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I wish to provide further comments in connection with the Fenwick Solar Farm project as a resident of Fenwick, which are HUGE concerns to myself and family.

1. BESS site situated close to residents - the issues of fires have increased recently with several large fires in these containers, producing huge amounts of smoke. toxic fumes, left to burn for hours and causing evacuations of private homes close to these sites and warnings to keep doors and windows closed to properties in close proximity. As these sites will be in use for 40 yrs plus, this threat remains a long term problem for residents, reducing the sale price of homes and the reduced ability of selling these homes on. Theres little or no evidence, that the fumes from these fires are harmless and even less evidence, that theres is NO long lasting effects on residents from them.

2. Noise Pollution - this project is so huge, the noise alone from the piling required on land to support the panels , 10 hours aday, 5 days (minimum) per week, 52 weeks of year, for up to 2 years will have huge mental health effects on residents, not only in close proximity to the site but within several miles in all directions, taking into account 1000's of people being effected. Fenwick as already suffered from this noise pollution due to recent homes and supermarkets being built in nearby Askern, it stops residents using their outdoor spaces, disturbs sleeping patterns, scaring of livestock, horse riders and nervous pets and children, along with older residents in the area. Residents choose to live in a quiet countryside location for many reasons, peace and quiet being one of them, but this noise disturbance is unacceptable and being forced onto residents with little care for mental health issues this will cause.

3. Wildlife - we have a diverse selection of wildlife, birds living happily in the village and surrounding area, several breeds of owls, wild fowls, large flocks of geese migrate through Fenwick to get to Askern pond, swans, buzzards, red kites, deer, and some protected birds. Once these wildlife and birds have either been killed /injured by trying to land on the panels, thinking they are water,unable to take off again due to lack of space, many will be lost and any that do survive, will not return.

4. footpaths - bridleways - being a country village, we have many dog walkers, horse riders, walkers and residents that enjoy the environment of our quiet village, for leisure purposes and daily lives, THIS is WHY residents bought their homes here, but these plans for the solar plant will KILL that environment and residents way of life. Paths are being removed, changed, hedgerows removed and replaced with fencing, little wildlife left to enjoy, and we have NO say in any of this.

5. There are so many other alternative to using farming land, Italy as banned any further expansion of solar farms because the technology is already outdated. The panels are made in china, travelling thousands of miles, they will need replacing every 10 years as their productivity reduces over time, therefore the area will have to suffer that every 10 years. Millions of metal/glass panels are non recyclable and there is only ONE company in UK that deals with them. This net zero plan is being rushed through for the labour government to get to their target no matter what the costs are. Its a political agenda and UK residents will foot the bill. No evidence as been provided that other systems/alternatives have been researched or considered, and certainly, no considerations to residents effected by these plans have given. These plans will effect millions of people for years to come but again, seems to be unimportant in their agenda.

6. Roads/Access - Local roads are in such a bad condition, they can not handle the daily traffic that they already carry. Repairs that are carried out are a man with a bucket and shovel, filling in holes, which breakup with in days. The road edges have fallen away into grass verges. There are single track lanes leading into Fenwick and Heywood, already unsuitable for heavy vehicles, theres two main train lines. which regularly get stuck down, broken and closed, sometimes for a week at a time for repairs, and a 15 mile official diversion which is completely ignored by locals, using these single track lanes as a rat run, causing further damage to poorly maintained lanes, no passing places, no paths, already used by farm and haulage vehicles, and can NOT support the traffic that uses it currently. These lanes become UNUSABLE by walkers, riders due to speeds and irresponsible drivers. There are livestock, children and elder residents that fear for their safety on these lanes already, let alone when used as rat runs. The proposed alternative entrance in Moss, is on a blind bend, traffic in both directions will have very poor view of vehicles entering/leaving that entrance and is a major accident waiting to happen.

7. The excuse that some of the land being used for this proposal is poor agricultural land, but its been used for 100's of years as agricultural land, and is currently in use.

8. The building of these sites will be sold off by the likes of Boom, to foreign investors, not British companies, all profits will go out of UK abroad and we will still be buying

our power from overseas at whatever price they set, UK will have NO control over prices, just like we don't now, therefore, no benefit to british residents in reducing our bills.

9. Fire/storm risks of panels - there as been several large storms in UK recently, and many more overseas, recking solar panels, burning, smashing them , flying metal and glass over large swaths of land, into adjoining land, injuring livestock, and many, have been left broken and unrepaired. There can be no 100% guarantee that this will NOT happen in here ? companys will fold and go out of business, insurance cover will be useless, just have to look at Glenfield situation. If that happens, whoses going to take over putting things right ? cleaning up sites, land will be USELESS for agriculture again and the countryside will be a waste land covered in broken metal and glass . Do we really need to risk this for UK ?

10. Security - Doncaster as a huge [REDACTED] - including other areas close to Doncaster with the same population. [REDACTED]

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should we be subjected to this ? the answer is : WE SHOULD NOT BE !!!!

Finally - village community - this plan as divided the residents, setting family against family, friend against friend and neighbour against neighbour. Ruining any community spirit which existed in the Village.

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I wish to submit further comments concerning the Fenwick Solar Farm project as a resident of Fenwick, for almost [REDACTED] years, we purchased our home BECAUSE OF WHAT IT IS, a quiet and peaceful countryside location surrounded by farms, fields green spaces, NOT TO MANY YEARS LATER, BE LIVING ON AN INDUSTRIAL ESTATE. We are not opposed to green energy, but, it must be the right kind and in the right areas. ruining peoples lives as all the many projects all over UK are doing to thousands of people.

1. Fire issues with battery storage.
2. Destruction of wildlife habitats .
3. Loss of wildlife, protected included.
4. Loss of footpaths.
5. NOISE POLLUTION
6. ROAD DAMAGE
7. ACCESS ISSUES ON COUNTRY LANES
8. LOSS OF FARMING LAND AND FOOD PRODUCTION (FENWICK AS ALWAYS BEEN A FARMING VILLAGE AND LAND USED AS SUCH)
9. SECURITY ISSUES - THEFT INCREASING THROUGH OUT THE VILLAGE (WE HAVE A LARGE [REDACTED] AND ENDURE RURAL CRIMES ALREADY)
10. REPEATED REPLACEMENT OF PANELS
11. INCREASE IN FLOODING (ALREADY SUFFER FROM FLOODING AS WE ARE CLAY SOIL)
12. BUILD SOLD OFF TO FOREIGN COMPANYS, BEING UNABLE TO CONTACT THEM WITH ISSUES
13. ALTERNATIVES NO CONSIDERED.

14. COMMUNITY SPIRIT - NEIGHBOUR against neighbour, friend against friend and family against family.
15. These plans have caused us stress and mental health problems, feeling unable to express why this should not happen to us, and that no one cares anyway, having no say in the final outcome, a fear of the loss of value of our homes and the ability to sell and move away.

This is not the kind of place we want to be forced into living, as residents, we have little to NO say in the outcome and we feel, its already been decided by Miliband.

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