

At the hearings at East of England Showground we raised the issue of our legal loss of right of access to our Vineyard for the duration of this project, after we sought advice. They stated at the time that we would not lose our legal right. Following on from the hearing they contacted us to confirm that we were correct. We are yet to receive legal documents confirming that plans have been amended as requested.

Following on from the latest hearings, it is disappointing to hear that, " We recognize that we have not been able to make the same commitment for your Church Farm access above and beyond that change in Table 3-4, meaning there is still the risk that access may not be possible for a very short time whilst (and if) a cabling trench is dug outside that access point." With daily business activities unable to take place will have a financial impact on ourselves, visitors unable to visit to purchase and postal collections unable to be collected.

From the initial announcement of the proposed solar farm by Windell Energy and Mallard Pass Solar Farm I declared my personal medical condition to them and subsequently supplied a letter from an medical specialist detailing the effect and impact that the solar farm would have on my health. It has taken until this September for two representatives to come and visit us and to discuss points raised. The solar panels will be visible from our property both outside and inside, notably in the kitchen and an upstairs bedroom. During the infancy of the proposed solar farm, immature trees will be planted so the panels will be visible for many years and currently they cannot specify at this time which type of solar panels will be installed. They have subsequently amended plans to plant more mature hedgerow albeit the visual impact is still a concern as it will take years for full screening to reach maturity. I also drive along Uffington Road to take our young daughter to school.

Whilst I appreciate two members from MPSF coming to see us in September this year to listen to our concerns, it is disappointing that it took nearly 2 years for this to take place. Communication and full disclosure has been lacking to local residents whom will be impacted the most without a gain. And finally, despite their abundance of professional experts dealing with this proposal, for them to get points incorrect on legal rights, raises a concern on how their ability to run such a significant infrastructural project.