

Summary: there are many arguments against this and the other proposals. For me the most important is the loss of good food producing land in the face of unchecked global and UK population growth. Solar panels on farm land are a threat to food security for future generations. Other arguments include that in the winter when we need most energy they produce less than 25% of that in the summer. Technology for green energy is developing at a tremendous pace, the panels will be obsolete before they are installed. The widening of our country lanes and the uprooting of trees and hedges will both reduce photosynthesis and the removal of carbon dioxide and significantly urbanise our locality to the detriment of our environment. Scientists have recently argued that because the panels reflect significant IR, heat radiation, a high concentration in a small area such as proposed here, will create a huge up draught of hot air on a summer day that it is likely to change the local climate. We are trying to reduce climate change, we may be making it worse by this proposal. West Burton has been designated for the first trial of nuclear fusion. If it works, this would be a much better solution and worth waiting for. In the meantime more links should be made to the grid so that the panels can go on the roofs of buildings and be spread out throughout predominantly urban areas, Farmers are not valued in the UK but without them we, our children, grandchildren and great grandchildren will be hungry. Finally, has the cost to the tax payer and the huge profits of the multi nationals been considered? This proposal should be rejected.