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Secretary of State for Energy Security & Net Zero
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Dear Secretary of State

Botley West Solar Farm: EN-010147

I am disappointed that the Applicant's late submissions have been accepted causing further delay in the decision for Botley West and requesting yet another response from Interested Parties.

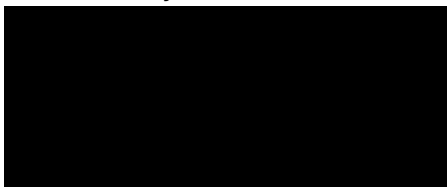
I am a supporter of the Stop Botley West campaign and fully endorse the comprehensive SBW submission of 16 July [[C2-161](#)]. I am concerned that despite these new proposals the Application is still irretrievably flawed. Too many questions remain unanswered and the Applicant seeks to defer too many important decisions until after any development consent is granted when they will be beyond public scrutiny and challenge.

Community Food Growing

The misleading name implies allotments which are not needed (enough exist already in each village location) and cannot be effectively used or managed at the scale proposed. These areas should be removed from the red-line boundary and returned to the former productive agricultural use as already requested by SBW and others. See: REP5-072, REP5-093, REP6-076 and C2-161 section 10.

I respectfully request the Secretary of State to refuse outright the grant of a DCO for this Application.

Yours sincerely



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Interested Party Registration No: 