700 --> 00:26:27.400
if that is done within an industrial context and
515
00:26:27.400 --> 00:26:31.200
backdrop as opposed to the beautiful rolling something Cambridge
516
00:26:30.200 --> 00:26:33.600
a Countryside, it will have a direct negative impact
517
00:26:33.600 --> 00:26:36.400
on the on the biggest
00:26:36.400 --> 00:26:39.400
local industry and I appreciate the horse racing industry is an
unusual
519
00:26:39.400 --> 00:26:42.400
industry and isn't directly provided for in planning
520
00:26:42.400 --> 00:26:45.100
law, but nevertheless I have
521
00:26:45.100 --> 00:26:48.700
an absolutely certain that that is the case and
522
00:26:48.700 --> 00:26:51.700
I know that you're hearing from some other senior members
523
00:26:51.700 --> 00:26:52.700
of the horse racing industry.
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524
00:26:53.600 --> 00:26:56.700
And the it's worth
525
00:26:56.700 --> 00:27:00.200
taking into account the woeful lack of consultation from Sonica
526
00:26:59.200 --> 00:27:02.400
and all of the local councils are
527
00:27:02.400 --> 00:27:05.700
against at all levels and I
528
00:27:05.700 --> 00:27:08.500
don't know of any elected representative who's in
529
00:27:08.500 --> 00:27:11.400
favor of this scheme. There's been a woeful failure
530
00:27:11.400 --> 00:27:14.600
to engage and for instance just one example,
531
00:27:14.600 --> 00:27:17.300
Seneca have not met with
532
00:27:17.300 --> 00:27:21.500
me at all despite continued attempt
533
00:27:21.500 --> 00:27:25.800
at engagement from my point of view and the imposition
534
00:27:24.800 --> 00:27:28.400
on the local community and the
535
00:27:28.400 --> 00:27:32.700
woeful lack of consultation. I think demonstrates the
00:27:31.700 --> 00:27:34.800
lack of care
537
00:27:34.800 --> 00:27:37.400
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that Sarika have for the
538
00:27:37.400 --> 00:27:40.300
best interests or any interest
539
00:27:40.300 --> 00:27:44.100
of local residents and Lucy
540
00:27:43.100 --> 00:27:46.200
majored on land use I won't go over it
541
00:27:46.200 --> 00:27:49.200
too much other than to underline this point about
542
00:27:49.200 --> 00:27:52.800
the refusal to allow for independent assessment
00:27:52.800 --> 00:27:53.300
or even
544
00:27:53.600 --> 00:27:56.800
Assessment which would be totally reasonable in my view of
545
00:27:56.800 --> 00:27:59.600
the nature of the land and the submission
546
00:27:59.600 --> 00:28:02.500
then only 3% of the land is best and
547
00:28:02.500 --> 00:28:05.300
most versatile when that is clearly
548
00:28:05.300 --> 00:28:08.900
false and that demonstrates again
00:28:08.900 --> 00:28:11.800
at Sonic has refusal properly
550
00:28:11.800 --> 00:28:14.300
and rationally to engage in putting forward a
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551
00:28:14.300 --> 00:28:17.600
decent proposal. I come back to the point that almost everybody
552
00:28:17.600 --> 00:28:20.400
and who is against this proposal would
553
00:28:20.400 --> 00:28:24.200
is a is not against solar in principle and I
554
00:28:23.200 --> 00:28:26.800
and others have supported solar in
555
00:28:26.800 --> 00:28:29.200
the right place where it isn't going to have such a
556
00:28:29.200 --> 00:28:32.700
woefully negative impact. I
557
00:28:32.700 --> 00:28:35.500
won't dwell more on land use other than to underline all
558
00:28:35.500 --> 00:28:38.100
of the points that Lucy phrases already made.
559
00:28:38.900 --> 00:28:41.700
The final point I want to make is about battery
560
00:28:41.700 --> 00:28:44.900
storage because actually this is not primarily a
561
00:28:44.900 --> 00:28:47.500
 solar farm. It is primarily a batch
562
00:28:47.500 --> 00:28:50.300
an industrial battery facility with a
563
00:28:50.300 --> 00:28:53.400
solar farm attached and you'll note
564
00:28:53.400 --> 00:28:56.800
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not only that the capacity electricity generation
565
00:28:56.800 --> 00:29:00.800
capacity or the electricity holding capacity
566
00:29:00.800 --> 00:29:03.600
is of the battery Farm is greater
567
00:29:03.600 --> 00:29:06.600
than the generation capacity of the solar farm
568
00:29:06.600 --> 00:29:10.300
this demonstrates that the primary
569
00:29:09.300 --> 00:29:13.100
purpose of this proposal is
570
00:29:12.100 --> 00:29:16.100
a battery Farm in the middle of rural Suffolk
571
00:29:15.100 --> 00:29:18.300
and Cambridgeshire, which should probably
572
00:29:18.300 --> 00:29:21.300
be located at an industrial site if
573
00:29:21.300 --> 00:29:24.400
it's necessary and the economics of
574
00:29:24.400 --> 00:29:27.900
the scheme. I understand are also driven
575
00:29:27.900 --> 00:29:30.500
by the need for battery farms
576
00:29:30.500 --> 00:29:33.700
and many many acres of battery Farm
577
00:29:33.700 --> 00:29:36.900
placed in the middle of what is currently a
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578
00:29:36.900 --> 00:29:38.600
rural environment. He's totally in
579
00:29:38.900 --> 00:29:41.100
for it and actually is the
580
00:29:41.100 --> 00:29:44.100
is the center of this scheme and
581
00:29:44.100 --> 00:29:48.100
is a bigger element of the economics and the energy generation than
the
582
00:29:47.100 --> 00:29:50.600
 solar farm furthermore. We know
583
00:29:50.600 --> 00:29:53.500
that battery Farms of this scale are
584
00:29:53.500 --> 00:29:56.300
dangerous. They've been 38 fires in the last three years
00:29:56.300 --> 00:29:59.400
that we know about and they they are placed
586
00:29:59.400 --> 00:30:02.700
upwind of major settlements including and
587
00:30:02.700 --> 00:30:05.000
especially Red Lodge, which is a
588
00:30:05.500 --> 00:30:07.400
growing Village.
589
00:30:08.300 --> 00:30:11.500
Almost a town now within with less
590
00:30:11.500 --> 00:30:15.100
than a month. I know you're going to hear from Red Lodge Parish
Council, but it the
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591
00:30:14.100 --> 00:30:18.300
the position the location and
592
00:30:17.300 --> 00:30:20.500
the proposal for
593
00:30:20.500 --> 00:30:23.300
these battery Farms is absolutely outrageous in
594
00:30:23.300 --> 00:30:27.000
my view and it irrational and in
595
00:30:26.400 --> 00:30:29.800
the wrong place. So other
596
00:30:29.800 --> 00:30:33.100
than the woeful lack of consultation the complete
597
00:30:32.100 --> 00:30:36.100
failure to engage in the question of the quality
598
00:30:35.100 --> 00:30:39.500
of the land and the The Hiding
599
00:30:38.500 --> 00:30:42.000
of an industrial scale battery facility
600
00:30:41.900 --> 00:30:44.300
under the headline of a
601
00:30:44.300 --> 00:30:47.600
 solar farm and the fundamental change
602
00:30:47.600 --> 00:30:50.500
of character to this local area and other than
603
00:30:50.500 --> 00:30:53.200
those things and there are many other reasons to reject this
604
00:30:53.200 --> 00:30:56.200
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scheme on legal technicalities, and I know that you'll hear
605
00:30:56.200 --> 00:30:59.500
 from Council later, but I
606
00:30:59.500 --> 00:31:02.300
would just ask you to hold in your mind when
607
00:31:02.300 --> 00:31:06.200
making this decision and the the fact
608
00:31:05.200 --> 00:31:07.700
that good people
609
00:31:08.400 --> 00:31:11.600
Who are in favor of renewable energy and and
610
00:31:11.600 --> 00:31:15.300
live in a beautiful rural part
611
00:31:15.300 --> 00:31:19.300
of the world and support a an incredibly
612
00:31:18.300 --> 00:31:21.700
important income generating
613
00:31:21.700 --> 00:31:25.200
export generating industry, whether
614
00:31:24.200 --> 00:31:27.400
that's farming or horse racing
615
00:31:27.400 --> 00:31:31.200
and have come out in such unanimity and
616
00:31:31.200 --> 00:31:34.500
strong numbers to oppose this scheme because it
617
00:31:34.500 --> 00:31:38.400
will fundamentally change our area and the
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618
00:31:37.400 --> 00:31:40.000
all and I come back to
619
00:31:40.200 --> 00:31:43.200
my very first point to understand that this is
620
00:31:43.200 --> 00:31:46.600
an irrational scheme. You only need to look at the map and
621
00:31:46.600 --> 00:31:49.800
see that this is not been put together with any consideration
622
00:31:49.800 --> 00:31:52.400
for the local area. It's been hot. It's
623
00:31:52.400 --> 00:31:55.500
a hodgepodge that's been put together to try
624
00:31:55.500 --> 00:31:58.000
to Ram it through and I would urge you
625
00:31:58.400 --> 00:32:01.300
to reject the development consent order, which should be
626
00:32:01.300 --> 00:32:04.500
denied just to Hancock. Thank you very much for your suggestions.
627
00:32:06.600 --> 00:32:07.000
Thank you.
628
00:32:09.900 --> 00:32:12.200
Thank you, and thank you to both MPS for coming along
629
00:32:12.200 --> 00:32:12.800
this morning.
630
00:32:15.500 --> 00:32:19.300
So next we have Mr. Will Fletcher
631
00:32:18.300 --> 00:32:21.700
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from historic England, or
632
00:32:21.700 --> 00:32:24.100
do we not know he's still not it?
633
00:32:24.100 --> 00:32:28.200
Okay, so we'll move on then to Sir Mark Prescott if
634
00:32:27.200 --> 00:32:30.000
you'd like to come up to the table. Thank you.
635
00:32:37.400 --> 00:32:40.800
Thank you very much. Indeed. Good morning summer. Will
636
00:32:40.800 --> 00:32:45.100
you say what you
00:32:44.100 --> 00:32:47.400
wish on the application and
638
00:32:47.400 --> 00:32:51.700
you have five minutes starting now? Thank you very much indeed. I'm
639
00:32:50.700 --> 00:32:53.200
been a trainer in New Market
640
00:32:53.200 --> 00:32:54.600
for 54 years.
641
00:32:55.400 --> 00:32:58.200
I'm the longest serving train and not quite
642
00:32:58.200 --> 00:33:00.600
the oldest but I'm the longest serving trainer.
643
00:33:01.300 --> 00:33:04.600
And for 46 years, it was
644
00:33:04.600 --> 00:33:07.100
my privilege to be chairman of
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00:33:07.100 --> 00:33:10.800
the heath committee, which run all the gallups and
646
00:33:10.800 --> 00:33:13.100
the gallups have changed enormously over the
647
00:33:13.100 --> 00:33:16.900
years. When when I first came there was 750
648
00:33:16.900 --> 00:33:20.000
horses and there were 30 trainers was
649
00:33:19.100 --> 00:33:22.400
now 2,500 horses and
650
00:33:22.400 --> 00:33:23.800
81 trainers.
651
00:33:24.400 --> 00:33:28.100
And to cope with that we've had to do lots of innovative things.
652
00:33:27.100 --> 00:33:30.500
So New Market and the heath
653
00:33:30.500 --> 00:33:34.200
is not a burst to Innovative things. We put
654
00:33:34.200 --> 00:33:37.400
in all weather gallops. There's now 20 miles
655
00:33:37.400 --> 00:33:40.600
of all weather gallops and this is enabled us
656
00:33:40.600 --> 00:33:43.700
to cope with the large expansion of
657
00:33:43.700 --> 00:33:46.700
horse numbers without the gallops
658
00:33:46.700 --> 00:33:49.400
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deteriorating and it's allowed us. Of
659
00:33:49.400 --> 00:33:53.400
course this expansion to employ vastly larger
660
00:33:52.400 --> 00:33:55.500
number of people in New Market
661
00:33:55.500 --> 00:33:58.800
 all as a result of the increase of
662
00:33:58.800 --> 00:34:00.500
new markets popularity.
663
00:34:01.800 --> 00:34:04.200
Um, so it's been a success story but we've
00:34:04.200 --> 00:34:07.400
had to fight off a few disasters my
665
00:34:07.400 --> 00:34:10.400
predecessors fought off the railway, which
666
00:34:10.400 --> 00:34:13.300
amazingly in such a flat area goes nearly
667
00:34:13.300 --> 00:34:16.900
a mile under the gallops and the bypass goes
668
00:34:16.900 --> 00:34:19.500
nearly two miles rounded and not one
669
00:34:19.500 --> 00:34:21.000
acre was plowed in the war.
670
00:34:21.800 --> 00:34:24.500
So it's a balance which we've managed to
671
00:34:24.500 --> 00:34:27.500
achieve pretty well the bin
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672
00:34:27.500 --> 00:34:31.100
disasters we've done some things. We regret the town
673
00:34:30.100 --> 00:34:34.100
certainly has done things it regret by
674
00:34:33.100 --> 00:34:36.400
moving the The Stables out and
675
00:34:36.400 --> 00:34:39.900
losing some of its of its attraction and
676
00:34:39.900 --> 00:34:43.100
it's rural nature. And obviously the The
677
00:34:42.100 --> 00:34:45.200
Proposal that where dealing with
678
00:34:45.200 --> 00:34:49.100
now can only be another challenge to New
679
00:34:48.100 --> 00:34:52.000
Market maintaining its rural
680
00:34:51.300 --> 00:34:54.800
aspect and it's attraction to large owners.
681
00:34:54.800 --> 00:34:57.800
We are the largest public gallops
682
00:34:57.800 --> 00:35:00.700
in the world. We are the best public gallups in
683
00:35:00.700 --> 00:35:03.300
the world where being challenged all
684
00:35:03.300 --> 00:35:07.000
the time and we have to ensure that
685
00:35:06.300 --> 00:35:09.400
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our attraction remains as
686
00:35:09.400 --> 00:35:12.700
it is and that the expansion of the last 50 years
687
00:35:12.700 --> 00:35:15.500
can be maintained to the
688
00:35:15.500 --> 00:35:18.300
benefits of the town and the trainers who
689
00:35:18.300 --> 00:35:21.200
make it so attractive that he
690
00:35:21.800 --> 00:35:24.800
Change the aspect of the town the heath
00:35:24.800 --> 00:35:27.500
is responsible for the Vets coming
692
00:35:27.500 --> 00:35:30.500
the sales companies coming the heath is
693
00:35:30.500 --> 00:35:33.500
everything there's 59 other towns
694
00:35:33.500 --> 00:35:36.400
where the racecourse there's only one other town with
695
00:35:36.400 --> 00:35:39.000
New Market Heath and that in my opinion
696
00:35:39.700 --> 00:35:42.200
should be sacrificed for the people who work in
697
00:35:42.200 --> 00:35:45.200
the town and in the racing industry. Thank you very
698
00:35:45.200 --> 00:35:48.800
much. Thank you very much for that. Thank you everyone. Now
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699
00:35:48.800 --> 00:35:51.500
we have next we have
700
00:35:51.500 --> 00:35:53.600
I don't think Mr. Chuke was
701
00:35:54.500 --> 00:35:57.000
Present who's going to be online? Is that right?
702
00:35:57.600 --> 00:36:00.700
Institute's not here. No, alright, so
703
00:36:00.700 --> 00:36:03.500
we'll move then to Peter mogridge from snail
704
00:36:03.500 --> 00:36:04.600
wealth Parish Council.
705
00:36:16.700 --> 00:36:23.800
Good morning.
706
00:36:23.800 --> 00:36:26.200
Good morning, Mr. Red checkered much
707
00:36:26.200 --> 00:36:30.000
 for give me the opportunity to speak here. You have 10 minutes and
your
708
00:36:29.100 --> 00:36:32.800
time starts love it. Thank you
709
00:36:32.800 --> 00:36:35.300
very much for giving me the opportunity to speak here. I'm very
pleased I have
710
00:36:35.300 --> 00:36:39.200
10 minutes to speak. Although it might be a lot shorter than that
my name
711
00:36:39.200 --> 00:36:42.700
as you know, Peter Mobridge, I'm chair of Snellville Parish
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Council. I'm
712
00:36:42.700 --> 00:36:45.400
not one of the Phalanx of experts or
713
00:36:45.400 --> 00:36:48.900
highly trained or professional people here. I'm
714
00:36:48.900 --> 00:36:51.700
here just to represent my local community in Parish.
715
00:36:52.600 --> 00:36:54.000
I didn't start off about 10 years.
716
00:36:54.900 --> 00:36:57.000
And you may probably know this
717
00:36:57.400 --> 00:36:58.800
already snow. Well isn't a Conservation Area.
718
00:36:59.600 --> 00:37:00.300
It's rightly so.
719
00:37:01.100 --> 00:37:04.700
It's part of a Heritage it goes back at least 4,500 years.
720
00:37:06.300 --> 00:37:09.200
This Heritage local landscape. Thankfully it was
721
00:37:09.200 --> 00:37:12.500
 a significant factor in the stanicus decision to withdraw West Side
722
00:37:12.500 --> 00:37:14.200
B from their proposals.
723
00:37:15.200 --> 00:37:18.100
My question here would be why did it take so long
00:37:18.100 --> 00:37:19.900
and realize this.
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725
00:37:21.500 --> 00:37:24.200
It appears to be an example of their porcity of attention to
726
00:37:24.200 --> 00:37:24.600
detail.
727
00:37:25.500 --> 00:37:26.700
throughout this entire project
728
00:37:28.400 --> 00:37:31.500
However, as a local resident of snailwell was still
729
00:37:31.500 --> 00:37:33.700
fully aware the West Side B hasn't entirely died.
730
00:37:34.700 --> 00:37:38.100
And they'll still be a cabling run requiring. Sorry.
731
00:37:37.100 --> 00:37:40.400
There were cabling that will be pathway put through
732
00:37:40.400 --> 00:37:43.400
this area. We understand that involves significant
733
00:37:43.400 --> 00:37:45.200
amount of Earth moving trenching.
734
00:37:46.600 --> 00:37:47.700
Heavy cabling to be brought in.
735
00:37:49.100 --> 00:37:52.400
Concrete Chambers and various other heavy moving equipment and
736
00:37:52.400 --> 00:37:52.900
plant.
737
00:37:54.800 --> 00:37:57.100
We know the Starship Enterprise isn't available at the
738
00:37:57.100 --> 00:38:00.500
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moment. So we've seen that they are proposed access route is
739
00:38:00.500 --> 00:38:03.500
a tiny field gate off the
740
00:38:03.500 --> 00:38:05.300
Fordham Road, which Northern snailwell.
741
00:38:07.500 --> 00:38:10.800
This proposed access route is on
742
00:38:10.800 --> 00:38:13.400
a route, which has been protected for over 30 years by a
743
00:38:13.400 --> 00:38:16.100
traffic protection order preventing vehicles.
00:38:17.300 --> 00:38:20.600
Over seven and a half tons. Hgv's from using
745
00:38:20.600 --> 00:38:20.800
it.
746
00:38:22.300 --> 00:38:25.500
There was a similar TPO that protects the northern route
747
00:38:25.500 --> 00:38:28.500
into our neighboring Village X well as well excellent as
00:38:28.500 --> 00:38:28.600
well.
749
00:38:31.500 --> 00:38:34.200
The choice of this access point seems to fly in the face
750
00:38:34.200 --> 00:38:37.300
of the ethos of that traffic protection order which was put there
751
00:38:37.300 --> 00:38:40.200
for environmental reasons the road. In fact
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752
00:38:40.200 --> 00:38:43.800
can support Vehicles much heavier than that as do agricultural
753
00:38:43.800 --> 00:38:46.200
tractors vehicles are bins and
754
00:38:46.200 --> 00:38:49.400
so on local buses and so on use that route but it
755
00:38:49.400 --> 00:38:52.800
is a single track route and we propose that we
756
00:38:52.800 --> 00:38:55.900
would like to bring to your attention that it is our considered
opinion
757
00:38:55.900 --> 00:38:58.300
humble though. It is that that route is
758
00:38:58.300 --> 00:39:01.200
not adequate for access to website B.
00:39:03.200 --> 00:39:07.000
We asked for an alternative route to be considered possibly the
cable route
760
00:39:06.200 --> 00:39:09.400
from Chippenham Road or even better
761
00:39:09.400 --> 00:39:12.200
now in View and light of the
762
00:39:12.200 --> 00:39:15.300
cancellation of Westside be a confirmation
00:39:15.300 --> 00:39:18.400
that this access point is no longer going to be considered.
00:39:20.500 --> 00:39:23.100
As I said, I live in this I've lived in this area for many years.
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00:39:23.100 --> 00:39:24.700
There are many people here.
766
00:39:25.500 --> 00:39:28.100
who have probably had many generations and I'm probably just
00:39:28.100 --> 00:39:28.200
768
00:39:28.900 --> 00:39:30.800
a newcomer and by their standards
769
00:39:32.400 --> 00:39:35.500
ancient footballs Pathways roads roadways and
770
00:39:35.500 --> 00:39:38.300
crossings crisscross this area and one of them I'd like
771
00:39:38.300 --> 00:39:41.300
to focus on is a footpath which again is close to
772
00:39:41.300 --> 00:39:43.500
my Village like, excuse me for sounding like an inby
773
00:39:44.300 --> 00:39:47.100
2041 footpath so I connect
774
00:39:47.100 --> 00:39:47.400
us.
775
00:39:48.100 --> 00:39:49.900
to Chippenham Fordham
776
00:39:51.800 --> 00:39:54.200
and also Chipman and fan and
777
00:39:54.200 --> 00:39:57.200
cellwell Paul which was given to the people the poor of
778
00:39:57.200 --> 00:39:59.100
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snail world back in 1790.
779
00:40:00.400 --> 00:40:01.700
Up until about three years ago.
780
00:40:03.200 --> 00:40:07.300
And the time scale is possibly any coincidence families children
781
00:40:06.300 --> 00:40:09.200
people even managed to
782
00:40:09.200 --> 00:40:12.400
get across their own ordinary. Push bikes usually walking them
after
783
00:40:12.400 --> 00:40:14.300
they visited the pubs that either end.
784
00:40:15.200 --> 00:40:17.000
We're able to use those that root.
00:40:17.900 --> 00:40:18.500
three years ago
786
00:40:19.800 --> 00:40:22.200
that group would be considered by horserading standards
787
00:40:22.200 --> 00:40:26.000
has been good going. It had a well-established
788
00:40:25.900 --> 00:40:28.300
bird well-established pathway, which
789
00:40:28.300 --> 00:40:29.100
was grasped.
790
00:40:29.900 --> 00:40:31.100
It was plowed up.
791
00:40:33.300 --> 00:40:36.500
Although it was reinstated. It was never reinstated within the 14
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days.
792
00:40:36.500 --> 00:40:39.300
And the reason why I'm focusing upon this is because I've
793
00:40:39.300 --> 00:40:42.600
noticed that the traffic usage football usage
794
00:40:42.600 --> 00:40:44.100
was quoted by Seneca.
795
00:40:45.100 --> 00:40:48.800
And I would like to point out that up to three years ago the usage
796
00:40:48.800 --> 00:40:51.300
along that path was significantly higher.
797
00:40:52.200 --> 00:40:55.300
It's an almost impossible to use now. Unless you're
798
00:40:55.300 --> 00:40:58.300
quite determined especially in wet conditions due to
799
00:40:58.300 --> 00:41:01.300
the fact that the soil is heavy clay or can
800
00:41:01.300 --> 00:41:03.100
be clay clay predominant.
801
00:41:03.800 --> 00:41:06.500
It grows, excellent crops, but unfortunately, it
802
00:41:06.500 --> 00:41:09.900
happens the ground happens to stick to your feet. Unless you
803
00:41:09.900 --> 00:41:12.200
have herculine strength. You probably won't make it
804
00:41:12.200 --> 00:41:13.500
to the other side when it's wet.
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805
00:41:14.900 --> 00:41:17.100
So I would ask if this cable route which is going
806
00:41:17.100 --> 00:41:20.700
to cross 2041 is ever created that
807
00:41:20.700 --> 00:41:23.200
a significant focus on
808
00:41:23.200 --> 00:41:26.600
not using that footpath or areas around it for heavy
809
00:41:26.600 --> 00:41:29.700
Vehicles would be appreciated by everybody in
810
00:41:29.700 --> 00:41:30.200
this area.
811
00:41:31.700 --> 00:41:34.100
The next footpath I'd like to point out is the one that connects
812
00:41:34.100 --> 00:41:37.300
us to to New Market 2045 known as
813
00:41:37.300 --> 00:41:40.400
the drove. It has other nicknames as well because it is
particularly
814
00:41:40.400 --> 00:41:43.300
safe and very useful to exercise dogs.
815
00:41:44.800 --> 00:41:47.500
It connects snail oil to New Market. It's almost an
816
00:41:47.500 --> 00:41:51.500
entire route that one can go down without encountering traffic.
817
00:41:52.700 --> 00:41:55.300
It provides shade in the summer. We even have
818
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00:41:55.300 --> 00:41:58.100
a picture of it with a The Blossom Avenue on the snail. Well
819
00:41:58.100 --> 00:41:58.400
website.
820
00:41:59.500 --> 00:42:02.200
Safe route and used by just about
821
00:42:02.200 --> 00:42:05.800
everybody in the area particularly useful because of
822
00:42:05.800 --> 00:42:08.200
the fact that it's quite difficult
823
00:42:08.200 --> 00:42:11.200
to exercise and walk up until about one
824
00:42:11.200 --> 00:42:14.500
o'clock in the neighboring town. And so people tend
00:42:14.500 --> 00:42:16.400
to come our way which is our benefit.
826
00:42:18.200 --> 00:42:22.000
this route is obviously right alongside the
827
00:42:21.200 --> 00:42:24.000
Seneca West site a
828
00:42:25.100 --> 00:42:26.900
that site and its construction.
829
00:42:27.800 --> 00:42:30.300
Will blight that route for Our Generation
830
00:42:30.300 --> 00:42:33.100
it will certainly polite through from the rest
831
00:42:33.100 --> 00:42:36.400
of my lifespan. If I live for another 40 years. I'll
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832
00:42:36.400 --> 00:42:37.500
be exceeding 100 years old.
833
00:42:39.300 --> 00:42:42.300
I would like to conclude by saying that we fully agree
834
00:42:42.300 --> 00:42:45.600
as a parish and a council and as an individual
835
00:42:45.600 --> 00:42:48.400
and and as an individual with the representation
836
00:42:48.400 --> 00:42:52.400
made to date against this project, we wholeheartedly
837
00:42:51.400 --> 00:42:54.600
disagree that it's appropriate. We hold
838
00:42:54.600 --> 00:42:57.200
our agree that it is an inappropriate project
00:42:57.200 --> 00:42:57.800
for this area.
840
00:42:58.400 --> 00:42:59.700
We urge.
841
00:43:00.300 --> 00:43:03.400
You as a planning inspectorate to put recommendation to
842
00:43:03.400 --> 00:43:05.400
reject this dco. Thank you.
843
00:43:08.300 --> 00:43:08.800
Oh, sorry.
844
00:43:13.500 --> 00:43:16.200
So sorry, I was
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00:43:16.200 --> 00:43:19.900
 just going to say before you go Mr. Mortgage. You referred
846
00:43:19.900 --> 00:43:23.400
to a picture on the website. Yes,
847
00:43:22.700 --> 00:43:25.900
um, if you would like the panel to
848
00:43:25.900 --> 00:43:28.500
consider that you could submit
849
00:43:28.500 --> 00:43:32.000
that to the to the planning inspector by
850
00:43:31.300 --> 00:43:34.400
the usual deadline for these
851
00:43:34.400 --> 00:43:37.200
submissions, which is next Friday 16th of
00:43:37.200 --> 00:43:40.600
December. Thank you. And would that be by your web your email
853
00:43:40.600 --> 00:43:43.100
address? Is it well if you have word with the case
854
00:43:43.100 --> 00:43:46.400
officer, they're explain how you can subscribe. Thank you very much
indeed. All
855
00:43:46.400 --> 00:43:47.500
right, Mr. Small Bridge.
856
00:43:48.200 --> 00:43:52.400
And next we have this is Mackenzie from
00:43:52.400 --> 00:43:54.500
worlington Parish Council.
858
00:43:59.300 --> 00:44:01.400
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Good morning, Mrs. Mackenzie. Good morning. And
859
00:44:02.600 --> 00:44:05.500
10 minutes and your time starts? Hello.
860
00:44:05.500 --> 00:44:08.800
Thank you for letting me speak this morning. I am counselor Paula
861
00:44:08.800 --> 00:44:11.600
McKenzie and I speak for the residents of Wellington.
862
00:44:12.100 --> 00:44:13.800
and the Wellington Parish Council
863
00:44:14.800 --> 00:44:17.400
I would like to start by saying this application has
864
00:44:17.400 --> 00:44:20.500
already affected so many of our residents lives for
865
00:44:20.500 --> 00:44:23.200
many years now and we hope this is where it's going
866
00:44:23.200 --> 00:44:26.300
to end. I personally have had the privilege to meet
867
00:44:26.300 --> 00:44:29.800
some wonderful people who have this application people
868
00:44:29.800 --> 00:44:32.300
who will sadly not ever to
869
00:44:32.300 --> 00:44:33.000
know the outcome.
870
00:44:34.800 --> 00:44:37.400
Wellington has a vast farming history dating back
871
00:44:37.400 --> 00:44:41.100
centuries Roman artifacts including agricultural
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872
00:44:40.100 --> 00:44:43.400
implements have been found within our Parish
873
00:44:43.400 --> 00:44:46.600
boundaries and we are listed within the Doomsday Book.
874
00:44:46.600 --> 00:44:49.400
We are small Parish of
875
00:44:49.400 --> 00:44:52.600
500 residents consisting of a highly elderly
876
00:44:52.600 --> 00:44:53.200
population.
877
00:44:54.100 --> 00:44:57.600
Many of whom I've been unable to attend such meetings
878
00:44:57.600 --> 00:45:00.600
as these or easily access online information
879
00:45:00.600 --> 00:45:03.200
and even if they can access the
880
00:45:03.200 --> 00:45:06.900
vast amount of literature submitted by the applicant like
881
00:45:06.900 --> 00:45:09.500
the rest of us, they have found it a mammoth task
882
00:45:09.500 --> 00:45:12.500
reading through the poorly organized poorly produced
883
00:45:12.500 --> 00:45:14.100
and poorly presented documentation.
884
00:45:15.400 --> 00:45:18.300
We Wellington Parish Council recognize the
885
00:45:18.300 --> 00:45:21.700
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value of our residents houses in monetary terms is
886
00:45:21.700 --> 00:45:25.500
not a consideration in this application. But what
887
00:45:25.500 --> 00:45:29.000
about the value of our actual home? Our homes
888
00:45:28.400 --> 00:45:31.300
have not just bricks and mortar of a building
889
00:45:31.300 --> 00:45:35.000
a home is the village you live in the community grow
890
00:45:34.300 --> 00:45:37.800
with is where you celebrate in commiserate
00:45:37.800 --> 00:45:38.600
life's events.
892
00:45:39.100 --> 00:45:42.900
They where you go to at the end of the day and they are our
sanctuaries.
893
00:45:43.900 --> 00:45:46.500
As previously stated this proposal
894
00:45:46.500 --> 00:45:49.400
has already affected Us and how we see where
895
00:45:49.400 --> 00:45:49.700
we live.
896
00:45:50.500 --> 00:45:53.600
I for one will not be staying in a village so dear
897
00:45:53.600 --> 00:45:55.900
to my heart if this application is passed.
898
00:45:56.900 --> 00:45:57.100
Sorry.
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899
00:46:01.200 --> 00:46:04.100
And I know for one. I'm not the only one to feel like this.
900
00:46:05.800 --> 00:46:08.500
A once desirable village where houses
901
00:46:08.500 --> 00:46:12.200
were snapped up quickly now sees residents losing buyers
902
00:46:11.200 --> 00:46:13.100
time and time again.
903
00:46:14.200 --> 00:46:17.200
No one wants to move to a village which will be transformed from
904
00:46:17.200 --> 00:46:20.400
a rural setting into an industrialized area.
905
00:46:22.100 --> 00:46:25.800
The applicants have made Wellington and other Villages like
oursville
906
00:46:25.800 --> 00:46:29.000
insignificant not even worthy
907
00:46:28.200 --> 00:46:31.700
of consideration. We are but an
908
00:46:31.700 --> 00:46:34.400
inconvenience to them just another obstruction to
909
00:46:34.400 --> 00:46:36.700
climb over in their pursuit to line their pockets.
910
00:46:37.800 --> 00:46:40.700
Our residents are not insignificant. They have
911
00:46:40.700 --> 00:46:43.200
farmed your Fields provided food for your
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912
00:46:43.200 --> 00:46:46.300
tables paid their taxes and contributed to
913
00:46:46.300 --> 00:46:49.300
the local areas. They did not deserve to
914
00:46:49.300 --> 00:46:52.200
be the subject. Sorry. They do not deserve to
915
00:46:52.200 --> 00:46:55.300
be subjected to the applicant's application, which will
916
00:46:55.300 --> 00:46:58.500
see us in prison in our own Village Homes.
917
00:47:00.200 --> 00:47:03.500
40 years is not a temporary installation
918
00:47:03.500 --> 00:47:06.100
 a defendant convicted for
919
00:47:06.100 --> 00:47:09.800
life will spend 15 to 25 years behind bars.
920
00:47:09.800 --> 00:47:12.100
We will be sentenced to 40 years.
921
00:47:13.700 --> 00:47:14.100
40 years
922
00:47:15.100 --> 00:47:19.400
our residents will be forced to live through the construction phase
resulting
923
00:47:18.400 --> 00:47:21.700
in a huge increase of traffic and
924
00:47:21.700 --> 00:47:24.800
Noise Within our quiet Village large Vehicles,
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00:47:24.800 --> 00:47:27.600
which our roads are not suited for as I
926
00:47:27.600 --> 00:47:30.200
believe you experience firsthand on a site visit
927
00:47:30.200 --> 00:47:32.200
as you pass the walnut tree Junction.
928
00:47:34.200 --> 00:47:37.800
and though traffic will decrease initially after construction what
929
00:47:37.800 --> 00:47:41.400
happens when the panels and batteries need replacing all
930
00:47:40.400 --> 00:47:43.100
these large hgvs we
931
00:47:43.100 --> 00:47:45.900
present again and how long for and how often
932
00:47:48.400 --> 00:47:51.300
I may want to paddlingham Lane one of
933
00:47:51.300 --> 00:47:54.700
our few rights of ways on our doorstep used frequently
934
00:47:54.700 --> 00:47:57.700
by our residents. And those are the neighboring Parish of
935
00:47:57.700 --> 00:48:00.400
frackenham. This footpath will be closed for
936
00:48:00.400 --> 00:48:01.900
an unverified amount of time.
937
00:48:02.900 --> 00:48:05.500
The applicants proposal straddles. This
938
00:48:05.500 --> 00:48:08.000
Green Lane views of our Fields will be
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939
00:48:08.700 --> 00:48:10.600
replaced by solar panels and fencing
940
00:48:11.300 --> 00:48:14.300
How can we not how can we believe that this is not going
941
00:48:14.300 --> 00:48:17.300
to impact our residents and not change the Vista for
942
00:48:17.300 --> 00:48:18.000
a lifetime?
943
00:48:18.800 --> 00:48:21.200
40 years. It's never going
944
00:48:21.200 --> 00:48:22.000
to be the same again.
945
00:48:23.300 --> 00:48:26.800
Right now battlingham Lane is a Haven for wildlife including
946
00:48:26.800 --> 00:48:29.800
Wellington and my beloved bats the
947
00:48:29.800 --> 00:48:32.500
application the applicants destruction and
948
00:48:32.500 --> 00:48:35.700
disturbance of this footpath includes removals a
949
00:48:35.700 --> 00:48:38.500
tree trees and scrub to lay cables
950
00:48:38.500 --> 00:48:41.300
the increase in noise vehicles and people
951
00:48:41.300 --> 00:48:44.400
will have a severe and detrimental effect on
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00:48:44.400 --> 00:48:46.600
their roosting sites and flight paths.
953
00:48:47.600 --> 00:48:50.700
Our Countryside is vulnerable. It is not infinite
954
00:48:50.700 --> 00:48:53.700
and it needs to be protected from large-scale. So
955
00:48:53.700 --> 00:48:56.700
the developments that will it really affect
956
00:48:56.700 --> 00:48:58.500
the area for decades to come?
957
00:48:59.700 --> 00:49:03.000
The applicant is far too. The application
958
00:49:02.200 --> 00:49:05.600
is far too spread out over far too
00:49:05.600 --> 00:49:08.600
large an area and as previous councilors have
960
00:49:08.600 --> 00:49:11.400
stated goes against all local planning guidance.
961
00:49:12.300 --> 00:49:15.600
It will cut our Villages from our neighbors. It will
962
00:49:15.600 --> 00:49:18.300
change our landscape from a rule setting into an
963
00:49:18.300 --> 00:49:21.700
industrialized one Wellington Parish Council
964
00:49:21.700 --> 00:49:24.500
 are yet to be convinced of the carbon of efficiency
965
00:49:24.500 --> 00:49:25.300
 of this scheme.
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966
00:49:26.600 --> 00:49:29.900
The applicant needs to stop hiding between the country's
967
00:49:29.900 --> 00:49:32.200
name for green energy. This application is
968
00:49:32.200 --> 00:49:36.000
nothing more than a buyback money making Enterprise with the
969
00:49:35.200 --> 00:49:38.500
excessive amount of solar raised to justify a
970
00:49:38.500 --> 00:49:41.200
7577 Acres of battery storage.
971
00:49:43.700 --> 00:49:46.400
Lastly I would like to implore that the applicant stop
972
00:49:46.400 --> 00:49:50.200
trying to paint a picture of grazing sheep below the panels within
973
00:49:49.200 --> 00:49:52.200
the application. I have failed to find any
974
00:49:52.200 --> 00:49:56.000
genuine Provisions being put in place to accommodate sheep. This
975
00:49:55.100 --> 00:49:58.600
is purely a fantasy on their part like
976
00:49:58.600 --> 00:50:02.300
many other parts of their application for so
977
00:50:01.300 --> 00:50:04.200
many reasons. We are crop Farmers with
978
00:50:04.200 --> 00:50:07.300
pigs on rotation. There are very few sheep farmers in
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00:50:07.300 --> 00:50:11.000
 this area. So, where are these sheep coming from what on-site
Provisions
980
00:50:10.200 --> 00:50:13.700
are being put in place with sheep and
981
00:50:13.700 --> 00:50:16.100
solar good Jewish stewardship of the
982
00:50:16.100 --> 00:50:19.500
land is needed weeds need to be removed and grass needs
983
00:50:19.500 --> 00:50:22.700
to actually be kept us certain height and Stony
00:50:22.700 --> 00:50:25.400
soil is problematic when cutting this grass is it
985
00:50:25.400 --> 00:50:28.600
presents a direct risk to the panels themselves. The grass
986
00:50:28.600 --> 00:50:31.500
is affected by both grazing and the panels, so it
987
00:50:31.500 --> 00:50:34.100
is advisable to reseed every three to five
988
00:50:34.100 --> 00:50:39.300
years. Nothing has been put into their application. I
989
00:50:38.300 --> 00:50:41.800
thank you for your time. Thank you. Thank
990
00:50:41.800 --> 00:50:42.200
you very much.
00:50:43.000 --> 00:50:43.900
sections
992
00:50:47.100 --> 00:50:50.800
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But thank you very much for your contribution. We have
993
00:50:50.800 --> 00:50:54.100
next Nicholas aklam
994
00:50:53.100 --> 00:50:55.800
from reach Parish Council.
995
00:51:00.300 --> 00:51:03.600
Good morning, Mr. Stratum. You have 10 minutes
996
00:51:03.600 --> 00:51:06.700
and your time starts now. Thank you
997
00:51:06.700 --> 00:51:09.500
Mr. King. I am the Catalan
998
00:51:09.500 --> 00:51:13.300
from reach Parish Council reaches a
999
00:51:13.300 --> 00:51:15.100
small fened village on the
1000
00:51:15.900 --> 00:51:18.400
western edge of the area affected by this
1001
00:51:18.400 --> 00:51:19.700
application
1002
00:51:20.700 --> 00:51:24.100
as many other parties have
1003
00:51:23.100 --> 00:51:26.500
said this morning reach Parish Council supports a
1004
00:51:26.500 --> 00:51:28.400
principle of increasing solar energy generation.
1005
00:51:29.200 --> 00:51:32.200
Which are now written representation to you. We have
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1006
00:51:32.200 --> 00:51:35.300
expressed grave reservations about Sonic as proposal in the round
1007
00:51:35.300 --> 00:51:38.900
being unconvinced of its claimed green credentials and
1008
00:51:38.900 --> 00:51:42.200
concerned about the environmental and public health risks arising
1009
00:51:41.200 --> 00:51:44.500
from the battery storage system that
1010
00:51:44.500 --> 00:51:46.900
forms a key part of Sonic as proposal.
1011
00:51:48.600 --> 00:51:51.200
I'm here though this morning. I had come this morning to talk
1012
00:51:51.200 --> 00:51:54.300
 specifically about one element of Sonic has
1013
00:51:54.300 --> 00:51:58.100
application which is option
1014
00:51:57.100 --> 00:52:00.500
too, but I have heard this morning.
1015
00:52:00.500 --> 00:52:03.300
I haven't been notified personally, but I have heard
1016
00:52:03.300 --> 00:52:05.600
 this morning that option two has been withdrawn.
1017
00:52:06.300 --> 00:52:09.400
So if Sonic or anybody else could
1018
00:52:09.400 --> 00:52:12.200
confirm to me whether option two which is
1019
00:52:12.200 --> 00:52:16.600
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relates to the sighting of generators on
1020
00:52:16.600 --> 00:52:17.900
Burwell fern.
1021
00:52:19.500 --> 00:52:22.200
Husband withdrawn then perhaps I can draw a line
1022
00:52:22.200 --> 00:52:25.200
under my submission. But if that isn't the case, then I'm
1023
00:52:25.200 --> 00:52:28.200
very happy to proceed with my specific concerns about
1024
00:52:28.200 --> 00:52:28.800
that option.
1025
00:52:32.700 --> 00:52:36.300
Thank you, Mr. Oakland. Does
1026
00:52:35.300 --> 00:52:38.500
the applicant wishes wish to respond briefly
1027
00:52:38.500 --> 00:52:39.100
at this point?
1028
00:52:50.400 --> 00:52:53.700
And thank you, sir. Yes in my response at
1029
00:52:53.700 --> 00:52:57.500
the end of the session. I was going to outline the opposed
1030
00:52:56.500 --> 00:52:59.100
change application that has been
1031
00:52:59.100 --> 00:53:02.400
discussed in the issues specific hearings this
1032
00:53:02.400 --> 00:53:05.400
week and the document that the applicant submitted at deadline
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1033
00:53:05.400 --> 00:53:06.300
1034
00:53:06.900 --> 00:53:09.700
Which outlines the post changes and I'll
1035
00:53:09.700 --> 00:53:12.100
do that when I if I'm invited to
1036
00:53:12.100 --> 00:53:15.100
respond at the end of this session, but in short to answer the
1037
00:53:15.100 --> 00:53:18.900
question option two, which is the pose new
1038
00:53:18.900 --> 00:53:21.800
substation adjacent to Burwell is being
1039
00:53:21.800 --> 00:53:24.600
withdrawn from the application following discussions
1040
00:53:24.600 --> 00:53:27.600
with National Grid option three that the application
1041
00:53:27.600 --> 00:53:30.300
app can put forward in its most
1042
00:53:30.300 --> 00:53:33.400
recent change application has now been confirmed with
1043
00:53:33.400 --> 00:53:36.400
National Grid and therefore we can withdraw option to use
1044
00:53:36.400 --> 00:53:39.700
there will be no extension by the applicants of
1045
00:53:39.700 --> 00:53:42.300
the Burwell substation. So I hope that clarifies the
1046
00:53:42.300 --> 00:53:42.700
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question.
1047
00:53:45.300 --> 00:53:49.000
Thank you very much, Mr. Griffiths. And does that
1048
00:53:48.100 --> 00:53:51.300
help this rock? Yes, it does
1049
00:53:51.300 --> 00:53:54.400
 and from a parochial point of view whilst I'm
1050
00:53:54.400 --> 00:53:57.500
relieved to hear that news. I would
1051
00:53:57.500 --> 00:54:00.500
like to express disappointment that we're hearing. I'm hearing
00:54:00.500 --> 00:54:04.100
that now clearly I myself
1053
00:54:03.100 --> 00:54:07.100
might residence reach
1054
00:54:08.700 --> 00:54:12.400
these Cambria District Council chemistry
1055
00:54:11.400 --> 00:54:14.400
County Council of all engaged in work.
1056
00:54:16.600 --> 00:54:17.500
Looking at that particular.
1057
00:54:18.300 --> 00:54:21.200
Auction to proposal and that does not obviously now
1058
00:54:21.200 --> 00:54:24.300
turned to be nugatory. I think that's very disappointing and I
1059
00:54:24.300 --> 00:54:27.500
think it does reflect a frustrating and rather
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1060
00:54:27.500 --> 00:54:29.400
flawed planning application here.
1061
00:54:30.200 --> 00:54:32.300
So I don't propose therefore to
1062
00:54:33.500 --> 00:54:36.600
proceed with the preparation that I had I had
1063
00:54:36.600 --> 00:54:39.400
committed. But again, I thank you for your
1064
00:54:39.400 --> 00:54:39.800
time here.
1065
00:54:40.500 --> 00:54:45.500
All right. Thank you very much. Then Mr. Acklund. We will
1066
00:54:45.500 --> 00:54:49.000
now move to Richard Radcliffe from
1067
00:54:48.400 --> 00:54:51.200
 iselham Parish Council.
1068
00:54:58.500 --> 00:55:00.600
Good morning, Mr. Radcliffe. Good morning.
1069
00:55:02.300 --> 00:55:05.300
So your representing Parish Council
1070
00:55:05.300 --> 00:55:09.700
 and you have 10 minutes starting now Richard Radcliffe
1071
00:55:09.700 --> 00:55:12.500
chair of ice and Parish Council. My council
1072
00:55:12.500 --> 00:55:15.300
is consistently opposed the proposals from Seneca.
1073
00:55:15.900 --> 00:55:18.300
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These objections have grounded in and reflect the
1074
00:55:18.300 --> 00:55:21.200
clearly strong and strongly held views of
1075
00:55:21.200 --> 00:55:22.300
the majority of our community.
1076
00:55:23.200 --> 00:55:26.900
The consistent messages they've given us are the devastating
1077
00:55:26.900 --> 00:55:29.700
impact of the scheme will have on our local landscape
1078
00:55:29.700 --> 00:55:32.600
and Views in our village and over our wider
1079
00:55:32.600 --> 00:55:32.900
area.
1080
00:55:33.600 --> 00:55:36.300
The impact of taking what we know is good land
1081
00:55:36.300 --> 00:55:38.000
out of agricultural production.
1082
00:55:38.900 --> 00:55:41.300
The safety relating to the battery storage areas.
1083
00:55:42.200 --> 00:55:45.700
the impact of this Industrial Development on our use
1084
00:55:45.700 --> 00:55:48.700
and enjoyment of our environment and the benefits we
1085
00:55:48.700 --> 00:55:49.100
currently have
1086
00:55:50.500 --> 00:55:53.700
the effect on eyes and sense of place at the fen Edge
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1087
00:55:53.700 --> 00:55:56.500
dating back to the Bronze Age and our long established
1088
00:55:56.500 --> 00:55:58.200
links with our neighboring communities.
1089
00:55:58.900 --> 00:56:01.200
These are all set out in detail in our
1090
00:56:01.200 --> 00:56:02.500
written representation.
1091
00:56:03.900 --> 00:56:06.500
This might have been so different you Sonica
1092
00:56:06.500 --> 00:56:09.500
had probably consulted with us used our local
1093
00:56:09.500 --> 00:56:12.500
knowledge and given us the opportunity for Meaningful
1094
00:56:12.500 --> 00:56:13.100
discussions.
1095
00:56:13.900 --> 00:56:14.700
They did not.
1096
00:56:15.500 --> 00:56:16.600
So we are where we are.
1097
00:56:17.900 --> 00:56:20.700
This proposal will destroy our village and
1098
00:56:20.700 --> 00:56:23.200
environment that has been shaped by our history
1099
00:56:23.200 --> 00:56:23.800
and geography.
1100
00:56:24.700 --> 00:56:27.700
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It is a rural agricultural setting which
1101
00:56:27.700 --> 00:56:30.800
changes with year with every
1102
00:56:30.800 --> 00:56:33.700
year with the crop rotation practice by
1103
00:56:33.700 --> 00:56:34.600
our farmers.
1104
00:56:35.600 --> 00:56:38.500
It shows our relative isolation. It has wide
1105
00:56:38.500 --> 00:56:41.500
open views big skies and a
1106
00:56:41.500 --> 00:56:43.200
sense of remoteness and tranquility.
1107
00:56:44.400 --> 00:56:47.600
This is awesome. And these factors attract people
1108
00:56:47.600 --> 00:56:50.200
to move here and stay he gives
1109
00:56:50.200 --> 00:56:52.300
us our sense of place in the landscape.
1110
00:56:54.300 --> 00:56:57.300
We are not in a designated landscape area, but that
1111
00:56:57.300 --> 00:56:59.500
does not mean our landscape has no value.
1112
00:57:00.800 --> 00:57:03.800
The panel of scene when visiting Seneca East day
1113
00:57:03.800 --> 00:57:06.800
sites, eol to E10 what a
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1114
00:57:06.800 --> 00:57:07.800
stunning landscape we have.
1115
00:57:09.400 --> 00:57:12.300
Sunny Cove chosen not to recognize this and from what
1116
00:57:12.300 --> 00:57:15.200
I've heard in a previous hearing have skewed their scoring
1117
00:57:15.200 --> 00:57:18.300
of Landscapes and Views to lessen their value.
1118
00:57:19.500 --> 00:57:22.200
Sadly so many of the conversations I have with
1119
00:57:22.200 --> 00:57:25.400
fellow residents are about their concerns over Sunday
1120
00:57:25.400 --> 00:57:26.200
because it's proposals.
1121
00:57:27.300 --> 00:57:30.500
Was so many find difficult to understand is how
1122
00:57:30.500 --> 00:57:33.500
the planting of Hedges and Woodland to screen the panels on
1123
00:57:33.500 --> 00:57:35.500
site e05 will work.
1124
00:57:36.200 --> 00:57:39.800
and how the site of the 19409 tragic plane
1125
00:57:39.800 --> 00:57:41.100
crash will be dealt with
1126
00:57:42.300 --> 00:57:45.300
we are however pleased to note that Sonica after as I
1127
00:57:45.300 --> 00:57:47.200
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understand it six years of planning.
1128
00:57:47.900 --> 00:57:50.300
The finally recognize the significance of
1129
00:57:50.300 --> 00:57:53.500
this event for us and aim to withdraw the
1130
00:57:53.500 --> 00:57:55.800
plain sight of Crash from the ski.
1131
00:57:57.600 --> 00:58:00.300
The long-ranging views across the site from
1132
00:58:00.300 --> 00:58:02.400
both east and west or cherished.
1133
00:58:03.600 --> 00:58:06.500
These will be destroyed for those living at the Eastern
1134
00:58:06.500 --> 00:58:07.100
edge of our village.
1135
00:58:07.800 --> 00:58:09.600
And from the homes on Station Road.
1136
00:58:11.300 --> 00:58:14.700
For the many who worship and use the Ark Church together with
1137
00:58:14.700 --> 00:58:17.700
those walking cycling or driving along sheldricks Road
1138
00:58:17.700 --> 00:58:20.300
and Beck Road our route to and from
1139
00:58:20.300 --> 00:58:23.300
Milton Hall and Station Road our route
1140
00:58:23.300 --> 00:58:26.400
to Chippenham back. The impact is devastating.
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1141
00:58:27.700 --> 00:58:30.400
You've heard directly at previous floor hearing from
1142
00:58:30.400 --> 00:58:33.500
some of our residents of how we use this
1143
00:58:33.500 --> 00:58:37.000
area to exercise to look at the nature and
1144
00:58:36.600 --> 00:58:39.200
the changing and it's changing aspects with the
1145
00:58:39.200 --> 00:58:41.600
seasons. It is a tranquil setting.
1146
00:58:42.200 --> 00:58:45.600
The value of this cannot be underestimated particularly when
1147
00:58:45.600 --> 00:58:49.400
our residents so clearly explained the last hearing concerns
1148
00:58:48.400 --> 00:58:51.900
over there and their families mental well-being
1149
00:58:51.900 --> 00:58:54.400
with the proposed industrialization of the area.
1150
00:58:55.600 --> 00:58:58.300
We're grateful that you will consider these aspects but we're
1151
00:58:58.300 --> 00:59:01.200
taking about that Seneca failed to address them when
1152
00:59:01.200 --> 00:59:03.300
responding at the last open hearing.
1153
00:59:04.800 --> 00:59:07.800
The mitigation proposed for this industrial sea of
1154
00:59:07.800 --> 00:59:09.900
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solar panels at E5 is Woodland.
1155
00:59:10.500 --> 00:59:11.300
and hedging
1156
00:59:12.300 --> 00:59:15.200
which actually is unlikely after 15 years to provide
1157
00:59:15.200 --> 00:59:18.200
much screen because of the LIE of the land here dropping down
1158
00:59:18.200 --> 00:59:19.200
to librook.
1159
00:59:20.100 --> 00:59:21.400
the Seneca not understand
1160
00:59:22.400 --> 00:59:25.500
they could have if they had communicated it was us with
1161
00:59:25.500 --> 00:59:28.500
us directly, but we haven't had the chance to explain.
1162
00:59:29.800 --> 00:59:32.300
This is an open landscape one of
1163
00:59:32.300 --> 00:59:35.400
the very few places in the area which give long views
1164
00:59:35.400 --> 00:59:38.500
across to the fen Edge the break and
1165
00:59:38.500 --> 00:59:39.700
the chalk Uplands.
1166
00:59:40.400 --> 00:59:43.700
Their historically he has not been hedged
1167
00:59:43.700 --> 00:59:45.100
or heavily trade.
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1168
00:59:46.200 --> 00:59:49.200
From the village he's looking east of views will restricted to
1169
00:59:49.200 --> 00:59:51.300
a few meters by the screening.
1170
00:59:52.200 --> 00:59:55.500
We lose the view of the Lee Brook or perish boundary
1171
00:59:55.500 --> 00:59:59.300
for some Mary's Church Tower in mildenhall Chalk
1172
00:59:58.300 --> 01:00:01.600
Hill at the all and the forest behind
1173
01:00:01.600 --> 01:00:02.400
Milton Hall.
1174
01:00:03.700 --> 01:00:06.900
The views of Saint Andrew's Church the archurch and
1175
01:00:06.900 --> 01:00:09.200
The Irregular edge of our village and the
1176
01:00:09.200 --> 01:00:12.000
big Skies when traveling Westerly along Beck Road
1177
01:00:12.700 --> 01:00:15.500
will be lost to the many users of the entrance of
1178
01:00:15.500 --> 01:00:17.200
this entrance to our village.
1179
01:00:18.300 --> 01:00:21.700
However site eol clearly visible
1180
01:00:21.700 --> 01:00:23.700
children will not be screened.
1181
01:00:24.400 --> 01:00:28.600
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Sonic has mitigation set out in their environmental statement
chapter
1182
01:00:27.600 --> 01:00:30.300
10 landscape and visual
1183
01:00:30.300 --> 01:00:33.500
immunity. He's constantly 01.
1184
01:00:34.100 --> 01:00:37.700
Solar panels are offset from the fen Woodland to the north and
1185
01:00:37.700 --> 01:00:41.300
by eight meters from the leebrook to the West the proximity
1186
01:00:40.300 --> 01:00:44.200
to the Woodland AIDS the screening views
1187
01:00:43.200 --> 01:00:46.300
from the light wider landscape to the
1188
01:00:46.300 --> 01:00:46.400
north.
1189
01:00:49.800 --> 01:00:52.400
If I Could Turn My Page over quickly enough I could
1190
01:00:52.400 --> 01:00:53.200
give you the next line
1191
01:00:54.300 --> 01:00:57.100
No mention of the view from sheldrix road to the
1192
01:00:57.100 --> 01:00:57.300
West.
1193
01:00:59.100 --> 01:01:02.500
So we do stunning views to gain a long-range view of panels in one
1194
01:01:02.500 --> 01:01:05.400
park and newly planted trees and hedges close
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01:01:05.400 --> 01:01:08.100
to the Village this fails to reflect and
1196
01:01:08.100 --> 01:01:11.000
in fact destroys items place in the landscape.
1197
01:01:12.100 --> 01:01:15.200
To us it raises the question as to whether this whole area had been
1198
01:01:15.200 --> 01:01:17.100
properly assessed for its landscape value.
1199
01:01:17.800 --> 01:01:20.100
Point clearly made you in a previous
1200
01:01:20.100 --> 01:01:21.500
hearing by experts
1201
01:01:22.800 --> 01:01:25.400
my Council considers that had Seneca taken
01:01:25.400 --> 01:01:25.500
care.
1203
01:01:26.200 --> 01:01:30.000
It should have been identifying the sites for its development and
held
1204
01:01:29.200 --> 01:01:32.600
meaning disrupt full discussions with our community.
1205
01:01:33.200 --> 01:01:36.400
They would understand the harm. The proposals will do
1206
01:01:36.400 --> 01:01:39.200
to our lives the potential risk to our health
1207
01:01:39.200 --> 01:01:42.500
and well-being our landscape views and the
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1208
01:01:42.500 --> 01:01:45.300
value given to our environment by those living in
1209
01:01:45.300 --> 01:01:45.800
ice.
1210
01:01:46.800 --> 01:01:49.600
Thank you very much. Thank you very much, Mr. Striker.
1211
01:01:49.600 --> 01:01:51.100
Thank you. Thank you.
1212
01:01:52.500 --> 01:01:56.200
So next we have Mr. John Steele
1213
01:01:55.200 --> 01:01:58.600
KC and he's representing
1214
01:01:58.600 --> 01:02:01.400
the new market Horseman's group. Good morning,
1215
01:02:01.400 --> 01:02:04.400
Mrs. Steele. Good morning, sir. And I represent them
1216
01:02:04.400 --> 01:02:07.700
this morning. May I say that the Horseman's group
1217
01:02:07.700 --> 01:02:11.400
represent the the HRI in
1218
01:02:11.400 --> 01:02:14.300
this area and you are familiar with that there are two
1219
01:02:14.300 --> 01:02:17.200
documents which you have and I will
1220
01:02:17.200 --> 01:02:20.600
not be repeating the contents of those. They are
1221
01:02:20.600 --> 01:02:25.400
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our ep-3a070, which
1222
01:02:24.400 --> 01:02:27.600
is the response to our
1223
01:02:27.600 --> 01:02:30.800
EP 2 0 3 9
1224
01:02:31.700 --> 01:02:35.200
Which is that of the Sonica Lichfield
1225
01:02:34.200 --> 01:02:35.600
report?
1226
01:02:36.700 --> 01:02:40.200
And also the original documentation which
1227
01:02:39.200 --> 01:02:42.700
was put in by Mr. Sykes Popham, which
1228
01:02:42.700 --> 01:02:44.600
is our ep2.
1229
01:02:45.500 --> 01:02:47.800
2 4 0 d
1230
01:02:49.500 --> 01:02:51.600
and again the Horsemen's group.
1231
01:02:52.400 --> 01:02:56.200
Represent the Horseman's the HRA I
1232
01:02:55.200 --> 01:02:58.600
which is in full support
1233
01:02:58.600 --> 01:03:01.500
of the whole of the snts as to
1234
01:03:01.500 --> 01:03:04.800
say to say say no to Sonica group evidence
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1235
01:03:04.800 --> 01:03:07.900
and submissions, which I also represent wearing another
1236
01:03:07.900 --> 01:03:08.200
hat.
1237
01:03:09.600 --> 01:03:13.000
With that in as an introduction, sir, the
1238
01:03:12.400 --> 01:03:15.700
points that I would wish to make are in relation
1239
01:03:15.700 --> 01:03:18.500
to the harm to the Newmark area as
1240
01:03:18.500 --> 01:03:19.000
a whole.
1241
01:03:19.800 --> 01:03:22.400
And not just the limkins which was the focus
1242
01:03:22.400 --> 01:03:25.100
upon much of what was in the evidence yesterday.
1243
01:03:26.400 --> 01:03:29.500
It is to the area to the Northeast where many
1244
01:03:29.500 --> 01:03:32.700
managers and others within the Horseman's group
1245
01:03:32.700 --> 01:03:35.500
reside because of the value of
1246
01:03:35.500 --> 01:03:38.300
that area being very much less in terms of
1247
01:03:38.300 --> 01:03:41.200
the individual properties where they can afford to
1248
01:03:41.200 --> 01:03:44.400
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live there compared to the southwest and also
1249
01:03:44.400 --> 01:03:47.300
other areas around New Market. It is part
1250
01:03:47.300 --> 01:03:50.400
of the Horseman's group as a
1251
01:03:50.400 --> 01:03:53.500
whole and also the HRI that that area
1252
01:03:53.500 --> 01:03:56.300
and the isolation of that area one from
1253
01:03:56.300 --> 01:03:58.600
the other in terms of The Villages is so important.
1254
01:03:59.700 --> 01:04:03.100
The matter that I wish to deal with is cumulative impact
1255
01:04:02.100 --> 01:04:05.800
this morning. It's a crucial aspect
1256
01:04:05.800 --> 01:04:08.300
of the understanding of the scheme and it
1257
01:04:08.300 --> 01:04:11.700
is only when one considers cumulative impact
1258
01:04:11.700 --> 01:04:14.300
that we can understand the quantity as
1259
01:04:14.300 --> 01:04:17.600
well as the quality of the harm that arises
1260
01:04:18.900 --> 01:04:22.100
the Horseman's group is dependent upon discretionary
1261
01:04:21.100 --> 01:04:24.200
 spend you've heard that it is
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1262
01:04:24.200 --> 01:04:24.800
different.
1263
01:04:25.900 --> 01:04:28.700
There has not been an engagement with
1264
01:04:28.700 --> 01:04:31.900
the Horsemen's group or the HRI by
1265
01:04:31.900 --> 01:04:35.200
Sonica the the statement
1266
01:04:34.200 --> 01:04:38.000
which was put in on behalf of lichfield's who
1267
01:04:37.300 --> 01:04:40.800
are an independent organization obviously,
1268
01:04:40.800 --> 01:04:44.300
but involved with a previous decision wholly
1269
01:04:43.300 --> 01:04:46.900
different as we see it in terms of hatch and
1270
01:04:46.900 --> 01:04:49.600
 farm is something to be able to be distinguished
1271
01:04:49.600 --> 01:04:52.700
we deal with that but they have not had any interviews with
1272
01:04:52.700 --> 01:04:55.400
the HRI a trainers and
1273
01:04:55.400 --> 01:04:58.400
Pearsons within that there's been no contact with them
1274
01:04:58.400 --> 01:05:03.100
and there is no understanding by Sonica
1275
01:05:01.100 --> 01:05:05.800
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of the HRI.
1276
01:05:04.800 --> 01:05:08.000
That's to say all that
1277
01:05:07.500 --> 01:05:09.800
new market really stands for
1278
01:05:11.200 --> 01:05:14.900
It cannot be the case that this major industry which
1279
01:05:14.900 --> 01:05:18.100
is different from factories different
1280
01:05:17.100 --> 01:05:20.600
from economics. One comes across is
1281
01:05:20.600 --> 01:05:23.800
something which cannot be dealt with
1282
01:05:23.800 --> 01:05:26.600
by just looking at
1283
01:05:26.600 --> 01:05:30.500
the matter as they do which is coldly in
1284
01:05:29.500 --> 01:05:30.600
а
1285
01:05:31.300 --> 01:05:34.500
planning sense of comparison with other
1286
01:05:34.500 --> 01:05:37.400
Industries. It is different as has been
1287
01:05:37.400 --> 01:05:41.200
heard and said it is dependent upon different
1288
01:05:40.200 --> 01:05:44.300
forms of economic input as
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1289
01:05:43.300 --> 01:05:45.400
well as output.
1290
01:05:46.100 --> 01:05:49.100
One just has to come here to see how unique it is
1291
01:05:49.100 --> 01:05:52.200
to understand the horses going around the place
1292
01:05:52.200 --> 01:05:56.000
and why it is that this is somewhere where Pegasus Crossings
1293
01:05:55.700 --> 01:05:58.400
exist and they don't tell us
1294
01:05:58.400 --> 01:06:01.400
where why because it has a
1295
01:06:01.400 --> 01:06:03.500
different approach to life here.
1296
01:06:04.700 --> 01:06:07.300
The situation over cumulative impact is
1297
01:06:07.300 --> 01:06:07.900
very important.
1298
01:06:09.200 --> 01:06:13.500
We're directing those discussion yesterday about paragraph 5.9
1299
01:06:12.500 --> 01:06:15.400
Point 12. This is slightly dry for
1300
01:06:15.400 --> 01:06:16.300
everybody else. Forgive me.
1301
01:06:17.400 --> 01:06:20.500
of NPS en1, which is
1302
01:06:21.500 --> 01:06:24.500
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Also found in the draft if that
1303
01:06:24.500 --> 01:06:25.700
is said to be of some weight.
1304
01:06:26.300 --> 01:06:29.800
And it is the question whether the designation and
1305
01:06:29.800 --> 01:06:32.200
also the landscape considerations and each
1306
01:06:32.200 --> 01:06:33.600
one of these Harms.
1307
01:06:34.300 --> 01:06:37.800
Is in itself a reason for refusing consent
1308
01:06:37.800 --> 01:06:40.200
I emphasize in itself.
1309
01:06:41.600 --> 01:06:44.600
It is not that one cannot look
1310
01:06:44.600 --> 01:06:47.000
towards the way in which
1311
01:06:47.600 --> 01:06:49.700
harm comes about cumulatively.
1312
01:06:50.800 --> 01:06:53.800
with each one of these in itself harms
1313
01:06:53.800 --> 01:06:55.300
connecting with another
1314
01:06:56.400 --> 01:06:59.800
and what one also sees here and this
1315
01:06:59.800 --> 01:07:02.600
is the whole point of the horse racing industry.
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1316
01:07:03.400 --> 01:07:06.600
Is something where it does not exist because of
1317
01:07:06.600 --> 01:07:07.900
one particular harm.
1318
01:07:09.300 --> 01:07:12.600
It is not because it exists because of the impact
1319
01:07:12.600 --> 01:07:14.200
externally.
1320
01:07:14.900 --> 01:07:17.300
All that it is an impact which is
1321
01:07:17.300 --> 01:07:21.200
here able to be overcome by
1322
01:07:20.200 --> 01:07:24.200
reason of the way in which the other
1323
01:07:23.200 --> 01:07:26.800
Industries in the world have existed.
1324
01:07:27.700 --> 01:07:30.500
It is something which is existing here
1325
01:07:30.500 --> 01:07:32.500
because it is in a rural area.
1326
01:07:33.400 --> 01:07:37.100
It exists because of the quality of the landscape and
1327
01:07:36.100 --> 01:07:39.700
the character of the landscape and the
1328
01:07:39.700 --> 01:07:43.200
importance of the gallops as you've heard. Those
1329
01:07:42.200 --> 01:07:44.600
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are unique in the world.
1330
01:07:45.900 --> 01:07:48.700
What is it about the Horseman's industry in terms
1331
01:07:48.700 --> 01:07:51.700
of this and also the horse racing industry that
1332
01:07:51.700 --> 01:07:54.700
causes so many people to object
1333
01:07:54.700 --> 01:07:57.300
where they don't object to individual schemes that
1334
01:07:57.300 --> 01:07:59.100
have gotten plays elsewhere.
01:07:59.900 --> 01:08:02.600
It is the size of it the
1336
01:08:02.600 --> 01:08:07.300
impact of it and also the sheer inability
1337
01:08:06.300 --> 01:08:09.900
of people to understand why it
1338
01:08:09.900 --> 01:08:12.300
is that this is going to have such a negative
1339
01:08:12.300 --> 01:08:15.400
impact upon that industry. They are
1340
01:08:15.400 --> 01:08:18.900
not in nimbes. They are people who clearly in
1341
01:08:18.900 --> 01:08:21.700
this circumstance feel that they
1342
01:08:21.700 --> 01:08:24.200
themselves cannot get the point across.
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1343
01:08:25.700 --> 01:08:28.400
So it's a totality of the impact that must
1344
01:08:28.400 --> 01:08:31.400
be considered the historical Association.
1345
01:08:32.400 --> 01:08:35.200
And it is said for example that this
1346
01:08:35.200 --> 01:08:39.800
is and it was said yesterday that the employment considerations
1347
01:08:38.800 --> 01:08:41.900
of the limekilns must
1348
01:08:41.900 --> 01:08:44.300
be considered and therefore it's different as
1349
01:08:44.300 --> 01:08:45.100
if it's a factory.
1350
01:08:45.800 --> 01:08:46.400
It's not.
1351
01:08:47.200 --> 01:08:51.000
It's an area where horse racing
1352
01:08:50.200 --> 01:08:53.800
is not actually taking place. But horse training
1353
01:08:53.800 --> 01:08:55.100
is a racehorses.
1354
01:08:56.100 --> 01:08:59.800
And that is where the employees are
1355
01:08:59.800 --> 01:09:02.800
employees here at New Market because of
1356
01:09:02.800 --> 01:09:04.400
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the quality of the area.
1357
01:09:05.300 --> 01:09:09.800
Where they live and where they work their workplace
1358
01:09:09.800 --> 01:09:13.200
is out on the gallops. Their
1359
01:09:12.200 --> 01:09:15.900
workplace is an enticement to
1360
01:09:15.900 --> 01:09:18.800
New Market from other places and they
1361
01:09:18.800 --> 01:09:21.400
don't just live here the whole time
1362
01:09:21.400 --> 01:09:25.600
of their lives. They are here because of
1363
01:09:24.600 --> 01:09:27.600
the quality of the environment.
1364
01:09:28.900 --> 01:09:31.900
And that quality is going to be severely
1365
01:09:31.900 --> 01:09:34.700
impacted upon by the
1366
01:09:34.700 --> 01:09:37.600
Seneca development. It's not understood.
1367
01:09:38.600 --> 01:09:41.600
Is not understood why one looks across
1368
01:09:41.600 --> 01:09:44.600
from the zoom limekilns towards the
1369
01:09:44.600 --> 01:09:47.900
hills, which have been the same Hills for centuries.
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1370
01:09:48.800 --> 01:09:51.300
Used part of as part of
1371
01:09:51.300 --> 01:09:54.100
the horse racing industry as a
1372
01:09:54.100 --> 01:09:57.100
backdrop the selling point the way in which
1373
01:09:57.100 --> 01:10:01.300
this ability to go and put forward the wish
1374
01:10:00.300 --> 01:10:03.100
to say. Can we please have your
1375
01:10:03.100 --> 01:10:06.300
discretionary spend here for some people
1376
01:10:06.300 --> 01:10:09.500
many millions for others very much
1377
01:10:09.500 --> 01:10:09.900
less.
1378
01:10:10.600 --> 01:10:13.700
So the point I wish to come up to get across and
1379
01:10:13.700 --> 01:10:16.900
it will be in writing so that we put this in is that
1380
01:10:16.900 --> 01:10:19.700
the cumulative impact is something
1381
01:10:19.700 --> 01:10:21.500
which is so damaging here.
1382
01:10:23.200 --> 01:10:27.100
It is the accumulation of the impact upon agriculture.
1383
01:10:27.900 --> 01:10:31.100
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Upon the landscape character upon
1384
01:10:30.100 --> 01:10:33.700
the visual intrusion upon the
1385
01:10:33.700 --> 01:10:36.100
horse racing industry the selling point. What is
1386
01:10:36.100 --> 01:10:39.500
Otherwise Known if I can use a very boring planning phase the
1387
01:10:39.500 --> 01:10:42.500
USP the unique selling
1388
01:10:42.500 --> 01:10:45.000
point. That's the lime kills.
1389
01:10:45.900 --> 01:10:49.200
It is something which the people here so clearly
1390
01:10:48.200 --> 01:10:49.900
care about.
1391
01:10:50.900 --> 01:10:53.300
And what it is that they cannot get
1392
01:10:53.300 --> 01:10:56.300
across to Sonic or others where it
1393
01:10:56.300 --> 01:10:59.400
is said to be something like a factory where
1394
01:10:59.400 --> 01:11:02.400
employment is where they they don't
1395
01:11:02.400 --> 01:11:05.100
really care about their environment. They're occuring about
1396
01:11:05.100 --> 01:11:05.900
where they race.
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1397
01:11:06.800 --> 01:11:09.600
They get off their horses. They look around they are
1398
01:11:09.600 --> 01:11:10.700
not just there for that.
1399
01:11:11.900 --> 01:11:14.400
So so the 40 years is the
1400
01:11:14.400 --> 01:11:18.000
last point I make in relation to this being temporary. It's
1401
01:11:17.000 --> 01:11:18.300
not
1402
01:11:19.200 --> 01:11:20.800
it is semi-permanent.
1403
01:11:21.900 --> 01:11:24.700
And I noticed it is nine minutes 23
1404
01:11:24.700 --> 01:11:27.200
seconds. I have my clock here. So I have
1405
01:11:27.200 --> 01:11:28.700
that fully in mindset.
1406
01:11:30.100 --> 01:11:33.900
So thank you. I was married 40 years ago and
1407
01:11:33.900 --> 01:11:35.400
my wife regards that as a lifetime.
1408
01:11:37.800 --> 01:11:38.100
Okay.
1409
01:11:42.200 --> 01:11:46.000
All right. Thank you very much. Did Mr. Steel. We then come
1410
01:11:45.200 --> 01:11:48.400
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to Catherine Judkins?
1411
01:11:56.100 --> 01:11:59.200
Good morning, Mr. Adkins. Good morning. Thank you for inviting me
1412
01:11:59.200 --> 01:12:02.300
to well not inviting me allowing me to speak. You're welcome. And
you
1413
01:12:02.300 --> 01:12:05.300
have five minutes starting now lovely. So I am part
1414
01:12:05.300 --> 01:12:08.200
of the say no to Seneca community group, but I am actually here
1415
01:12:08.200 --> 01:12:11.400
to speak as a private individual today and a resident of
1416
01:12:11.400 --> 01:12:14.300
Iceland and I just wanted to pick up on a few points from
1417
01:12:14.300 --> 01:12:15.200
my written representation.
1418
01:12:16.300 --> 01:12:19.700
And so turning first to landscape, obviously the
1419
01:12:19.700 --> 01:12:22.700
last few days. They've been quite a few technical discussions about
the
1420
01:12:22.700 --> 01:12:25.200
 assessments of the landscape, but I wanted to
1421
01:12:25.200 --> 01:12:28.400
more talk today about what the landscape means to us as the
1422
01:12:28.400 --> 01:12:30.800
Pete as people and as communities living within it
1423
01:12:31.800 --> 01:12:34.600
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how do you quantify and assess the emotional attachment
1424
01:12:34.600 --> 01:12:37.200
that we have to our landscape and what
1425
01:12:37.200 --> 01:12:40.600
this area means to us all who choose
1426
01:12:40.600 --> 01:12:41.400
to live and work here.
1427
01:12:44.600 --> 01:12:48.700
All Landscape supports us just sorry. No.
1428
01:12:47.700 --> 01:12:50.400
No, that's all right, just to take your
1429
01:12:50.400 --> 01:12:50.800
time, please.
1430
01:12:52.100 --> 01:12:54.700
So while landscape supports us and it nurtures us.
1431
01:12:55.500 --> 01:12:58.100
And it gives us our sense of place and our sense of
1432
01:12:58.100 --> 01:12:58.500
identity.
1433
01:12:59.600 --> 01:13:02.600
It's not just something we pass through while we're
1434
01:13:02.600 --> 01:13:03.500
on route to other places.
1435
01:13:05.200 --> 01:13:08.600
But they also learn about our local landscape our agricultural
1436
01:13:08.600 --> 01:13:10.800
Heritage and our varied wildlife.
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1437
01:13:12.300 --> 01:13:15.300
We're proud in Iceland to be a fan-edge village as you heard from
1438
01:13:15.300 --> 01:13:16.800
Eisen Parish Council.
1439
01:13:17.400 --> 01:13:20.900
That's a village that sits on the border of the fence like a
1440
01:13:20.900 --> 01:13:23.600
kind of outpost before the landscape changes to
1441
01:13:23.600 --> 01:13:25.400
the chalklands and the brecklands Beyond.
1442
01:13:26.700 --> 01:13:29.100
So in my daughter's work, she talks about
1443
01:13:29.100 --> 01:13:32.100
the Amazing Friends. We probably can see that
1444
01:13:32.100 --> 01:13:32.600
on the screen.
1445
01:13:34.300 --> 01:13:35.600
And what a great place it is to live.
1446
01:13:36.700 --> 01:13:39.100
She and her classmates are clearly very
1447
01:13:39.100 --> 01:13:39.900
proud to live here.
1448
01:13:41.500 --> 01:13:44.700
She talks about the produce that we grow. She names potatoes
1449
01:13:44.700 --> 01:13:47.300
sugarbeet wheat as examples.
1450
01:13:48.400 --> 01:13:51.300
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She talks about the high quality of the Farmland here
1451
01:13:51.300 --> 01:13:54.500
and the soil lots of grade one and two and how
1452
01:13:54.500 --> 01:13:57.500
this region produces over a third of the England's fresh vegetables
1453
01:13:57.500 --> 01:13:59.000
 as well as bulbs and flowers.
1454
01:14:00.100 --> 01:14:03.200
And her class did a wonderful presentation of their learning
1455
01:14:03.200 --> 01:14:06.200
to the parents and to the rest of the school and they all
01:14:06.200 --> 01:14:09.300
held up paintings that they'd done of their local environment like
1457
01:14:09.300 --> 01:14:09.600
one here.
1458
01:14:11.300 --> 01:14:15.300
And they were all like this a class of 30 children big Skies big
1459
01:14:14.300 --> 01:14:17.200
open views fields of
1460
01:14:17.200 --> 01:14:17.600
crops.
1461
01:14:19.100 --> 01:14:22.100
And all of this learning has been inspired by their surroundings.
1462
01:14:23.300 --> 01:14:26.300
All of this is what gives our children Annas our sense
1463
01:14:26.300 --> 01:14:28.600
of identity and it's why we choose to live here.
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1464
01:14:30.100 --> 01:14:33.700
And if this is changed and I'm thinking about the very drastic
change caused
1465
01:14:33.700 --> 01:14:36.300
by Seneca East a which is the one that's closest to
1466
01:14:36.300 --> 01:14:39.500
our village and one of the most exposed areas because of
1467
01:14:39.500 --> 01:14:42.700
its openness, but also because of the changes caused
1468
01:14:42.700 --> 01:14:45.500
by the other parts of the scheme that impact the huge
01:14:45.500 --> 01:14:48.300
the area that we move around in on a day-to-day basis
1470
01:14:48.300 --> 01:14:49.900
when we go to the shops or to visit friends.
1471
01:14:51.100 --> 01:14:54.300
And the idea of so dramatically changing our rural Outlook
1472
01:14:54.300 --> 01:14:57.600
in one hit into an industrial Outlook fills
1473
01:14:57.600 --> 01:14:58.000
me with Dread.
1474
01:14:58.900 --> 01:15:01.200
And to do this on such a huge scale so that we
1475
01:15:01.200 --> 01:15:04.100
see it and we feel it along so many
1476
01:15:04.100 --> 01:15:07.200
of the roots that we take on a daily basis just makes this even
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1477
01:15:07.200 --> 01:15:07.500
1478
01:15:08.500 --> 01:15:11.000
It will damage our enjoyment of our surroundings and who we
1479
01:15:11.100 --> 01:15:12.000
are as communities.
1480
01:15:13.100 --> 01:15:16.400
and it doesn't just affect our children and what they connect with
here, but it's
1481
01:15:16.400 --> 01:15:19.300
also new people who moved to the villagers having that connection
1482
01:15:19.300 --> 01:15:22.200
with the local Heritage and Landscape is what helps them
1483
01:15:22.200 --> 01:15:22.600
settle
1484
01:15:24.400 --> 01:15:27.100
and then the same goes for the plane crash site and other locally
important
1485
01:15:27.100 --> 01:15:30.600
sites such as the Spurgeon Stone and the river Arc. How
1486
01:15:30.600 --> 01:15:33.300
do you quantify the sentimental value and the
1487
01:15:33.300 --> 01:15:36.300
significance that this another local Heritage points have in
1488
01:15:36.300 --> 01:15:36.500
the community?
01:15:37.600 --> 01:15:40.100
We've been trying to explain this to the applicant, but it's
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1490
01:15:40.100 --> 01:15:41.600
largely fall and on deaf ears.
1491
01:15:42.300 --> 01:15:44.700
The sudden awareness that the crash site was surprising.
1492
01:15:45.700 --> 01:15:48.200
This site's been known about and commemorated in the village for
1493
01:15:48.200 --> 01:15:50.500
decades. It's not new to those of us who live here.
1494
01:15:51.300 --> 01:15:54.800
My three neighbors were at the primary school on that tragic day and
out
1495
01:15:54.800 --> 01:15:57.500
of and they still talk about how they're indebted to
1496
01:15:57.500 --> 01:16:00.500
the sacrifices of the crew who stayed on board that plane to
01:16:00.500 --> 01:16:03.300
steer it away from the village because it might have otherwise
landed on
1498
01:16:03.300 --> 01:16:03.700
their school.
1499
01:16:04.800 --> 01:16:07.500
And that site has been subtly preserved for over 70
1500
01:16:07.500 --> 01:16:10.200
years partly out of the respect afforded to
1501
01:16:10.200 --> 01:16:12.300
it. You have about one minute. Yeah.
01:16:12.900 --> 01:16:15.800
And it's not been developed or threatened by development and
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1503
01:16:15.800 --> 01:16:18.700
it looks more or less today as it did back then and open
1504
01:16:18.700 --> 01:16:21.100
agricultural field the same shed that the
1505
01:16:21.100 --> 01:16:24.600
plane crashed near to still stands and it's so important that it
1506
01:16:24.600 --> 01:16:25.200
stays that way.
1507
01:16:26.200 --> 01:16:29.600
And just one final comment is to say it's not
1508
01:16:29.600 --> 01:16:32.600
obvious how much me my family and my friends enjoy this
1509
01:16:32.600 --> 01:16:32.800
area.
1510
01:16:33.800 --> 01:16:36.200
There were some debate yesterday about footpath closures and
1511
01:16:36.200 --> 01:16:39.500
whether they're permanent or temporary or if they join up but to
1512
01:16:39.500 --> 01:16:42.400
be honest, the biggest issue that we would struggle to deal with is
the long
1513
01:16:42.400 --> 01:16:46.400
term damage the footpaths and the other Roots because of the
industrialization and
1514
01:16:45.400 --> 01:16:48.600
for the next 40 years. My School
1515
01:16:48.600 --> 01:16:51.400
parent friends do the couch to 5K program and they
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1516
01:16:51.400 --> 01:16:54.200
Infuse about how they can literally get off the couch through the
1517
01:16:54.200 --> 01:16:57.400
front door and out into the open Countryside enjoying the
1518
01:16:57.400 --> 01:17:00.200
wildlife the farming activities in the fields and the
1519
01:17:00.200 --> 01:17:03.400
nature wherever they go for the two-year construction period
1520
01:17:03.400 --> 01:17:06.400
they'll be limited to where they can go with the air and
1521
01:17:06.400 --> 01:17:09.500
The Roots full of construction vehicles dust and dirt and the
1522
01:17:09.500 --> 01:17:11.300
noise of drill piling to accompany them.
1523
01:17:11.800 --> 01:17:14.500
Post-construction, they'll certainly not have a
1524
01:17:14.500 --> 01:17:17.700
lovely Countryside setting to exercise through and in
1525
01:17:17.700 --> 01:17:20.700
 all likelihood. We'll have to travel elsewhere if we want to
actually enjoy
1526
01:17:20.700 --> 01:17:23.700
a rural or walk or a bike ride. And that's
1527
01:17:23.700 --> 01:17:26.600
rather ironic when we actually have a royal Countryside right
1528
01:17:26.600 --> 01:17:27.400
here on our doorstep.
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01:17:28.700 --> 01:17:29.600
Thank you. Thank you.
1530
01:17:34.600 --> 01:17:37.200
Thank you very much. And Mr. Nick Wright from
1531
01:17:37.200 --> 01:17:41.000
AG right and Son Farms limited
1532
01:17:40.800 --> 01:17:42.300
morning Mr. Right.
1533
01:17:43.100 --> 01:17:45.500
good morning, and thank you very much for
1534
01:17:46.300 --> 01:17:49.300
Listening to me this morning. You're welcome. You have five minutes
1535
01:17:49.300 --> 01:17:52.000
as well and your time starts now, my name is
1536
01:17:52.400 --> 01:17:55.400
Nick Wright and I've lived in farmed a badlingum for 20
1537
01:17:55.400 --> 01:17:58.300
 years. I'm a child of severe. Also. Our farm
1538
01:17:58.300 --> 01:18:01.700
is less than 300 meters from the southern boundary of Sonica East
1539
01:18:01.700 --> 01:18:04.300
B. I was approached by Sonica when
1540
01:18:04.300 --> 01:18:07.500
they started the scheme to put part of our farm in but we
1541
01:18:07.500 --> 01:18:10.100
declined from a personal point of view.
1542
01:18:10.100 --> 01:18:13.800
I just wanted to say it has been utterly miserable dealing
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1543
01:18:13.800 --> 01:18:15.800
with Sonica over the last six years.
1544
01:18:16.700 --> 01:18:19.500
On our 600 Acre Farm we grow winter
1545
01:18:19.500 --> 01:18:22.300
wheat Maize sugarbeet and because the soil is
1546
01:18:22.300 --> 01:18:25.500
so responsive to irrigation. We build a Winterfell
1547
01:18:25.500 --> 01:18:29.500
Reservoir in 2011 at the cost of 484,000
1548
01:18:28.500 --> 01:18:31.600
 for which we received a 50%
1549
01:18:31.600 --> 01:18:34.400
Grant. We then introduced potatoes and
1550
01:18:34.400 --> 01:18:37.500
onions into the rotation. The soils are excellent for
1551
01:18:37.500 --> 01:18:40.000
growing potatoes. And in 2022. We were
1552
01:18:40.500 --> 01:18:43.200
awarded a national potato growing prize based on
1553
01:18:43.200 --> 01:18:45.600
the quality and yields of the crops to be produced.
1554
01:18:46.300 --> 01:18:49.100
Oz and three neighboring Farms yields for
1555
01:18:49.100 --> 01:18:52.500
the last four growing seasons have predominantly been done
1556
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01:18:52.500 --> 01:18:55.400
being above National averages so with
1557
01:18:55.400 --> 01:18:59.000
or without water This is highly productive arable
1558
01:18:58.000 --> 01:18:59.300
land
1559
01:19:00.400 --> 01:19:03.600
A 981 hectare Farm in this
1560
01:19:03.600 --> 01:19:07.000
area would produce more than 32,000 tons
1561
01:19:06.200 --> 01:19:08.900
of produce per annum.
1562
01:19:09.900 --> 01:19:12.100
Which would over a 40-year site of
01:19:12.100 --> 01:19:15.300
this 40-year period of the scheme would equate to one over
1564
01:19:15.300 --> 01:19:19.400
1.2 million tons of produce make no
1565
01:19:18.400 --> 01:19:21.600
mistake. This is valuable arable land.
1566
01:19:22.500 --> 01:19:25.300
Farmers love to look at their neighbor's Farms. I know the
1567
01:19:25.300 --> 01:19:28.800
land around us and what it grows. I was therefore mystified by
1568
01:19:28.800 --> 01:19:31.600
Daniel Baird saw consultancy limited
1569
01:19:31.600 --> 01:19:35.200
ALC report on the 981 hectare
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1570
01:19:34.200 --> 01:19:37.300
Seneca site. It is simply not
1571
01:19:37.300 --> 01:19:40.400
possible for Mr. Bear to have
1572
01:19:40.400 --> 01:19:44.300
only found 3.8% BMV on
1573
01:19:43.300 --> 01:19:46.800
the 981 hectare site
1574
01:19:46.800 --> 01:19:50.300
this amount only 37 hectares.
1575
01:19:49.300 --> 01:19:52.400
We just know that this
1576
01:19:52.400 --> 01:19:52.700
is wrong.
1577
01:19:53.700 --> 01:19:56.600
So to confirm this to soil experts
1578
01:19:56.600 --> 01:19:59.400
dug a soil pit five meters from the
1579
01:19:59.400 --> 01:20:02.700
westbound western boundary of Sonica East a
1580
01:20:02.700 --> 01:20:06.100
we sent the samples away for laboratory analysis
1581
01:20:05.100 --> 01:20:08.400
and had the results peer-reviewed by
1582
01:20:08.400 --> 01:20:12.000
a third soil expert all three
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01:20:11.800 --> 01:20:14.700
experts said that the land was BMV
1584
01:20:15.800 --> 01:20:18.500
Five meters on the
1585
01:20:18.500 --> 01:20:21.600
other side of the boundary on the sunnica site Mr.
1586
01:20:21.600 --> 01:20:24.500
Baird has graded the land as grade 4.
1587
01:20:25.500 --> 01:20:28.700
It is highly irregular to be two grades apart
1588
01:20:28.700 --> 01:20:31.700
within 10 meters. Something is very wrong
1589
01:20:31.700 --> 01:20:32.000
here.
1590
01:20:32.900 --> 01:20:35.900
Knowing the area looking at the crops soil
1591
01:20:35.900 --> 01:20:38.400
sampling and pit digging on the boundaries and studying
1592
01:20:38.400 --> 01:20:42.200
the predictive Maps. I know that Sonica East
1593
01:20:41.200 --> 01:20:45.700
a is predominantly BV BMV
1594
01:20:44.700 --> 01:20:47.500
and that the other parts of
1595
01:20:47.500 --> 01:20:51.000
the two remaining sites will also contain BMV.
1596
01:20:51.700 --> 01:20:54.800
Sonica East day was not part of the original scheme.
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01:20:54.800 --> 01:20:57.500
It was only included when the landowner around
1598
01:20:57.500 --> 01:21:00.700
frackenham pulled out due to the unpopularity of
1599
01:21:00.700 --> 01:21:03.500
the scheme. Sandaka East a was therefore
1600
01:21:03.500 --> 01:21:05.900
needed to maintain the size of the scheme.
1601
01:21:06.700 --> 01:21:09.500
To try and resolve this disagreement. We
1602
01:21:09.500 --> 01:21:13.200
have asked the landowners in the scheme on three occasions for
1603
01:21:12.200 --> 01:21:15.500
access to take our own soil samples
01:21:15.500 --> 01:21:17.600
and have been refused each time.
1605
01:21:18.600 --> 01:21:21.400
To quote Sonica Mr. Baird is
1606
01:21:21.400 --> 01:21:24.300
an experienced soil scientist who is a member of the British
1607
01:21:24.300 --> 01:21:25.900
Society of soil science.
1608
01:21:26.700 --> 01:21:29.500
That code of conduct requires that all members
1609
01:21:29.500 --> 01:21:33.100
discharge their professional responsibilities with integrity
1610
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01:21:32.100 --> 01:21:35.400
and due scientific and Technical
1611
01:21:35.400 --> 01:21:36.100
competence.
1612
01:21:37.200 --> 01:21:40.200
Our experts say the Mr. Bears report fails on
1613
01:21:40.200 --> 01:21:44.000
three points of process required by the society. He
1614
01:21:43.400 --> 01:21:46.400
is a member of and therefore under
1615
01:21:46.400 --> 01:21:49.300
their guidelines the rush the report should be
1616
01:21:49.300 --> 01:21:51.800
referred to another specialist.
1617
01:21:52.900 --> 01:21:55.300
However, if this code of conduct has
1618
01:21:55.300 --> 01:21:58.200
been complied with sandica and the landowners should
1619
01:21:58.200 --> 01:22:01.100
be throwing the gates open allowing us access to take
1620
01:22:01.100 --> 01:22:04.400
 soil samples all over the land in the scheme
1621
01:22:04.400 --> 01:22:07.200
 securing the knowledge that however hard we
1622
01:22:07.200 --> 01:22:11.300
tried we would only find 3.8% BMV,
1623
01:22:10.300 --> 01:22:13.900
but they are not doing this they
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1624
01:22:13.900 --> 01:22:16.300
are doing the opposite. So what is wrong
1625
01:22:16.300 --> 01:22:19.500
we will be contacting Mr. Bear today to
1626
01:22:19.500 --> 01:22:22.600
ask to arrange for a joint inspection of the site and
1627
01:22:22.600 --> 01:22:25.400
I would encourage sonaker to advise the landowners
1628
01:22:25.400 --> 01:22:28.000
to give us access for this so that
1629
01:22:28.400 --> 01:22:29.600
this matter can be moved forward.
1630
01:22:31.800 --> 01:22:34.400
Sonaka with its sprawling layout arranged purely
1631
01:22:34.400 --> 01:22:37.500
where willing landowners could be found corals with
1632
01:22:37.500 --> 01:22:40.800
the countryside. The scheme is not about solar power.
1633
01:22:40.800 --> 01:22:43.700
The panels are our means to justify and create
1634
01:22:43.700 --> 01:22:46.900
one of the largest best schemes in the world. If you
1635
01:22:46.900 --> 01:22:49.500
want to create the best fine, but don't
1636
01:22:49.500 --> 01:22:53.600
put it close to people and don't include 950 hectares
1637
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01:22:53.600 --> 01:22:54.900
of solar with them.
1638
01:22:55.500 --> 01:22:58.200
Leave this Countryside to be farmed to grow
1639
01:22:58.200 --> 01:23:01.000
the food. We all need many. Thanks Mr. Right. Thank you
1640
01:23:01.000 --> 01:23:03.300
Mr. Right.
1641
01:23:05.700 --> 01:23:08.200
All right. Thank you. If you want thank you for that.
1642
01:23:08.200 --> 01:23:11.500
You picked up on something regarding
1643
01:23:11.500 --> 01:23:14.300
access that the applicant may wish to
1644
01:23:14.300 --> 01:23:17.200
respond to at the end of the I very
1645
01:23:17.200 --> 01:23:20.600
much hopes at the end of these representations. But in
1646
01:23:20.600 --> 01:23:24.600
the meantime, thank you very much, Mr. No, thank you. So then
1647
01:23:23.600 --> 01:23:26.900
we turn to Dr. Edmond
1648
01:23:26.900 --> 01:23:27.700
Fordham.
1649
01:23:30.800 --> 01:23:33.600
Good morning and Dr. Fordham, good morning,
1650
01:23:33.600 --> 01:23:36.900
and we are here
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1651
01:23:36.900 --> 01:23:40.100
to make representations to
1652
01:23:39.100 --> 01:23:42.900
the panel and you have five minutes. Thank you.
1653
01:23:42.900 --> 01:23:45.900
Well, I'd like to open this with a
1654
01:23:45.900 --> 01:23:48.900
protest at yesterday's hearings into
1655
01:23:48.900 --> 01:23:51.800
 the safety of the giant batteries likely
1656
01:23:51.800 --> 01:23:54.900
to be by quite award. Margin the
1657
01:23:54.900 --> 01:23:57.700
largest battery energy storage system
01:23:57.700 --> 01:24:00.600
in the world. Holy unprecedented in
1659
01:24:00.600 --> 01:24:03.200
scale and instead of the full day that
1660
01:24:03.200 --> 01:24:07.200
I did formally request at the start of this process. The
1661
01:24:06.200 --> 01:24:10.700
business was compressed into a holy
1662
01:24:09.700 --> 01:24:12.200
inadequate period most of it
1663
01:24:12.200 --> 01:24:15.800
occupied with an essentially private conversation between Mr.
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01:24:15.800 --> 01:24:19.800
Rigby on the panel and the rather unfocusedness
1665
01:24:18.800 --> 01:24:22.500
to Gregory for the applicant. Meanwhile,
1666
01:24:21.500 --> 01:24:24.300
although I was probably the only person
1667
01:24:24.300 --> 01:24:27.700
left in the room with the technical competence to
1668
01:24:27.700 --> 01:24:29.400
raise some very serious.
1669
01:24:30.300 --> 01:24:33.300
Your safety issues. I wasn't offered anything like the
1670
01:24:33.300 --> 01:24:36.300
necessary space to raise more than a handful
01:24:36.300 --> 01:24:36.900
of them.
1672
01:24:37.700 --> 01:24:40.200
I believe it became clear to me yesterday
1673
01:24:40.200 --> 01:24:43.200
that the examining Authority lacks the
1674
01:24:43.200 --> 01:24:46.600
necessary skill sets to appraise completely
1675
01:24:46.600 --> 01:24:49.600
the most serious industrial safety issue.
1676
01:24:49.600 --> 01:24:52.500
 I have encountered in my career and I'm
1677
01:24:52.500 --> 01:24:55.500
not excluding many years ago working on a
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1678
01:24:55.500 --> 01:24:59.700
commercial scale but essentially experimental nuclear
1679
01:24:58.700 --> 01:25:01.200
reactor and that is
1680
01:25:01.200 --> 01:25:04.500
because that case was handled with professionalism and
1681
01:25:04.500 --> 01:25:07.800
integrity by the statutory regulator at
1682
01:25:07.800 --> 01:25:10.800
 the time. I believe it is now essential that
1683
01:25:10.800 --> 01:25:13.400
the examining Authority calls on the health and
1684
01:25:13.400 --> 01:25:16.800
safety executive so that today's statutory regulator
01:25:16.800 --> 01:25:19.700
becomes fully engaged with this process
1686
01:25:19.700 --> 01:25:23.200
as overarching policy clearly requires
1687
01:25:22.200 --> 01:25:25.600
unless the regulator is properly
1688
01:25:25.600 --> 01:25:28.800
engaged. I believe the examining Authority will lack
1689
01:25:28.800 --> 01:25:31.700
the necessary basis to make the correct
1690
01:25:31.700 --> 01:25:34.700
and fully informed recommendations to
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01:25:34.700 --> 01:25:37.200
the Secretary of State specifically on
1692
01:25:37.200 --> 01:25:37.400
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1693
01:25:37.700 --> 01:25:40.800
critical question of major accident prevention
1694
01:25:40.800 --> 01:25:41.800
and mitigation
1695
01:25:42.600 --> 01:25:45.700
To move on to what I'd plan to say today. I'd
1696
01:25:45.700 --> 01:25:48.500
like to about our examine the benefits of this scheme.
1697
01:25:48.500 --> 01:25:51.400
It's important for any critic to look at the upsides of
1698
01:25:51.400 --> 01:25:55.000
a proposal that they don't like aside from
1699
01:25:54.200 --> 01:25:57.600
the energy trading function, which a number of speakers have
1700
01:25:57.600 --> 01:26:00.800
already identified. It will indeed generate some
1701
01:26:00.800 --> 01:26:03.300
electricity most of it in the summer
1702
01:26:03.300 --> 01:26:06.700
from what used to be open Countryside, but won't
1703
01:26:06.700 --> 01:26:09.500
be any longer. So the question is how much
1704
01:26:09.500 --> 01:26:12.400
two years ago. I did a simple sum. I
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1705
01:26:12.400 --> 01:26:15.800
took seneca's own estimate of the energy output
1706
01:26:15.800 --> 01:26:18.300
expected over 40 years divide by
1707
01:26:18.300 --> 01:26:21.900
40 gives you the annual expectation divide by
1708
01:26:21.900 --> 01:26:24.200
the number of hours in a year. We'll give
1709
01:26:24.200 --> 01:26:27.500
 you the annual average power the answer
1710
01:26:27.500 --> 01:26:30.800
 67 megawatts annual average
1711
01:26:30.800 --> 01:26:33.000
less than one seventh of the
1712
01:26:33.500 --> 01:26:37.200
 500 megawatts posted of by Sonica our
1713
01:26:36.200 --> 01:26:39.400
national demand is of the order
1714
01:26:39.400 --> 01:26:42.100
of 35 gigawatts.
1715
01:26:42.600 --> 01:26:45.700
Five thousand megawatts Sonic has contribution
1716
01:26:45.700 --> 01:26:49.900
to that National need is about one 500th
1717
01:26:48.900 --> 01:26:52.200
of the current demand that
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01:26:51.200 --> 01:26:54.100
is how insignificant it is
1719
01:26:54.100 --> 01:26:57.500
from the point of view of energy generation. Now that
1720
01:26:57.500 --> 01:27:00.200
the scheme has been pruned first ones then yes
1721
01:27:00.200 --> 01:27:04.200
again yesterday. It's even more significant insignificant than
1722
01:27:03.200 --> 01:27:06.200
it was to start with and for
1723
01:27:06.200 --> 01:27:09.500
this we sacrifice 2500 Acres of
1724
01:27:09.500 --> 01:27:12.900
productive Farmland amenity and Wildlife had
1725
01:27:12.900 --> 01:27:15.400
habitat that is folly at a
1726
01:27:15.400 --> 01:27:18.800
truly spectacular level. Meanwhile, there are
1727
01:27:18.800 --> 01:27:21.900
230 sunkers represented by
1728
01:27:21.900 --> 01:27:24.300
the countries self-facing commercial
1729
01:27:24.300 --> 01:27:27.200
rooftops, which you could solar panel to
1730
01:27:27.200 --> 01:27:30.600
your hearts content without harming a single
1731
01:27:30.600 --> 01:27:33.000
blade of grass about a minute
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1732
01:27:33.300 --> 01:27:36.500
Sonica is a terrible example of what the late professor
1733
01:27:36.500 --> 01:27:39.300
David McKay former Chief scientist at the
1734
01:27:39.300 --> 01:27:42.300
department of energy and climate change called in his death.
1735
01:27:42.500 --> 01:27:45.800
Get interview the appalling delusion that
1736
01:27:45.800 --> 01:27:48.800
we can take this thing currently delivering 1% of
1737
01:27:48.800 --> 01:27:51.500
our energy and just scale it up. He goes
1738
01:27:51.500 --> 01:27:54.300
on to say there's so much delusion and I
01:27:54.300 --> 01:27:57.500
think it is so dangerous for Humanity that people allow
1740
01:27:57.500 --> 01:28:00.100
themselves to have these diffusions that they're willing to
1741
01:28:00.100 --> 01:28:03.100
not think carefully about the numbers and the
1742
01:28:03.100 --> 01:28:06.500
realities and the laws of physics and the realities of engineering
1743
01:28:06.500 --> 01:28:09.400
those are some words of real wisdom from
1744
01:28:09.400 --> 01:28:12.500
somebody who must surely have known that he was a dying
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01:28:12.500 --> 01:28:16.700
man. This scheme should be rejected unconditionally and
1746
01:28:16.700 --> 01:28:19.600
I believe I've already given to the examining Authority
1747
01:28:19.600 --> 01:28:22.500
a more than sufficient technical legal
1748
01:28:22.500 --> 01:28:25.400
and policy basis for doing so, thank
1749
01:28:25.400 --> 01:28:25.800
you very much.
1750
01:28:28.400 --> 01:28:29.000
Yes. Thank you, everyone.
1751
01:28:32.300 --> 01:28:33.800
Thank you very much, Dr. Fordham.
1752
01:28:35.100 --> 01:28:39.500
We will consider carefully what you say about the
1753
01:28:38.500 --> 01:28:42.000
need for engaging
1754
01:28:41.700 --> 01:28:46.000
the HSE would emphasize
1755
01:28:45.300 --> 01:28:48.400
to you that it is a written process
1756
01:28:48.400 --> 01:28:51.700
and we haven't finished the examination yet.
1757
01:28:51.700 --> 01:28:54.500
It's ongoing and we
1758
01:28:54.500 --> 01:28:57.500
will continue to review the information that submitted to
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1759
01:28:57.500 --> 01:28:59.000
us. Thank you very much.
1760
01:29:03.100 --> 01:29:05.000
So next.
1761
01:29:09.800 --> 01:29:10.300
Is it?
1762
01:29:11.200 --> 01:29:13.400
Yes, Mr. Monroe. Are you online?
1763
01:29:16.200 --> 01:29:17.100
Oh, yes. I'm here.
1764
01:29:18.100 --> 01:29:20.700
Ah, good morning again. So
1765
01:29:22.400 --> 01:29:25.200
please proceed you have
1766
01:29:25.200 --> 01:29:26.700
five minutes starting now.
1767
01:29:27.500 --> 01:29:30.800
Well, thank you, sir. My name is Andrew Monroe.
1768
01:29:30.800 --> 01:29:33.800
I am a resident of Chippenham.
1769
01:29:34.600 --> 01:29:37.000
speaking on behalf of myself and my wife
1770
01:29:37.900 --> 01:29:40.300
although I am a system that say no to Sonica
1771
01:29:40.300 --> 01:29:43.500
group in a professional capacity. This is entirely my
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01:29:43.500 --> 01:29:44.700
personal representation.
1773
01:29:46.100 --> 01:29:49.600
We have lived in this area for 32 years having originally
1774
01:29:49.600 --> 01:29:51.500
moved to New Market in 1990.
1775
01:29:52.300 --> 01:29:55.400
And be resident in shipment number 23, we moved
1776
01:29:55.400 --> 01:29:58.200
here from the outskirts of Cambridge as where we
1777
01:29:58.200 --> 01:30:01.300
lived was going to be swallowed up by development and we wanted a
more
1778
01:30:01.300 --> 01:30:04.100
rural peaceful area to live in and raise a
1779
01:30:04.100 --> 01:30:04.300
family.
1780
01:30:05.300 --> 01:30:08.400
He fell in love with chipping up to the point that we tried
1781
01:30:08.400 --> 01:30:11.400
twice try to buy a house here only succeeding
1782
01:30:11.400 --> 01:30:12.400
on the second attempt.
1783
01:30:13.900 --> 01:30:16.300
I've not opposed to celebrate energy or the essential
1784
01:30:16.300 --> 01:30:19.800
decarbonization of the UK energy Supply.
1785
01:30:20.500 --> 01:30:23.400
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However, I feel that grid scale solar is
1786
01:30:23.400 --> 01:30:26.200
too loud hungry and too extensive in its impact
1787
01:30:26.200 --> 01:30:29.700
on neighboring communities. It is too inefficient
1788
01:30:29.700 --> 01:30:31.700
 and seasonal for the land it consumes.
1789
01:30:32.900 --> 01:30:36.200
Something I have said the scheme will put 500 megawatts
1790
01:30:35.200 --> 01:30:37.100
into the National Grid.
1791
01:30:38.200 --> 01:30:41.500
With the capacity factor of only 13% This means
1792
01:30:41.500 --> 01:30:44.700
an average over a year of only 65 megawatts.
1793
01:30:45.500 --> 01:30:49.000
981 hectares is a lot of land to
1794
01:30:48.700 --> 01:30:51.400
contribute just 65 megawatts on
1795
01:30:51.400 --> 01:30:53.600
average to UK energy Supply.
1796
01:30:55.200 --> 01:30:58.300
In this process. I have the advantage of being a childhood civil
1797
01:30:58.300 --> 01:31:01.400
engineer who has fed nearly all his career work your
1798
01:31:01.400 --> 01:31:05.000
major transport projects in a senior role. I'm familiar
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1799
01:31:04.100 --> 01:31:07.600
with the dco process and planning and I
1800
01:31:07.600 --> 01:31:10.200
am very comfortable reading technical reports and drawings.
1801
01:31:10.800 --> 01:31:12.000
Most local people are not
1802
01:31:12.900 --> 01:31:15.200
they are disadvantaged in a process such as
1803
01:31:15.200 --> 01:31:15.700
this.
1804
01:31:16.800 --> 01:31:19.700
The information provided by the applicators of
1805
01:31:19.700 --> 01:31:22.400
my view seriously deficient and seems very
1806
01:31:22.400 --> 01:31:23.800
much that you have to be decided.
1807
01:31:24.700 --> 01:31:27.200
I feel the Rochdale envelope has been stretched to
1808
01:31:27.200 --> 01:31:30.200
give the applicant maximum flexibility in what they
1809
01:31:30.200 --> 01:31:33.900
construct only with minimum security at
1810
01:31:33.900 --> 01:31:35.900
this Edge external water.
1811
01:31:40.400 --> 01:31:43.500
There are a few details that are not indicative leaving in my mind a
1812
01:31:43.500 --> 01:31:46.100
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significant Mr. Monroe. Sorry, we I think we
1813
01:31:46.100 --> 01:31:49.800
we just missed you think you just went offline or
1814
01:31:49.800 --> 01:31:52.000
the line dropped just for a moment
1815
01:31:52.200 --> 01:31:55.100
there. Would you mind just repeating that just the last part of
1816
01:31:55.100 --> 01:31:58.600
what you're saying? Okay on the side of the bit earlier than
entirely
1817
01:31:58.600 --> 01:32:01.500
sure where I dropped out the information
1818
01:32:01.500 --> 01:32:04.700
provided by the applicant is in my view seriously deficient
1819
01:32:04.700 --> 01:32:07.300
and it seems very much as yet to be decided.
1820
01:32:08.200 --> 01:32:11.200
Of the roster envelope has been stretched give the
1821
01:32:11.200 --> 01:32:14.300
applicant maximum flexibility in what they construct with
1822
01:32:14.300 --> 01:32:15.900
minimum scrutiny at this stage.
1823
01:32:16.800 --> 01:32:20.000
There are a few details that are not indicative leaving in
1824
01:32:19.100 --> 01:32:22.200
my mind a significant question over what
1825
01:32:22.200 --> 01:32:23.500
is actually been assessed.
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1826
01:32:24.400 --> 01:32:27.700
The release of additional documents and changes during examination
1827
01:32:27.700 --> 01:32:29.600
the applicant is a further disadvantage.
1828
01:32:30.300 --> 01:32:33.400
The applicant decide both extensive resources and ample time
1829
01:32:33.400 --> 01:32:34.400
to prepare this application.
1830
01:32:35.400 --> 01:32:37.800
resources and time denied to local people
1831
01:32:39.100 --> 01:32:41.700
I will turn now to the personal impacts of this development.
1832
01:32:42.800 --> 01:32:45.200
We moved here to avoid these swallowed up by the
1833
01:32:45.200 --> 01:32:48.700
expansion of Cambridge. If this development goes ahead will
1834
01:32:48.700 --> 01:32:52.100
be swallowed up by an industrial Solar Development a
1835
01:32:51.100 --> 01:32:54.900
look at the plan shows that the villages are pregnant Chippenham
1836
01:32:54.900 --> 01:32:57.500
some extent for them are within a shepherd's crook
1837
01:32:57.500 --> 01:33:01.200
formed by Seneca the snarewell island Wellington
1838
01:33:00.200 --> 01:33:02.300
and Red Lodge just outside.
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1839
01:33:03.200 --> 01:33:06.700
It is my view that the applicator does not given significant
consideration
1840
01:33:06.700 --> 01:33:07.700
to these villages.
1841
01:33:08.700 --> 01:33:11.700
There will be like in it being in an Asus
1842
01:33:11.700 --> 01:33:14.500
within a desert or solar panels imprisoned by
1843
01:33:14.500 --> 01:33:18.200
 solar energy rural area becoming industrialized
1844
01:33:17.200 --> 01:33:20.900
with battery compound substations and solar
1845
01:33:20.900 --> 01:33:21.000
panels.
1846
01:33:21.900 --> 01:33:24.600
It is said that this scheme is temporary. I will
1847
01:33:24.600 --> 01:33:27.400
be at least 109 years old before this
1848
01:33:27.400 --> 01:33:30.100
land is returned to its current state if it can
1849
01:33:30.100 --> 01:33:30.900
or indeed will.
1850
01:33:31.800 --> 01:33:34.600
She's my health. It is very unlikely that I will live
1851
01:33:34.600 --> 01:33:36.100
to see the land free to solar panels.
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01:33:36.900 --> 01:33:38.700
For me, this scheme is permanent.
1853
01:33:40.100 --> 01:33:43.300
I fear that all pleasure in this area will be lost as almost
1854
01:33:43.300 --> 01:33:47.200
all routes out of Chippenham will take me with insightoseneca and
1855
01:33:46.200 --> 01:33:49.600
it'll be a considerable time for the industrial features
1856
01:33:49.600 --> 01:33:50.000
are hidden.
1857
01:33:50.500 --> 01:33:53.400
The applicant causes poor land. It does not pour either
1858
01:33:53.400 --> 01:33:55.200
as agriculture or immunity.
01:33:56.600 --> 01:34:00.000
I do not necessarily blame local and landowners for
1860
01:33:59.300 --> 01:34:02.300
seeking to extract increased value from their land.
1861
01:34:02.900 --> 01:34:05.400
But we will have heard and representation from those
1862
01:34:05.400 --> 01:34:08.600
who try to withdraw from the scheme because they respected
1863
01:34:08.600 --> 01:34:10.800
their neighbors concerns and how sunny can responded.
1864
01:34:11.500 --> 01:34:14.300
The applicant now claims that these removals are their
1865
01:34:14.300 --> 01:34:16.900
response to local concerns and good design.
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1866
01:34:17.800 --> 01:34:21.100
There is insufficient information. The applicant application will
1867
01:34:20.100 --> 01:34:23.100
be consented and there has been
1868
01:34:23.100 --> 01:34:27.100
little engagement with local people over the details the applicant
1869
01:34:26.100 --> 01:34:29.800
claims of the parameters the environmental statement constrained
1870
01:34:29.800 --> 01:34:32.700
 the development with respect. I disagree as
1871
01:34:32.700 --> 01:34:34.400
these parameters are destinated us.
1872
01:34:34.900 --> 01:34:39.100
It gives you if you
1873
01:34:38.100 --> 01:34:42.600
could just try to wind up now, please one sentence
1874
01:34:42.600 --> 01:34:43.200
left to read.
1875
01:34:44.400 --> 01:34:47.500
Um, they've considerable freedom for development and final
1876
01:34:47.500 --> 01:34:50.300
design and Michael's seek considerable difficulty for local
planning
1877
01:34:50.300 --> 01:34:53.200
authorities and discharging the requirements. Thank you
1878
01:34:53.200 --> 01:34:54.200
very much for hearing me.
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1879
01:34:55.200 --> 01:34:58.200
Thank you, Mr. Monroe. We now go to
1880
01:34:58.200 --> 01:35:02.200
Mr. Thank you. We'll go to Mr. John Leach.
1881
01:35:02.900 --> 01:35:05.300
Doing so good morning,
1882
01:35:05.300 --> 01:35:07.000
Mr. Leach and
1883
01:35:10.500 --> 01:35:10.700
so
1884
01:35:12.200 --> 01:35:15.300
would you like to give your
1885
01:35:15.300 --> 01:35:19.100
representations to the panel? Yes, sir. My
1886
01:35:18.100 --> 01:35:21.300
name is John Leach and I'm a freaking and resident.
1887
01:35:22.200 --> 01:35:25.000
When I left College Suffolk was always a place
1888
01:35:25.600 --> 01:35:26.300
I'll start to live.
1889
01:35:26.900 --> 01:35:29.600
I've now been in suffer for her before 42 years
1890
01:35:29.600 --> 01:35:32.500
of age 32 years, okay.
1891
01:35:36.200 --> 01:35:39.800
Mr. Leech I I understand you
1892
01:35:39.800 --> 01:35:42.800
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may have had some surgery recently
1893
01:35:42.800 --> 01:35:46.900
which is May causing you some difficulties. So
1894
01:35:45.900 --> 01:35:48.300
yes, good morning,
1895
01:35:48.300 --> 01:35:52.300
and I know I'm taking students. Yes.
1896
01:35:51.300 --> 01:35:55.100
I understand. You know that too tightly
1897
01:35:54.100 --> 01:35:55.500
different.
1898
01:35:56.500 --> 01:35:59.500
Responses to scheme. Yes, I see and
1899
01:35:59.500 --> 01:36:02.800
when I left College staff was
1900
01:36:02.800 --> 01:36:05.700
always a place. I aspired to live I have
1901
01:36:05.700 --> 01:36:08.200
now been in Suffolk for over 42 years
1902
01:36:08.200 --> 01:36:11.000
of which 32 years have been
1903
01:36:11.600 --> 01:36:12.100
spent in Franklin.
1904
01:36:12.800 --> 01:36:15.600
I moved to breckenham because the rural quiet
1905
01:36:15.600 --> 01:36:18.500
Tranquility of the village and the superb open
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1906
01:36:18.500 --> 01:36:21.600
breckland landscape of the vast open Skies with
1907
01:36:21.600 --> 01:36:23.800
spectacular sun rises and sunsets.
1908
01:36:24.600 --> 01:36:28.000
For over 30 years. I've walked Green Lane. No
1909
01:36:27.600 --> 01:36:31.100
you 6006 also
1910
01:36:30.100 --> 01:36:33.400
known to the applicant as battlingham Lane
1911
01:36:33.400 --> 01:36:36.200
to further be referenced to as Green Lane,
1912
01:36:36.200 --> 01:36:40.000
which is surrounded by productive Fields using all
1913
01:36:39.300 --> 01:36:42.800
manner of crops into the wide open spaces and
1914
01:36:42.800 --> 01:36:45.200
 long views typical of the breckland landscape.
1915
01:36:45.900 --> 01:36:48.700
The lane is a vital uncongested link
1916
01:36:48.700 --> 01:36:51.400
used by all manner of people from Green
1917
01:36:51.400 --> 01:36:55.400
Lane motorcycle bikers cyclists Walkers
1918
01:36:54.400 --> 01:36:57.500
and horses. It is not a
1919
01:36:57.500 --> 01:37:00.300
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constant stream just pockets of individuals or
1920
01:37:00.300 --> 01:37:03.400
groups appreciating the peace and quiet away from
1921
01:37:03.400 --> 01:37:06.100
vehicle vehicle the Trap road traffic.
1922
01:37:07.700 --> 01:37:11.000
Greenling runs for 2.33 kilometers
1923
01:37:10.300 --> 01:37:13.900
from battlingham Road Junction with Elms
1924
01:37:13.900 --> 01:37:16.500
Road breckenham to the New Market Road,
1925
01:37:16.500 --> 01:37:17.300
Worthington.
1926
01:37:18.600 --> 01:37:21.800
This line is a vital green portal very
1927
01:37:21.800 --> 01:37:25.000
deep within our agricultural Heritage serving
1928
01:37:24.300 --> 01:37:26.100
every insect.
1929
01:37:26.700 --> 01:37:29.200
And species of wildlife that feed off the
1930
01:37:29.200 --> 01:37:32.800
valuable mixture of habitat from grasses shrubs
1931
01:37:32.800 --> 01:37:35.600
and brambles to deciduous and Conifer trees.
1932
01:37:35.600 --> 01:37:39.000
It is a wildlife Haven for insects mammals
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1933
01:37:38.400 --> 01:37:41.200
fertilized bats and some
1934
01:37:41.200 --> 01:37:44.300
Rarities like the stone curlews observed nesting
1935
01:37:44.300 --> 01:37:47.200
in E12 other birds viewed currently at this
1936
01:37:47.200 --> 01:37:50.600
time of year winter include Red Wings and in particular
1937
01:37:50.600 --> 01:37:53.900
feelfairs, gorging themselves upon the hawthorn berries,
1938
01:37:53.900 --> 01:37:56.300
and if you are lucky you make Glimpse on Native
1939
01:37:56.300 --> 01:37:57.500
muscle missile thrush.
1940
01:37:58.400 --> 01:38:02.000
Green Line will totally lose its vital
1941
01:38:01.500 --> 01:38:04.200
visual immunity the solar panels
1942
01:38:04.200 --> 01:38:08.100
that will engulf Green Lane are e16 E15
1943
01:38:07.100 --> 01:38:10.300
e14, e13 and
1944
01:38:10.300 --> 01:38:13.800
E12 along with the associated security fencing
1945
01:38:13.800 --> 01:38:16.600
and lighting views Beyond. These fields
1946
01:38:16.600 --> 01:38:20.100
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will be covered by further solar panels in E17 and
1947
01:38:19.100 --> 01:38:22.700
the best and substations on E18.
1948
01:38:23.600 --> 01:38:26.400
Green Lane appears to be a significant part of
1949
01:38:26.400 --> 01:38:29.800
the applicant's construction plans the
1950
01:38:29.800 --> 01:38:32.600
dco under temporary road closure says
1951
01:38:32.600 --> 01:38:35.300
you 6006 will be closed
1952
01:38:35.300 --> 01:38:40.400
to all traffic save under the direction of the Undertaker 450
1953
01:38:38.400 --> 01:38:42.100
meters from Wellington and
1954
01:38:43.800 --> 01:38:46.600
For 70 meters and 700 meters
1955
01:38:46.600 --> 01:38:49.500
from the frickenham end for 400 meters to
1956
01:38:49.500 --> 01:38:52.700
enable cabling and other roadworks the small
1957
01:38:52.700 --> 01:38:55.400
section in the middle of the lane can't be accessed. So
1958
01:38:55.400 --> 01:38:58.500
effectively the lane will be closed completely as it
1959
01:38:58.500 --> 01:39:01.700
will not be a through route. I therefore struggle to accept
temporary
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1960
01:39:01.700 --> 01:39:04.400
works of three weeks will apply it seems
1961
01:39:04.400 --> 01:39:07.400
more likely to be closed for the entire 24 months of
1962
01:39:07.400 --> 01:39:08.000
the construction.
1963
01:39:09.100 --> 01:39:12.100
I fear for the well-being of the displaced birds and
1964
01:39:12.100 --> 01:39:16.000
 wildlife and their habitat for a period of 24 months, which
potentially
1965
01:39:15.500 --> 01:39:18.600
could be lost to the area and that the
1966
01:39:18.600 --> 01:39:22.600
nocturnal species being affected across their foraging pathways.
1967
01:39:23.600 --> 01:39:27.100
I also fear for our well-being as we denied access
1968
01:39:26.100 --> 01:39:29.200
to a footpath which has been available to the
1969
01:39:29.200 --> 01:39:32.700
local population for the best part of 250 years
1970
01:39:32.700 --> 01:39:35.600
and possibly considerably longer as it
1971
01:39:35.600 --> 01:39:38.300
may be part of the prehistoric trackway known as
1972
01:39:38.300 --> 01:39:40.200
known as the igneal way.
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1973
01:39:41.300 --> 01:39:44.300
Finally to conclude the enclosure Act
1974
01:39:44.300 --> 01:39:47.900
of 1773 created a law that enabled
1975
01:39:47.900 --> 01:39:51.100
enclosure of land and at the same time removing
1976
01:39:50.100 --> 01:39:54.100
the right of common access. The applicants
1977
01:39:53.100 --> 01:39:56.700
proposal is nothing short of a 21st
1978
01:39:56.700 --> 01:39:59.800
century version of this enclosure act. Whereby
1979
01:39:59.800 --> 01:40:02.500
the applicant has decided to enclose Fields with
1980
01:40:02.500 --> 01:40:05.700
security fencing hedging and lighting therefore denying
1981
01:40:05.700 --> 01:40:08.800
the community of their Community cultural heritage. In other
1982
01:40:08.800 --> 01:40:11.500
words. Our communities are being bereaved
1983
01:40:11.500 --> 01:40:13.800
by The Proposal of a loss of an immunity.
1984
01:40:14.700 --> 01:40:18.200
Mr. Leech dismisses Leach that thank
1985
01:40:17.200 --> 01:40:21.600
you very much for that. What I
1986
01:40:21.600 --> 01:40:22.400
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was going to say was
1987
01:40:24.400 --> 01:40:27.300
you you may like to and I noticed you were reading
1988
01:40:27.300 --> 01:40:30.700
from a script there. And if
1989
01:40:30.700 --> 01:40:33.400
you wish to you can put that into the
1990
01:40:33.400 --> 01:40:37.300
examination or you can or you
1991
01:40:36.300 --> 01:40:40.300
can add to it together with
1992
01:40:39.300 --> 01:40:44.500
anything that Mr. Leech
1993
01:40:44.500 --> 01:40:47.900
would wanted to say and you can submit
1994
01:40:47.900 --> 01:40:52.000
that in into the examination Authority by
1995
01:40:50.400 --> 01:40:53.000
if you and if you
1996
01:40:53.100 --> 01:40:56.300
do that by a week today, then that will be received and
1997
01:40:56.300 --> 01:40:59.500
and that will be fully considered by the panel. Thank you
1998
01:40:59.500 --> 01:41:02.300
very much. We'd very much like that. All right made some references
1999
01:41:02.300 --> 01:41:05.000
of where he's found. Yes from as well. All right.
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2000
01:41:05.300 --> 01:41:07.900
Well, that would be helpful and we look forward to receiving that.
2001
01:41:08.700 --> 01:41:10.400
Thank you very much. Both of you.
2002
01:41:15.100 --> 01:41:18.000
So now we'll move to Liam McGillivray.
2003
01:41:18.800 --> 01:41:20.100
Oh, it's changed.
2004
01:41:21.700 --> 01:41:24.500
I have my own speed. Oh, sorry. Yes. I I
2005
01:41:24.500 --> 01:41:27.500
laugh now because I joked that I have many hats.
2006
01:41:27.500 --> 01:41:30.200
So I'm standing here today and I have many hats again
2007
01:41:30.200 --> 01:41:33.400
off you go and janely breckenham resident and
2008
01:41:33.400 --> 01:41:35.100
Trustee of reckon and Village Hall.
2009
01:41:35.900 --> 01:41:39.000
I don't just want to be known as The Village residents
2010
01:41:38.300 --> 01:41:41.400
who just let something the size. The applicant is
2011
01:41:41.400 --> 01:41:45.500
proposing to happen for Franklin and surrounding Village residents.
Ι
2012
01:41:44.500 --> 01:41:47.400
also don't want our lovely
2013
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01:41:47.400 --> 01:41:50.400
little patch of stuff to be known or filmed as currently
2014
01:41:50.400 --> 01:41:53.800
Seen On TV as an abandoned engineering project.
2015
01:41:53.800 --> 01:41:56.400
I'm not qualified to say anything about
2016
01:41:56.400 --> 01:41:59.300
the technology for solar panels, but I do know in the
2017
01:41:59.300 --> 01:42:02.200
10 plus years. We have had our own solar panels at
2018
01:42:02.200 --> 01:42:04.000
home technology has progressed.
2019
01:42:04.700 --> 01:42:07.400
The best storage containers truly will
2020
01:42:07.400 --> 01:42:10.600
look like a white elephant and any landscape proposals cannot
2021
01:42:10.600 --> 01:42:12.800
screen them even after 40 years.
2022
01:42:14.200 --> 01:42:17.900
I'm sure many in the room will remember the size of the IBM
computers
2023
01:42:17.900 --> 01:42:20.200
and the telephone exchange buildings. There's one
2024
01:42:20.200 --> 01:42:21.200
in the Avenue near this.
2025
01:42:21.900 --> 01:42:24.800
They're this building look at home computers and
2026
01:42:24.800 --> 01:42:27.200
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mobile phone technology how they've all changed
2027
01:42:27.200 --> 01:42:30.600
and downsides to be tied to a project for 40 years when it
2028
01:42:30.600 --> 01:42:34.200
is likely to be out of date in 15 20 years. I've
2029
01:42:33.200 --> 01:42:36.400
lived in the village for nearly 29 years.
2030
01:42:36.400 --> 01:42:39.300
It's my home my feel-good space. I can't let
2031
01:42:39.300 --> 01:42:42.900
the applicant who came with a big red line in 2019. Take
01:42:42.900 --> 01:42:45.800
this without saying something in freckham the
2033
01:42:45.800 --> 01:42:48.200
owner of breckinley State heard our concerns and
2034
01:42:48.200 --> 01:42:51.600
withdrew his land but it didn't deter the applicant. They just
2035
01:42:51.600 --> 01:42:54.700
went for more land towards westero and Iceland. I
2036
01:42:54.700 --> 01:42:57.500
will be driving through an industrial landscape of solar
2037
01:42:57.500 --> 01:43:00.300
panels and fencing if I want to visit friends in Red Lodge.
2038
01:43:01.300 --> 01:43:04.500
Go down to the all or a 14 to sit going to the bigger towns.
2039
01:43:04.500 --> 01:43:07.700
It will also in currently solar
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2040
01:43:07.700 --> 01:43:08.800
panels and the best storage.
2041
01:43:09.500 --> 01:43:12.200
Frackenham does not have a shop and it's three miles
2042
01:43:12.200 --> 01:43:14.800
to Red Lodge mildenhall Island Fordham.
2043
01:43:15.400 --> 01:43:18.200
As I mentioned as mentioned by the say no to
2044
01:43:18.200 --> 01:43:22.100
Sonica team. The applicants proposal is to mesh the villagers
2045
01:43:21.100 --> 01:43:24.200
around to me is more like a
2046
01:43:24.200 --> 01:43:28.000
barbed wire fence that we will have to battle through where we
2047
01:43:27.300 --> 01:43:30.400
currently have the joy of the open fan and breckland
2048
01:43:30.400 --> 01:43:33.500
 landscape with the rotation of crops Livestock in
2049
01:43:33.500 --> 01:43:36.500
the fields free-range chickens. We're not
2050
01:43:36.500 --> 01:43:39.500
inside due to bird flu and our big
2051
01:43:39.500 --> 01:43:43.400
Skies. We have a village hall that villagers fundraise
2052
01:43:42.400 --> 01:43:45.200
to build it as a community. We take
2053
01:43:45.200 --> 01:43:48.300
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pride in the building deciding the style of a Suffolk Barn.
2054
01:43:48.300 --> 01:43:51.300
It just Blends into the countryside. I'm a
2055
01:43:51.300 --> 01:43:54.200
trustee of this charity. It isn't a
2056
01:43:54.200 --> 01:43:57.500
business but it has to earn Revenue somehow and if we Face two
2057
01:43:57.500 --> 01:44:00.200
years of constructive traffic, this will have an impact
2058
01:44:00.200 --> 01:44:03.500
on our Revenue. We have a thriving monthly Farmers Market
2059
01:44:03.500 --> 01:44:06.800
represented by many small businesses in the community like
2060
01:44:06.800 --> 01:44:09.200
barley Cornell Cafe in Milton Hall
2061
01:44:09.200 --> 01:44:11.000
TFM butchers advise them.
2062
01:44:11.700 --> 01:44:14.400
Artistry and Coco and New Market, others have
2063
01:44:14.400 --> 01:44:17.300
no shop Outlet like The Pie Kitchen preserves and honey.
2064
01:44:17.300 --> 01:44:20.100
So rely on farmers markets like ours and all so
2065
01:44:20.100 --> 01:44:23.700
Iceland and Burwell. We have asparagus thrown
2066
01:44:23.700 --> 01:44:26.200
in the village sold at the market. So that's zero food
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2067
01:44:26.200 --> 01:44:26.700
miles.
2068
01:44:28.500 --> 01:44:31.200
So access to these venues to sell to the public
2069
01:44:31.200 --> 01:44:34.300
on a monthly basis is critical though the setting as you drive
2070
01:44:34.300 --> 01:44:37.500
into our village will change if this proposal goes
2071
01:44:37.500 --> 01:44:40.200
ahead as well as the monthly Farmers Market we
2072
01:44:40.200 --> 01:44:43.500
have now restarted for monthly film nights. We're hoping perhaps to
2073
01:44:43.500 --> 01:44:45.500
restart life professional touring theater.
2074
01:44:46.400 --> 01:44:49.400
We are getting back to Cree covid levels of weekly activities
2075
01:44:49.400 --> 01:44:52.500
at the hall and have even Runners come up as Runners
2076
01:44:52.500 --> 01:44:55.600
up in the active Suffolk. Most Community award not
2077
01:44:55.600 --> 01:44:58.700
bad for small village with the population of around 400.
2078
01:44:59.400 --> 01:45:02.700
The uses of the whole come from the village surrounding Villages
2079
01:45:02.700 --> 01:45:05.300
and towns. So we'll be facing the increased traffic
2080
01:45:05.300 --> 01:45:08.000
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during construction as well as Villages trying to get
2081
01:45:08.100 --> 01:45:11.600
out to shop visit their fans families medical appointments Etc.
2082
01:45:12.300 --> 01:45:15.800
When the village had road closures and diversions for
2083
01:45:15.800 --> 01:45:18.100
electricity cable to be stored from Burwell to
2084
01:45:18.100 --> 01:45:21.600
Lake and Heath USF Air Base. It caused
2085
01:45:21.600 --> 01:45:24.700
disruption to The Villages and hold users as a
2086
01:45:24.700 --> 01:45:27.500
village hall trustee. I work closely with the installers to
2087
01:45:27.500 --> 01:45:30.900
ensure the villagers monthly events and weekly activities were
2088
01:45:30.900 --> 01:45:33.700
advised of which way to come into the village the time
2089
01:45:33.700 --> 01:45:36.700
scale for this was weeks. Not the two years. The applicant
2090
01:45:36.700 --> 01:45:37.300
is proposing.
2091
01:45:38.300 --> 01:45:41.400
As a dog owner if we go into Newmark, we'll often go after one
2092
01:45:41.400 --> 01:45:44.700
PM so we can enjoy a walk on the jockey. Come clubs heathland
2093
01:45:44.700 --> 01:45:47.400
usually on the one that comes off the all into
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2094
01:45:47.400 --> 01:45:50.500
Newmark on the old Berry Road, so you have about a
2095
01:45:50.500 --> 01:45:51.200
minute. Thank you.
2096
01:45:52.200 --> 01:45:55.300
so what my biggest concern is with a
2097
01:45:55.300 --> 01:45:58.300
very passionate view of living in the village hall and it's trustee
2098
01:45:58.300 --> 01:45:59.500
we see we
2099
01:46:00.200 --> 01:46:03.200
we care. We see it through we are we try and
2100
01:46:03.200 --> 01:46:06.400
we are to say it's sustainable from the Catherine Shore charity
2101
01:46:06.400 --> 01:46:09.600
set in the up in the 1700s. It's still in existence now
2102
01:46:09.600 --> 01:46:12.700
to help provide help for Village ladies in
2103
01:46:12.700 --> 01:46:15.000
World War One all our village men enlisted so that
2104
01:46:15.400 --> 01:46:18.400
when it came to be conscription there was non-left
2105
01:46:18.400 --> 01:46:21.300
to be conscripted for the size of the village. It's one of
2106
01:46:21.300 --> 01:46:23.200
that had one of the biggest ratio of this.
2107
01:46:24.200 --> 01:46:27.300
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Feeling I have is that the applicant does not care. It's not
2108
01:46:27.300 --> 01:46:30.400
 even going to guarantee a screen energy, which is what they
promised.
2109
01:46:30.400 --> 01:46:33.300
They're just looking to get through this and sell
2110
01:46:33.300 --> 01:46:33.500
it.
2111
01:46:34.400 --> 01:46:37.200
To whoever will pay them the most money. So my plea to
2112
01:46:37.200 --> 01:46:40.100
the planning inspector just to make sure that they are strong and
2113
01:46:40.100 --> 01:46:43.300
secure safeguards in place that whoever takes it on and then
2114
01:46:43.300 --> 01:46:46.700
appoints contractors that there is security for freaking them
2115
01:46:46.700 --> 01:46:49.700
the sounding Villages that they will do what they need
2116
01:46:49.700 --> 01:46:51.100
to do and there is
2117
01:46:52.400 --> 01:46:55.500
Battery safety and decommissioning plans
2118
01:46:55.500 --> 01:46:58.500
in place. Thank you very much Miss Leach Mr.
2119
01:46:58.500 --> 01:47:02.000
Leech. I'll just say the same to you. Thank you everyone. I'll just
2120
01:47:01.100 --> 01:47:04.500
 say the same in relation to what you
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2121
01:47:04.500 --> 01:47:07.400
may wish to put in in writing following on from
2122
01:47:07.400 --> 01:47:11.000
that. Thank you. Thank you very much Liam mcgillivrays
2123
01:47:10.100 --> 01:47:13.400
is Mr. McGillivray here. Good morning, sir.
2124
01:47:17.900 --> 01:47:20.600
So you have five minutes starting from
2125
01:47:20.600 --> 01:47:23.200
now, good morning, Mr. Kane and panel members.
2126
01:47:23.200 --> 01:47:24.500
Thank you very much for your time.
2127
01:47:25.100 --> 01:47:28.500
The examining Authority will have heard all sorts of technical
details about this
2128
01:47:28.500 --> 01:47:31.200
scheme, which I will not repeat. What I would like to do
2129
01:47:31.200 --> 01:47:34.200
very briefly is to illustrate for you the human
2130
01:47:34.200 --> 01:47:37.500
effects of this proposal the effects on the everyday lives of
2131
01:47:37.500 --> 01:47:39.000
residents and the people of this area.
2132
01:47:40.300 --> 01:47:43.300
One of the principal reasons people live in small villages like
frickenham is
2133
01:47:43.300 --> 01:47:46.200
 a love of the countryside. We're not Urban and we
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2134
01:47:46.200 --> 01:47:49.300
do not desire to live in an industrial estate. We're part
2135
01:47:49.300 --> 01:47:51.000
of a rural community of our choosing.
2136
01:47:52.200 --> 01:47:55.200
I'm a partner in a Veterinary practice in Newmarket providing care
2137
01:47:55.200 --> 01:47:58.900
the town's thoroughbreds including horses managed by previous
speakers. So
2138
01:47:58.900 --> 01:48:00.700
Mark Prescott and Mr. Nick Wright.
2139
01:48:01.400 --> 01:48:04.400
Some of the Farms I attended within the actual Seneca catchment
2140
01:48:04.400 --> 01:48:07.500
including Nick Wright's stables at bad ligam and John James
2141
01:48:07.500 --> 01:48:09.900
as Brookside starred on the corner of Elms Road.
2142
01:48:10.800 --> 01:48:13.300
My children have been educated ideally with which
2143
01:48:13.300 --> 01:48:16.300
new marketers towns. We use on a day-to-day basis.
2144
01:48:17.200 --> 01:48:20.700
But just imagine that the scheme goes ahead at the proposed size
2145
01:48:20.700 --> 01:48:21.400
and scale.
2146
01:48:22.100 --> 01:48:25.600
Think now what that means for my day for my daily routine for
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2147
01:48:25.600 --> 01:48:28.600
my week, but not just mine scale this
2148
01:48:28.600 --> 01:48:31.500
thought up to include every resident of eyes them
2149
01:48:31.500 --> 01:48:34.700
for reckon them Chippenham Badland Willington and
2150
01:48:34.700 --> 01:48:37.200
snail World many of whom are not comfortable
2151
01:48:37.200 --> 01:48:39.400
 speaking publicly here today.
2152
01:48:40.300 --> 01:48:43.200
Thousands of other people will experience what I will now describe.
2153
01:48:44.300 --> 01:48:46.300
I leave home and drive to Newmarket.
2154
01:48:46.700 --> 01:48:50.200
Go on a trees and hedgerows and plowed Fields replaced
2155
01:48:49.200 --> 01:48:52.600
now with clear Acres of glaring solar
2156
01:48:52.600 --> 01:48:52.800
panels.
2157
01:48:53.400 --> 01:48:56.600
I-10 Brookside star to place I visited at least weekly and
2158
01:48:56.600 --> 01:48:59.400
in the breeding season daily Brookside stud
2159
01:48:59.400 --> 01:49:02.500
will now be surrounded by vast desolation of Steel and plastic
2160
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01:49:02.500 --> 01:49:05.800
right up to and twice the height of the surrounding hedge
2161
01:49:05.800 --> 01:49:06.000
roads.
2162
01:49:06.700 --> 01:49:09.500
I drive to Ely to pick up my children from school or
2163
01:49:09.500 --> 01:49:12.600
go to the cathedral or shop at the supermarket out of
2164
01:49:12.600 --> 01:49:15.200
frackenham and up the small rise to Iceland.
2165
01:49:15.600 --> 01:49:18.400
The way to my right now currently a sweeping
2166
01:49:18.400 --> 01:49:21.700
Vista of pale Earth Rose of onions potatoes or
2167
01:49:21.700 --> 01:49:24.200
barley. They're all be gone the rural World
2168
01:49:24.200 --> 01:49:27.600
we've chosen to make our home replaced by huge sways
2169
01:49:27.600 --> 01:49:30.500
of industrial estate on Saturday
2170
01:49:30.500 --> 01:49:33.400
morning. I go in the other directions to take my son to parkrun
2171
01:49:33.400 --> 01:49:36.500
and milden wall, but will we pass solar panels
2172
01:49:36.500 --> 01:49:39.200
 solar panels solar panels and keep the entire Village of
2173
01:49:39.200 --> 01:49:43.000
whirlington will be eating up a beautiful small village consumed
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2174
01:49:42.500 --> 01:49:45.000
by cancer didn't ask for drugs a little
2175
01:49:45.300 --> 01:49:47.100
benefit from and will likely never recover from
2176
01:49:48.200 --> 01:49:51.500
Finally on Sunday. I take the dog for a walk and frickenham down
2177
01:49:51.500 --> 01:49:54.900
water Malone. This is one of only two walking paths
2178
01:49:54.900 --> 01:49:57.100
in our village use daily by dozens of
2179
01:49:57.100 --> 01:50:00.800
people for exercise dog walks and horse roads at
2180
01:50:00.800 --> 01:50:03.400
the end of Mortimer Lane. There is a lane of Remnant Hedgerow and
2181
01:50:03.400 --> 01:50:06.400
at the end of that for Open Fields, but these
2182
01:50:06.400 --> 01:50:09.600
fields which is half the walk will disappear eaten up
2183
01:50:09.600 --> 01:50:13.000
by 12 foot high fences solar panels and electricity infrastructure.
2184
01:50:12.700 --> 01:50:15.600
This is solar array E7 and
2185
01:50:15.600 --> 01:50:18.700
for freaking it must be one of the most deleterious aspects of
2186
01:50:18.700 --> 01:50:19.600
the entire project.
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01:50:20.500 --> 01:50:23.300
So you see the problem for the residents of our Villages is
2188
01:50:23.300 --> 01:50:26.900
not solar panels per se. It's not renewable energy, but
2189
01:50:26.900 --> 01:50:29.500
it's rather the enormous vast scale of
2190
01:50:29.500 --> 01:50:33.000
this project and it's citing around our entire Community. It's
2191
01:50:32.200 --> 01:50:35.100
not confined to one small corner of the area
2192
01:50:35.100 --> 01:50:38.100
that spreads everywhere so that if in any
2193
01:50:38.100 --> 01:50:41.700
direction we travel in our daily lives, we will be confronted by
this hideous
2194
01:50:41.700 --> 01:50:44.300
spectacle. I don't believe there's any way that this
2195
01:50:44.300 --> 01:50:47.700
can be adequately screened in such a flat landscape and then
2196
01:50:47.700 --> 01:50:50.400
the years of disruption to roads to traffic
2197
01:50:50.400 --> 01:50:51.600
and our daily lives.
2198
01:50:53.500 --> 01:50:57.100
I refer the examining authority to the National infrastructure
commission
2199
01:50:56.100 --> 01:50:58.800
Design Group principles.
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01:50:59.500 --> 01:51:02.700
Projects are meant to and I quote make a
2201
01:51:02.700 --> 01:51:05.700
positive contribution to local Landscapes. They
2202
01:51:05.700 --> 01:51:09.100
are meant to respect and enhance local culture and
2203
01:51:08.100 --> 01:51:11.800
they are meant to deliver net biodiversity gain.
2204
01:51:12.300 --> 01:51:15.000
This scheme is surely contrary to these principles.
2205
01:51:15.800 --> 01:51:18.100
The same document also states that the views of
2206
01:51:18.100 --> 01:51:21.500
communities affected by the infrastructure must be taken into
2207
01:51:21.500 --> 01:51:23.700
account and reflected in the design.
2208
01:51:24.500 --> 01:51:27.600
There's virtually no support for this project at Village
2209
01:51:27.600 --> 01:51:30.900
Parish District or county level Village surveys
2210
01:51:30.900 --> 01:51:33.800
have shown over 90% opposition to the scheme and
2211
01:51:33.800 --> 01:51:36.100
to force this Abomination on our community would be
2212
01:51:36.100 --> 01:51:39.800
 the most flagrant abuse of democratic principle imaginable and
2213
01:51:39.800 --> 01:51:42.500
 I can only thank our elected representatives at all
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2214
01:51:42.500 --> 01:51:44.900
levels for standing up for their constituents.
2215
01:51:45.600 --> 01:51:48.900
Finally, I would like to Echo the previous speakers to
2216
01:51:48.900 --> 01:51:51.300
Mark Prescott who I know well and John steel
2217
01:51:51.300 --> 01:51:54.000
regarding the negative aspects of the scheme on the
2218
01:51:54.400 --> 01:51:57.400
horse racing industry our practice my practice alone
2219
01:51:57.400 --> 01:52:00.700
employs about 150 people from vets to
2220
01:52:00.700 --> 01:52:04.100
nurses technical staff to stable staff
2221
01:52:03.100 --> 01:52:07.100
all of whose lives and incomes a
2222
01:52:06.100 --> 01:52:09.400
wholly dependent on the success of New Market,
2223
01:52:09.400 --> 01:52:12.600
which is a horse racing town can only flourish
2224
01:52:12.600 --> 01:52:13.700
in a rural environment.
2225
01:52:14.600 --> 01:52:17.300
Employ you to reject the scheme outright. Thank you
2226
01:52:17.300 --> 01:52:19.400
very much for your time. Thank you very much indeed.
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01:52:22.100 --> 01:52:22.400
Thank you.
2228
01:52:25.500 --> 01:52:27.400
Mr. Mark gold sack
2229
01:52:30.600 --> 01:52:33.400
good morning, Mr. Contact. Good morning. Thank you panel minutes
2230
01:52:33.400 --> 01:52:34.100
starting now.
2231
01:52:35.200 --> 01:52:38.700
Thank you. Good morning. And thanks this opportunity to speak today.
I'm a
2232
01:52:38.700 --> 01:52:41.800
very proud County councilor for Islam resident at
2233
01:52:41.800 --> 01:52:44.300
 the village for 26 years having emigrated from
2234
01:52:44.300 --> 01:52:47.800
 someone to move there my wife and eldest daughter
2235
01:52:47.800 --> 01:52:50.600
 are employed in the very School mentioned by Catherine Judkins
2236
01:52:50.600 --> 01:52:53.500
it being the Iceland Primary School where they
2237
01:52:53.500 --> 01:52:55.900
 teach our children of the village the local area.
2238
01:52:56.700 --> 01:52:59.600
Yes, they follow a curriculum but they also teach life
2239
01:52:59.600 --> 01:53:02.100
lessons good and bad right and wrong
2240
01:53:02.100 --> 01:53:05.300
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local history. I cannot comprehend how
2241
01:53:05.300 --> 01:53:08.400
they will explain this industrial site creation on
2242
01:53:08.400 --> 01:53:11.700
this doorstep to those children and explain why it
2243
01:53:11.700 --> 01:53:14.300
was allowed to happen. It may come as no surprise
2244
01:53:14.300 --> 01:53:17.000
to you. Sorry. It may come as a big surprise to you,
2245
01:53:17.600 --> 01:53:20.500
but I have been known to cycle around the area admittedly in
2246
01:53:20.500 --> 01:53:23.300
numerous repeated filed weight loss attempts. But
2247
01:53:23.300 --> 01:53:26.300
anyway up to a short while ago I also kept a motor
2248
01:53:26.300 --> 01:53:29.300
Cruise a boat on the wonderful River Arc. So My
2249
01:53:29.300 --> 01:53:32.600
Views today are as an active Village resident and
2250
01:53:32.600 --> 01:53:35.700
an elected local official extremely proud
2251
01:53:35.700 --> 01:53:38.300
of our home the surrounding area our village
2252
01:53:38.300 --> 01:53:41.300
and quite frankly the most amazing Community I've ever found
2253
01:53:42.100 --> 01:53:45.100
The first point is has been made. My first point has been
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2254
01:53:45.100 --> 01:53:48.600
made repeatedly, but I'd just like to note it again the inaccuracy
2255
01:53:48.600 --> 01:53:51.300
of data and the lack of consultation particularly for the people of
2256
01:53:51.300 --> 01:53:54.500
Iceland is beyond thought you cannot you
2257
01:53:54.500 --> 01:53:57.300
can fool some of the people some of the time but all
2258
01:53:57.300 --> 01:53:59.200
of us for 40 years, I think not
2259
01:54:00.300 --> 01:54:03.100
my next point is actually impact on landscape, which is
2260
01:54:03.100 --> 01:54:06.100
beyond imagination from my boat Journeys on
2261
01:54:06.100 --> 01:54:09.700
 the Lark for a welcome point at the dudes Ferry family Riverside
walks
2262
01:54:09.700 --> 01:54:12.800
and my cycle trips to crossbridge where admittedly on
2263
01:54:12.800 --> 01:54:16.300
from there often choose the most fortuitous route
2264
01:54:15.300 --> 01:54:18.200
be in the back wind one. The reality is
2265
01:54:18.200 --> 01:54:21.200
for at least the next decade or two. If not for
2266
01:54:21.200 --> 01:54:24.900
40 years. These views will be totally impaired changed for
2267
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01:54:24.900 --> 01:54:27.600
 the view of man-made structures such as 10 meter
2268
01:54:27.600 --> 01:54:30.400
high substations, 40 years will
2269
01:54:30.400 --> 01:54:33.500
see me out, but it'll hopefully be less than 50% of
2270
01:54:33.500 --> 01:54:35.000
my grandchildren's lives.
2271
01:54:36.100 --> 01:54:37.800
I apologize. The page is just gone.
2272
01:54:41.200 --> 01:54:44.100
My children's lives that will change and not for the
2273
01:54:44.100 --> 01:54:47.400
better. How do I explain to these two wonderful small human beings
2274
01:54:47.400 --> 01:54:48.300
why this is happening.
2275
01:54:49.100 --> 01:54:52.100
As a chemistry County Council elected member. I used to
2276
01:54:52.100 --> 01:54:55.400
lead the county council's environment team and as a result of my
personal
2277
01:54:55.400 --> 01:54:58.400
education in that time in carbon farm management
2278
01:54:58.400 --> 01:55:01.100
and more has been huge. We now have the
2279
01:55:01.100 --> 01:55:04.400
opportunity to read a Cranfield University reports that states
2280
01:55:04.400 --> 01:55:05.500
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this industrial complex.
2281
01:55:06.600 --> 01:55:09.400
Exercise will not be carbon neutral in the 40
2282
01:55:09.400 --> 01:55:13.100
years. So what is the point other than to make money? Whilst? I
2283
01:55:13.100 --> 01:55:16.400
heard no personal malice towards any landowner involved. This is no
2284
01:55:16.400 --> 01:55:19.200
more than a get-rich project for Seneca and we
2285
01:55:19.200 --> 01:55:19.800
all know that
2286
01:55:20.600 --> 01:55:23.500
In my County role. I also had the pleasure to work with and
2287
01:55:23.500 --> 01:55:26.400
alongside nyab and the rspb. We have
2288
01:55:26.400 --> 01:55:29.700
greatly supported tree planting but it must be the right tree
2289
01:55:29.700 --> 01:55:32.200
in the right place ground. Nesting birds are
2290
01:55:32.200 --> 01:55:35.300
all over this area this site and adjacent to it with
2291
01:55:35.300 --> 01:55:38.500
the growth of pry Birds. The environmental impact of planting fast
2292
01:55:38.500 --> 01:55:41.400
growing screen trees will potentially impact the natural order
2293
01:55:41.400 --> 01:55:44.100
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in and around our village if not the whole site.

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2294
01:55:45.300 --> 01:55:48.500
Looking at construction and management of points in the plan. I
worry
2295
01:55:48.500 --> 01:55:51.500
a lot about the impact of 800 plus staff vehicles per
2296
01:55:51.500 --> 01:55:54.500
day. I feel localized flight Tip It Fly Parking
2297
01:55:54.500 --> 01:55:57.300
an area air quality impact through the construction
2298
01:55:57.300 --> 01:56:00.500
the traffic through our narrow Villages is another matter
2299
01:56:00.500 --> 01:56:03.300
just in the last hot and dry summer. Imagine the
2300
01:56:03.300 --> 01:56:06.900
dusted impact from so many vehicles in our small villages. The next
01:56:06.900 --> 01:56:09.500
Point has been made, but I'd like to offer an additional
2302
01:56:09.500 --> 01:56:12.500
option you have about a minute left. This is the poor
2303
01:56:12.500 --> 01:56:15.900
quality of Farmland. We all know this is highly inaccurate. So
2304
01:56:15.900 --> 01:56:18.500
why don't we follow Nick right suggestion and have both
2305
01:56:18.500 --> 01:56:21.300
a parties for and against tested again
2306
01:56:21.300 --> 01:56:24.200
alternatively. Why don't we add to this the fact that
2307
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01:56:24.200 --> 01:56:27.500
we look at the crop rotations of the Farms involved for the last 20
years,
2308
01:56:27.500 --> 01:56:30.700
and I'm sure if we analyze the yield from those crop rotations,
2309
01:56:30.700 --> 01:56:33.300
we would find something very different to very poor
2310
01:56:33.300 --> 01:56:36.500
land. So include my conclude my time by saying
2311
01:56:36.500 --> 01:56:39.600
that the 40 year project is not temporary on born
2312
01:56:39.600 --> 01:56:42.300
rice schools and elected by the great people of East Cambridge here
2313
01:56:42.300 --> 01:56:44.800
with our friends and Neighbors from West Suffolk this Industrial
2314
01:56:45.300 --> 01:56:48.300
Object has so many questions, but give so many art so few
2315
01:56:48.300 --> 01:56:51.600
 answers. I'm worried about the future of my grandchildren. It's
absolutely
2316
01:56:51.600 --> 01:56:54.500
imperative that we say no to Sonica. Thank you.
2317
01:56:54.500 --> 01:56:58.100
So no, I I really
2318
01:56:57.100 --> 01:57:00.000
would prefer it if you didn't clap at the end
2319
01:57:00.100 --> 01:57:03.200
because we still have a lot of people to to hear and we do want to
2320
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01:57:03.200 --> 01:57:03.800
hear you.
2321
01:57:04.600 --> 01:57:08.500
And counselor you referred to a Cranfield
2322
01:57:07.500 --> 01:57:12.300
University report. Yes that I
2323
01:57:11.300 --> 01:57:14.400
take it you're saying that's relevant to
2324
01:57:14.400 --> 01:57:18.100
the application and what we're looking at. I understand. It's been
submitted, right?
2325
01:57:17.100 --> 01:57:22.300
Okay you I
2326
01:57:21.300 --> 01:57:24.600
 suppose you won't have the reference of these I
2327
01:57:24.600 --> 01:57:28.300
don't have right. Okay, right. Well, we'll verify
2328
01:57:27.300 --> 01:57:30.500
whether it is in the examination
2329
01:57:30.500 --> 01:57:33.800
and if not the case of may contact
2330
01:57:33.800 --> 01:57:36.400
you to see whether you're willing to submit it in
2331
01:57:36.400 --> 01:57:39.800
to To Us by deadline for okay, thank
2332
01:57:39.800 --> 01:57:43.600
you counselor. We'll move now to Simon's Simon
2333
01:57:42.600 --> 01:57:44.800
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Stafford, please.
2334
01:57:54.400 --> 01:57:58.300
Good morning, Mr. Stafford. Sorry it's doctor. Sorry doctor.
2335
01:57:58.300 --> 01:58:01.300
Stop it doctor stuff. Like I apologize. That's okay. Thank
2336
01:58:01.300 --> 01:58:04.200
 you. Yeah, so thank you for all your time. And are you ready to
proceed? Yes,
2337
01:58:04.200 --> 01:58:07.700
I am. Okay, you have five minutes starting now cool. So I'd like
2338
01:58:07.700 --> 01:58:10.000
to start saying I am all for Renewables.
2339
01:58:10.800 --> 01:58:14.200
However, the applicants proposal the
2340
01:58:13.200 --> 01:58:16.500
signs does not add up. It's not based
2341
01:58:16.500 --> 01:58:20.200
on science. There seems to be no science provided and
2342
01:58:19.200 --> 01:58:22.200
it's a flaw proposal. I take
2343
01:58:22.200 --> 01:58:25.700
it back to the one of the initial many documents. There was initial
paid
2344
01:58:25.700 --> 01:58:29.500
for light and sight view review report and
01:58:28.500 --> 01:58:31.800
the biggest solar farm
2346
01:58:31.800 --> 01:58:33.300
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in Europe planned.
2347
01:58:33.800 --> 01:58:34.800
and in their opinion
2348
01:58:35.700 --> 01:58:38.400
there was no in their experience. There was
2349
01:58:38.400 --> 01:58:41.100
no need for a site Light review report to be
2350
01:58:41.100 --> 01:58:45.100
carried out on the effects of such a large form. So that's
2351
01:58:44.100 --> 01:58:47.400
one example of a paid report not doing it
01:58:47.400 --> 01:58:47.600
should be doing.
2353
01:58:48.700 --> 01:58:51.000
This the haphazard design. So you've got
2354
01:58:51.200 --> 01:58:54.500
the random placement of the best system. The reason there was
2355
01:58:54.500 --> 01:58:57.900
a recent replacement of one of the best sites to beside
2356
01:58:57.900 --> 01:58:58.400
Red Lodge.
2357
01:58:59.400 --> 01:59:02.200
And it's placed it within two to 300 meters of the
2358
01:59:02.200 --> 01:59:02.400
houses.
2359
01:59:04.300 --> 01:59:07.200
A short a quick review on Google they will
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2360
01:59:07.200 --> 01:59:10.200
let you know that 500 1,000 meters or mile is
2361
01:59:10.200 --> 01:59:11.800
the expected radius.
2362
01:59:12.400 --> 01:59:15.200
However, if we do one mile, not only do
2363
01:59:15.200 --> 01:59:18.100
hundreds of houses be put within that radius of
2364
01:59:18.100 --> 01:59:20.200
that site a school is as well.
2365
01:59:20.900 --> 01:59:23.400
No, Sorry, my phone's just gone off.
2366
01:59:26.300 --> 01:59:27.300
also
2367
01:59:28.300 --> 01:59:28.700
the best
2368
01:59:29.700 --> 01:59:33.000
so far we've had no design. You've got safety venting
2369
01:59:32.700 --> 01:59:35.800
normally the two meters high. Apparently we
2370
01:59:35.800 --> 01:59:36.400
want 10 meters.
2371
01:59:37.200 --> 01:59:39.700
The other thing is with best fires hydroflug acid.
2372
01:59:40.300 --> 01:59:42.200
And heavy metals like cadmium.
2373
01:59:43.200 --> 01:59:45.500
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extremely toxic cancer causing metals
2374
01:59:46.400 --> 01:59:49.100
There's no QC and no QA on
2375
01:59:49.100 --> 01:59:52.600
the battery manufacturing information Battery Technology will
2376
01:59:52.600 --> 01:59:55.500
not Advance any further or much more than it actually
2377
01:59:55.500 --> 01:59:59.400
is so we need to know what's the batteries are going to be doing
battery
2378
01:59:58.400 --> 02:00:01.700
replacement. It's about 5,000
2379
02:00:01.700 --> 02:00:02.000
Cycles.
2380
02:00:02.700 --> 02:00:05.900
Which works out at 2.9 Replacements in
2381
02:00:05.900 --> 02:00:08.300
40 years so somewhere we're
2382
02:00:08.300 --> 02:00:12.200
gonna have to find out to replace this the best site nearly three
2383
02:00:12.200 --> 02:00:14.400
times in the proposed 40 year plan.
2384
02:00:15.800 --> 02:00:18.200
The materials used are a finite
2385
02:00:18.200 --> 02:00:21.300
resource. So therefore we're going to be end up having
2386
02:00:21.300 --> 02:00:24.300
to rely on others to supply our energy
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2387
02:00:24.300 --> 02:00:26.400
needs. We become Hostage to them.
2388
02:00:27.500 --> 02:00:30.700
Also claims made on the TV power a
2389
02:00:30.700 --> 02:00:31.100
number of houses.
2390
02:00:31.900 --> 02:00:34.500
They stay a number but where's the signs? Where's
2391
02:00:34.500 --> 02:00:35.400
the numbers behind that?
2392
02:00:36.100 --> 02:00:39.200
The they can't even Define how many solar panels so you
2393
02:00:39.200 --> 02:00:43.000
can't claim how many houses you're gonna Supply from
2394
02:00:42.100 --> 02:00:45.200
the solar farm when you can't even see how many
2395
02:00:45.200 --> 02:00:48.400
 solar panels are you going to use because you can base that on a
simple calculation.
2396
02:00:49.700 --> 02:00:50.400
and finally
2397
02:00:53.100 --> 02:00:56.100
It's regarding the exists the placement of the
2398
02:00:56.100 --> 02:00:59.400
exit of this system. I believe Red Lodge
2399
02:00:59.400 --> 02:01:02.600
in the surrounded area was chosen because there's a few existence
solar
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2400
02:01:02.600 --> 02:01:05.100
Farms, right? And it's a sub diffuse for
2401
02:01:05.100 --> 02:01:07.900
the placement that this massive best, which is the biggest around.
2402
02:01:08.800 --> 02:01:11.700
In South Cambridge, if you go down the all, there are
2403
02:01:11.700 --> 02:01:15.200
solar Farms but to mitigate any dangers and
2404
02:01:15.200 --> 02:01:18.500
health and safety. They've actually placed many besses within
2405
02:01:18.500 --> 02:01:21.400
the solar farm but they're placed at
2406
02:01:21.400 --> 02:01:24.600
far apart. So you don't have any this thermal runaway. So it's
02:01:24.600 --> 02:01:27.500
actually placed in a it's a properly designed system where
2408
02:01:27.500 --> 02:01:30.500
the details the science are put first and foremost
2409
02:01:30.500 --> 02:01:33.200
and that's everything. Thank you. Thank you very
2410
02:01:33.200 --> 02:01:37.400
much indeed. Now the next person we have is Josie
2411
02:01:36.400 --> 02:01:37.800
Jennings.
2412
02:01:45.900 --> 02:01:48.300
Good morning
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02:01:48.300 --> 02:01:51.500
panel. Thank you. That's debatable. I
2414
02:01:51.500 --> 02:01:55.300
think we're a shade past two overclock. Oh, it
2415
02:01:54.300 --> 02:01:57.700
wasn't watching. I'm too busy. It's only
2416
02:01:57.700 --> 02:02:01.200
because I can see the top from here. So it's a it's
2417
02:02:00.200 --> 02:02:03.300
just my pageantry. I'm afraid I've got
2418
02:02:03.300 --> 02:02:06.800
my reading glasses on clothes out of the question. Okay was telling
2419
02:02:06.800 --> 02:02:09.700
you have five minutes from now. Thank you. Thank you
2420
02:02:09.700 --> 02:02:12.900
and firstly before I and start
2421
02:02:12.900 --> 02:02:15.100
with my own views, can I acknowledge?
2422
02:02:16.400 --> 02:02:17.500
Matt Hancock
2423
02:02:18.200 --> 02:02:21.900
For summary Paula McKenzie from Wellington parish
2424
02:02:21.900 --> 02:02:25.500
council. With whom I agree wholeheartedly John
2425
02:02:24.500 --> 02:02:27.300
Steele for his points on
2426
02:02:27.300 --> 02:02:30.300
the cumulative harm, which I think a very important
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2427
02:02:30.300 --> 02:02:33.300
Mr. Leach for his
2428
02:02:33.300 --> 02:02:36.400
summary of the appalling things that
2429
02:02:36.400 --> 02:02:39.900
will happen to Green Lane and Liam McGillivray
2430
02:02:39.900 --> 02:02:42.400
for the points about the swallowing of
2431
02:02:42.400 --> 02:02:45.100
worlington and the lack of democracy in the
2432
02:02:45.100 --> 02:02:45.900
application.
2433
02:02:48.800 --> 02:02:51.800
Right. So my name is Josie Jennings. I way
02:02:51.800 --> 02:02:54.500
of introduction. I have a master's degree in historic
2435
02:02:54.500 --> 02:02:57.200
conservation. And I also for my sins.
2436
02:02:57.200 --> 02:03:00.800
I have a husband who is a planning consultant. We met
2437
02:03:00.800 --> 02:03:02.500
through work in the planning sector.
2438
02:03:03.300 --> 02:03:06.500
For the last seven and a half years, we've lived at the Western end
of
2439
02:03:06.500 --> 02:03:09.800
worlington with our children at the moment. I spend
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2440
02:03:09.800 --> 02:03:12.400
most of my time either at home or around the
2441
02:03:12.400 --> 02:03:15.500
local Villages as I have a family member who needs support.
2442
02:03:16.300 --> 02:03:19.200
We moved here because we wanted space and we'd like
2443
02:03:19.200 --> 02:03:22.100
the rural environment. We walked the footpaths around
2444
02:03:22.100 --> 02:03:25.100
worlington and the Lark regularly with our dog.
2445
02:03:26.200 --> 02:03:29.400
We weren't naive when we moved in. We always expected the area
2446
02:03:29.400 --> 02:03:32.200
 immediately around us would change as the pressure from the
2447
02:03:32.200 --> 02:03:34.300
growth of Cambridge pushed out to us.
2448
02:03:35.500 --> 02:03:38.200
But we knew those things that we might not like but when
2449
02:03:38.200 --> 02:03:41.800
we first found out about Sonica, I just remember my poor
2450
02:03:41.800 --> 02:03:44.700
husband looking out of our back window shaking his
2451
02:03:44.700 --> 02:03:47.700
head and saying never in my wildest
02:03:47.700 --> 02:03:50.400
dreams. Did I ever imagine anything quite like
2453
02:03:50.400 --> 02:03:50.600
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this?
2454
02:03:51.600 --> 02:03:54.900
The other schemes around us pale into insignificance next
2455
02:03:54.900 --> 02:03:57.600
to the sheer scale of Sonica what else
2456
02:03:57.600 --> 02:04:00.900
could turn so much Open Country into a
2457
02:04:00.900 --> 02:04:02.500
vast industrial landscape?
2458
02:04:03.300 --> 02:04:06.700
It was apparent to me from the preliminary consultation
02:04:06.700 --> 02:04:09.400
stage that there will be no way of leaving my
2460
02:04:09.400 --> 02:04:13.300
home or indeed the whole of worlington without encountering
2461
02:04:12.300 --> 02:04:15.500
Seneca everywhere. I
2462
02:04:15.500 --> 02:04:18.100
go and everything. I do will be
2463
02:04:18.100 --> 02:04:21.400
affected either scheme or the construction of
2464
02:04:21.400 --> 02:04:24.300
it. I will see it or drive through it every
2465
02:04:24.300 --> 02:04:27.300
day. And if that applies to me, it must
2466
02:04:27.300 --> 02:04:29.800
apply to a lot of other people as well.
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02:04:31.300 --> 02:04:34.400
One of the speakers on Tuesday evening suggested people were
2468
02:04:34.400 --> 02:04:37.000
overwhelmed by the scheme. And I think this is
2469
02:04:37.200 --> 02:04:40.200
what happened to us. I simply couldn't comprehend the
2470
02:04:40.200 --> 02:04:43.000
whole scheme and I'm afraid I couldn't face going to all
2471
02:04:43.100 --> 02:04:45.800
the public meetings about it because it all seemed too much.
2472
02:04:46.600 --> 02:04:49.500
Neither of us could understand how something spread
2473
02:04:49.500 --> 02:04:52.200
across such a wide area involving so many
2474
02:04:52.200 --> 02:04:56.000
different locations and types of environment could possibly
2475
02:04:55.500 --> 02:04:59.400
provide comprehensive detailed examination
2476
02:04:58.400 --> 02:05:01.300
of the site within a single
2477
02:05:01.300 --> 02:05:04.500
 application, especially as it seemed
2478
02:05:04.500 --> 02:05:06.100
to have appeared out of nowhere.
2479
02:05:06.800 --> 02:05:09.300
So I decided what I could usefully do was to
2480
02:05:09.300 --> 02:05:12.800
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go through the paperwork and see if I could work out what the
detailed effect
2481
02:05:12.800 --> 02:05:15.500
would be on the area immediately round us
2482
02:05:15.500 --> 02:05:18.300
the bits that are special important to me,
2483
02:05:18.300 --> 02:05:21.800
Wellington Heath and battling and
2484
02:05:21.800 --> 02:05:22.300
more Green Lane.
2485
02:05:23.200 --> 02:05:26.100
I found it impossible to read and take in all
2486
02:05:26.100 --> 02:05:30.100
of the paperwork within the limits of a normal life. However, the
2487
02:05:29.100 --> 02:05:32.300
lack of precise information on any
2488
02:05:32.300 --> 02:05:35.800
aspect of the existing natural environment the requirements
2489
02:05:35.800 --> 02:05:38.500
of the construction process and the extent of
2490
02:05:38.500 --> 02:05:40.800
the amelioration works was striking.
2491
02:05:42.200 --> 02:05:45.500
This process has not involved any two-way conversation with
2492
02:05:45.500 --> 02:05:48.300
 residents. I tried that and was
2493
02:05:48.300 --> 02:05:51.900
met with response that I can best describe as
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2494
02:05:51.900 --> 02:05:52.600
glib.
2495
02:05:54.400 --> 02:05:57.200
When I asked about grassland close to
2496
02:05:57.200 --> 02:06:00.500
us the response I received was it will
2497
02:06:00.500 --> 02:06:03.200
still be grassland under the panels.
2498
02:06:04.600 --> 02:06:07.600
Sonica have not made the effort to present clearly
2499
02:06:07.600 --> 02:06:10.300
to me the information on my local area
2500
02:06:10.300 --> 02:06:13.500
so I can see things clearly such as exactly
2501
02:06:13.500 --> 02:06:16.400
where site leveling will be required or which trees
2502
02:06:16.400 --> 02:06:19.200
will be preserved. It's not enough to say that
2503
02:06:19.200 --> 02:06:22.500
such natural features will be retained where practical.
2504
02:06:23.300 --> 02:06:26.500
Neither. Can I point to such detail as a
2505
02:06:26.500 --> 02:06:29.400
grass mix that is proven to work under panels on our
2506
02:06:29.400 --> 02:06:32.700
dry brecon soil or indeed see any reasonably
2507
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02:06:32.700 --> 02:06:35.400
 thought out way of stopping breckland blowing away
2508
02:06:35.400 --> 02:06:38.300
through the air during construction. It has about a
2509
02:06:38.300 --> 02:06:41.300
minute left a bit of damping is unlikely to be enough.
2510
02:06:43.300 --> 02:06:46.700
The only certainty for my special areas seem
2511
02:06:46.700 --> 02:06:49.900
to be the negative effect, which is projected still
2512
02:06:49.900 --> 02:06:53.300
to be significant at the 15-year mark.
2513
02:06:54.200 --> 02:06:57.500
And who's to say that the proposed area is an end
02:06:57.500 --> 02:07:00.700
to it. It seems the sand is still shifting. And
2515
02:07:00.700 --> 02:07:03.400
if this massive battery storage system and the
2516
02:07:03.400 --> 02:07:07.100
connection to the grid are in place. What is to stop application
2517
02:07:06.100 --> 02:07:09.800
for future areas of panels affecting thousands
2518
02:07:09.800 --> 02:07:11.700
more people in the future.
2519
02:07:12.800 --> 02:07:15.300
It seems to me that this is not a
2520
02:07:15.300 --> 02:07:18.600
proposal made with environment in mind. It's made with profit in
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2521
02:07:18.600 --> 02:07:22.000
mind and as the Sonic has representative pointed
2522
02:07:21.100 --> 02:07:24.400
out. There are other similar schemes in the
2523
02:07:24.400 --> 02:07:25.300
pipeline.
2524
02:07:26.300 --> 02:07:29.200
We need a thorough examination and a careful
2525
02:07:29.200 --> 02:07:30.400
consideration of this.
2526
02:07:31.100 --> 02:07:35.300
Because for those of us who are subject to this unwanted Invasion,
2527
02:07:34.300 --> 02:07:37.600
there is vast cost and
2528
02:07:37.600 --> 02:07:40.600
no benefit. Thank you. Thanks Jennings
2529
02:07:40.600 --> 02:07:43.400
and John James from Brookside stud. Thank
2530
02:07:43.400 --> 02:07:43.400
you.
2531
02:07:51.700 --> 02:07:52.500
Morning, Miss James.
2532
02:07:53.200 --> 02:07:56.400
Good morning, and I'm John James and the owner of Brookside
2533
02:07:56.400 --> 02:07:59.100
studying bundlingham. I'm also a director on the
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board of New Market stud Farmers Association.
2535
02:08:02.400 --> 02:08:05.300
I've been involved with within the racing and reading industry
2536
02:08:05.300 --> 02:08:08.200
for 60 years and I've lived in the chip in
2537
02:08:08.200 --> 02:08:11.900
my area for 40 years working in the breeding industry. I have
2538
02:08:11.900 --> 02:08:15.100
developed Brookside studying its present situation for 20
2539
02:08:14.100 --> 02:08:17.300
years. We operate a hotel
2540
02:08:17.300 --> 02:08:21.000
bed and breakfast for racehorse breeders from around the world
including
2541
02:08:20.500 --> 02:08:23.900
France Germany, Ireland Italy
2542
02:08:23.900 --> 02:08:26.700
Norway and Sweden as well as the United Kingdom.
2543
02:08:26.700 --> 02:08:29.400
There's arrived to stay at Brookside while
2544
02:08:29.400 --> 02:08:32.400
visiting the many high-class town in standing in New Markets.
2545
02:08:32.400 --> 02:08:35.300
These Mayors can very enormously in value.
02:08:35.300 --> 02:08:38.300
We also cater to prepare permanent Mayors and young stock
2547
02:08:38.300 --> 02:08:41.800
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02:07:59.100 --> 02:08:01.200

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that was out on the stud on a permanent basis. Well season
2548
02:08:41.800 --> 02:08:44.400
is a never-ending one. It starts with mayor's arriving
2549
02:08:44.400 --> 02:08:47.900
from a road in mid-December to settle in before falling commences
2550
02:08:47.900 --> 02:08:50.400
 around early January our covering season
2551
02:08:50.400 --> 02:08:53.200
runs from 15th of February through to 15th of
2552
02:08:53.200 --> 02:08:53.300
July.
2553
02:08:54.200 --> 02:08:57.300
During this busy period I spend most of my night sitting up doing
2554
02:08:57.300 --> 02:09:00.300
the following as most Mayors naturally fall during the
2555
02:09:00.300 --> 02:09:03.400
hours of Darkness. We also have to monitor the Mayors
2556
02:09:03.400 --> 02:09:06.300
with the assistance of our vets on a daily basis to obtain the
2557
02:09:06.300 --> 02:09:08.900
optimum time to cover the Mayors and get it back in full.
2558
02:09:09.800 --> 02:09:12.200
This times can be anywhere from 6 am through to
2559
02:09:12.200 --> 02:09:15.400
midnight depending on the availability of the chosen stallion.
2560
02:09:15.400 --> 02:09:18.400
This means we may be transporting medicine stood along
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2561
02:09:18.400 --> 02:09:20.900
Elms Road to New Market several times a day.
2562
02:09:21.800 --> 02:09:24.500
Elms Road is our only entry and exit
2563
02:09:24.500 --> 02:09:27.400
from the stud and is designated as unsuitable for
2564
02:09:27.400 --> 02:09:28.200
heavy Goods vehicles.
2565
02:09:29.400 --> 02:09:32.700
In developing the stud we planted 6,000 trees and hedges creating
2566
02:09:32.700 --> 02:09:35.200
a nursery paddocks for young mares and Forge Etc.
2567
02:09:35.200 --> 02:09:38.800
This is also created a Haven for wildlife and
2568
02:09:38.800 --> 02:09:41.300
one day this year alone. I counted 22 different
2569
02:09:41.300 --> 02:09:44.200
 species of birds including sheldrake buzzards to
2570
02:09:44.200 --> 02:09:47.300
owls woodpeckers and we even have bats regarding on the stud.
2571
02:09:48.200 --> 02:09:51.400
This development proposed by Seneca will have a tremendous
2572
02:09:51.400 --> 02:09:53.000
impact on me and my business.
2573
02:09:53.800 --> 02:09:56.200
Sonika have never consulted me to ask if
2574
02:09:56.200 --> 02:09:59.200
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this will affect me in any way until earlier this
2575
02:09:59.200 --> 02:10:02.200
year Sonika had my property down as unoccupied.
2576
02:10:03.100 --> 02:10:06.300
I will be surrounded on two sides by solar panels which have come
2577
02:10:06.300 --> 02:10:09.700
within 125 meters of my house. Not the
2578
02:10:09.700 --> 02:10:12.300
500 as we believed and run the
2579
02:10:12.300 --> 02:10:15.400
full length of my paddocks where I would have Mayors and young fall
2580
02:10:15.400 --> 02:10:18.300
grazing the view from my window will no longer be one
2581
02:10:18.300 --> 02:10:21.300
of beauty at one of the back of solar panels sewing hype of
2582
02:10:21.300 --> 02:10:22.000
my boundary Hedge.
2583
02:10:22.800 --> 02:10:25.400
Sonika have proposed a public walkway right
2584
02:10:25.400 --> 02:10:28.900
along my boundary Edge which would allow anyone access day
2585
02:10:28.900 --> 02:10:31.600
or night. I have never been asked by Sonya
2586
02:10:31.600 --> 02:10:34.200
if this would affect me or if the guy was in favor or not
2587
02:10:34.200 --> 02:10:37.200
races are by racehorses are by Nature
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2588
02:10:37.200 --> 02:10:40.500
a flight animal especially with a fall-up foot and any
2589
02:10:40.500 --> 02:10:43.400
sudden movement or sound can set them light and who knows
2590
02:10:43.400 --> 02:10:46.200
what injuries could occur. There is also much
2591
02:10:46.200 --> 02:10:49.200
higher risk for security involvement and is not unheard of people
2592
02:10:49.200 --> 02:10:52.700
 discarding a bit of rubbish over the edge glass bottles Etc.
2593
02:10:52.700 --> 02:10:55.200
Which can also cause harm to my animals.
2594
02:10:56.300 --> 02:10:59.400
Besides this sunny could have decided to place their battery
02:10:59.400 --> 02:11:01.000
site across the road from my property.
2596
02:11:01.800 --> 02:11:04.900
Which started off at 48 because there's now gone
2597
02:11:04.900 --> 02:11:06.100
up to 78 Acres.
2598
02:11:07.500 --> 02:11:10.100
I along with the Travelers on Elms Road
2599
02:11:10.100 --> 02:11:13.400
or the closest residents to the site and I've never been asked
2600
02:11:13.400 --> 02:11:14.600
of consulted on this.
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02:11:15.900 --> 02:11:18.200
The batteries are less than a hundred
2602
02:11:18.200 --> 02:11:19.300
meters from my property.
2603
02:11:20.200 --> 02:11:23.300
And my property has a third on the Northern boundary as a
2604
02:11:23.300 --> 02:11:26.700
36 inch high pressure liquid gas pipeline
2605
02:11:26.700 --> 02:11:29.800
running across the northern boundary. This pipe
2606
02:11:29.800 --> 02:11:32.500
continues across Elms Road onto the battery site.
2607
02:11:33.300 --> 02:11:36.100
National Grid informed me when we were doing our fencing on
2608
02:11:36.100 --> 02:11:39.200
the paddocks. If you were hit or damage that pipe you will end up
on the moon.
2609
02:11:40.100 --> 02:11:43.700
Can you imagine an explosion occurred and fractured a fractured
2610
02:11:43.700 --> 02:11:45.600
gas pipe above the batteries?
2611
02:11:46.400 --> 02:11:49.400
Sneakers to say they have a plan to pull thousands
2612
02:11:49.400 --> 02:11:52.100
of gallons of water onto the batteries of the egg night. You have
2613
02:11:52.100 --> 02:11:55.700
about a minute left Mr. Chair. Where is this water coming from? If
2614
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02:11:55.700 --> 02:11:58.100
 I suspect it would become a borehole. There will be taking
2615
02:11:58.100 --> 02:12:00.500
water which we reduce my water table.
2616
02:12:02.200 --> 02:12:05.700
in an emergency, however, expected to be evacuate my
2617
02:12:05.700 --> 02:12:08.600
family and my livestock which averages 35 to
2618
02:12:08.600 --> 02:12:10.900
40 horses, or do I leave them to perish
2619
02:12:11.600 --> 02:12:14.300
I also asked Anika about public liability what it
2620
02:12:14.300 --> 02:12:17.200
would cost what it would cover and he would pay for it and I'm
still
2621
02:12:17.200 --> 02:12:17.400
waiting.
2622
02:12:18.400 --> 02:12:21.600
This project had gone to get if given the go ahead would be
devastating
2623
02:12:21.600 --> 02:12:24.500
to me my family my stuff and my livelihood
2624
02:12:24.500 --> 02:12:27.200
it as an enormous effects mentally on us all
2625
02:12:27.200 --> 02:12:30.200
as how it's going to end. I'm a Survivor the
2626
02:12:30.200 --> 02:12:33.200
safety risks around these Lithium-ion batteries are there
2627
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02:12:33.200 --> 02:12:36.300
to be seen and we are and are we to the users guinea pigs?
2628
02:12:36.300 --> 02:12:39.600
Why we should why should we have our lives and larger who's
2629
02:12:39.600 --> 02:12:42.100
put at risk? These batches can still tons of
2630
02:12:42.100 --> 02:12:45.300
energy and adjust away of buying cheap energy selling it
2631
02:12:45.300 --> 02:12:48.200
off at a high price a price we come up for to pay.
2632
02:12:48.200 --> 02:12:52.000
Thank you. Yes that I just yesterday. You
2633
02:12:51.400 --> 02:12:54.500
wanted to see a negative impact which
2634
02:12:54.500 --> 02:12:57.800
will affect the operation use of the site surely you
2635
02:12:57.800 --> 02:12:59.200
have sufficient evidence.
2636
02:13:00.300 --> 02:13:02.100
Thank you. Thank you very much James.
2637
02:13:02.900 --> 02:13:05.700
Right Mr. Is is
2638
02:13:05.700 --> 02:13:08.200
Mr. Fletcher here from the eyes of them Society?
2639
02:13:09.100 --> 02:13:09.900
I think he may
2640
02:13:10.600 --> 02:13:13.600
have indicated who's not coming this
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2641
02:13:13.600 --> 02:13:16.800
morning, right? So we'll move then to Shazia suja
2642
02:13:16.800 --> 02:13:18.200
from Red Lodge Parish Council, please.
2643
02:13:25.800 --> 02:13:28.700
Good morning.
2644
02:13:28.700 --> 02:13:31.800
Missus. It's 10 minutes.
2645
02:13:31.800 --> 02:13:32.800
You have starting that.
2646
02:13:33.500 --> 02:13:36.100
Show us your shoes are proper officer for Red Lodge
2647
02:13:36.100 --> 02:13:37.800
Parish Council. Good afternoon.
2648
02:13:38.700 --> 02:13:41.600
The parish council is based in a public building, which
2649
02:13:41.600 --> 02:13:44.300
is a venue available for hire including a
2650
02:13:44.300 --> 02:13:48.000
hall and various facilities for supports. It attracts
2651
02:13:47.200 --> 02:13:51.100
people of many backgrounds in various ages. Not
2652
02:13:50.100 --> 02:13:53.600
only from the Red Lodge Community, but from
2653
02:13:53.600 --> 02:13:54.700
our neighboring communities.
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02:13:55.400 --> 02:13:58.400
There is a reasonable footfall of visitors to the building on a
2655
02:13:58.400 --> 02:14:01.500
daily basis. This allows a crude method in
2656
02:14:01.500 --> 02:14:03.700
surveying and acquiring personal views.
2657
02:14:05.100 --> 02:14:08.800
Residents highers of the venue running groups walking
2658
02:14:08.800 --> 02:14:12.000
groups cyclists parents carers
2659
02:14:11.200 --> 02:14:14.200
conservationists schools and
2660
02:14:14.200 --> 02:14:17.800
many more have raised concerns of the Sonic application
02:14:17.800 --> 02:14:19.900
of which we will only mention a few.
2662
02:14:20.800 --> 02:14:23.700
We would like to take this opportunity to emphasize that
2663
02:14:23.700 --> 02:14:26.600
Red Lodge has serious concerns for the planned location
2664
02:14:26.600 --> 02:14:30.800
of the battery energy storage systems.
2665
02:14:29.800 --> 02:14:32.400
The plan has the
2666
02:14:32.400 --> 02:14:35.600
potential to cause serious harm and damage. The hearing
2667
02:14:35.600 --> 02:14:39.600
has discussed real risks, including explosions
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2668
02:14:38.600 --> 02:14:42.200
the emission of toxic gases risk
2669
02:14:41.200 --> 02:14:44.500
of smoke inhalation the need to
2670
02:14:44.500 --> 02:14:47.900
preventilation of gases pollution into the atmosphere and
2671
02:14:47.900 --> 02:14:50.200
potential absorption of contaminants by
2672
02:14:50.200 --> 02:14:53.500
 soil and the object by plants and into the food chain
2673
02:14:53.500 --> 02:14:56.700
Sonica have tried to give reassurances by
2674
02:14:56.700 --> 02:14:59.500
 incorporating constant monitoring of these emissions and
02:14:59.500 --> 02:15:03.000
temperatures to prevent buildup of reactants critical
2676
02:15:02.500 --> 02:15:05.500
 cooling mechanisms to suppress any thermal
2677
02:15:05.500 --> 02:15:08.500
activity. There are King leading
2678
02:15:08.500 --> 02:15:10.100
to potential fires and runways.
2679
02:15:10.600 --> 02:15:13.500
The gross magnitude of this plan
2680
02:15:13.500 --> 02:15:16.800
brings with its gross risks on our
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02:15:16.800 --> 02:15:19.300
 concern is why such large-scale planning is
2682
02:15:19.300 --> 02:15:22.800
 considered so close to regular residents and the
2683
02:15:22.800 --> 02:15:24.400
mitigations presented by Seneca.
2684
02:15:25.300 --> 02:15:28.400
Are inadequate in ensuring that this is a hundred percent
2685
02:15:28.400 --> 02:15:31.100
safe and appropriate developments.
2686
02:15:31.800 --> 02:15:34.900
Value this week during the hearing several battery explosions
2687
02:15:34.900 --> 02:15:37.500
that have occurred worldwide were sighted
2688
02:15:37.500 --> 02:15:41.300
if the Battle of technology is comprehensively understood
2689
02:15:40.300 --> 02:15:43.900
the scientists and Engineers supporting
2690
02:15:43.900 --> 02:15:46.500
the safety of the best should have been able
2691
02:15:46.500 --> 02:15:49.600
in theory to predict and those prevent
2692
02:15:49.600 --> 02:15:52.500
these explosions. We should not be witnessing such
2693
02:15:52.500 --> 02:15:55.800
 explosions today. These do not instill confidence
2694
02:15:55.800 --> 02:15:58.200
in the technology to Warrant them. So
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02:15:58.200 --> 02:15:59.300
close to residents.
2696
02:16:00.200 --> 02:16:03.600
The risk of hydrochloric acid was mentioned with amounts
2697
02:16:03.600 --> 02:16:06.900
emitted considered minimal by a Sonica human beings
2698
02:16:06.900 --> 02:16:09.900
have varying degrees of sensitivity a small
2699
02:16:09.900 --> 02:16:12.300
 amount of a chemical may not harm one human.
2700
02:16:12.300 --> 02:16:15.600
However, may have serious complications and act
2701
02:16:15.600 --> 02:16:18.400
as a poison for another the residents of Red
2702
02:16:18.400 --> 02:16:21.600
Lodge should not be exposed to risks of such emissions at
2703
02:16:21.600 --> 02:16:22.500
any levels.
2704
02:16:23.500 --> 02:16:26.300
The hearing heard that the technology from the best is
2705
02:16:26.300 --> 02:16:28.100
continually in the state of development.
2706
02:16:29.800 --> 02:16:32.600
It is therefore logical but until the
2707
02:16:32.600 --> 02:16:35.700
understanding of the physics the science and maths
2708
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02:16:35.700 --> 02:16:38.700
are secure and complete until the risks
2709
02:16:38.700 --> 02:16:42.100
are calculated and counteracted based
2710
02:16:41.100 --> 02:16:44.500
on real Scale Models rather than
2711
02:16:44.500 --> 02:16:47.300
hypothetical models. The best should not
2712
02:16:47.300 --> 02:16:48.800
be placed near life.
2713
02:16:49.700 --> 02:16:52.500
Red Lodge has a unique triple SI site
2714
02:16:52.500 --> 02:16:56.300
which can be accessed from the v1085 again in
2715
02:16:55.300 --> 02:16:58.800
very close proximity to the best. There is
2716
02:16:58.800 --> 02:17:01.300
no other heathland site in the breckland area.
2717
02:17:01.300 --> 02:17:04.800
That is the same the Red Lodge Heath is unique.
2718
02:17:05.900 --> 02:17:08.400
It is home to a number of nationally rare plants
2719
02:17:08.400 --> 02:17:12.000
and animals such as the five banded tailed digger wasp
2720
02:17:11.100 --> 02:17:14.800
 and Franklin time the Red Lodge conservation
2721
02:17:14.800 --> 02:17:17.500
 group dedicate their valuable time
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2722
02:17:17.500 --> 02:17:20.400
take great Delight care and a passionate
2723
02:17:20.400 --> 02:17:23.700
in maintaining this area to ensure that these recipes are
2724
02:17:23.700 --> 02:17:26.200
protected. The conservation group is
2725
02:17:26.200 --> 02:17:29.500
concerned if this heathland is subjected to
2726
02:17:29.500 --> 02:17:32.700
 chemical fumes we could potentially lose these rare
2727
02:17:32.700 --> 02:17:33.600
living species.
2728
02:17:35.400 --> 02:17:38.200
Red Lodge has two large primary schools and
2729
02:17:38.200 --> 02:17:42.300
several nurseries within 1200 meters of the best parents
2730
02:17:41.300 --> 02:17:44.500
 grandparents and carers have
2731
02:17:44.500 --> 02:17:47.500
rightly expressed concerns of the consequences and
2732
02:17:47.500 --> 02:17:50.400
separation anxiety in the eventuality of
2733
02:17:50.400 --> 02:17:53.700
an incident Red Lodge will need designated
2734
02:17:53.700 --> 02:17:57.200
personnel and a robust evacuation process
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02:17:56.200 --> 02:17:59.500
 implemented for the next 40 years
2736
02:17:59.500 --> 02:18:02.400
to oversee evacuation of the residents of
2737
02:18:02.400 --> 02:18:06.200
Red Lodge to safety or no doubts post trauma
2738
02:18:05.200 --> 02:18:06.500
care.
2739
02:18:07.300 --> 02:18:10.400
The Traveler site and Elms Rod is Elms Road
2740
02:18:10.400 --> 02:18:13.600
is within 300 meters of the best. This community
2741
02:18:13.600 --> 02:18:16.600
was an aware due to inadequate consultation
2742
02:18:16.600 --> 02:18:19.500
of the Sonic opponents and how these affect their
2743
02:18:19.500 --> 02:18:22.500
 safety and their views from their homes. There is
2744
02:18:22.500 --> 02:18:25.200
a requirement that the communities that are affected
2745
02:18:25.200 --> 02:18:28.800
are properly consulted. We have real concerns
2746
02:18:28.800 --> 02:18:31.100
that this ethnic minority has been
2747
02:18:31.100 --> 02:18:34.700
 discriminated with failure of appropriate consultation.
2748
02:18:34.700 --> 02:18:37.100
 Their homes will not be the same.
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02:18:38.100 --> 02:18:41.300
The charity Red Lodge LightWave operates in Red Lodge
2750
02:18:41.300 --> 02:18:43.100
to support the community needs.
2751
02:18:44.400 --> 02:18:47.700
The support ranges from Food Supplies provision of
2752
02:18:47.700 --> 02:18:51.100
fuel assistance and employment applications to
2753
02:18:50.100 --> 02:18:52.700
 support and mental well-being.
2754
02:18:53.300 --> 02:18:56.500
Post-covid LightWave have observed an
02:18:56.500 --> 02:18:59.700
increase in global poverty for this area and a
2756
02:18:59.700 --> 02:19:02.500
deterioration and mental health quite enlamingly
2757
02:19:02.500 --> 02:19:05.700
also amongst the teenagers of Red Lodge the needs
2758
02:19:05.700 --> 02:19:08.500
of the community have increased so much that the charity
2759
02:19:08.500 --> 02:19:11.500
has outgrown the premises that they currently occupy and
2760
02:19:11.500 --> 02:19:14.500
higher from the Red Lodge Parish Council and are now
2761
02:19:14.500 --> 02:19:17.400
in desperate search of land for a purpose-build to
2762
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02:19:17.400 --> 02:19:20.500
serve the ever-growing community needs Red. Lodge
2763
02:19:20.500 --> 02:19:23.700
does not need a development. That's what contribute stress and
2764
02:19:23.700 --> 02:19:26.400
deteriorate the community further. The land
2765
02:19:26.400 --> 02:19:29.600
can be used in more constructive ways to better the support
2766
02:19:29.600 --> 02:19:33.100
Red Lodge and its neighboring communities as
2767
02:19:32.100 --> 02:19:36.200
has been identified by the charity the
2768
02:19:35.200 --> 02:19:38.200
proposed plans will harm and
2769
02:19:38.200 --> 02:19:42.200
damage transport links agriculture Wildlife plants
2770
02:19:41.200 --> 02:19:44.600
and humans were non or
2771
02:19:44.600 --> 02:19:47.400
little positive value added for those that reside in
2772
02:19:47.400 --> 02:19:50.300
these areas in conclusion the sites for
2773
02:19:50.300 --> 02:19:52.800
the proposed for the bed needs to be
2774
02:19:53.300 --> 02:19:56.500
It the location should be remote and away from
2775
02:19:56.500 --> 02:19:59.400
residents of Red Lodge and in an industrial setting
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2776
02:19:59.400 --> 02:20:02.800
as recognized by the MP mat Hancock where
2777
02:20:02.800 --> 02:20:05.800
the impact of life is nulled for
2778
02:20:05.800 --> 02:20:08.400
them. All I would like to add that. I also
2779
02:20:08.400 --> 02:20:11.700
attend this hearing in the capacity as a residents of Red Lodge and
share
2780
02:20:11.700 --> 02:20:14.600
the concerns raised the future well-being of
2781
02:20:14.600 --> 02:20:17.400
the residents of the community remain of
2782
02:20:17.400 --> 02:20:20.900
Paramount's concern. Thank you for the opportunity to
2783
02:20:20.900 --> 02:20:25.300
speak at this here. Thank you, Mr. Just reminded
2784
02:20:24.300 --> 02:20:28.300
to you and everyone who may wish
2785
02:20:28.300 --> 02:20:31.100
to do. So understand your reading from
2786
02:20:31.100 --> 02:20:34.600
from a prepared paper that just
2787
02:20:34.600 --> 02:20:37.300
a reminder that there's a facility to
2788
02:20:37.300 --> 02:20:41.700
make written submissions confirming evidence that
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2789
02:20:41.700 --> 02:20:44.200
you've provided by deadline for which is
2790
02:20:44.200 --> 02:20:47.600
December the 16th. Thank you very much for that contribution. We'll
2791
02:20:47.600 --> 02:20:50.300
go to Richard lyddington now from The Ark Church
2792
02:20:50.300 --> 02:20:53.100
at Isle home and you're speaking.
2793
02:20:53.300 --> 02:20:56.200
I misdellington also as an individual
2794
02:20:56.200 --> 02:20:59.100
so you have 10 minutes. Good morning
2795
02:20:59.100 --> 02:21:00.600
to you. Good morning.
2796
02:21:01.400 --> 02:21:03.600
And you'll be pleased that I'm not going to take a full ten minutes.
2797
02:21:05.400 --> 02:21:08.300
So, my name is Richard littington. I'm a resident of
2798
02:21:08.300 --> 02:21:11.200
Iceland the Clark to Iceland Parish Council.
2799
02:21:11.900 --> 02:21:14.400
But I'm speaking today in my capacity as a
2800
02:21:14.400 --> 02:21:16.900
member of the church council at the Ark Church.
2801
02:21:18.300 --> 02:21:22.000
For the record the church Council has primary responsibility
2802
02:21:21.400 --> 02:21:24.600
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for a number of key areas of our church operation
2803
02:21:24.600 --> 02:21:27.500
 including issues such as financial management
2804
02:21:27.500 --> 02:21:30.100
employment and use of our
2805
02:21:30.100 --> 02:21:30.500
church building.
2806
02:21:32.500 --> 02:21:34.400
At first I'd like to thank inspectors.
2807
02:21:35.200 --> 02:21:38.900
For the opportunity to express the concerns of members
2808
02:21:38.900 --> 02:21:42.000
of our church in relation to this Monumental planning
2809
02:21:41.600 --> 02:21:44.800
application not least because
2810
02:21:44.800 --> 02:21:47.100
as you were aware Sonica have
2811
02:21:47.100 --> 02:21:50.400
repeatedly refused all requests to
2812
02:21:50.400 --> 02:21:53.300
meet face to face with the residents of
2813
02:21:53.300 --> 02:21:53.900
our village.
2814
02:21:55.400 --> 02:21:58.300
I'd also like to thank you personally for taking the time to
2815
02:21:58.300 --> 02:22:01.500
visit our church at the end of November and see
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2816
02:22:01.500 --> 02:22:04.300
for yourselves the incredible building that we've constructed.
2817
02:22:05.100 --> 02:22:08.900
It's location in relation to this application and to
2818
02:22:08.900 --> 02:22:11.400
get us a sense of the enormous impact that this
2819
02:22:11.400 --> 02:22:14.000
devastating project would have on our church.
2820
02:22:14.700 --> 02:22:15.700
Should it be approved?
2821
02:22:17.900 --> 02:22:20.300
I'd like to formally start by endorsing all
2822
02:22:20.300 --> 02:22:23.100
the arguments presented in both written submissions from the
2823
02:22:23.100 --> 02:22:27.100
say notesonica group as well as the numerous highly
2824
02:22:26.100 --> 02:22:29.400
articulate that informed verbal submissions
2825
02:22:29.400 --> 02:22:32.300
made over the course of these recent meetings.
2826
02:22:34.300 --> 02:22:37.400
As a church, we recognize and are highly supportive of
2827
02:22:37.400 --> 02:22:38.700
the need for renewable energy.
2828
02:22:39.700 --> 02:22:42.000
But this cannot be at any cost.
2829
02:22:43.600 --> 02:22:46.200
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Like countless others, we believe that the cost to our
2830
02:22:46.200 --> 02:22:49.800
local community communities. It's implications to
2831
02:22:49.800 --> 02:22:53.200
food production local businesses and
2832
02:22:52.200 --> 02:22:56.100
 the absolutely countless technical flaws
2833
02:22:55.100 --> 02:22:58.800
associated with this proposal makes the
2834
02:22:58.800 --> 02:23:01.500
price of the scheme on simply too
02:23:01.500 --> 02:23:02.100
high to pay.
2836
02:23:05.300 --> 02:23:08.100
As you will know from our early submissions. Our church
2837
02:23:08.100 --> 02:23:12.000
Community has been on an extremely adventurous faithful project
2838
02:23:11.400 --> 02:23:13.500
over the past 11 years.
2839
02:23:14.700 --> 02:23:17.200
Although our church formerly known as High
2840
02:23:17.200 --> 02:23:20.500
Street Church has had a presence in the village for over 100
2841
02:23:20.500 --> 02:23:23.300
years. We've been led by God in recent years
2842
02:23:23.300 --> 02:23:26.200
to construct a new place of worship now known as The
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2843
02:23:26.200 --> 02:23:27.000
Ark Church.
2844
02:23:28.500 --> 02:23:31.100
The project which is cost approximately four and a
2845
02:23:31.100 --> 02:23:34.400
half million pounds has been entirely self-funded.
2846
02:23:35.100 --> 02:23:38.800
And with the exception of a few professional current contractors has
2847
02:23:38.800 --> 02:23:42.000
been self-built by four members of our church congregation.
2848
02:23:41.200 --> 02:23:44.500
Although some Works Still Remains.
2849
02:23:44.500 --> 02:23:48.100
We officially moved into the building in November 2019.
2850
02:23:49.900 --> 02:23:52.500
Although it would be been much easier and
2851
02:23:52.500 --> 02:23:55.200
 quicker to have constructed a traditional steel and brick building.
2852
02:23:55.200 --> 02:23:58.700
There was a genuine design commitment amongst our
2853
02:23:58.700 --> 02:24:02.000
church leaders to build something which enhanced rather
2854
02:24:01.200 --> 02:24:04.700
than the attractive from our wonderful rural setting.
2855
02:24:06.300 --> 02:24:09.400
It's designed and Construction in Green Oak reflects many
2856
02:24:09.400 --> 02:24:12.800
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traditional features and construction techniques associated
2857
02:24:12.800 --> 02:24:15.300
with agricultural buildings. And we believe
2858
02:24:15.300 --> 02:24:18.300
that generally sits comfortably within its beautiful
2859
02:24:18.300 --> 02:24:21.700
surroundings like as proposed
2860
02:24:21.700 --> 02:24:22.500
from strrosity.
2861
02:24:23.700 --> 02:24:24.600
of silica
2862
02:24:26.300 --> 02:24:29.400
We have approximately 340 adults in membership at
2863
02:24:29.400 --> 02:24:32.500
the church and contrary to National Trends. We continue
2864
02:24:32.500 --> 02:24:32.900
to grow.
2865
02:24:34.100 --> 02:24:37.800
Between 250 and 350 people worship at
2866
02:24:37.800 --> 02:24:40.600
the ark each week not to mention significant
2867
02:24:40.600 --> 02:24:42.000
numbers who join us online.
2868
02:24:43.200 --> 02:24:46.400
The buildings attracted a great deal of positive media interests
2869
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and we continue to welcome numerous visitors every week.

02:24:46.400 --> 02:24:49.100

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2870
02:24:50.300 --> 02:24:53.400
Those who visit never fail to be impressed by both the building
2871
02:24:53.400 --> 02:24:56.100
and more importantly we would add the sense of
2872
02:24:56.100 --> 02:24:57.000
God's presence there.
2873
02:24:58.700 --> 02:25:01.400
The art Church's positioned at the highest point of our village
2874
02:25:01.400 --> 02:25:04.500
approximately 400 meters from the proposed northern border
2875
02:25:04.500 --> 02:25:05.500
of Sonic and East.
2876
02:25:06.200 --> 02:25:06.900
site a
2877
02:25:07.500 --> 02:25:10.600
and we currently enjoy wonderful expansive views the south
2878
02:25:10.600 --> 02:25:11.100
of our village.
2879
02:25:12.800 --> 02:25:15.600
Every human Spirit regardless of our faith
2880
02:25:15.600 --> 02:25:18.700
or non-faith background has a deep spiritual connection
2881
02:25:18.700 --> 02:25:21.200
with the with the natural environment in which
02:25:21.200 --> 02:25:21.600
we live.
2883
02:25:22.400 --> 02:25:25.400
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It quite literally nourishes our soul in ways. Nothing
2884
02:25:25.400 --> 02:25:26.100
else can.
2885
02:25:27.700 --> 02:25:30.400
As Christians we Marvel at and are in all
2886
02:25:30.400 --> 02:25:32.500
of the beauty of God's Amazing Creation.
2887
02:25:33.200 --> 02:25:36.200
And the ability to travel through our immediate we're all setting
2888
02:25:36.200 --> 02:25:39.500
and view it from our church building benefits us
2889
02:25:39.500 --> 02:25:43.000
both emotionally and spiritually and undoubtedly helps
2890
02:25:42.200 --> 02:25:45.600
us to worship him as our Creator
2891
02:25:45.600 --> 02:25:45.800
God.
2892
02:25:47.600 --> 02:25:50.400
Approximately two-thirds of our congregation travel from outside
2893
02:25:50.400 --> 02:25:50.900
the village.
2894
02:25:51.600 --> 02:25:54.600
This includes significant numbers from mildenhall West
2895
02:25:54.600 --> 02:25:57.300
Roe and other towns and villages to Southeast of
2896
02:25:57.300 --> 02:26:00.200
Iceland who are currently faced by the prospect of
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2897
02:26:00.200 --> 02:26:04.400
having to drive through a seemingly never-ending industrial site
2898
02:26:03.400 --> 02:26:06.400
to get to our very special place
2899
02:26:06.400 --> 02:26:07.000
of worship.
2900
02:26:08.800 --> 02:26:11.200
The bigger picture however, is that this should
2901
02:26:11.200 --> 02:26:14.800
this application be approved? Absolutely everyone visiting our
2902
02:26:14.800 --> 02:26:17.500
church no matter what direction they travel
2903
02:26:17.500 --> 02:26:20.400
will have their current Journeys and views of God's
2904
02:26:20.400 --> 02:26:23.500
natural creation completely destroyed by
2905
02:26:23.500 --> 02:26:26.600
 literally miles or solar panels battery stores units
2906
02:26:26.600 --> 02:26:28.900
and other associated infrastructures.
2907
02:26:30.600 --> 02:26:33.800
In their response to the Joint local impact report sonnica
2908
02:26:33.800 --> 02:26:36.600
suggests that visitors to the ark will be so focused
2909
02:26:36.600 --> 02:26:39.500
on getting in and out of the building to take any notice
2910
02:26:39.500 --> 02:26:40.400
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of its setting.
2911
02:26:41.600 --> 02:26:43.100
This is quite simply ridiculous.
2912
02:26:44.100 --> 02:26:47.700
If you excuse my analogy, it's like saying that people climbing Ben
2913
02:26:47.700 --> 02:26:50.800
are so focused on reach of the topic of the mountain that
2914
02:26:50.800 --> 02:26:53.100
they completely fail to the enjoying the
2915
02:26:53.100 --> 02:26:54.900
panoramic views as they climb.
2916
02:26:56.100 --> 02:26:59.700
For various reasons the church has had to prioritize construction of
2917
02:26:59.700 --> 02:27:02.400
the building the the physical building today.
2918
02:27:03.400 --> 02:27:06.300
It's true. Therefore that we've done little more than grass the
2919
02:27:06.300 --> 02:27:07.500
areas surrounding the building.
2920
02:27:08.700 --> 02:27:11.300
However contrary again to Sonic has response.
2921
02:27:12.100 --> 02:27:15.800
To in the in the previous report. The church grounds have
2922
02:27:15.800 --> 02:27:18.900
been used for different purposes. We opened including
2923
02:27:18.900 --> 02:27:21.100
the use of the area immediately. It's in front of
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2924
02:27:21.100 --> 02:27:24.300
the building which was used for as a campsite for three
2925
02:27:24.300 --> 02:27:27.800
days in the summer for an extremely successful youth
2926
02:27:27.800 --> 02:27:28.100
conference.
2927
02:27:28.800 --> 02:27:31.600
There are also plans already in places develop
2928
02:27:31.600 --> 02:27:34.300
 the northeast corner of the site as a
2929
02:27:34.300 --> 02:27:35.100
children's play area.
2930
02:27:36.200 --> 02:27:39.400
Both of these areas directly look out over the proposed Sonic.
02:27:41.300 --> 02:27:45.000
We quite simply do not believe that there are any mitigating
measures
2932
02:27:44.400 --> 02:27:48.200
and certainly not those proposed by Sonica to
2933
02:27:47.200 --> 02:27:50.700
effectively screen the views of countless
2934
02:27:50.700 --> 02:27:51.800
fields of solar panels.
2935
02:27:53.700 --> 02:27:56.300
Or to compensate in any way for the loss of
2936
02:27:56.300 --> 02:27:58.700
such beautiful views of open Countryside.
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2937
02:28:00.200 --> 02:28:03.500
I would also like to take this opportunity to highlight one further
factor
2938
02:28:03.500 --> 02:28:06.400
of this project, which would have a catastrophic impact on
2939
02:28:06.400 --> 02:28:09.200
our church. Should this application be improved?
2940
02:28:09.900 --> 02:28:11.100
that of building insurance
2941
02:28:12.800 --> 02:28:15.500
due to its non-standard timber frame construction
2942
02:28:15.500 --> 02:28:19.400
insurance companies are already reluctant, especially
2943
02:28:18.400 --> 02:28:21.700
in the current economic crisis to offer
2944
02:28:21.700 --> 02:28:22.600
us building insurance.
2945
02:28:23.900 --> 02:28:26.600
Subsequent last lack of competition has
2946
02:28:26.600 --> 02:28:29.200
historically led us to paying premiums of
2947
02:28:29.200 --> 02:28:32.200
over 70,000 pounds a year, which is
2948
02:28:32.200 --> 02:28:34.900
a question about a third of our annual income.
2949
02:28:36.500 --> 02:28:39.500
As you will now know it as you will know there have
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02:28:39.500 --> 02:28:43.000
been numerous instances of uncontrollable fires associated
2951
02:28:42.300 --> 02:28:45.700
with storages of qualities of energy in
2952
02:28:45.700 --> 02:28:47.900
in the batteries proposed by Sonica.
2953
02:28:49.100 --> 02:28:52.400
We do of course as Christians pray for protection over
2954
02:28:52.400 --> 02:28:55.200
our building and have installed state of the art
2955
02:28:55.200 --> 02:28:59.200
fire detection equipment, which we believe would actually largely
Safeguard
2956
02:28:58.200 --> 02:29:01.300
our building under all normal
2957
02:29:01.300 --> 02:29:02.200
circumstances.
2958
02:29:03.300 --> 02:29:07.000
However, these are not normal circumstances. The
2959
02:29:06.300 --> 02:29:07.800
risk is significant.
2960
02:29:09.700 --> 02:29:12.700
The overriding principle used by all insurance companies
2961
02:29:12.700 --> 02:29:15.800
and establishing the basis of any cover is of
2962
02:29:15.800 --> 02:29:16.900
course the level of risk.
2963
02:29:18.300 --> 02:29:21.900
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there can be little doubt that should this application be approved
insurance
2964
02:29:21.900 --> 02:29:24.300
companies will respond to this increased Risk
2965
02:29:24.300 --> 02:29:27.400
by setting premiums, which will ultimately be Beyond
2966
02:29:27.400 --> 02:29:30.700
be completely beyond our needs any
2967
02:29:30.700 --> 02:29:31.200
means
2968
02:29:32.100 --> 02:29:34.700
we prayerfully urge you to reject this dco.
2969
02:29:36.200 --> 02:29:39.300
Finally, I would like to conclude this but submission by extending
another
2970
02:29:39.300 --> 02:29:42.700
warm welcome to yourselves and anyone interesting finding
2971
02:29:42.700 --> 02:29:45.500
out more about our church or more importantly wanting to
2972
02:29:45.500 --> 02:29:48.600
experience the presence of God to come and visit us. Again.
2973
02:29:48.600 --> 02:29:52.100
Thank you very much, Mr. Leading 10. Now.
2974
02:29:51.100 --> 02:29:54.600
We want to know thank you very much. We
2975
02:29:54.600 --> 02:29:58.700
want to move straight now if we can to counselor Lance
2976
02:29:57.700 --> 02:29:59.400
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stanbury.
2977
02:30:01.300 --> 02:30:04.300
Good afternoon to you sir. Good afternoon.
2978
02:30:04.300 --> 02:30:08.000
You're the Suffolk County Council for Middleton Hall division
Milton
2979
02:30:07.300 --> 02:30:10.600
Hall freckenham, Barton Mills and worlington.
2980
02:30:12.400 --> 02:30:15.400
Yes indeed that right. Thanks. So you have 10 minutes
2981
02:30:15.400 --> 02:30:18.500
starting now. Thank you very much for that introduction. And
2982
02:30:18.500 --> 02:30:21.400
yes, it's the The Villages of Reckoning
2983
02:30:21.400 --> 02:30:25.300
and Wellington that are particularly affected by this proposal
2984
02:30:24.300 --> 02:30:28.200
should consent to be given I've attended
2985
02:30:27.200 --> 02:30:31.100
numerous public meetings on this application and
2986
02:30:30.100 --> 02:30:33.600
was instrumental in organizing these say no
2987
02:30:33.600 --> 02:30:36.400
to Sonica March last March, which is attended by our
2988
02:30:36.400 --> 02:30:39.400
MPS and which rallied hundreds of supporters against
2989
02:30:39.400 --> 02:30:40.200
the proposal.
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2990
02:30:40.900 --> 02:30:43.300
I've also listened carefully to the concerns and
2991
02:30:43.300 --> 02:30:46.100
objections made by colleagues and by many of
2992
02:30:46.100 --> 02:30:49.400
my constituents whose lives will be blighted and above
2993
02:30:49.400 --> 02:30:51.300
all endangered by this development.
2994
02:30:52.200 --> 02:30:55.100
And it is they whom I represent and for whose health.
2995
02:30:55.100 --> 02:30:57.200
I wish to concentrate my submission.
2996
02:30:58.300 --> 02:31:01.700
Numerous speakers have made mention of the dilatory effects.
2997
02:31:01.700 --> 02:31:04.100
This development will have on their health and I would like to
2998
02:31:04.100 --> 02:31:07.200
remind the panel that Health must be regarded as a
2999
02:31:07.200 --> 02:31:09.300
material planning consideration.
3000
02:31:10.300 --> 02:31:13.800
You've already heard in recent days evidenced by experts about
3001
02:31:13.800 --> 02:31:16.500
the dangers posed by the development
3002
02:31:16.500 --> 02:31:19.900
of the battery energy storage system. You've heard
3003
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02:31:19.900 --> 02:31:22.400
 that have been over 65 fires and
3004
02:31:22.400 --> 02:31:26.100
explosions globally involving Lithium-ion batteries. You've
3005
02:31:25.100 --> 02:31:28.600
heard how important the proposed battery containers
3006
02:31:28.600 --> 02:31:31.700
and cell chemistry is to the containment of
3007
02:31:31.700 --> 02:31:34.900
fire and yet how the applicant remains wholly
3008
02:31:34.900 --> 02:31:37.200
unsure about the type of batteries that
3009
02:31:37.200 --> 02:31:39.400
we use and the containment they require
3010
02:31:40.400 --> 02:31:43.200
You've heard or that the applicants battery management
3011
02:31:43.200 --> 02:31:46.100
 safety plan is extremely poor and
3012
02:31:46.100 --> 02:31:50.200
includes no mention of leak detection capability when leaks
3013
02:31:49.200 --> 02:31:52.900
of coolant can cause electrical short circuits
3014
02:31:52.900 --> 02:31:53.800
and fires.
3015
02:31:54.500 --> 02:31:58.200
You've heard about how the batteries went on fire produce
3016
02:31:57.200 --> 02:32:00.600
an inflammable and poisonous Vapor
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02:32:00.600 --> 02:32:03.400
cloud with significant explosion hazard.
3018
02:32:04.100 --> 02:32:07.400
And you've seen that the applicants emergency response plan
3019
02:32:07.400 --> 02:32:10.800
is incredibly weak. All these weaknesses are
3020
02:32:10.800 --> 02:32:14.200
threats to the health of my constituents and
3021
02:32:13.200 --> 02:32:17.800
it is recognized in the government's nppf
3022
02:32:16.800 --> 02:32:19.700
the planning system should
3023
02:32:19.700 --> 02:32:22.600
play an important role in creating
3024
02:32:22.600 --> 02:32:25.800
healthy inclusive communities in addition
3025
02:32:25.800 --> 02:32:28.100
 section 12 of the Health and Social
3026
02:32:28.100 --> 02:32:31.200
Care Act 2012 imposes a duty on
3027
02:32:31.200 --> 02:32:34.400
local authorities to take appropriate steps to improve
3028
02:32:34.400 --> 02:32:37.300
the health people who live in their areas.
3029
02:32:38.100 --> 02:32:41.500
Health implications are clearly material to the
3030
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02:32:41.500 --> 02:32:44.400
planning decision and the examining Authority has
3031
02:32:44.400 --> 02:32:47.700
responsibility. I believe to weigh the health implications of
3032
02:32:47.700 --> 02:32:50.200
this development in its report to the Secretary of
3033
02:32:50.200 --> 02:32:50.500
State.
3034
02:32:51.300 --> 02:32:54.900
But I remain concerned that this examination of
3035
02:32:54.900 --> 02:32:57.700
Sonic is application and the consideration given
3036
02:32:57.700 --> 02:33:00.600
to the risks on public health issues may
3037
02:33:00.600 --> 02:33:03.800
not be weighed sufficiently strongly despite
3038
02:33:03.800 --> 02:33:06.700
the progress of time and more science being available
3039
02:33:06.700 --> 02:33:10.000
the information being available on the effects of battery fires
3040
02:33:09.200 --> 02:33:11.600
and explosions on public health.
3041
02:33:12.600 --> 02:33:16.400
To try to assess how the planning inspectorate
3042
02:33:15.400 --> 02:33:18.800
 and how seriously the planning inspector takes
3043
02:33:18.800 --> 02:33:21.400
 the health of local people. I reviewed the
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3044
02:33:21.400 --> 02:33:24.600
recommendation of the examining Authority made by to the
3045
02:33:24.600 --> 02:33:27.600
Secretary of State in the most recent granting of a
3046
02:33:27.600 --> 02:33:30.200
consent order for the Cleve Hill solar Park
3047
02:33:30.200 --> 02:33:33.800
in Kent less than half the size of Sonica and
3048
02:33:33.800 --> 02:33:34.900
currently the largest in the UK.
3049
02:33:36.100 --> 02:33:39.700
In the decision letter the Secretary of State for business energy
and
3050
02:33:39.700 --> 02:33:42.400
Industrial strategy show some glaring Emissions
3051
02:33:42.400 --> 02:33:46.000
on the effect of Public Health of the application, which if
3052
02:33:45.300 --> 02:33:48.900
this examining Authority does the same we'll be
3053
02:33:48.900 --> 02:33:51.500
putting the spurious claims of the applicant before
3054
02:33:51.500 --> 02:33:54.300
the health and safety of my constituents and others.
3055
02:33:55.100 --> 02:33:58.400
And if I may be so bold, it should serve as a
3056
02:33:58.400 --> 02:34:01.400
lesson to this examining Authority in getting this examination
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3057
02:34:01.400 --> 02:34:04.600
right regarding the genuine health risks
3058
02:34:04.600 --> 02:34:05.900
of this application.
3059
02:34:06.900 --> 02:34:09.600
I mean I have to ask does the examining Authority feel
3060
02:34:09.600 --> 02:34:12.200
that it is sufficiently qualified to make
3061
02:34:12.200 --> 02:34:15.900
such technical judgments on these issues and
3062
02:34:15.900 --> 02:34:18.200
why would it not consider inviting the
3063
02:34:18.200 --> 02:34:21.400
health and safety executive to advise it now instead of
3064
02:34:21.400 --> 02:34:24.500
potentially agreeing the the dco and
3065
02:34:24.500 --> 02:34:27.200
then the health and safety executive advising the
3066
02:34:27.200 --> 02:34:27.800
local authorities.
3067
02:34:30.300 --> 02:34:33.300
The cleave Hill examination noted that
3068
02:34:33.300 --> 02:34:37.100
there have been many fires around the world relating to lithium-ion
batteries
3069
02:34:36.100 --> 02:34:39.500
and that in many cases the fire suppression
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02:34:39.500 --> 02:34:42.500
 systems had failed resulting in the emission of clouds
3071
02:34:42.500 --> 02:34:46.800
of toxic gas containing inhalable nickel
3072
02:34:45.800 --> 02:34:48.300
oxides, which are the cause
3073
02:34:48.300 --> 02:34:51.300
of asthma hydrogen fluoride, which he breathing
3074
02:34:51.300 --> 02:34:54.300
can cause death from irregular heartbeat and from the build-up
3075
02:34:54.300 --> 02:34:57.800
of fluid on the lungs and hydrogen cyanide which
3076
02:34:57.800 --> 02:35:00.700
interferes with the body's use of oxygen and may
3077
02:35:00.700 --> 02:35:03.400
cause harm to the brain heart blood vessels
3078
02:35:03.400 --> 02:35:06.500
and lungs exposure can be fatal.
3079
02:35:07.300 --> 02:35:10.700
Notwithstanding this the examining Authority on
3080
02:35:10.700 --> 02:35:13.800
this particular application of Cleve Hill merely stated
3081
02:35:13.800 --> 02:35:16.300
that it was content to accept the
3082
02:35:16.300 --> 02:35:19.200
 applicants assurances that the leakage would be small and
3083
02:35:19.200 --> 02:35:20.000
 confined.
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3084
02:35:20.600 --> 02:35:23.800
This despite the examining Authority having already acknowledged
3085
02:35:23.800 --> 02:35:26.500
that the applicants battery Safety Management plan was
3086
02:35:26.500 --> 02:35:27.800
minimal in this regard.
3087
02:35:29.200 --> 02:35:32.400
in this particular examination of Sonic as application you've heard
3088
02:35:32.400 --> 02:35:35.800
 from expert evidence at the battery Safety Management plan
3089
02:35:35.800 --> 02:35:38.500
submitted for this application also has
3090
02:35:38.500 --> 02:35:39.600
similar emissions
3091
02:35:40.400 --> 02:35:44.000
will this examining Authority in ignore the
3092
02:35:43.600 --> 02:35:46.000
empirical evidence and health dangers from
3093
02:35:46.200 --> 02:35:50.100
the 60 lithium battery files worldwide and similarly
3094
02:35:49.100 --> 02:35:53.000
content itself with accepting an efficient
3095
02:35:52.400 --> 02:35:55.500
battery Safety Management plan that in
3096
02:35:55.500 --> 02:35:59.000
its current form will put the health of my constituents at
3097
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02:35:58.000 --> 02:35:59.400
risk.
3098
02:36:00.900 --> 02:36:03.500
The Secretary of State's letter on cleave Hill
3099
02:36:03.500 --> 02:36:07.300
says on battery Safety Management that work must
3100
02:36:06.300 --> 02:36:09.600
not convince upon the battery Safety Management
3101
02:36:09.600 --> 02:36:12.600
plan on the best safety system
3102
02:36:12.600 --> 02:36:15.500
and till it has been submitted for
3103
02:36:15.500 --> 02:36:17.800
approval to the relevant local Authority.
3104
02:36:18.800 --> 02:36:21.300
In the case of Seneca the vastness of
3105
02:36:21.300 --> 02:36:24.400
the scale of this development would require the approval of more
3106
02:36:24.400 --> 02:36:27.500
than one local Authority. So if this
3107
02:36:27.500 --> 02:36:30.500
happens what will actually occur if the two
3108
02:36:30.500 --> 02:36:33.500
authorities have different opinions will the examining
3109
02:36:33.500 --> 02:36:35.700
Authority be silent on this?
3110
02:36:37.100 --> 02:36:40.900
Local authorities and indeed the Suffolk and Cambridgeshire fire
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3111
02:36:40.900 --> 02:36:43.500
service have no experience of determining a
3112
02:36:43.500 --> 02:36:46.200
 safety plan for thermal runaway events that will produce
3113
02:36:46.200 --> 02:36:48.800
toxic and combustible clouds of smoke.
3114
02:36:50.100 --> 02:36:53.400
Is it not time that the government appointed planning its
3115
02:36:53.400 --> 02:36:56.700
better it takes responsibility for determining the health risks of
3116
02:36:56.700 --> 02:36:59.100
battery storage systems and have regard to
3117
02:36:59.100 --> 02:37:02.900
the global evidence the empirical and expert advice
02:37:02.900 --> 02:37:05.300
as material grounds for refusing
3119
02:37:05.300 --> 02:37:08.100
this application until the technology and its management
3120
02:37:08.100 --> 02:37:10.800
no longer pose a risk to local people.
3121
02:37:12.200 --> 02:37:16.000
The applicant when faced with questions over the safety of
3122
02:37:15.200 --> 02:37:18.400
the battery storage system has been
3123
02:37:18.400 --> 02:37:20.700
content to leave much unsaid.
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02:37:21.700 --> 02:37:24.400
Because they are not required by the examining authority
3125
02:37:24.400 --> 02:37:28.000
to file a complete comprehensive plan. Now, they
3126
02:37:27.300 --> 02:37:31.300
know the technology they will be investing in so
3127
02:37:30.300 --> 02:37:33.200
why aren't they confident enough to
3128
02:37:33.200 --> 02:37:36.600
say now how they will prevent the noxious fumes
3129
02:37:36.600 --> 02:37:39.300
should a fire start when there have
3130
02:37:39.300 --> 02:37:42.700
been so many fires and enough experience acquired to
3131
02:37:42.700 --> 02:37:44.400
inform such as safety plan.
3132
02:37:45.300 --> 02:37:48.200
I believe the truth is that the applicant hopes to
3133
02:37:48.200 --> 02:37:51.600
rely on acquiescence of the examining Authority
3134
02:37:51.600 --> 02:37:54.600
as in Cleve Hill that the applicants word
3135
02:37:54.600 --> 02:37:57.400
will be taken more seriously than evidence and expert
3136
02:37:57.400 --> 02:38:00.400
opinion on health and the decision on their safety
3137
02:38:00.400 --> 02:38:03.300
plan will be devolved to someone else and kicked
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3138
02:38:03.300 --> 02:38:06.600
down the line if it is approved and goes to the local authorities.
3139
02:38:07.700 --> 02:38:11.500
The safety of local people should be Paramount and
3140
02:38:10.500 --> 02:38:14.100
this examining Authority should regard
3141
02:38:13.100 --> 02:38:15.100
it as such.
3142
02:38:15.900 --> 02:38:18.200
This hearing should result I believe
3143
02:38:18.200 --> 02:38:21.300
in the recommendation to the Secretary of State to
3144
02:38:21.300 --> 02:38:24.200
refuse this application on health risks of
3145
02:38:24.200 --> 02:38:27.200
local people alone. And I urge the
3146
02:38:27.200 --> 02:38:30.300
panel to recommend refusal Council. Thank
3147
02:38:30.300 --> 02:38:33.800
you very much for that contribution and the panel will consider
those
3148
02:38:33.800 --> 02:38:35.400
representations very carefully.
3149
02:38:36.300 --> 02:38:39.200
But I want to move we just have one
3150
02:38:39.200 --> 02:38:42.600
more on the list and I think that oh
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3151
02:38:42.600 --> 02:38:44.900
too, I believe Mr. Warren.
3152
02:38:46.100 --> 02:38:49.100
Is Mr. Warren attending virtually?
3153
02:38:49.800 --> 02:38:52.800
Yes. Yes my morning Warren. Good
3154
02:38:52.800 --> 02:38:55.500
morning or good afternoon. Rather. Yes. That's
3155
02:38:55.500 --> 02:38:55.600
right.
3156
02:38:56.700 --> 02:38:59.800
Hi. Thanks for you the opportunity
3157
02:38:59.800 --> 02:39:00.600
to speak.
3158
02:39:01.600 --> 02:39:04.800
Yes, very worrying and I'm representing RF
3159
02:39:04.800 --> 02:39:07.300
tournament son. He's been farming in the
3160
02:39:07.300 --> 02:39:09.100
area since 1933.
3161
02:39:10.900 --> 02:39:13.400
In 1993. We purchased
3162
02:39:13.400 --> 02:39:16.500
Church Farm Chippenham to expand our existing
3163
02:39:16.500 --> 02:39:18.800
serum beef production operations.
3164
02:39:20.100 --> 02:39:24.300
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Since the purchase we've invested heavily building a
3165
02:39:23.300 --> 02:39:26.900
new Farm Center storage facilities for
3166
02:39:26.900 --> 02:39:29.300
houses crops Secure Storage
3167
02:39:29.300 --> 02:39:32.300
fertilizer a purpose buildings for beef
3168
02:39:32.300 --> 02:39:32.500
production.
3169
02:39:34.500 --> 02:39:38.000
Our operation is a mixed Farm producing cereals
3170
02:39:37.400 --> 02:39:39.000
root crops and beef.
3171
02:39:39.900 --> 02:39:42.300
Grassland is used for the summer and winter
3172
02:39:42.300 --> 02:39:45.200
grazing and for the reduction of Han solids for
3173
02:39:45.200 --> 02:39:45.600
cattle feed.
3174
02:39:47.100 --> 02:39:50.100
I'd like to emphasize how productive our arable land
3175
02:39:50.100 --> 02:39:53.400
is. We use modern cultivation techniques based on
3176
02:39:53.400 --> 02:39:56.600
Expert Agronomy advice to improve some
3177
02:39:56.600 --> 02:39:58.100
structures and increase productivity.
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3178
02:39:59.300 --> 02:40:00.500
We do not irrigate.
3179
02:40:01.200 --> 02:40:05.200
And he crops yet. Despite this we achieved the
3180
02:40:04.200 --> 02:40:06.700
national average year after year.
3181
02:40:08.400 --> 02:40:11.600
We simply would not achieve these yields if the sword report
3182
02:40:11.600 --> 02:40:14.100
produced by Daniel Baird saw consultancy was
3183
02:40:14.100 --> 02:40:14.300
correct.
3184
02:40:15.200 --> 02:40:17.900
We simply do not understand the conclusions of his report.
3185
02:40:19.100 --> 02:40:20.000
We've already submitted.
3186
02:40:21.100 --> 02:40:24.100
Our own 2022 saw report produced by
3187
02:40:24.100 --> 02:40:27.300
Pharmacy, which shows our land is BMV.
3188
02:40:28.100 --> 02:40:31.100
It should be protected from inappropriate development.
3189
02:40:32.900 --> 02:40:35.800
It simply not acceptable to allow the proposed scheme
3190
02:40:35.800 --> 02:40:36.100
to go ahead.
3191
02:40:36.900 --> 02:40:39.300
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Which is a total disregard for
3192
02:40:39.300 --> 02:40:41.000
the existing demographic.
3193
02:40:42.400 --> 02:40:46.800
Many generations have greatly successful agriculture industry
3194
02:40:46.800 --> 02:40:50.100
providing employment prosperity and openly
3195
02:40:49.100 --> 02:40:51.500
trading strong local communities.
3196
02:40:52.600 --> 02:40:55.500
We've demonstrated proposed location is good
3197
02:40:55.500 --> 02:40:56.700
cultural land.
3198
02:40:57.400 --> 02:41:00.100
And it's vital to keep this land producing food for the
3199
02:41:00.100 --> 02:41:01.700
future and many years to come.
3200
02:41:02.900 --> 02:41:03.500
Thanks very much.
3201
02:41:04.500 --> 02:41:07.400
Thank you very much. Indeed, Mr. Warren now, I believe
3202
02:41:07.400 --> 02:41:10.400
the last on the list is Rachel Hood from
3203
02:41:10.400 --> 02:41:13.400
Newmarket Town Council. Good afternoon
3204
02:41:13.400 --> 02:41:13.600
to you.
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3205
02:41:19.700 --> 02:41:22.300
So, do you have 10 minutes to speak
3206
02:41:22.300 --> 02:41:25.300
on behalf of the Town Council, please? Go ahead.
3207
02:41:25.300 --> 02:41:29.000
Okay. Thank you very much. Good afternoon. So
3208
02:41:28.500 --> 02:41:31.400
and as you know, I'm appearing on
3209
02:41:31.400 --> 02:41:34.900
behalf of the Town Council with their authority to speak and
3210
02:41:34.900 --> 02:41:37.100
my background is I've been a
3211
02:41:37.100 --> 02:41:40.200
 town councilor since 2011. I've been the mayor of
3212
02:41:40.200 --> 02:41:43.400
New Market three times. I'm a West Suffolk
3213
02:41:43.400 --> 02:41:46.300
counselor, and I'm a Cabinet member at Suffolk County Council
3214
02:41:46.300 --> 02:41:49.500
for Education, especially education on these
3215
02:41:49.500 --> 02:41:50.400
disability in skills.
3216
02:41:54.200 --> 02:41:55.900
New Market is unique.
3217
02:41:58.100 --> 02:42:01.100
In the United Kingdom, if not in the world. It's a
3218
02:42:01.100 --> 02:42:02.000
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living town.
3219
02:42:04.200 --> 02:42:07.300
Where dominated by the horse racing industry and many respects for
3220
02:42:07.300 --> 02:42:10.200
our prosperity and for the prosperity of our
3221
02:42:10.200 --> 02:42:10.800
residents?
3222
02:42:11.400 --> 02:42:14.900
And we depend on the horse
3223
02:42:14.900 --> 02:42:17.900
racing industry here and
3224
02:42:17.900 --> 02:42:20.400
New Market being the best in the world. We have
3225
02:42:20.400 --> 02:42:23.300
a unique selling point as you've
3226
02:42:23.300 --> 02:42:26.400
probably gathered from the evidence over the last few
3227
02:42:26.400 --> 02:42:29.700
days and the High Street and it's
3228
02:42:29.700 --> 02:42:32.600
businesses all depend on this for its survival.
3229
02:42:33.300 --> 02:42:36.700
The town and the countryside around it are
3230
02:42:36.700 --> 02:42:37.700
as one.
3231
02:42:38.500 --> 02:42:41.600
They interact the rural and the
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3232
02:42:41.600 --> 02:42:42.600
equine areas.
3233
02:42:43.300 --> 02:42:46.600
The area to the north and Northeast and its
3234
02:42:46.600 --> 02:42:49.600
Villages where many of those in the horse racing industry live
3235
02:42:49.600 --> 02:42:52.100
the farmland and the
3236
02:42:52.100 --> 02:42:52.700
gallups.
3237
02:42:54.300 --> 02:42:58.100
All of these will be hugely and severely affected by
3238
02:42:57.100 --> 02:43:00.000
this Sonica proposal.
3239
02:43:01.200 --> 02:43:03.500
especially the villages and the gallups
3240
02:43:04.700 --> 02:43:07.500
the most prized and valued of the gallups is
3241
02:43:07.500 --> 02:43:10.800
the historical the Glorious lime Kilns.
3242
02:43:10.800 --> 02:43:13.900
I can't emphasize enough the uniqueness
3243
02:43:13.900 --> 02:43:17.100
and importance of the Lyme
3244
02:43:16.100 --> 02:43:19.600
Kilns. It is the jewel in the crown of
3245
02:43:19.600 --> 02:43:20.400
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New Market.
3246
02:43:21.300 --> 02:43:24.500
And many I know have spoken about this and the Town Council
3247
02:43:24.500 --> 02:43:27.200
supports what they have said and agrees.
3248
02:43:28.500 --> 02:43:31.600
The population of New Market is working population and
3249
02:43:31.600 --> 02:43:34.300
residence are every one
3250
02:43:34.300 --> 02:43:38.300
of them that I have met implacably against the
02:43:37.300 --> 02:43:39.300
Sonica scheme.
3252
02:43:40.500 --> 02:43:43.200
And I have to admit this has never been the case before in my
3253
02:43:43.200 --> 02:43:46.400
experience. Not even with the hatchfield farm development.
3254
02:43:48.200 --> 02:43:50.300
These people are not nimbus.
3255
02:43:51.300 --> 02:43:54.800
But it's the impact of the sunnica's scheme in totality. It's
3256
02:43:54.800 --> 02:43:57.200
huge industrial scale.
3257
02:43:58.800 --> 02:44:01.500
All at once and the degree of
3258
02:44:01.500 --> 02:44:05.000
real harm the cumulative
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3259
02:44:04.300 --> 02:44:07.100
impact will be huge. It will be
3260
02:44:07.100 --> 02:44:11.000
desperately harmful to our wonderful town.
3261
02:44:12.100 --> 02:44:15.600
And the racing industry and all
3262
02:44:15.600 --> 02:44:18.600
the jobs and prosperity that.
3263
02:44:19.600 --> 02:44:22.200
Flow from that and I know others have spoken about
3264
02:44:22.200 --> 02:44:24.700
that and again the Town Council agrees.
3265
02:44:25.700 --> 02:44:28.000
Important parts of the scheme will not be able
3266
02:44:28.100 --> 02:44:32.200
to be screened such as the views from the Limestone lime
3267
02:44:31.200 --> 02:44:34.400
kills or if scream screening is
3268
02:44:34.400 --> 02:44:37.200
proposed such as those aspects near
3269
02:44:37.200 --> 02:44:40.300
to Villages. They will have a real and damaging
3270
02:44:40.300 --> 02:44:44.400
impact on people's lives the hedges that enclose
3271
02:44:43.400 --> 02:44:46.300
the public rights of ways and
3272
02:44:46.300 --> 02:44:49.400
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the roads they'll cut off the views. They'll change the character
3273
02:44:49.400 --> 02:44:51.500
of the landscape radically.
3274
02:44:52.600 --> 02:44:53.700
and damagingly
3275
02:44:55.100 --> 02:44:58.600
and I would like to emphasize to you all that we are not against.
3276
02:44:59.600 --> 02:45:02.800
Good solar. This is a bad
3277
02:45:02.800 --> 02:45:05.600
solar steam based upon land ownership.
3278
02:45:06.500 --> 02:45:08.700
And not on a planned scheme.
3279
02:45:10.200 --> 02:45:14.100
If allowed to proceed it will set a precedent and
3280
02:45:14.100 --> 02:45:16.100
a very bad one.
3281
02:45:17.900 --> 02:45:20.300
other solar schemes in the pipeline will point
3282
02:45:20.300 --> 02:45:21.800
to it and refer to it as
3283
02:45:22.900 --> 02:45:24.500
acceptable harm
3284
02:45:25.400 --> 02:45:26.500
if it is allowed.
3285
02:45:27.900 --> 02:45:30.800
And pour them to To Tread all over communities.
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3286
02:45:31.500 --> 02:45:34.600
And in effect to ignore them in the march to
3287
02:45:34.600 --> 02:45:35.600
Net Zero.
3288
02:45:37.200 --> 02:45:40.800
I want to emphasize that we all support Net Zero.
3289
02:45:41.700 --> 02:45:44.300
But how this cannot possibly be what the
3290
02:45:44.300 --> 02:45:45.800
government foresaw?
3291
02:45:46.500 --> 02:45:49.700
Nor the right way to get to Net
3292
02:45:49.700 --> 02:45:51.100
Zero in short.
3293
02:45:53.300 --> 02:45:55.400
It is not the right way.
3294
02:45:56.800 --> 02:45:59.700
Seneca must please be rejected
3295
02:45:59.700 --> 02:46:02.100
and I on behalf of
3296
02:46:02.100 --> 02:46:03.300
the Town Council.
3297
02:46:04.200 --> 02:46:07.600
And the entire population of New Market all
3298
02:46:07.600 --> 02:46:10.900
our residents implore you please to see
3299
02:46:10.900 --> 02:46:13.800
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sense and to reject the scheme. Thanks
3300
02:46:13.800 --> 02:46:14.800
very much. Thank you very much.
3301
02:46:22.400 --> 02:46:25.400
Right. Thank you very much. Indeed. I think that
3302
02:46:25.400 --> 02:46:28.300
brings to an end the oh, just bear with
3303
02:46:28.300 --> 02:46:29.000
me moment, please.
3304
02:46:40.900 --> 02:46:43.900
Have one more speaker Richard Chuck.
3305
02:46:43.900 --> 02:46:46.100
Who is I believe
3306
02:46:46.100 --> 02:46:49.900
online? Is that correct? Mr. Duke? Yeah,
3307
02:46:49.900 --> 02:46:53.600
I I am indeed in my apologies for
3308
02:46:52.600 --> 02:46:55.800
not being able to join earlier. I
3309
02:46:55.800 --> 02:46:58.700
had some technical issues and grateful
3310
02:46:58.700 --> 02:47:01.200
for the opportunity to be able to make
3311
02:47:01.200 --> 02:47:05.000
two points in relation to this the first
3312
02:47:04.200 --> 02:47:05.600
point. I would like
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3313
02:47:06.800 --> 02:47:10.800
But like to make it in relation to our
3314
02:47:10.800 --> 02:47:13.500
the inclusion of our farm which
3315
02:47:13.500 --> 02:47:16.400
borders the eastern and
3316
02:47:16.400 --> 02:47:19.700
Northern boundaries of fraction Village and a former
3317
02:47:19.700 --> 02:47:22.800
request to both sonaka and
3318
02:47:22.800 --> 02:47:25.900
the planning of Spectra to remove Our Land
3319
02:47:25.900 --> 02:47:30.000
 from the scheme made in July 2019, which
3320
02:47:29.100 --> 02:47:33.100
 I believe was outside the wider consultation
3321
02:47:32.100 --> 02:47:36.700
process for this scheme and
3322
02:47:35.700 --> 02:47:38.700
a further letter to the
3323
02:47:38.700 --> 02:47:42.200
right or a Matthew Hancock, which was acknowledged again
3324
02:47:41.200 --> 02:47:44.200
detailing our requests removed from
3325
02:47:44.200 --> 02:47:48.100
the scheme. The second point I would like to make is
3326
02:47:47.100 --> 02:47:49.600
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in relation to the
3327
02:47:51.900 --> 02:47:55.400
Claim about the productivity the agricultural
3328
02:47:54.400 --> 02:47:57.200
land contained within this
3329
02:47:57.200 --> 02:48:00.300
 scheme and they're specifically refers to I think it is the Sonic
3330
02:48:00.300 --> 02:48:03.200
East site. That's to the north to the north
3331
02:48:03.200 --> 02:48:06.500
of Franklin Village. And I point I would like to make is
3332
02:48:06.500 --> 02:48:10.100
we initially farmed in partnership with
3333
02:48:09.100 --> 02:48:12.000
Lee Farm, which is now part of
3334
02:48:12.700 --> 02:48:15.500
part of the scheme and Now farmers a
3335
02:48:15.500 --> 02:48:19.300
sole Enterprise and throughout my tenure
3336
02:48:18.300 --> 02:48:22.900
of the farm dating back several decades.
3337
02:48:22.900 --> 02:48:25.800
We have remained a profitable
3338
02:48:25.800 --> 02:48:28.100
and sustainable business. We would not
3339
02:48:28.100 --> 02:48:31.500
be able to do that on unproductive land. So
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3340
02:48:31.500 --> 02:48:34.300
those are the TT key points. They would like to make
3341
02:48:34.300 --> 02:48:38.000
the inspectorate in relation to frequent
3342
02:48:37.000 --> 02:48:38.100
form.
3343
02:48:39.200 --> 02:48:42.500
Thank you, Mr. To Mr. Chook as I take
3344
02:48:42.500 --> 02:48:45.300
it you are what's called an affected person
3345
02:48:45.300 --> 02:48:48.900
in relation to the application. You may
3346
02:48:48.900 --> 02:48:52.300
well have an opportunity to speak at a later
3347
02:48:51.300 --> 02:48:55.300
compulsory acquisition hearing which
3348
02:48:54.300 --> 02:48:57.500
is scheduled for later
3349
02:48:57.500 --> 02:49:00.300
in the examination timetable. So I don't know
3350
02:49:00.300 --> 02:49:03.500
if you're aware of that. But as an effective person
3351
02:49:03.500 --> 02:49:07.100
you would be able to register to to speak
02:49:06.100 --> 02:49:10.500
at that hearing so you
3353
02:49:09.500 --> 02:49:12.700
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may wish to keep an
3354
02:49:12.700 --> 02:49:15.700
eye on the national infrastructure web pages and keep
3355
02:49:15.700 --> 02:49:19.900
in touch with the case officers to see when
3356
02:49:19.900 --> 02:49:22.100
 and where those hearings will take
3357
02:49:22.100 --> 02:49:22.400
place.
3358
02:49:23.700 --> 02:49:25.800
By weather data. Thank you very much engage your time.
02:49:26.500 --> 02:49:29.400
Thank you Mr. Cheeks. So that does bring to an end
3360
02:49:29.400 --> 02:49:33.200
the representations that have been made here
3361
02:49:32.200 --> 02:49:35.300
today before we close
3362
02:49:35.300 --> 02:49:39.800
the meeting. I'd like to ask the applicant whose
3363
02:49:38.800 --> 02:49:41.900
represented here today by Mr. Griffiths
3364
02:49:41.900 --> 02:49:44.900
whether he would like to respond to
3365
02:49:44.900 --> 02:49:47.200
any or all of
3366
02:49:47.200 --> 02:49:51.800
the representations that have been made so the
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3367
02:49:50.800 --> 02:49:54.300
applicant has 10 minutes to
3368
02:49:53.300 --> 02:49:56.200
reply and I'm sure you will
3369
02:49:56.200 --> 02:49:59.400
extend the same courtesy to him as you have to
3370
02:49:59.400 --> 02:50:02.900
everybody else when listening to his response.
3371
02:50:03.700 --> 02:50:06.600
And thank you, Mr. Griffiths. You
3372
02:50:06.600 --> 02:50:08.400
have 10 minutes in your time starts now.
3373
02:50:09.900 --> 02:50:12.300
Thank you, sir. First of all Kai thank everyone
3374
02:50:12.300 --> 02:50:15.300
who has attended today's open floor
3375
02:50:15.300 --> 02:50:19.300
hearing and my thanks to those who attended Tuesday evenings
opening
3376
02:50:18.300 --> 02:50:21.400
as well. Many of the issues raised
3377
02:50:21.400 --> 02:50:24.200
of course have been raised in written
3378
02:50:24.200 --> 02:50:27.400
representations or whatever representations and the applicant has
3379
02:50:27.400 --> 02:50:32.300
already responded to those at either deadline one or deadline to
where any
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3380
02:50:31.300 --> 02:50:34.100
new issues have been raised will either respond to
3381
02:50:34.100 --> 02:50:37.100
deadline for or on receipt of any
3382
02:50:37.100 --> 02:50:40.300
written summaries of today's or summaries will respond it.
3383
02:50:40.900 --> 02:50:42.000
deadline five
3384
02:50:42.700 --> 02:50:45.700
Of course, a lot of topics have also been discussed in
3385
02:50:45.700 --> 02:50:49.000
detail during the course of this week's written as you
3386
02:50:48.200 --> 02:50:51.700
 specific hearings with evidence and
3387
02:50:51.700 --> 02:50:53.100
the applicant's Consultants.
3388
02:50:53.800 --> 02:50:56.200
Before I come on to some themes from today just to Briefly
3389
02:50:56.200 --> 02:51:00.000
summarize in the time. I have I just want to highlight what I
3390
02:50:59.100 --> 02:51:02.500
mentioned today beginning the meeting about the potential change
3391
02:51:02.500 --> 02:51:05.500
application that is coming forward. It's the applicant
02:51:05.500 --> 02:51:08.700
submitted at deadline 3A a document called
3393
02:51:08.700 --> 02:51:11.800
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update by the applicant on Heritage matters and
3394
02:51:11.800 --> 02:51:14.200
 substation connection. And that's found in the
3395
02:51:14.200 --> 02:51:18.800
examination library at rep 3A -037
3396
02:51:17.800 --> 02:51:20.700
 and that document identifies
3397
02:51:20.700 --> 02:51:23.300
for scheme changes that the applicant intends to
3398
02:51:23.300 --> 02:51:23.400
make
3399
02:51:24.300 --> 02:51:27.200
The first one as I mentioned earlier is the removal of
3400
02:51:27.200 --> 02:51:30.300
the substation at Burwell and therefore to remove
3401
02:51:30.300 --> 02:51:33.700
the need to compulsory acquire the Freehold land before that
substation.
3402
02:51:33.700 --> 02:51:36.200
The second change relates to the removal of
3403
02:51:36.200 --> 02:51:39.400
the Sonica West site to be development form
3404
02:51:39.400 --> 02:51:42.700
the scheme for solar PV and mitigation
3405
02:51:42.700 --> 02:51:45.400
 and to be clear I think snow will Parish Council
3406
02:51:45.400 --> 02:51:48.900
mentioned a access route at
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3407
02:51:48.900 --> 02:51:51.400
Sonic a site bead. That won't be used for the
3408
02:51:51.400 --> 02:51:54.100
cable route that still requires to go
3409
02:51:54.100 --> 02:51:56.200
through that area.
3410
02:51:57.200 --> 02:52:01.000
And then the Third change is to provide a 50 meter extension
exclusion
3411
02:52:00.200 --> 02:52:03.600
Zone. Sorry around the crater of the
3412
02:52:03.600 --> 02:52:07.100
bomber site be 50 bomber
3413
02:52:06.100 --> 02:52:10.000
site. And that was the is located on field e
3414
02:52:09.300 --> 02:52:12.600
hyphen 05 and then
3415
02:52:12.600 --> 02:52:16.100
the fourth change will be to remove an area of approximately 2.9
3416
02:52:15.100 --> 02:52:19.300
hectares in field. W -04
3417
02:52:18.300 --> 02:52:20.600
at Chippenham.
3418
02:52:21.100 --> 02:52:24.200
That application is planned to be submitted on the 13th of January.
3419
02:52:24.200 --> 02:52:27.900
There will be an advert going out in the paper next Thursday prior
to
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3420
02:52:27.900 --> 02:52:30.900
this Mission and then it can be examined in the
3421
02:52:30.900 --> 02:52:34.600
examination in terms of some themes. First
3422
02:52:33.600 --> 02:52:36.300
of all, I need in size
3423
02:52:36.300 --> 02:52:40.000
the scheme. I need to highlight that we cannot ignore the
3424
02:52:39.600 --> 02:52:42.300
UK's legal commitment to achieve a net
3425
02:52:42.300 --> 02:52:45.900
net zero by 2050 and the decarbonization of
3426
02:52:45.900 --> 02:52:48.200
the grid is an essential
3427
02:52:48.200 --> 02:52:51.800
step to deliver that the three aims being of
3428
02:52:51.800 --> 02:52:53.400
this renewable energy scheme.
3429
02:52:54.600 --> 02:52:57.400
the achievements of net of Net Zero
3430
02:52:57.400 --> 02:52:59.500
security supply and affordability
3431
02:53:00.800 --> 02:53:03.700
smaller scale generation development will
3432
02:53:03.700 --> 02:53:07.300
not be sufficient to get the United Kingdom to Net
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02:53:06.300 --> 02:53:09.500
 Zero and that is indeed recognized in
3434
02:53:09.500 --> 02:53:12.100
 government policy smaller scheme simply will not
3435
02:53:12.100 --> 02:53:13.300
be enough for the future.
3436
02:53:14.200 --> 02:53:17.600
This scheme will deliver a 500 megawatts output
3437
02:53:17.600 --> 02:53:20.600
of power at the point of connection at Burwell during
3438
02:53:20.600 --> 02:53:23.900
the operational life of its of the scheme. Despite
3439
02:53:23.900 --> 02:53:26.500
what's being heard today. It is a renewable energy project
3440
02:53:26.500 --> 02:53:29.500
that will displace fossil fuel generation and
3441
02:53:29.500 --> 02:53:32.500
help lower the carbon intensity of the
3442
02:53:32.500 --> 02:53:33.300
UK's grid.
3443
02:53:34.400 --> 02:53:37.800
In terms of loss of agricultural land as is
3444
02:53:37.800 --> 02:53:40.100
reported it is the applicants evidence.
3445
02:53:40.800 --> 02:53:43.300
That over 96% of the land within
3446
02:53:43.300 --> 02:53:46.600
 the site is classified as either 3B or
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3447
02:53:46.600 --> 02:53:49.700
four and that means it's lower quality lands. Now,
3448
02:53:49.700 --> 02:53:52.300
the applicant stands by its expert who
3449
02:53:52.300 --> 02:53:55.400
has 30 years experience of soils and
3450
02:53:55.400 --> 02:53:58.800
is part of the former math ALC survey team. Now,
3451
02:53:58.800 --> 02:54:01.300
 we've heard this morning that people disagree with that as is their
right,
3452
02:54:01.300 --> 02:54:04.700
but Natural England has confirmed the applicant
3453
02:54:04.700 --> 02:54:07.700
Source Specialists have provided clear justification for
3454
02:54:07.700 --> 02:54:10.200
our assessment and the assumptions used and have
3455
02:54:10.200 --> 02:54:13.600
demonstrated to Natural England their competence in undertaking
3456
02:54:13.600 --> 02:54:15.100
ALC assessments.
3457
02:54:16.500 --> 02:54:19.600
Natural income tests also confirmed that the scheme is temporary.
3458
02:54:20.200 --> 02:54:23.500
And the development is unlikely to lead to the significant permanent
loss
3459
02:54:23.500 --> 02:54:26.300
of BMV land. So not only is a scheme
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3460
02:54:26.300 --> 02:54:29.500
96% non-bmv land but of the 4%
3461
02:54:29.500 --> 02:54:32.700
BMV land that is not permanently lost.
3462
02:54:33.800 --> 02:54:36.200
In terms of food security attempt to use this land
3463
02:54:36.200 --> 02:54:39.400
for renewable security or renewable energy won't have a
3464
02:54:39.400 --> 02:54:42.200
 significant impact the defra 2021 food
3465
02:54:42.200 --> 02:54:45.900
security ports highlights that climate change and soil degradation
3466
02:54:45.900 --> 02:54:48.300
is among the most significant air threats to
3467
02:54:48.300 --> 02:54:51.700
national food security, which of course this project seems seeks
3468
02:54:51.700 --> 02:54:54.500
to to us to reduce on battery
3469
02:54:54.500 --> 02:54:58.000
storage needs and fire risk battery storage
3470
02:54:57.200 --> 02:55:00.700
is required as I've highlighted on Tuesday night The
3471
02:55:00.700 --> 02:55:03.200
Sun Shines particular times, we can't control
3472
02:55:03.200 --> 02:55:06.700
that when the country needs Energy may not
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02:55:06.700 --> 02:55:09.200
always coincide within when the sun is shining. So
3474
02:55:09.200 --> 02:55:12.500
it needs to be stored to maximize the generally connection that the
3475
02:55:12.500 --> 02:55:15.500
applicant has in terms of safety that
3476
02:55:15.500 --> 02:55:19.400
was considered in detail with evidence on yesterday
3477
02:55:18.400 --> 02:55:21.100
on Thursday and the
3478
02:55:21.100 --> 02:55:24.800
measures the safety measures we proposed to outline in our outline
3479
02:55:24.800 --> 02:55:27.200
battery for our Safety Management plan, which is the
02:55:27.200 --> 02:55:30.300
most developed plan of that type at this stage.
3481
02:55:30.300 --> 02:55:33.600
We're planning process all projects have gone forward and those
3482
02:55:33.800 --> 02:55:36.400
have been written and discussed and agreed with
3483
02:55:36.400 --> 02:55:38.200
the fire and Rescue Services.
3484
02:55:39.400 --> 02:55:43.700
In terms of design, I
3485
02:55:43.700 --> 02:55:46.700
 would just highlight that the scheme has had negative design
process. We
3486
02:55:46.700 --> 02:55:49.600
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have listened to representations. There have been public meetings.
There
3487
02:55:49.600 --> 02:55:52.400
has been consultation. The scheme wouldn't have been accepted if
3488
02:55:52.400 --> 02:55:55.600
it hadn't had that consultation and the scheme
3489
02:55:55.600 --> 02:55:58.500
has evolved by having regard to landscape and visual effects
3490
02:55:58.500 --> 02:56:01.600
local communities ecology archeology. Hence the
3491
02:56:01.600 --> 02:56:04.500
30% of offsetting that
3492
02:56:04.500 --> 02:56:07.600
the scheme incorporates in its design and
3493
02:56:07.600 --> 02:56:12.000
incorporated into its design is also biodiversity net
3494
02:56:11.300 --> 02:56:14.400
 gain of under schemas currently designed
3495
02:56:14.400 --> 02:56:15.500
83%
3496
02:56:17.100 --> 02:56:17.700
landscape
3497
02:56:18.500 --> 02:56:21.300
official impacts and horse racing industry have obviously been
3498
02:56:21.300 --> 02:56:25.300
 raised this morning as they were discussed in detail yesterday. And
3499
02:56:24.300 --> 02:56:27.400
the applicant is not showing away
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3500
02:56:27.400 --> 02:56:30.600
from the fact that there will be the solar panels
3501
02:56:30.600 --> 02:56:33.100
will be visible that's reported in environmental statements.
3502
02:56:33.800 --> 02:56:36.600
But we have to look at it through planning policy terms
3503
02:56:36.600 --> 02:56:39.600
and the value of that landscape implanting policy
3504
02:56:39.600 --> 02:56:42.500
is not to designated. Yes, the horse racing industry
3505
02:56:42.500 --> 02:56:45.400
has an economic interest in the lime Kilns, but
3506
02:56:45.400 --> 02:56:48.200
the landscape doesn't fall that means the landscape has
3507
02:56:48.200 --> 02:56:51.400
a planning policy designation. It does not and from the
3508
02:56:51.400 --> 02:56:54.700
applicant's perspective. The characteristics of
3509
02:56:54.700 --> 02:56:57.000
the lime kills will indeed remain.
3510
02:56:58.400 --> 02:57:01.700
Construction impacts on public rights of way, which we also
discussed yesterday. There
3511
02:57:01.700 --> 02:57:05.000
are eight public rights way, which will be temporarily temporarily.
3512
02:57:04.100 --> 02:57:07.500
need to highlight an emphasize either diverted
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3513
02:57:07.500 --> 02:57:10.800
or closed if it's required for safety reasons any
3514
02:57:10.800 --> 02:57:13.100
temporary diversion or closure if
3515
02:57:13.100 --> 02:57:17.100
it's required for safety reasons will be for on
3516
02:57:16.100 --> 02:57:19.100
a worst case basis for three weeks and that is
3517
02:57:19.100 --> 02:57:22.600
documented and secured in the outlying construction
3518
02:57:22.600 --> 02:57:23.900
Environmental Management plan.
3519
02:57:24.900 --> 02:57:28.200
In addition the applicants are posing three permissive
3520
02:57:27.200 --> 02:57:30.300
parts and application. We are on discussions about
3521
02:57:30.300 --> 02:57:33.400
a fourth permissive path that is again secured in
3522
02:57:33.400 --> 02:57:36.300
development consent order and we're also in discussions with the
3523
02:57:36.300 --> 02:57:40.000
county councils as we discuss yesterday about a 106 monetary
3524
02:57:39.400 --> 02:57:42.300
package to enhance the public
3525
02:57:42.300 --> 02:57:45.300
rights way in this area. We do understand that the
3526
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02:57:45.300 --> 02:57:48.400
public rights way are minimal in this area and we want to assist
the
3527
02:57:48.400 --> 02:57:51.900
Council through the scheme of enhancing whether the
3528
02:57:51.900 --> 02:57:53.900
existing rights way or creation of new ones.
3529
02:57:54.900 --> 02:57:57.200
And then finally, this is a
3530
02:57:57.200 --> 02:58:00.500
temporary scheme. It is for 40 years
3531
02:58:00.500 --> 02:58:03.600
that is secured in the order. It has to be to commissioned
3532
02:58:03.600 --> 02:58:06.500
 after 40 years. There's a draft plan in the
3533
02:58:06.500 --> 02:58:09.700
application that demonstrates how the scheme
3534
02:58:09.700 --> 02:58:12.800
will return the land to their landowners.
3535
02:58:12.800 --> 02:58:15.200
It's landowners in the
3536
02:58:15.200 --> 02:58:18.600
condition that we take it on saw management landscape ecology
3537
02:58:18.600 --> 02:58:21.900
elements. There's all covered in the plan and for people
3538
02:58:21.900 --> 02:58:24.500
who don't appreciate the development concern
3539
02:58:24.500 --> 02:58:26.700
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3540
02:58:27.400 --> 02:58:31.300
If that requirements that condition on dco
3541
02:58:30.300 --> 02:58:33.800
for the decommissioning is
3542
02:58:33.800 --> 02:58:36.200
not a deity. It is a criminal offense.
3543
02:58:37.200 --> 02:58:41.100
And that is a different thing to a planning permission. So that's
Canter
3544
02:58:40.100 --> 02:58:43.600
through quite a lot of the issues that I recorded.
3545
02:58:43.600 --> 02:58:46.600
We will of course as I said summarize provide more
3546
02:58:46.600 --> 02:58:49.800
detailed responses when we see the written any written submissions
that
3547
02:58:49.800 --> 02:58:53.000
 are submitted at deadline for but I hope that assists the examining
thought
3548
02:58:52.800 --> 02:58:55.300
the scriptures thank you very much. It does
3549
02:58:55.300 --> 02:58:58.300
as in fact, the panel is assisted by
3550
02:58:58.300 --> 02:59:01.500
all of the contributions that have been made this morning and thank
3551
02:59:01.500 --> 02:59:02.100
you for them.
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towards a different Beast to a planning permission.

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02:59:02.800 --> 02:59:05.100
So it just
3553
02:59:06.400 --> 02:59:10.600
remains for me to say that the there will
3554
02:59:10.600 --> 02:59:14.000
be a recording of the proceedings made available on the project
page
3555
02:59:13.200 --> 02:59:15.900
of the national infrastructure website.
3556
02:59:16.700 --> 02:59:20.000
It's now just past one
3557
02:59:19.400 --> 02:59:22.600
o'clock and the second open floor hearing
3558
02:59:22.600 --> 02:59:25.400
for the Seneca solar farm project is now closed. Thank
3559
02:59:25.400 --> 02:59:26.100
you very much everyone.
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