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Dear Planning inspectorate

I have attached my thoughts and objections to West Burton Solar. I hope you read it to the end.

You have to look at the combined impact of all the projects as it has highlight the impact as 3 projects have impacted on each other.

Just look at what it is doing to our villages and the people who did not see this coming.

One project ok. Destruction another.

Kind Regards

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COMBINED IMPACT OF ALL PROJECTS

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I have continually pointed out throughout the process of this project, that the problem lies with the impact of not just one project but multiple.

It has however impacted on the project itself. Multiple projects all wanting the same area,

The project should have been passed in August I believe or maybe in July as were Cottam and Gate Burton 9 days after Mr Millaband became secretary of state. Fast reader.

This was put back because 2 projects have collided because another has not let it do what it had planned to do.

I explain.

The cables from this project I believe were to be routed down the quarry road and into the grid. I also believe that the battery packs are to be on site at West Burton or there about.

The quarry (I was out with the quarry manager yesterday and he say he doesn't think they wouldn't let them use the land) or the landowner, I only surmise didn't want them to use the road.

Big set back.

The next route they have chosen to take is down the main road of west Burton and the cable will be where the Step Fusion want to be. Step Fusion have asked they don't use the area they need as the cables will interfere with, they Project.

The solicitor for the project is in talks with EDF to buy the land.

Whether this has happened I don't know???

Well what a to do. The projects collide and are causing a problem.

If you look at it from my point of view and the people of the villages surrounding the multiple projects you will see that your set back gives relief for a few more months maybe a year before all the projects start and we watch the destruction of our countryside and the loss of all the farming in our area.

No one has ever looked at the impact of the projects being passed in our area and the amount.

I know I bore most people but throughout the last 2 years the multiple projects have had a massive impact on my mental and physical health. I have been diagnosed with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] unknown cause but Stress is a factor and I have gone back to see my [REDACTED] who I saw when [REDACTED].

The biggest problem has been that I haven't a clue who to go to for help???? I can honestly say I have had not help from any person I have been to or contacted.

The first thing I would like to point out is

There is a pond in the middle of Sturton le Steeple. It is next to a play park and a pub. The rain and the silt come from the land. It can not be dredged because we have to consider a newt. Newts don't live in running water. The silt is over a meter deep and the water filthy. If a child ingests the water they could be respiratory cripples for the rest of their life. But we can't do it because of a newt. It can't be put back on the land it runs of. Never know why??? So, it remains undredged.

Why do I tell you this???

Because every project does an Ecology survey. Each project which is passed removes animals and hedge rows.

me. What have they done to be treated like that. All they have ever known is peace. Now man destroys their way of life.

The Deer. I was out walking on the quarry road last year and saw a deer. I stood and watched but it didn't move. Got a bit closer and put the dogs on their leads. Either side of the deer is a fence. The deer could easily jump it but it didn't. Know why???? Because it had 2 babies with it and I was in the way of where it wanted to be. So I bid it farewell and walked 2 miles in back from whence I came to get home. Where it was going has now being the place where the pylons are being upgraded and so no where for them to hide.

The hare. I watched a survey being done. A ski type thing was being dragged by a buggy across the meadow. Up jumped a hare and ran away. I called the chap driving it over. I said you've just nearly run over a hare and they have babies on the ground. Maybe it was an ecology survey??? Wow. He didn't care.

Hedge rows. We listen on the TV and the government how important our hedge rows are. Not round here they not. Each project hacks them down and replaces them with smaller versions which will take 20 years to grow. They help with Carbon neutral but hack em out they are in the way. Plus the wildlife that live in them what the hell. So Sad.

Footpaths. The landowner has applied for right to walk so it stops anyone who has walked in an area and has not applied for it to be a footpath has to stop. Old Mr. Folgem, didn't stop us. Do we class this as another project or being plain Mean??? The footpaths are so overgrown and not accessible. Well that is before Lance the new footpath man walked with me an started cutting them. Good guy.

This is a sample of my Ecologist report as a dog walker. Anyone wanting to see it through my eye I will walk the land with you.

The planning inspectorate have done a drive by survey of the project. I find this difficult to understand how they can give a true and factual report from a car and minimal walking.

If you have got this far I thank you. It goes on more.

What came next the chicken or the egg. That's about how the projects feel. Not sure which came first all I know is when we thought we were safe from Covid little did we know that our lives around the Grids of West Burton, Cottam and Gate Burton were about to change forever.

It we go back before Covid. An application was submitted for a solar farm from Station road to high house or there about. No one objected. A small solar farm no problem. It was to the farmer who lost his farming right but these things happen. We were blind to what was about to happen.

The Quarry. Was passed in 2005. After 15 years nothing had happened. Talking to the Tarmac manager there was nothing there. I contacted him about the height of the hedge in front of the bungalow. It was about 6 meters high. It was to find out whose hedge it was. There was nothing at the bottom just height. We agreed it was Tarmacs hedge and it was cut. The hedge is now thickening and the wildlife improving as they have somewhere to hide. I was contacted by a Mr H in 2020 from Nottingham County council as the quarry had put in to extend the planning for the quarry. He thought it to be a splendid idea. I had no great objections as it was there when we purchased the bungalow. I tried to contact Mr H after this conversation by Email and phone but got no answer. What I didn't know was that the extension also meant that they original plans were being change to make it bigger and more vehicles. It has since been taken over by Aggregate Industries who where passed for 96 vehicles a day in and 96 vehicles out. The hours of working 7 to 7 Monday to Friday

and 7 to 1 on Saturday. This doesn't not take into account the people who actually work at the quarry who will start at probably 6 in a morning, or maybe there will be a night shift, who get everything ready to load. The office staff, maintenance worker ect which could take the amount of vehicles to over 300 a day. As I write this a dual carriage way is being build which is closer to the bungalow than the original. It starts at 7 and ends at 5 Monday to Friday. It is already a nightmare. Plus empty vessels make more noise. Boy is it bad when they are empty. The acoustic fence which is in place is stopping nothing. Will keep and eye on progression. Due to the land being so wet they are putting in an attenuation pond. As I believe will most projects as the land is clay based. Why don't they need to put in attenuation systems as the builder. They are more effective but a lot more expensive. What's good for one should be good for everyone.

Gas Station. In January 2022. I received a planning notice for battery packs at West Burton Gas Station. Not knowing what it was about I didn't think too much of it. I tried to contact the Case worker at Bassetlaw Planning Mis CC and got to be quite frank nowhere. The I tried phoning I tried Emailing. But nowhere. All that happened is I got links to a portal which I couldn't open. All I wanted to know was what the impact would be on the bungalow. It was on some drawing no simple answer was ever given. In June by Email a meeting was set up to meet with Guy Le get and Christina Greenwood from The Gas station and Miss CC from Bassetlaw. Miss CC was advised by her manager that this was not in her best interest. I had the meeting with Guy and Christina. It went well I thought.

They promised verbally lots of things but strange thing was they lost my Email address until after the project was passed. When Christine Greenwood showed me round where the Battery packs

where going to be placed. I hadn't realised when I had the tour how ill I was and I didn't take in the actual site to be used.

I did however try and object to the project due the quarry and the amount of traffic. 340 vehicle a day were on the application plus I couldn't find any research into the battery packs and whether they were harmful to health or what would happen if they were set on fire. I still don't know the answers. The only thing I've heard is that you need 57,000 gallons of water or foam presume foam and they compartmentalise. Who knows?

The project went to the planning committee which I attended and had 3 minutes to put my case forward. It was exactly 3 mins. It was intimidating and I felt it was not looked at objectively.

The planning committee, the word of one of the committee. They had had a smashing time when they went to the Gas Station. They showed them in their land rovers, they showed them where the badgers were going to be moved. A smashing time. I got 3 mins. It was passed. A Harworth Miner on the committee his word again Bassetlaw are going to show them how to do it and do it bloody right. Plus the flooding again his words Its been raining.

It felt unreal. The applicant who arrived after me they went over and spoke to. Only the head of the committee spoke to me at the being to find out why I was there. What a waste of time that was.

Decommissioning. Has to be classed as a project. Believe it or not the power station had no electric and had to cable to the substation on Station road to get power. No all wasted Virgin cables were placed at the same time. The work was done by Vus on behalf of National Grid. The main road for the station was dug up, what a noise. The foreman of the project didn't know which side of the road it was going on. The lane the bungalow is on the entrance was nearly blocked. He said ups forgot to tell you this was happening. Well it went on for a month. I asked if they would

be putting the verge back so it was level. Oh love someone will sort it. The reason I asked is that I had been having problems with surface water running down the lane where the bungalow is. It was on the TV splash pollution. It pollutes the water courses. It was found that who ever had passed the road when it was resurfaced had not put in culverts. Why had it been passed MD couldn't understand. After a years wait I finally got them done. Yahoo. The lads were great. But dada. Within months Vus dug up the verge leaving it so that the soil when it rained when into the culverts and blocked them. Who I asked is checking when 2 projects bump into each other, It would appear no one. The road now has standing water almost half the road on the side furthest from the power Station. Why is not work being checked. Also by the substation, Station road, the ground was left in a disgusting condition. Vus came and put topsoil on it and landscaped it. 2 days later along came National grid dug it up to repair a faulty cable. When you ask if projects will communicate with each other. National grid can't talk to themselves. But we pay for it in long term.

Also, in the decommissioning coal was being sold back to South Africa plus ash removed. Wagon after wagon all day long.

Yes I class it as a project when it adds to the rest.

Step Fusion. This project I have not much Knowledge of. I recently went to a meeting in Gainsborough and I think for the sake for giving my low opinion of the meeting. I will not say a lot apart form it being on a parr with a pantomime. This is the real clash with the West burton project. Is this going to be truly British built and projected? Its is the first ever in the world? May we be sell something British when its finished? Will it produce more

than any of the solar farm? Not read into it much but it is still a project around West Burton.

Demolition. I was never informed of the power station being demolished. It is being overseen by Bassetlaw Planning JK. (I think he might have left) Not sure when But I had a meeting with AH and MB from the demolition team. They said they hadn't realised the bungalow was so close and I would have to move out of the Bungalow as the demolition progressed. Can't believe that. Surely someone would had talked to me before it all started. Anyway, I've decided a party is in order. So, they will be one. it can't have an impact on my life someone out of courtesy would have told me???? My concern though is the power station was commissioned in 1966 health and safety plus asbestos was not thought to be as dangerous as it has turned out to be. The impact of the explosions as yet have not impacted on me as they have in the villages. Windows rattling as they seem to be almost falling out, things falling of roofs and building shaking. I think this is because the Mighty towers protect me. What they don't protect me from is the dust. It is in the air for days and you feel you are eating it. Its they asbestos in it???? I understand that West Burton is being demolished not sure it needs to be but at the same time Cottam is being demolished. The villages have a double whammy.

Pylons being upgraded. Were the pylons due a referb or is it to accommodate all the projects. This in itself again is a project not needing planning but disruptive to the villages and way of life. Do they do ecology surveys or do they just dive right in???

The machine and tractors are everywhere. They also work alternate weekends so no peace for the dog walkers.

Pipeline. They have this years painted all the oil signs. Not project but an addition work party.

The meetings I have attended for project which are just starting.

RES. This is the preferred solar farm by the new landowners.

Forgot to say the land of Mr Folgem was sold to a SEMSEN2 limited. Chap who owns it like quarries apparently. Gossip has it hes best mates with Cameron of the I lost the Brexit pole so I resigning. What a mess since.

I have talk and probably argues with WB of RES and he is one of the only people who have walked the land with me.

The project will it appear stop farming in Fenton and Sturton le steeple. It is in early stages so not 100% on where it is fully going to be.

High Marnham to Hull. National Grid. They need more pylons at the moment they are unsure which part of the villages are going to be destroyed by there project. I have heard just gossip it for electric in Denmark as I say gossip. We wait with bated breath as to which course they take and will the bungalow be impacted again. Its like a lottery who survives. Hahaha is it funny don't think so.

Well thing that all the projects been typing all day. But must finish off with how we find out about the projects.

As you can see there are multiple and loads of paperwork I have been sent thousands of pages. Im 68 and old and in between being failed by whoever decided that they could destroy my life. But I burst out like a butterfly. On a serious note I will never let my grandchildren near the bungalow again due to all the projects and potential dangers.

The long term effects of what is going on is an unknow quantity. The medical records from the people of the village are not assessed as each practice but are put in a pot of people from all

the constituency. If there is something which in a health concern it is being diluted to the point it would take years to be picked up.

The West burton Project which this is all about. I became involved because March last year someone photograph me while I was watching Italy v Wales in the 6 Nations. My security cameras caught him running away. No one has ever said it was them but no one was interested. A girl in west burton security though it was funny. I started looking at notices when I walked the dogs. I asked my Planning man to look at the sign outside the quarry entrance and gave him the number of the project. This is how I found out about the project and the impact to the bungalow.

Declor Maclaren. Well what can you say about them. Tried to ask to talk to project manager. Never got there and they just started send me registered letters about the project. They are apparently the agent for the National grid project who think they are marvellous. They probably are for the client but not for the people whose live the projects impact on.

Here I stop I could go on for loads more pages. It might appear like a ramble to some, it may seem stupid to other. But to me and the people of the villages and also Lincoln it is real. If anyone get to the end I thank you and I ask that you look at the combined impact the projects are having on the villages around the Grids. I say the Grids because it took a while to realise it was about being attached to the Grid which is the important part.

I personally think it not the way forward and it will destroy more that it will give.

My life feels like being Erin Brockovich and the man in the middle of the M62.

Again, I ask that you walk the land and see it through a dog
walkers eyes who fears for her grandchildren futures.

I have never been political, but it really scares me that for which is
happening to the country my father died. He served in Burma.

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