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I am registered as an interested party for the Tillbridge Development No. 20049118 but I am having great difficulty using the planning portal so please accept this email as my objection,

The area of farmland that is proposed for the Tillbridge Solar Development is totally unsuitable for this idea.

This farmland is excellent food producing land and is essential for the UK to be able to produce local Good Quality food for local people without incurring excess mileage, transporting food across the country or even from abroad.

Any attempt by the developer to categorise this land as lower grade is complete rubbish. This land has been excellent food producing land for hundreds of years, it does not flood, it is well drained, it is easily accessible to modern machinery, it is the correct type of soil for the type of foods that are grown on it. (This includes a wide variety of above and below ground crops). In general, it is very good agricultural land and must not be taken out of the food production requirements of the country.

Most of the small minor roads included within this development area are totally unsuitable for this type and volume of construction traffic that will be necessary to not only install such a project, but also to maintain it and remove it when it has become obsolete.

Who is going to pay for its ultimate removal? sometime in the future when it is worn out/obsolete will the UK Government guarantee that it will not be abandoned by the developers who will declare bankruptcy leaving behind an Industrial Wasteland?

The view Westward from the Lincolnshire Edge (also known as the Lincolnshire Cliff) as is generally defined by the B1398 in the vicinity of this proposal, has been a protected view in the eyes of Planning Proposals for many many years now, as it is characteristic of what Lincolnshire is, and is a view worth protecting. To allow this proposal to go ahead would make a mockery of all previous planning decisions related to this view and would also set a precedent for other future developments that would also significantly impact this sacred view.

Lincolnshire also has many airfields some of which are formally World War II airfields and are still used today by commercial and private aircraft. The impact of this development on the attraction of people coming to Lincolnshire via small aircraft should not be underestimated. Not only do the pilots not want to be blinded by the reflection of sunlight from these unsightly panels but also the tourists and passengers want to see Lincolnshire's contribution to food production and the wildlife that goes along with the open fields and variety of crops.

The impact of this outrageous proposal on wildlife must not be underestimated, this area has a variety of [REDACTED] roaming the area as well as [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and many other small mammals on the ground, as well as a huge variety of birds that make this area their home due to the abundant hedge rows and nesting

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[REDACTED] all of which are at danger of leaving the area due to the fencing that will be required around each area to protect the panels. Once this freedom of movement of wildlife is infringed, they will move away, and one of the few benefits of this area will be lost forever.

Initial perception of the proposed development may appear to be away from the local villages. However, the impact upon them cannot be underestimated, Harpswell, Harpswell Grange, Hemswell Village, Corringham, Springthorpe, Heapam and Glentworth will forever have their character irrevocably changed for the worse. These villages have, on the face of it, very little to offer the residents, however, the current open countryside more than compensates for the lack of infrastructure in this area. We live here because we can be away from the industrialised areas concentrated around towns and cities. To call this project a solar "Farm" is a bastardisation of the English language. The solar project is industrialisation of good productive farmland on a massive scale and can only be seen as such. The peace and open fields are what gives this area its idyllic nature to allow my mind to unwind and relax, such a scale of industrialisation will I fear inevitably, irrevocably destroy this and my [REDACTED].

Many surveys have proven how ineffective solar panels are on good farmland, and the sacrifice simply isn't worth it. The amount of sunlight we get in this area makes a mockery of the fact that somebody will try and harvest it for 12 months a year and claim it is efficient. Solar Power on rooftops at the point of use (that doesn't involve miles of cable runs) is the best way to minimise electricity consumption during the sunny 6 months of the year.

In summary I am totally against the Tillbridge Solar development and totally agree with all other objections that have been made public,

Yours,

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