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Aerial video c8.2.12 shows the devastation looming over the horizon for this still unaware cluster of rural communities. I hope MPs and the Government will get to see this video before it is too late.

Lincolnshire has many solar farms already, including the Little Crow and the Raventhorpe solar farms in Scunthorpe. The difference with these are the industrial nature of the sites chosen, which are adjacent to the steelworks and screened by heavy forestry. There is no comparison with the many thousands of rural acres up for grabs here. The recent onslaught of applications is clear to see and would be so unfair on local residents.

Using the narrative that these monsters will somehow save the planet is incorrect, backed by virtue signalling developers spreading unhelpful alarmism; we need real solutions not theatre.

The ambition of net zero relies on an energy sector of great capacity. Solar on farmland does not generate power in sufficient amounts to achieve this, and the vast amount of land consumed would impact on other requirements.

The aerial footage is a powerful but incomplete tool showing extensive industrial spoils that would cause so much visual and social degradation to the area.

Not one rooftop or brownfield site has been used, yet these options are always mentioned, and excuses made, but it is clear to me that there is no intention to utilise these less lucrative but sensible options.

I think the developers need pulling up on this and we must start enforcing the planning policy.