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From: Mark Wardle <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 26 January 2024 12:02
To: Cottam Solar Project
Subject: Further representation

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To who it may concern

My name is Mark Wardle and I am a resident of Marton village

Further to my previous representation points I wish to bring to your attention how complex and difficult your process is in submitting a representation. I regularly speak to lots of older villagers to inform them of the current situation regarding the planning process for this development and the other developments planned for our area. The overwhelming reply I get is they do not have internet access or the ability to submit their representations or understand the complexities of the process, they are at a loss how to object to these proposed developments . Therefore it is plainly obvious that the developers have a distinct advantage over the majority of local people and are capitalising on this fact by them employing an external planning specialist company who are using the might of their professional employees to ensure these developments get the green light.

Regards

Mark Wardle

Sent from my iPhone

Whitlock, Melissa

From: Mark [REDACTED]
Sent: 14 January 2024 13:42
To: Cottam Solar Project
Subject: Latest submission

Categories: Deadline

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To who it may concern

My name is Mark Wardle a local resident of Marton village and I wish to make a written submission in opposition to the Cottam solar project.

I believe the use of viable and productive arable farmland to site this development would be wrong as the Inspection team are well aware of the need to secure our food production for now and into the future with current world situations such as Ukraine and now issues with the Middle East and the Suez Canal it is imperative to ensure we are able to produce our own secure food supplies free from imported food carbon footprint issues. This proposed mega site is home to precious wildlife that need open ground to proliferate. These species will be displaced if this development gets the go ahead due to removal of existing hedgerows and the mass fencing off of the development area. Open and accessible countryside is a paramount amenity for all to have available to exercise, cycle, horse ride and enjoy.

The planning team may not be aware of the historic and very recent mass flooding events that have taken place in the development area. The building of high voltage equipment in such areas would be surely extremely dangerous for everyone involved.

I appreciate the need to diversify our electrical generating infrastructure but at the expense of the communities effected, destruction of valuable wildlife habitat and the mass industrialisation of valuable countryside is something that should be carefully considered for a well documented inefficient source of electricity production.

Kindest regards

Mark Wardle

Sent from my iPad

Whitlock, Melissa

From: Mark <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 04 January 2024 14:01
To: Cottam Solar Project
Subject: Ongoing flooding event

Categories: Deadline

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To who it may concern

I wish to bring to the planning teams attention of recent and ongoing flooding on the proposed development site. Surely placing high voltage equipment on an area that is susceptible to flooding would be folly and dangerous. I implore the planning team to consider this when making a judgement on this development Regards Mark Wardle local resident Sent from my iPad