

Q1.1.26 Decommissioning

Irrespective of the time period of operation the decommissioning cost £ appears to not been taken into account. At the hearing the applicant stated that there is no £ provision would be made!

On that basis who would be footing the cost? This must not be left open, the applicant needs to provide secured funds to deal with this issue prior to any commencement of work. They are reluctant to do this as they will have difficulty in selling the project to a prospective buyer.

Where would the liability lay - land owner, government or asking our children's children to foot the bill in taxes would be unforgivable.

Q1.1.21 Management Plans, Point 1

To add to your reference I am exceedingly concerned about the fire risk element of the batteries.

a) Fire Brigade access? - limited number of vehicles to access rough / water logged terrain

b, Currently only foam and sand can extinguish battery fires - the Fire Brigade do not carry sand in large quantities. In recent cases they have been left to burn out.

c, Evacuation plan local residents - the gases given off are very toxic. How far will gases travel based upon a wind model?

d, What are the health effects of inhaling these gasses?

e, Implications on the immediate area - contamination etc

As I understand no large solar development has taken place so close to local population and therefore the risks factors not been taken into account.

Many thanks for reviewing my comments

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