

I believe it is not democratic that a decision of this magnitude is in the hands of a self confessed eco nerd. How can he be objective? We are simply exchanging dependence for our energy with dependence for Food. Once this land is lost to food production it is for 40yrs. There are other ways of renewables which do not effect food production in this way. There are plenty of options for siting Chinese solar panels left to explore without affecting grade 3 land which contributes greatly to our needs. Could we not take a more measured approach until the larger polluters join the the fight against climate change We have just suffered our worst harvest in the UK and the bread basket of Europe can no longer be relied on. Any of the applications deserve full consideration but the effect of them all is catastrophic to this area of food production and natural beauty.