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Please find copy of my objection to the Rosefield Solar Panel Application.
I was under the impression that I had registered as an interested person but can find no trace of being sent a number. I therefore am trying to send the application via the alternative form.

Much is being made of the value of open spaces to walk and relax in as an essential to our mental well being. The land around Bodolph Claydon is such a space which is used constantly as an escape from urban Aylesbury, Bicester and the surrounding areas. Why then, is the area which is most used for the above, being considered for a gigantic field of 2,000 acres of solar panels? We are told the public pathways would be replaced but what benefit would walking between rows of solar panels have on our mental well being? No views, a constant humming and little chance of spotting much wild life - of which there is an abundance at present.

The area has been farmed successfully for generations. In this uncertain world, with tensions between countries at their worst, shouldn't we, as an overpopulated island, be thinking of increasing our food production rather than covering productive land with solar panels which could be placed on commercial properties and most house roof tops? Were we to be cut off from sea and air food deliveries how long could we survive on the food produced in this country at present? IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR OUR SURVIVAL THAT WE PRESERVE OUR GROWING AREAS AND ENCOURAGE HOME GROWN FOOD.

We are a group of small rural villages with farming at our roots. Roads have evolved from farm tracks with minimum foundations below the tarmac and are narrow. They are already a hazard with innumerable pot holes and certainly won't stand up to the heavy commercial vehicles need to prepare and to bring solar panels to the site. For the past ten years we have suffered bad road conditions and frequent road closures necessitating lengthy diversions due to HR2 and EWRail (which ,12 months after completion still cannot provide us with a train service!) The further disruption caused by the Rosefield proposal will have a devastating impact on our roads and the mental health of us all.

If plans for this solar panel field were to go ahead our village would be sandwiched between 2,000 acres of solar panels to the immediate south and a large major electric sub station less than half a mile to the north, surrounded by huge lithium packed electric storage units. This combination would reduce the value of our homes considerably. Who would want to live here? The peace of a rural village, the reason we moved here, would have vanished.

In conclusion, I do question the wisdom of solar panels as a source of energy when they are proven not to work efficiently in poor weather conditions. In addition to poor efficiency we have panels made in a country which is known to use fossil fuels and slave labour in the construction of the panels. They are then brought half way across the world by oil power causing more harm to the environment. How can they possibly claim to be clean power.

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