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All four of the solar farm projects that are now being considered in my area of Lincolnshire will have an impact on where I live.. As a result, I have actively participated in keeping myself updated about all of the projects by attending presentations and reading materials posted on the inspectorate website and the websites of the said projects. However, it is reaching to the point where it is becoming impossible to continue to be a meaningful part of the process for all of the projects due to the way the Examinations are being timetabled.

How is someone who has other full time commitments supposed to read the DCO's, all of its appendices, supporting documents, tables, etc., and prepare written arguments within the appropriate deadlines, read the amended versions of documents, read the answers to the Examiner's written questions, read the transcripts of meetings, etc. while juggling such a timetable of four developments?

It is impossible to look at the manner these exams are being arranged as anything other than unfairly treating locals. Each exam is set separately, with various Examiners, materials, timings, etc. How can those who will be impacted everyday – for at least two generations and possibly up to 60 years possibly engage in this process.

I have now found that after being assured the timetable would run on different timetables enabling us to cope that this is not the case.

With the recent announcement that the Preliminary Hearing for West Burton will now be on the 7th after the Cottam hearings on 5th and 6th September it is clear that no one cares or wants to engage with the public!!

The developments are unprecedented in size, scale and the fact that four are in such close proximity and running for examination at the same time is difficult to cope with.

The developer Island Green Power running two developments in examination at the same time now should be made to have them viewed as one!! Or at least give 6 months in between them so the public can engage.

I can now count 27 deadlines and dates that I personally have to deal with. This is without Tillbridge which is coming online shortly!

I cannot see how Island Green Power should be allowed to have these developments running as they are and how the inspectorate can possibly think that the public who will have to live surrounded by these monstrosities should not be allowed fair and reasonable time to engage with this process. At best to allow Island Green Power to continue with this timeline is prejudicial to the public and at worst it is showing favour to Island Green Power. The public are being completely disenfranchised by this whole process.

Whilst there are options to view and attend these meeting online it still doesnt take away the length of time taken to view them and participate.

I urge the inspectorate to either get Island Green Power viewed as one development or give the public a fair and reasonable time frame to deal with this.

Regards

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Interested Party.