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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 October 2026 10:57
To: Botley West Solar Farm
Subject: BOTLEY WEST SOLAR FARM

Dear Secretary of State

Botley West Solar Farm: EN010147

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.

This further submission by the applicant is a cynical ploy to try to wear down the opposition , to wriggle out of the 250 m buffer zone (which would reduce profits) and to avoid awkward questions now(which would incur additional expenditure or unwanted further commitments). All other parties have kept to timetable, including the Planning Inspectorate Examiners; no delay to the decision date of 10 November should be entertained.

We need to keep our agricultural land for food production: solar panels should be on roofs or brown land.

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

Name: Michael Owen

Interested Party Registration No: [REDACTED]