

The Solar panel farm in East Riding should not go ahead. The consultation phases were organised so that many residents whom live in the rural area could not attend. The information supplied by Boom was not evidence based and all questions posed by many were either not answered fully or at all. Some of there information was incorrect and they clearly could see how this is not needed or wanted by those in the area.

This solar farm will not be efficient, and will not provide safe or clean energy. The science behind such projects is not conclusive and the Government themselves stated that there would be no new on land solar farm projects or wind power. The argument against fossil fuels and Nuclear has not been made out and is complete nonsense.

This project would be an eyesore, spoiling beautiful rolling farmland and grassland. The countryside must be and is a much needed area for wildlife and for human wellbeing. The wildlife that would be affected by such a project includes deer that regularly roam the area and fields, voles, all songbirds. This is because having such solar farms is permanent and the landscape is changed forever and wildlife and such animals would be displaced. Arable farm animals such as sheep cannot graze under such huge panels and sheep never seek cover, they have to be in the open.

The size and noise of the batteries creates horrendous noise pollution which int urn affects wildlife and residents. House prices will be hugely affected as nobody wants to live near such awful developments.

The panels and batteries themselves are hazardous as they can overheat, explode and catch fire and this would have detrimental affects to the countryside and all whom live there including animals. The glare from there would affect light aircraft that fly from Brighton airfield. The farmland is of good quality and in times when we need to have food security, this productive land will be lost forever, landowners who work are cashing in for ease at everyone's expense. This land is also a much needed flood plain and can you imagine what would happen when the land floods, what would happen to the solar farm!?! Who decommissions such a development? Who is paying for it ?

I now turn to the engineering, rural roads would be ruined forever, traffic congestion and verge destruction is likely to happen and that this will be for a long time. How can this be justified? How can it be avoided? It cannot. As far as I am aware the Police and Traffic Managment Officer have not be consulted and they need to be, the roads in the area are already used by HGV when they should not be and have crumbled. Furthermore these projects are havens for criminality. Crime will rise in the area as the panels, generators, copper wiring is all high reward low risk for thieves and this would occur. This would spread to the surrounding villages and small market town of Howden. Lastly but not least, where are these panels made? Who is behind the ill gotten idea. Foreign investors destroying East Riding which already has so many wind turbines and solar panels. The only place for such projects are on top of car parks at supermarkets and industrial buildings.

This should all be considered and refused if common sense and concerns for local community come first, rather than inefficient and not needed net zero non evidence based ideas are put into motion.