

Following two years of exceptionally hot summers I strongly agree that solar panels are the best way to produce clean renewable energy going forward. What I completely disagree with is the idea that fields, currently used to grow food for an ever increasing population, should be repurposed to solar farms. The recent hot summers have caused farmers yields to decrease alarmingly and the idea that permission be granted to use multiple hectares of quality arable land for new solar farms is nothing short of idiotic. A recent report has highlighted the significant increase in the number of "sheds", huge new warehouses, being built around the country. Why can't solar panels be fitted to the roofs of all of these buildings.... they already exist? Estimates say that there is up to 350 million m² of suitable roof space already available across the country without the need to use any green belt land that we, as a country, will need in the years to come to help feed ourselves and reduce our reliance on imports from overseas.

Solar panels are the future, giving permission to put them in fields is simply stupid.

A photograph of a weathered white sign with black text, mounted on three black posts. The sign is located on the right side of a paved road that curves into the distance. The background features a lush green landscape with rolling hills, scattered trees, and a cloudy sky. The sign's text is in a bold, sans-serif font, arranged in three lines.

**THE FIELD YOU LOSE TODAY
IS THE FOOD YOU
IMPORT TOMORROW.**