

The developer claimed the landscape is already industrialised as a result of the distant power stations. If the remaining power stations are decommissioned as Marnham has been then they will not be visible. To suggest that the existence of an isolated structure constitutes industrialisation is untrue the areas in question are clearly agricultural in nature and forms a rural landscape to the east of the river Trent. All the existing power stations are to the west of the Trent.

The developer claimed that the hedges will screen the development this cannot be achieved. Due to the undulating land and the height of the solar panels and other structures associated with the solar farm they will be clearly visible. More so in winter when the hedge rows are devoid of leaf they will provide no screening. If the proposals go ahead the area will become industrialised for the rest of my life.

The proposals for the battery storage facility are distressing and the developer has failed to address the concerns of the public. It is still unclear if in the event of a fire and the release of toxic fumes how an evacuation of the surrounding area would be undertaken and who if anyone could deal with the fire and toxic gasses.

The claim that solar can produce large amounts of low carbon energy is flawed as they only consider the peak values not the real values which suggest it is only 14% efficient it does not produce significant amounts of power in winter and non during the night when the demand is at a peak.

A better alternative would be small scale nuclear plants that would be able to produce electricity on demand and in the future the development of fusion plants.

No account appears to have been taken into the damaging affects with regard to carbon usage in the making, transporting and installing such vast structures and how some of the materials are procured.

At a time when food security is of great concern to have 4 solar farm covering thousands of acres of productive farm land is folly. These proposals will destroy the existing rural landscape for generations if not for ever I do not believe the land would ever be returned to agricultural use.