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To: Sunnica Energy Farm

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To Whom it may concern,

## **EN010106: Sunnica Energy Farm Updates**

As the Secretary of State has invited comments from Interested parties, with regard to the above proposal and information request of 27 July 2023.

I would demand my concerns are acknowledged as I am very unhappy about two aspects.

Firstly the BESS storage. As far as I am aware this has not been fully considered or reported on and there are vast holes in the scientific knowledge of using this on such large scale and near residential areas. It isn't safe and I am scared of the development taking place near my home and surrounding us.

I am also fuming that Natural England a statutory body put in place to supposedly protect our lands, has taken the soil analysis and grading of the agricultural land involved in this huge development, directly from the applicant Sunnica at face value. When challenged that these results were not a true reflection of the quality of the land, they refused to deal with anyone except the applicant. The applicant refused to let a third party test the soil.

Obviously it's in the applicants interest to declare the land as poor grade to help get the application pushed through. This judgement I assume is based on costs, with Natural England not conducting their own third party testing and just accepting what they are told by the applicant.

It beggars belief and is ignorant at best and corrupt at worse. I cannot now trust that the government has the best interests of its land or people.

I hope this application is duly not approved for planning.

Yours sincerely,

Samantha Munro