

It is believed that the process and the applications are fundamentally flawed as:

The scale and number of these schemes in a short space of time does not enable people to engage with the process;  
The applications need to be considered together as they are all in West Lindsey District and jointly affect us and the area.  
Two of the schemes are being proposed by the same developer, Island Green Power, which shows they are joined schemes.

A greater period of time needs to be provided between each examination to help residents prepare and become involved.  
The above aspects are confusing in their own right, but it is made worse by one of the projects being named West Burton Solar Project and another developer branding their proposal as Gate Burton Energy Park. This use of similar names only adds to the confusion.

It is easy to see that with these proposals running at roughly the same time, confusion could prevent opposition and cause the general public to lose track of where each one is in the process.

Also, these 4 huge proposals are not the only ones in Lincolnshire (there are at least 9 proposed for this county alone).  
The difference is that these 4 schemes, are all within a few miles of each other!

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Dear Sirs,

Marion and Gate Burton Parish Council finds it unacceptable that both the West Burton and the Cottam Solar Project examinations appear to be running concurrently.

We are a small parish council, operating on a volunteer basis with some of our members also working in full time employment. The timing of these examinations make it very difficult to make representations to these hearings considering the multiple applications being made in this area, all of which are being brought forward as single issues.

If these proposed developments are to be considered separately, may we suggest a time gap of 6 months. After all, if they are available to be examined now, why can they not be included as one?

Yours faithfully

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