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**From:** Martin O'Donnell <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 15 August 2024 09:27  
**To:** Cottam Solar Project  
**Subject:** Objection to solar farm.

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Dear sir/madam,

As a resident of Lincolnshire I would like to raise my objection to this large solar farm.

I like solar as a power generator but I feel there are much better areas on where to put solar panels rather than fields. Every suitable roof, domestic and commercial, should have solar along with other areas like motorway verges and parking spaces. These can all be rented out to solar companies without using valuable crop growing fields.

Simply look around and see how many dual use spaces that could be used, warehouses, the massive Amazon type distribution sheds, factories etc.

The government should lead the way in this by covering all of its own suitable roofs and areas with solar. Aircraft hangers, schools, council office etc. Just think of the work this would generate and prices will fall as volume increases.

Putting solar on farmland is a relatively easy way forward as it is just empty fields!!! But I urge to look further. Think of the strategic advantages of using dual use roofs and land spaces. We get to keep farmland making us more self sufficient and generate our own power using existing land.

I know this is more complex than using fields but it must be the way forward for the next 40 years or so.

Regards

Martin O'Donnell  
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