

Introduction.

This submission provides a brief summary of the oral case presented by Vivian Lindley, daughter in law and representative of Mr Raymond Lindley, an affected landowner, at the Compulsory Acquisition Hearing held during the week of 22 June 2026.

Summary of Oral Submission.

During the hearing, Vivian Lindley the representative of the landowner Mr Raymond Lindley raised direct objections regarding the proposed acquisition of land interests. The core points raised orally included:

Core Legal Objections (section 122).

Failure of meaningful negotiation. The applicant has failed to establish a consistent case or stable baseline for genuine consultation. Erratic proposals have swung wildly from grass seed to solar panels before withdrawing these offers.

Failure to prove strict necessity. The applicant has failed to justify forcing the highly disruptive Route A-B over the viable and by their own admission least disruptive Route C-D.

Timeline of Negotiation Failures and Blackouts.

2024 established and communicated to applicant that freeholder Mr Raymond Lindley unable to handle matters personally.

Applicant bypassed appointed representative sending complex correspondence directly to Mr Raymond Lindley. From February 2025 to 21st August 2025 - 6 month blackout - no correspondence received.

August-October 2025 letters from applicants surveyors FGP stating both cable route options still available A-B and C-D.

No further correspondence until March 2026 which referenced previous letters but omitted route C-D.

Impact on Operations.

Drainage. Irreparable disruption to vital agricultural land drainage systems.

Farm Succession. Severely restricts planned expansion of agricultural sheds, blocking the fourth generation of the Lindley family from diversifying and continuing to farm.

Procedural Note: As explicitly directed and permitted by the Examining Authority (ExA) during the hearing, a comprehensive and detailed Personal Impact Statement is currently being finalised. This full statement will be formally submitted by Deadline 4 (21 July 2026).

Yours faithfully

Mrs Vivian Lindley

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