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Dear Sirs , my name is Peter Wells and i live at [REDACTED]. With my partner Cher Ludlow . We bought the farm ,as well as [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] . The property was in a massive state of disrepair and we were advised by many builders to knock it down and rebuild a new house on the site . We held out and found a builder who was sympathetic to the buildings needs and to refurbish it instead . The building works have taken over 18 months so far ,incurring a great cost to ourselves ,but we felt it was needed as the building has such great character and fits in so well to its natural and farmland surroundings. We absolutely love to look out of our upstairs windows and see rolling fields of crops gently swaying in the breeze and to watch the numerous wildlife gently going about their business.

Lincolnshire, as a farming county , is a massive asset to this country's need for food and an even greater asset since the war in Ukraine has highlighted the fact that we need to rely even more on home grown produce . The more we can be less reliant on overseas suppliers ,the better it is for us ..less volatility in grain and associated cereal crop prices .

The lanes around the proposed solar site are single track with lovely grassy verges that host a wild variety of wildlife . The influx of large machinery and lorries will be horrendous on the area. The idyll will be destroyed forever .

This landscape is stunning , why spoil it ?

We wont get " cheap " electricity...the price is still governed by the commodity prices of gas and oil on the world markets , as we see when there is war or a squeeze by OPEC on supply ...this is pure profiteering by the solar companies . Build tidal or wave energy projects that have little or no impact on the environment...put solar arrays where people don't see or have to live with them

Please feel free to come to our little piece of heaven and see for yourselves the impact it will have on this stunning area ...

I do hope for everyone's sake that the landscape is left as it is ...

Peter Wells & Cher Ludlow

Sent from my iPad