

I wish to object to the Green Hill Solar proposals as follows:

1. The site constitutes an industrial-scale development of a size unprecedented in the local rural area, and should be refused for this reason alone.
2. Solar generation should utilise existing warehouse roofing, etc, and not green field sites producing high quality food for the nation at a time of increasing population growth.
3. Two-thirds of the proposed site consists of higher-grade agricultural land currently supplying quality cereals to the likes of Weetabix, and should not be taken out of production, particularly since planning law opposes the use of this type of land.
4. Loss of wildlife habitat and disruption to wildlife using the site, e.g. our local owl species unable to hunt for food, skylarks and ground nesting birds such as snipe unable to utilise their usual breeding sites.
5. Fire risk from battery storage/inverters etc., with risk of rapid spread to large areas of site (a particular concern under conditions of drought such as experienced this summer, 2025).
6. Safety concerns for site workers/members of the public regarding possible unexploded bombs from USAAF's use of the area during World War 2.
7. What will happen at the end of life of the site if the original developer goes bankrupt or ceases to trade; who will pay for decommissioning and ensure the site is properly cleared/equipment disposed of?
8. What will stop the decommissioned site in future becoming classified as 'brown field' land and then earmarked for urban-type development?