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To: Green Hill Solar
Subject: EN010170 Green Hill Solar Farm Re : - Deadline 7 Submission Regarding 'Public Interest' Requirement to be recognised.

I am writing in response to Deadline 7. See 10 Points listed below : -

1. I raised the Subject of 'Public Interest' at the last Open Hearing and noted the surprise at my mentioning the point that the Local Communities and Population have not been recognised in the NSIP process to gather evidence about the fundamental principles that are being Procedurally buried in favour of Assumptions about the affected Local Authorities performance and their ability to handle the Planning Application Workload and give effective Support to the Local Population to mitigate the imposed damage and intolerable impact on Communities.

2. The Green Hill Solar Farm Project covers a multitude of different Sites, Local Authorities and enormous disruption and impact to the Countryside and Population living in the Rural Communities. If the Development Consent Order (DCO) is Granted then the 'Discharging Requirements' (Conditions) are extremely important in their coverage AND the way they are worded.

3. The content of the 'Discharging Requirements' has to recognise the absolute lack of Support by West Northants Council (WNC) in giving due weight to the Views of the Local Communities having this Project imposed on the Rural Communities. The expectation was that their views would be stated powerfully by their Local Authority, West Northants Council (WNC) in presenting their Views to the Planning Inspectorate. As a 'Statutory Consultee,' WNC is note worthy by its' very obvious Silence in the Communities and at the Open Hearings. Therefore, greater weight is needed by the Planning Inspectorate to those Individuals and Communities Objecting to the Project and their Concerns

4. National Highways does not concern itself with the bulk of those Sites and Infrastructure Routes / Corridors (e.g located within the West Northamptonshire Council WNC). The state of the minor road infrastructure received little regard to addressing concerns of Local Communities trying to mitigate the impact and damage to the Countryside Road Network. The WNC's poor performance in Highways Planning / Maintenance and very suspect Planning 'Approvals' means little trust in its' Local Planning and Development Control Department.

5. Poor Service expectation from WNC as evident by how little Comment has been Publicly stated / submitted to reflect the Application's Project Impact on Communities and that Cost may have to be carried by the Rate Payers. There has been no information presented about the County Road Network existing condition away from the routes Maintained by National Highways. Where is it Stated about upfront 'Mandatory 106 Agreements' to fund Road Repair and Maintenance? N.B This could come under Building Control / Highways using the Construction Design and Maintenance (CDM) Regulations 2015 which ALSO Provides for Local Consultation e.g Regulation 27 because all these locations are 'Access to Construction Sites' for the Infrastructure / Cable Routing Groundworks Requirements etc.

6. At the last Open Hearing National Highways voiced concerns about Site Fencing etc. / Material being blown onto National Highways Road Network. The Council's Building Control Dept. has the Power to Enforce Regulations / Build Standards and should be Stated as the 'Requirement' Building

Control Service in the interests of the Local Communities (NOT a Private Company that provides Building Control Services advisory only, won't take Calls unless from the Client).

7. WNC does not have the Staffing Resources to cope with the DCO consequences if 'Approval'. Upfront EARLY Requirement for Section 106s to Fund additional Staff Recruitment for Councils. Potential problem with affected Councils competing to try Recruiting the same few remaining Candidates instead of Sharing the 'Scarce Resource'.

8. A List of applicable Regulations should be stated as part of the 'Discharging Requirements' for this DCO. This allows the Communities to be heard and forcing WNC to follow Procedures / Regulations. **Currently WNC finds it 'acceptable' to apply CDM Regulations 2007 instead of the CDM Regs 2015 that greatly enhances Notifications and Consultation which will be essential for affected Residents and Communities to be heard as part of Discharging Requirements instead of being ignored.**

9. Serious issue about the 'Take-Over' of Green Hill Solar Farm Project by an Australian Hedge Fund whose Reputation is reported as 'Poor' in its Business Dealings. Despite the obvious burden and destruction of the Rural Communities there is no Compensation Fund, financial or otherwise in recognition of the burden on affected Communities having this NSIP imposed upon them.

10. Additionally the 'intention' to restore the Agriculture Land back to its' ORIGINAL CONDITION' *that NOBODY BELIEVES* without an Independent FULLY FUNDED Restoration Fund being brought into existence before Construction Starts . This should not be 50 years but a 30 year maximum. as part of the DCO Discharging Requirements. Ownership changed recently, future Overseas Owners may not honour 'Restoration Terms', Land may be used for other purposes, never gets Restored. Discharge Requirements need to be Legally water tight.

Yours sincerely

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