

When I built my house in the Lincolnshire countryside I was, quite rightly made to design it to be in keeping with the local vernacular and utilise materials that would work in harmony with the landscape in which it would sit. This was costly, but very much the right thing to do...

Soon I will be surrounded by the 4.5m high solar panels of a giant and unnecessary solar plant.

What a waste of time, money and resource the Planning process has proved to be.

These solar schemes equating to the size of the city of Lincoln and all its boroughs, will do nothing but degrade the countryside for many miles, the impact will be massive. All sensible planning concerns are being ignored. The undeniable blight on the landscape with a land use change from agriculture to a Solar Industrialised Zone is beyond criminal. I suspect no one cares or needs to care because these things are now classed as a "Critical National Priority". What a joke! They are of course nothing of the sort and fall woefully short of such an impressive title.

They are ugly, ineffective and totally avoidable; Renewable energy generators are not all of equal value.

The 10% generation yield from solar mounted on our precious farmland and in a country with one of the lowest solar gains in the world is clearly not a "Critical National Priority", more like a critical national disaster, but lobbying by the solar industry for many years has brainwashed the Government and half the nation.

70GW of solar could cover 350,000 acres, an area the size of Greater London. Development on this scale would still only provide a theoretical maximum of 20% of our current electricity needs and in practice it would be far less due to costly curtailment during solar's excessive summer over generation peaks.

There is, of course far more than 70GW of solar that has secured Grid connections, in fact, twice as much. We need to wake up to this before it is too late.

It is worth understanding that currently we require between 25 and 50GW of power at any single moment in time in the UK. Having excessive installed capacity of all kinds is wasteful, inefficient and extremely expensive.

Solar in the UK is only fit for rooftops, providing power at the point of use, thus lowering national electricity demand.

I believe the Developers "Statement of Need" to be of misguided ideology and this solar farm, like the other three, is destructive and patently unnecessary!

I remember when the Longfield solar farm was approved, and a campaigner reluctantly had to say that "The Government wants these things..." Well, I say that the Government are wrong!

Finally, could I ask the Applicant how the Tillbridge Solar Project will reduce global temperatures and by how much?

