

The size and scale of Tillbridge Solar is unprecedented. For a country that is windy and cloudy, solar is not the answer. producing only 10% of its projected output.

It is the most land-intensive renewable energy infrastructure and the least efficient. It also has a mismatch in the energy it produces to the times when it is needed in the U.K. This means it will produce energy when we don't need it, and having solar farms of this size and scale will cause curtailment.

There is no need for this type of development; the only place it should be is on brownfield sites and roof tops. The life span of the panels and the transporting in from China brings into question if there is any carbon saving.

The cumulative impacts of this development will be at maximum impact now that the other developments have been agreed in the area, and this can no longer be overlooked. This is now at its maximum impact on traffic, health and well-being, visual, loss of land, loss of rural amenity, and impact on social and economic.

The developer has stated that the visual impact cannot be mitigated from the cliff, and this is yet another reason why this development should not be allowed to go ahead. Wrong place, better alternatives.

This development is the furthest from the connection point and will lose power travelling along the cable.

We must decarbonise holistically and not trash the environment we live in along the way. Our finite resource of land in the U.K. must be cherished, and our grid connections should be used for better technology than solar. Wind and nuclear are the way forward, and with the advances coming in technology, this area will be trashed with an infrastructure that will soon be obsolete.

60 years is a lifetime and not temporary, and I hope this examiner does not sentence this local community to a lifetime of issues that will be forced upon this community for something that will not meet the needs of the nation.