

I would like you to consider for a final time, the following.

We have our fair share of solar farms in the area, the community does not support the high impact of this one.

BNG can be achieved without a solar farm and solar quotas can be achieved without using farmland.

Many thousands of acres of low output solar being consented here, would be hard for the public to make any sense of.

Hedge planting would not miraculously hide 15 foot high steel structures. You must know that in the real world this will never happen and a native hedge would take a lifetime to grow this height.

With 5 solar NSIP schemes covering over many thousands of acres of farmland, means nearly a quarter of the local farmland will be lost with the visual impact being significant and widespread, cumulatively and independently they would result in unacceptable landscape damage.

People live rural lives for a reason. We forsake the facilities of the city that many others crave, for a slower pace offered by the countryside and open landscape, dull as it may seem to some. Covering vast swathes of farmland in solar panels of colossal proportions would be taking this all away. That cannot be allowed. I think rural communities should be seriously considered here, because in the end we do have rights for the continued enjoyment of our homes and our surroundings. The scale of negative change would be simply too much.