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Subject: Comment from Ward Member-Cllr David Wilby

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Dear Sirs, I know that you will have garnered much comment on this subject but it would be remiss of me not to add my comments.

- -I fully understand the urgent need to search and produce more Green Energy.
- -However, our climate is not best suited to Solar Farms and we are not blessed with the open spaces of Canada and other Continents
- -Nevertheless, every bit counts and we should try and do our bit to sustain our planet.
- -BUT, the huge and rambling plan proposed currently for Mallard Pass is just unthinkable and would be a tremendous blot on our rural landscape
- -And a nightmare to police and secure
- -The envisaged construction phase will involve many heavy goods vehicles and many local tradesmen using inadequate A1 junctions and totally unsuitable minor country approach roads.
- -In particular, the road junctions at Gt Casterton and Ryhall are already dangerously overloaded at critical commuter and school times.
- -Not least, the parallel minor road through Little Casterton will undoubtably become more of a busy "ratrun"
- -We will need better pedestrian crossings in all these locations to give protection for our Children and the Community users.
- -Moreover, it would be good to see more products being produced by British Industry.
- -Finally, should this project be approved, there must be some tangible local benefit to our Community as compensation.

I have made this a broad statement as I appreciate that others will have produced much detailed data and statistics.

Thank you for your due consideration,

Kindest regards,

David Wilby

Ward Member Ryhall, Essendine, Belmesthorpe and The Castertons

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