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Rt Hon Michael Gove MP Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing, and Communities 2 Marsham Street London SW1P 4DF

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Dear Michael,

I am writing to you to object to the Sunnica Solar Park proposal which I understand is coming up for decision soon.

This is an important test case and its influence will be central.

My own constituency and its surrounding area has been flooded with applications for solar panels covering thousands and thousands of acres.

If Sunnica is allowed to go through then I fear for the effect it will have across the country.

It will establish a dangerous precedent that it is acceptable to take good land out of agricultural production – even during the middle of a global crisis in which Russia's illegal invasion of Ukraine continues to disrupt food distribution across the planet.

Thank you for taking the time to look into this.

Yours ever,

EDWARD LEIGH MP