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To: <u>Sunnica Energy Farm</u>

Subject: Objections to the proposed Sunnica plan

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Dear Sir,

May I start by saying that I do realise that we have an energy crisis in the UK but I don't think this proposed scheme is the right way to tackle it.

Firstly, putting solar panels and batteries on a huge scale on agricultural food producing land cannot be the right way forward rather than placing them on top of industrial buildings and brownfield sites. I am worried that the quality of the agricultural land concerned considered not to be top quality has been assessed by experts working on behalf of Sunnica and the land owners rather than having impartial and neutral judgments. At the moment I see food crops growing in abundance on these areas.

I live in Chippenham in the middle of the scheme and I worry that our village and small country roads are totally unsuited to the mass of HGV vehicles which will invade us while it is being set up. I also worry about the batteries being close to the villages which are prone to ignite letting off toxic fumes and are very difficult to extinguish.

I walk every day with my dog on a footpath which links Snailwell to Newmarket and which borders the scheme ,as do many of my friends and I gather this will be closed for many months . Pipelines will be dug across all our roads, our beautiful countryside will be destroyed and wild life obliterated .

This scheme is huge and to my mind will ruin the lives of countless people who have chosen to live in a beautiful part of the English countryside. The Limekilns, an historic part of the racehorse training grounds of Newmarket will look over a battery farm and acres of solar panels.

I am so hoping that sense will prevail and this huge and unsuitable scheme will not receive the go ahead.

Yours sincerely

Karin Dobbie Sent from my iPhone