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The proposed solar farm project threatens to consume valuable agricultural land that is crucial for our community's food production. Our fertile fields, currently used to grow essential crops, would be replaced by vast arrays of solar panels. This not only diminishes our ability to produce local food but also forces us to rely more on imported goods, increasing food costs and reducing the freshness and quality we have come to enjoy. Preserving our farmland is vital for maintaining food security and sustaining the livelihoods of our hardworking farmers.

The construction of the solar farm poses a significant threat to the local wildlife that inhabits our countryside. Many species rely on the open fields and natural habitats that would be destroyed to make way for this industrial-scale project. Disruption of these ecosystems could lead to a decline in biodiversity, putting numerous plant and animal species at risk. We must safeguard our natural environment to ensure that future generations can enjoy the beauty and diversity of our wildlife.

The noise generated during the construction of the solar farm will be horrendous, affecting not only the tranquility of our community but also the well-being of our health and the health of our pets. Prolonged exposure to loud construction noises can cause significant stress and anxiety in people and animals, leading to behavioural changes and health issues. Additionally, the constant noise will disrupt our daily lives, affecting our ability to enjoy our homes and outdoor spaces in peace.

I worry that the government is more interested in meeting targets than looking at the bigger picture!