

I am a resident of Botolph Claydon. I overlook the proposed location of the Rosefield Solar Farm. I am 100% AGAINST this proposal. The proposed site occupies a total of 1667 acres of good agricultural land, rich and diverse in wildlife.

Point of order:

I did not attend the public pre-meetings held on 24 Feb 2026 at Horwood House either in person or virtually. This does not signal that I have no opinion on this planning application. The reason I did not attend was that I had critical work commitments. In any case the local sentiment against this proposal should not be measured by headcount at these pre-meetings. Many of the interested community parties are tenants of the landlord and many others are elderly without the necessary IT skills to object through modern day communication pathways.

The local cumulative impact is intolerable. This application is in addition to:

> The STATERA BESS approved by the Planning Inspectorate, WHO OVERRULED the refusal of planning permission by Buckinghamshire Council.

> Mega prison in Calvert approved by the Secretary of State, WHO OVERRULED the Buckinghamshire Council unanimous decisions to refuse the Ministry of Justice's (MoJ) application

> Years of HS2 construction disruption in the local area

> Years of East/West rail construction disruption in the local area - and still not a single passenger train run to date

> Proposed East Claydon National Grid Substation Expansion

We have had to endure more than our fair share of these projects locally. Look elsewhere.

My specific points of objection are as follows:

The destruction of farmland that is producing crops - and ultimately our food - is unacceptable.

The impact on our open countryside, the environment and its eco-system is unacceptable.

The local road network will simply not be able to cope with the amount of construction traffic that will be associated with this project.

Solar is the most inefficient form of energy generation. During the winter months in the UK, when our nations demand for energy is at its peak, solar is totally inadequate and does not make any significant energy contribution.

BESS COMPONENT OF THE APPLICATION - The unacceptable risks of fire, explosion, and water pollution, and the catastrophic consequences on the local area and on the health and wellbeing of residents cannot be mitigated to near zero. This life-threatening risk should override all other arguments.

Why is such an infrastructure project not located on existing industrial land / near existing transport links that are fit-for-purpose?

The degree of noise pollution that will be generated by this project will be completely intolerable for local residents. This applies to both the construction phase and during its ongoing operation.

Having to endure more than 2 years of daily construction work – from 7am to 7pm – is not why we chose to embrace the peace and quiet of the countryside.

ON A PERSONAL POINT OF ORDER – AT THE BOTOLPH CLAYDON ROSEFIELD PRESENTATION IN 2024, THE ROSEFIELD PROJECT MANAGER DESCRIBED THE PROJECT/EAST CLAYDON SUBSTATION AS A 'HONEY POT'. AND THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT THIS PROPOSAL IS ALL ABOUT. NOTHING TO DO WITH ZERO CARBON NET ENERGY.