Sir,

I am the clerk of a special group representing the Broxholme Parish meeting. The Parishioners unanimously mandated our Broxholme Solar group to be a channel of information and facilitators of engagement with all the Solar farm projects encircling us in West Lindsey.

Currently we have in progress Gate Burton, Cottam and West Burton. The developers have chosen to crowd these consultations together in the school holidays, the peak of the harvest and middle of the tourist season. The Broxholme Solar Group dedicates itself to keeping the Parishioners properly informed and even we struggle to keep up and the lay person is completely swamped by this blizzard of requirements. I cannot keep our Parish in touch with events in any reasonable fashion and help them maintain any valid, authentic engagement with the consultations.

We do not have enough time to properly digest the information and asses the implication of the proposals. We are confused and are excluded from the process by this avalanche of information. All the while this rolls forward we must attend work, complete the harvest and care for families.

We are disadvantaged.

Many of those affected in West Lindsey wanted all these projects to be considered as the one vast project it really represents. This was dismissed as an option yet now the developers are all ready seemingly in unison to go forward as one.

It would seem that the Inspectorate is not placing citizen participation in the appropriate prominent position.

We urge you to either spread out these consultations to allow proper engagement OR delay all then and address all the West Lindsey projects as the vast enterprise it really is.

I look forward to your reply.

Mr, Ray Stansfield (For the Broxholme Solar sub Group of Broxholme Parish Meeting)