

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.

Reasons for my OBJECTION

Cumulative Impact

I am extremely disappointed that the Planning Inspectorate has NOT performed a FULL ASSESSMENT of the CUMULATIVE IMPACT of all the various applications (some are listed below) in the area; in particularly the highways. I am surprised and disillusioned that Buckinghamshire County Council Highways has ALSO not performed a Full Assessment of the accumulative impact which already exists! Do they not understand that the rise in traffic, plus increase in the number of road closures and the impact on the local road infrastructure is going to get worse!

We have had to and continue to endure more than our fair share of these infrastructure projects:

> 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 and years of the 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 has run to date!!

> Proposed East Claydon National Grid Substation Expansion

Highways/Roads

The local road network will simply not be able to cope with the amount of construction traffic that will be associated with this project. As a result of HS2 there is already a significant number of HGV's and HS2 worker traffic (the workers do not drive respectfully or appropriately through the villages). If this application is approved the increase of traffic and resulting disruption is going to be horrific due to more HGVs and more disrespectful driving.

Landscape

The destruction of farmland that is producing crops - and ultimately our food - is unacceptable and shortsighted. The impact on our open countryside, the environment and its eco-system is deplorable.

On a personal level - moving into the area has improved my mental wellbeing. The views from my property are stunning and after 20+ years of residency in Botolph Claydon I have never tired of the scenery.

I invited the Planning Inspectorate to visit my home to observe for themselves what a beautiful area this is. I am saddened and very disappointed that no member of the Planning Inspectorate came to my home to witness the glorious view – WHY DID NO MEMBER OF THE PLANNING INSPECTORATE VISIT?

NOISE

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 particularly the Piling etc., and during its ongoing operation.

Having to endure more than 2 years of daily construction work (on top of the other accumulated projects!) – from 7am to 7pm – is not why I chose to embrace the peace and quiet of the countryside.

Point of Order - Mr Rossi CEO EDF Energy UK stated in a Daily Telegraph article that the UK is generating more electricity than it can use and tax payers are paying for "curtailment". Mr Rossi suggested that the UK should redirect focus on boosting the demand for green electricity rather than building more wind and solar farms. Therefore, Rosefield Solar Farm is not required.