

i have previously made a submission under Deadline 1A regarding the Applicants plans for a large solar farm close to my home. I am very perturbed at the responses to many of the submissions published. The loss of a large area of valuable productive agricultural land is framed as a necessary fact in order to supply green energy needs in the UK. At a time of urgent need for increasing food security in the UK this is not justified. I would draw the Inspectorates attention to the detailed paper submitted by Professor Alder on this subject.

The use of local narrow country lanes during the construction period to carry many HGV movements each day is of grave concern even given that the Applicant has made reference to some widening being planned along these lanes. They will thereby lose their rural character and the traffic loading will be enormous during the construction period.

The Applicant's response to concerns about amenity and recreation concede that there will be major adverse impacts to some users of the public rights of way inside the proposed site. This will be a major negative experience for the many people who access these footpaths regularly and I would expect them to fall into disuse over time.

My extreme concerns about the appropriateness of the siting of this proposed solar farm remain and the Applicants responses to Deadline 1A have done little to assuage them. For all the reasons above this proposal is not on a suitable site and should not be permitted to be built.