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### Objection to Botley West Solar power station

The Solar Power station almost eleven miles long by one mile wide destroys an area of unspoilt countryside. It is not only an ugly depressing eyesore it is unnecessary. A very large number of storage sheds have recently been built in West Oxfordshire. Panels placed on their roofs would solve the problems. Extra panels could also be placed on new houses.

Botley West Solar scheme will have a major effect on agriculture, on hedges and fields and destroy the habitat of small animals and birds.

Other reasons to reject the project:-

1) Flooding. The run-off from glass panels 2) Destruction of the rural landscape (including an area of Green belt.)

3) The destruction of the character of small, ancient villages

4) The malign effect on the inhabitants of this area  
**CONCLUSION** An area of beauty will be replaced by ugly glass and steel panels fenced in with high-wire fences topped with barbed wire. This will include powerful security lights. Concrete tracks will allow vehicles to patrol the area. The impact on a peaceful rural area and the small villages that border it will be immense. One needs to stress again the adverse effect on the mental health of the people who live in the area threatened by the Botley West Solar project

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