

I am writing to share my concerns of how the Sunnica Energy Farm is set to impact my life personally.

I live [REDACTED] in Newmarket and my husband and I run a racing yard there. My mother, [REDACTED], moved back to England a year ago having lived in South Africa for 30 years. She now lives in [REDACTED] with her partner [REDACTED]. It has been such a relief to have her back so close to us, especially after the dramas and separation of covid. We regularly meet halfway with our dogs in Snailwell, on the Snailwell footpath which connects Chippenham and Newmarket together. This footpath is set to be closed by the construction of the Sunnica Energy Farm. Our villages in this area are all closely linked by the footpath connections between us, with people from different villages coming together through these links. It will be such a loss to lose this connection. We meet lots of other fellow walkers from the local area who enjoy the experience of walking their dogs there. This footpath is one of the only local walks available to dogs in the mornings as the Newmarket gallops do not allow walkers to use them while racehorses are exercising.

Alongside this, my husband Edward Dunlop has trained racehorses for nearly 30 years in Newmarket. We have had countless owners travel great distances to watch their horses gallop on the notorious Limekilns. This unmatched experience is under threat with acres upon acres of industrial solar panels set to ruin views of the gallops. The racing industry contributes hundreds of millions of pounds per annum to this area, and we must stop any threat to the industry and the history of the town. I also walk on the limekilns with my dogs and constantly enjoy the natural beauty of these famous gallops and the beautiful surrounding countryside. I meet other fellow walkers who enjoy spending their afternoons exercising their dogs or walking themselves. This view will be desecrated by Sunnica Ltd's plan to cover the area in Solar Panels. I have three whippets who love to run and this area is one of the only places with vast open space which allows both my dogs and I to enjoy the outdoors.

Please do not destroy these beautiful places which are so important to the Newmarket and outside village communities.