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The Rt Hon Miatta Fahnbulleh. MP.

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Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

Dear Secretary of State,

I do ask that you refuse development consent for the Botley West Solar Farm (EN10147). I should say that I am a supporter of the Stop Botley West campaign and fully endorse the comprehensive SBW submission of 16th July.

As I'm sure you are aware many questions still remain unanswered regarding this massive proposal. I will leave others to better articulated these serious concerns.

I was heartened to read the Prime Minister's letter to The Guardian Newspaper of the 18th September. Andy Burnham spoke of 'Power owned by local people, power generated by local projects and power returned to every postcode'. He was speaking of the new investment funding to be made available to local councils and community groups for renewable energy projects. This is welcomed, as is the determination of the government to achieve net zero admissions by 2050. The Botley West Solar Farm proposed development has not listened or enabled the local people to "have a say and a stake in the future", in Andy Burham's words. We are the ones who are being asked to loose so much, "to stand still and accept the actions of private companies". They are the ones who will reap large financial rewards from this enterprise. Andy Burnham rightly says that "people are looking for ways to do their bit". This is a sentiment that I have heard time and again from the people in the villages when speaking at Stop Botley West meetings, understandably opposed to the grotesquely vast Botley West proposal. We will help the green transition, we will share what we generate with the national grid (Great British Grid) but this needs to be a genuine partnership that respects local communities. Surely these proposals are not in line with the vision of our government. Let us go back to the drawing board.

Yours sincerely
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