

Thank you for the opportunity to again express my opposition to the proposed East Yorkshire Solar Farm.

Let me say from the outset I am not against green technology but I believe the scale of this scheme is such that it will devastate the rural environment I chose to live in, turning it into a semi industrialised wasteland. I accept it is important to have a supply of energy but at the loss of 3500 acres of productive land is too great.

I have also very great concerns about potential noise and light pollution issues from the solar panels which East Yorkshire Solar Farm Ltd have not yet been able to answer. My understanding is the panels will follow the sun so will be moving throughout daylight hours and electricity generated will need inverters which tend to create a constant humming noise.

Can we also be sure the amount of electricity generated matches what the applicant has suggested will be generated?

I am concerned the local road system will be unable to cope with any extra heavy traffic. The roads are, in the main, single track with very few passing places, are in a poor state of repair and totally unsuited to HGV traffic. Any further deterioration due to increased levels of heavy traffic will cause a big problems for residents

We have a very diverse environment in and around the area with many different types of birds nesting [barn owls, little owls, various small birds of prey, buzzards, finches curlews etc] and a variety of wildlife [foxes, deer, hedgehogs, hares, rabbits] - how can these creatures survive if their natural habitat is destroyed or curtailed by security fences.

The construction of a solar farm of this size will affect the people within its area. The effect on the mental health and well being of residents will, I believe, be profound and it is an area that does not seem to have been given any consideration whatsoever. It will of course also adversely affect the value of peoples properties.

The above were submitted previously by myself but are still very relevant. There are a further 2 issues following the Escrick meeting.

1 - If this scheme is approved I was surprised to learn that landowners are responsible for returning the land to how it is now. What safeguards are there to ensure this will happen.

2 - I am very concerned that the applicant also wishes to have powers to push their scheme through - including compulsory purchase powers. This may well be common practice with big projects but I am very uneasy with this and I do hope you will look very carefully at this aspect of their application.

So, to reiterate, I do not support this application.

Many Thanks

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██████████, where I live, will potentially be surrounded on 3 sides by swathes of solar panels along with 2 metre high security fencing, lighting and CCTVs.