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To: [Sunnica Energy Farm](#)
Subject: Decommissioning of Sunnica
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Dear Sir,

Further to the latest hearing recordings posted on your web site and pertaining to the decommissioning of Sunnica...

It was stated by Sunnica that they had no intention of removing the underground cables and infrastructure when the site was decommissioned. It was also said that there would be no plan to fund the strip down at the start of the project and that it should be funded from ongoing operational profits. The KC stated that all this is normal practice.

Even if he is correct that this is what is commonly done it in no way eases my concerns about the removal and restoration to agricultural land of the Sunnica sites after the allotted time is finished.

- Firstly there needs to be a requirement in any DCO to pay into a trust every year a percentage (1/40th if a 40 year scheme) of the anticipated removal costs regardless of scheme profits.
- Secondly there needs to be a requirement to remove ALL infrastructure including cables, cable chambers, land works below, as well as above ground equipment at the end of the scheme, restoring the environment properly. This might inform the choice of design of cables and groundwork etc. from the start of the project.
- Thirdly there needs to be a requirement that all land is tested for ANY pollution resulting from the scheme at the end of the scheme and if any pollution than this is required to be cleaned up and the land made back to its "natural" self.

(I am still opposed to the BESS in principle and practice as its unknown and unproven technology, will seriously threaten local residents welfare, and also will make the areas appearance into an industrial landscape rather than the countryside we all know and love.)

Many Thanks
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Best Regards

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