

MALLARD PASS CLOSING STATEMENTS ADRIAN FORSELL

I have been involved in some of the events in conjunction with this planning application and I would like to make the following points

- 1) I am not in favour of a Chinese Organisation (Canadian Solar) being involved in the construction of this project. As you will be aware they have been involved in some [REDACTED] operations in China
- 2) I am not convinced that the Solar Farm can run without battery back up and indeed having attended one of the hearings I got the impression that because there was no battery storage some of the energy generated would go to waste.
- 3) I am still not of the opinion that people understand the effect that the huge scale of this Solar Farm proposal will have on the local area in terms of the local residents/loss of visual amenity/the huge disruption during construction/noise/effects of wildlife/effect on pedestrians/cyclists/horse riders/effect on property prices etc
- 4) This is not the only large solar farm proposed for Lincolnshire. There are at least 5 others. Lincolnshire is the bread basket of the UK in terms of agriculture and the combined loss of arable production if all the solar farms were given the green light would be considerable. Also there are plans for a sizeable reservoir near Sleaford – no doubt another Infrastructure Project that would again take up valuable farmland. Since the application of this Solar Farm proposal world wide events have in the UK now created a food crisis as well as an energy crisis.
- 5) I also gathered at meetings that the efficiency of this solar farm is questionable when compared to others and the size of it is making up for this poor efficiency to meet the capacity of the Ryhall substation.
- 6) The traffic proposals put forward by the developers also seemed to be very poorly thought out. The lane from Essendine to the main proposed compound near the Ryhall sub station is in an appalling state and not fit for purpose for the volume and type of traffic proposed. There is also the issue of where the cabling will be laid and the effect that this may have on the Essendine residents and the main road that goes through the village.
- 7) If this proposal did go ahead there appears to be no mention of compensation for the local residents especially those in Essendine.

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