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To who it may concern

My name is Mark Wardle and I am a local resident I wish to reiterate all my concerns over this development and the 3 other developments that are all within a very close proximity of each other.

I am concerned over the sociological implications of changing the landscape for generations, basically these developments will effectively industrialise the countryside.

I am concerned about mass destruction and fencing off of vital wildlife habitat including the removal of hedgerows within the development area.

The battery storage systems are a grave concern to me over their lack of fire resistant properties when in the event of a fire they would create and release of toxins during the process, the fire services well documented inability to extinguish the fire. In essence these fires would be left to burn themselves out releasing untold amounts of toxins into the environment.

The wholesale decommissioning of active, productive and precious farmland which will lead to increased importation of food stuffs to fill the deficit caused by thousands of acres being used to build the highly inefficient solar systems that will do very little to provide electricity when most required I.e. in the winter when solar systems do not produce electricity.

There is an alternative to using precious farmland which is incentivised the building on commercial and residential rooftops and use industrial brown field sites such as decommissioned airfields and power stations.

I would like to thank His Majesty's Inspectorate for taking time to consider all the genuine concerns issued by everyone.

Kindest regards
Mark Wardle

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