

As a keen local Rambler I often walk in this area, I live close by on the border of Nottinghamshire. The affects of this application cannot be taken in isolation ALL of the proposed solar panel proposals need to be taken as a whole and the cumulative impact on local people, businesses and especially food production considered.

Why are tracts of decent land being covered by solar farms when the government could legislate to put solar panels on all new homes. I fear that the answer is profit - profit for the developers and profit for the land owners and profit for the housing developers. Rural communities have been ignored in recent times by bodies such as yourselves. We are being asked increasingly to give up our way of life for providing energy and raw materials for city dwellers. A balance needs to be had in all things and these proposed developments combining thousands of acres in a relatively small area are un-balanced. Everyone knows the shortcomings of solar. When power is actually really needed when it is cold and or dark it doesn't produce. If solar is really the answer why aren't the government providing subsidies to allow homeowners to install solar. This is about taking the easy option to tick net zero boxes and to make profit for the wealthy at the expense of ordinary people. When is the wellbeing of local people going to be factored into these decisions. This is plea from the heart which many, many rural residents feel - we are being exploited to make others rich.