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As a local resident affected by the above and the other solar schemes proposed in this area of West Lindsey, Lincolnshire, I am writing to put forward my objections to this project.

There are currently four large-scale solar schemes already proposed in this area (Gate Burton, Cottam Solar, West Burton Solar, Tillbridge Solar) as well as other developments close by (eg Steeple Renewables). Collectively, these developments would occupy 13,000 acres of current productive agricultural land all within a tiny 10 km radius. The cumulative impact of these schemes would change the entire nature of this very small rural area. They would impose massive industrialisation upon a rural landscape and its communities and completely alter these 10 km for many years to come.

No community should be subjected to such radical changes to their local landscape, livelihoods and homes. The massive scale of these changes for local residents would have an incalculable and life-changing impact. Added to this, 13,000 acres of productive farmland would be removed from production for the sake of installing intermittent and inefficient renewables. This scale of this scheme, added to all the other proposed solar schemes in this area, means that they must not be allowed to go ahead.

Sincerely, Alison Wood