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I am not opposed to Solar Power in principle but it should be on roofs and wasteland not good quality agricultural land which is what the Springwell Solar Development will do so I am totally opposed to the Springwell Solar Development and the infrastructure which will accompany it. We don't grow enough of our own food in this country so the last thing we should be doing is turning good agricultural land over to other uses. The Springwell Solar Development, SSD, has little to do with energy security and is all about greedy landowners and foreign energy companies making massive profits. The argument that energy bills will reduce is a complete and utter lie. The commitment to restore the land after 40 years is another lie, it will never happen because the ownership of the land will transfer to a company which will conveniently go bust. If this ill-conceived project goes ahead then restoration money should be paid at the start to future restoration is then guaranteed. You only have to look at Cuadrilla near Blackpool to see how promises of restoration are never kept. Solar power belongs on roofs and there are plenty of large industrial roofs around which could be utilised using a mixture of incentives for doing so and penalties for not doing so. All new buildings should have solar panels on their roofs. Good quality land, as in much of Lincolnshire, should only be used for growing crops. You can't eat solar panels.

Why is so much of energy provision in the hands of foreign companies like EDF who just want to make as much profit as possible for the least effort.

The infrastructure which goes with solar power is not pleasant and battery storage systems have a habit of catching fire, releasing toxic fumes causing the evacuation of nearby homes. A good example of this is Kilwinning in Scotland which has caught fire at least twice. Again, the developers don't care about this, they just want to make lots of money. Much of Lincolnshire is very scenic and much is designated as an Area of Outsanding Natural Beauty which this development will destroy with no benefit to local residents. This scheme MUST not go ahead.