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Recently there has been a spate of applications for development of solar farms in our area, namely: Cottam 1, 2 and 3; West Burton 1, 2 and 3; Gate Burton; Tillbridge Solar and Stow Park. It is poor and a very poor planning practice not to consider all of these applications holistically. Therefore together to understand the significant detrimental impact that collectively these will have on our local communities.

Within the 100's of documents the developer has submitted, there is no evidence that the overall carbon footprint of this development will support the net-zero strategy as the entire construction and lifecycle calculations of all the materials have not been provided. The issues around the source of the solar panels, their efficiency or longevity is presented as estimates and guesses rather than facts.

This and all of the recent solar applications is a barndoor obvious case of greenwashing. The only green thing in this entire application is the colour of the money. Vast amounts of it that will benefit foreign investors that do not care about the damage and destruction of our land.

I absolutely agree with the need to develop alternatives to fossil fuels – but not in the case where this adds to the problems or carbon impacts – as is the case with these proposals. I fundamentally and strongly oppose this application.