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Scenario. Numerous objections have been made by a significant number of local people and people from afar.

A whole raft off subject matter pertaining to a solar application have been repeated time and time again.

The message should have surely arrived home to those considering the applications therefore I will not repeat what I have already put in writing which has surely been repeated numerous times by other people.

I am aware that what I am about to say is not regarded as a reason for refusing planning applications, it is though, an extremely good reason for not going ahead with this proposed development. But I do feel it is most important to make the point.

Solar panels are a great idea provided they are sited in the right place and the right location.

They must not take away work opportunities and destroy other business and create new sets of pressures in other areas for a civilised commercial society. Otherwise we gain nothing but go backwards.

It is a fact establishing a solar farm in this location on this scale will put people out of work and reduce significantly the output of our valuable farmland.

Now location can be in England but there are numerous other countries capable of extracting the full potential of solar. Such as

China, India, Australia, Egypt, Morocco or the USA. All of which have vast desert locations.

I doubt any of these companies / institutions are paying £1,000 Per acre Per year to acquire a site on which to mount the panels. What value can you possibly claim for an acre of sand which produces nothing!

UK panels wherever they come from will cost us more.

Labour costs will be higher. (Simply because in the UK we do not use Loss of established businesses will be colossal.

If we consider desert conditions providing at least 300 sunny days per year with many of those days producing 16 to 20 hours of sunlight. Taking the average of sunlight hours per day and dividing the total by 365 days. The average daily sunlight equals 15 hours.

Compared to the UK's temperate oceanic climate We average in the East Midlands 4.1 hours of sunshine per day, statistics reveal. Sunlight with much lower intensity.

All the countries I mentioned earlier with desert locations are able to produce at least five times the amount of electricity per hour per square metre of panel, and over four times the number of hours per day! compared to east Midlands UK. Without disturbing / destroying business / communities and livelihoods as will be the case if this application is to be approved. HOW CAN WE PRODUCE COMPETATIVE ELECTRICITY FOR HOME AND INDUSTRY WITH SUCH A DISADVANTAGE.

We appear to have mislaid the concept of common sense, and sadly we do not learn from our mistakes.

As a prime example of how the UK does business, I compare this application to the numerous planning applications approved to build houses on floodplains and other very high risk locations. We have over recent years reaped the rewards of THOUSANDS of houses being flooded, families without a home and broken emotionally.

Contrary to the prime ministers claim; Solar panels will never produce cheap competitive electricity.

THE UK'S NATIONAL DEBT IS £2.8 TRILLION!

HOW ARE SOLAR PANELS GOING TO HELP?