

I object to the proposed Botley West Solar Project.

1. No consideration has been taken into account as to the culture that accompanies the area Botley West Solar Project plans to destroy. As I child I lived with my grandmother in this area and some of my favourite memories are of walking through the beautiful countryside. My grandmother showed me all of the beautiful animals that live and flourish in the countryside - the deer, the foxes, the stones, the badgers, the weasels and all those that look to the beautiful hedgerows for shelter. The implementation of this Solar farm will destroy their habitats, and disrupt this harmony. The corridor between hedges should be at least 15 m. And the wildlife must be preserved, the countryside is their habitat. This cannot be destroyed.
2. Woodstock is a family place, it will no longer be safe for children to cycle to it due to all of the industrial lorries that will be speeding down the road. The increased traffic will ruin the atmosphere of the area and make it much less safe and child friendly.
3. The sense of community will be ruined if this solar farm goes ahead, and the countryside will be destroyed, causing disastrous mental health implications for the community. Further more the effect on the home owners and habitants of the area is huge, views will be destroyed and property value will drop massively, churches will be surrounded by industrial panels. This is not acceptable.
4. Food security will plummet, solar should not be implemented on agricultural land. Put it on houses and buildings, give grants for people to put panels on their roofs, as a country it is essential that we ensure we do not loose food security, this is a huge threat to us. Surveys have showed that this land - the Botley park area- is rich in nutrients and excellent for food production.
5. The Botley West area is home to significant historical archaeological features that would be devastating if not protected by buffers.