

I have concerns regarding the effects on wildlife, ecology and migratory birds, and how robustly these effects have been assessed.

I cannot see that the so called “lake effect” of large solar projects has been specifically assessed, given the proximity to wetlands and how this effect (which can cause harm, injury and death to birds) can be avoided or mitigated, particularly in relation to the migratory geese that visit each year.

Addition areas of interest/concern:

- The effects on wildlife and ecology during the construction of this site. The scale of the development and the construction traffic will significantly disturb and adversely affect species that reside or overwinter there.
- The scale of the development and loss and fragmentation of viable habitat. Its proximity to an SSSI, as well as the construction being on established natural habitat, not farmland where biodiversity is generally poorer and solar can improve certain populations.
- Potential short and long term detrimental effects of the project on species, biodiversity, habitat alteration and habitat loss.
- The negative effect on the view from Frodsham and Helsby Hill