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To Whom It May Concern,

Rosefield Solar - Deadline 6 submission.
ID Registration No. [REDACTED]

This submission should be read in conjunction with my original **objection** and subsequent additional submissions.

As the Member of Parliament for Mid Buckinghamshire, the parliamentary constituency within which this abhorrent development is proposed, I reaffirm my absolute opposition and objection to this application and once again highlight the following concerns:

- This commercial project represents a catastrophic loss of productive agricultural land - a conservative 1,689 acres at the very least - which threatens both the livelihoods of local farmers, and by extension the local rural economy (grain merchants, vets, equipment and clothing suppliers etc). This critically undermines the UK's national food security at a time we are seeing huge food inflation. Plus the loss of access to land for non-farming purposes such as for tourism (this area is currently popular with walkers, who will not want to come if this industrial installation goes ahead destroying our natural beauty and nature - thus damaging the pubs, cafes, restaurants, camp sites and other attractions that rely on this).



- ▶ Rosefield, in conjunction with the cumulative impact of other solar, battery storage and energy proposals would be a devastating blow to local communities who are already severely impacted by the cumulative effects of other nearby mega-projects such as High Speed 2, East West Rail, multiple housing projects, an incinerator and a new extra large prison.
- ▶ The rural road network in this part of Buckinghamshire simply cannot sustain another mega-project. Thousands of further HGV movements during the construction phase along these crumbling inter-village roads and lanes would prove disastrous. Pedestrians, horse riders and cyclists would be particularly at risk.

This is without doubt the wrong place to build such a development.

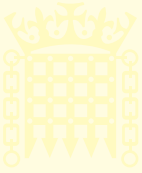
What makes matters infinitely worse is the sheer inefficiency of ground mounted, up-scaled solar panel mega installations in the UK, particularly during the winter months when daylight hours are short and conversely electricity demand is at a peak.

A recent independent energy research report concluded that solar power “Capacity Factors”, a measure of performance, are as low as 9.5% to 11% across an average year. That is wholly unsustainable by any sense of the word. It is poor value for money and I suspect may only be financially viable with the aid of public subsidies and tax concessions.

Not content with blighting the beautiful Buckinghamshire countryside with tens of thousands of hideous industrial scale solar panels, this application also includes hundreds of Battery Energy Storage System units (BESS). This is of extreme concern. Not only do they have relatively low electricity storage capacity (between 4 – 6 hours) they are already lagging behind fast moving technological advances, currently unable to connect to the National Grid and are inherently a huge environmental risk.

In a 2025 report by the Environmental Hazards and Emergencies Department of the UK Health Security Agency (a Government body) is damning in its conclusions on safety issues inherent with BESS, including fire, the release of toxic gasses, contamination risk to land and groundwater, noise levels and electromagnetic fields - and very worrying is the lack of clarity on decommissioning.

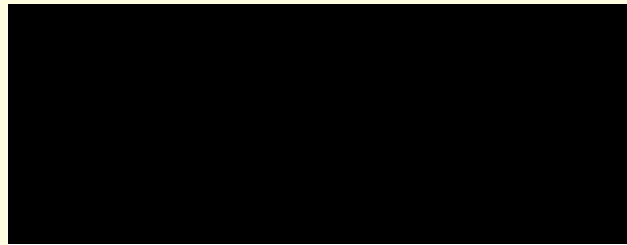
The disposal of thousands of tons of battery waste (toxic and highly reactive) would be a vast and extremely expensive undertaking. Who is going to fund this, carry out the process and ultimately be responsible? Should the site operator no longer be in business who will have to pick up the bill? I assume the Public Purse?



There are of course many other reasons why this application should be refused, cumulative impacts, the impact on wildlife, the natural and visual landscape, the current dire lack of connectivity capacity to the National Grid, night sky pollution, and more. Detail on all of these points is laid out in my formal submission of objection to the Inspectorate.

For all of the above reasons - and those previously submitted - I urge that this application is **REFUSED**.

Yours sincerely,



Mid Buckinghamshire