

I am writing as an individual householder.

I am appalled by the size and scope of this proposal and fully support Stop Botley West in its submissions.

I am all in favour of Solar and support our country's efforts to cut our use of fossil fuels but I am NOT in favour of developments of this magnitude. Notwithstanding economies of scale this should not be at the expense of the green belt, agricultural land, and decimated quality of life for tens of thousands of local residents.

Indeed I am not being 'nimby' there are areas around my home patch that could accommodate solar panels on smaller areas of land and without the devastation that will be caused by this proposal.

I also observe that there are still new housing developments taking place without solar panels on the roofs and large agricultural and industrial buildings without them. With the massive amount of new build both housing, industrial and innovation centres around Oxford and its environs this proposal should be condemned and the government needs to insist on better coordinated use of rooftops.

In addition with East /West rail galloping on at pace why isn't the entire length bordered by solar panels where the landscape is already being decimated.

It's no use dangling the carrot that the land will be returned in 30-40 years, because what will happen for clean energy then? And how would the vast infrastructure associated with an enormous solar farm be dismantled in such a way that the land would be any use?

Please reconsider this in appropriate development.