

Dear Sir / Madam

EN0110012 Written Representation against the aforesaid Project

Further to my previous complaint (28 April 2026) concerning the solar panel project and its proposed access route from Skipwith Road along Field House Farm Access Lane, I should like to add the following general points for consideration:- Would the proposed solar panels be manufactured, supplied and fitted by a British company, thereby contributing to the British economy? The government is keen to have us invest heavily in British businesses. Nothing has been mentioned that I have seen or heard regarding this point.

Would local residents, farms and businesses benefit directly, and more cheaply (?) from the power generated by these solar panels, or would this power be directed out of the local area?

Solar panels (depending on the tilt angle) can accumulate debris such as bird droppings, dust/mud from heavy nearby farming (which is the case in the proposed area where the soil is extremely fine and prone to being whipped up into the air by farm vehicles), and lichen which grows naturally in warm/wet environments. This debris can reduce the effective operation of the panels and necessitate cleaning which may involve the need for large volumes of water from the local area, and maintenance vehicles, again, using the original Field House Farm access lane from Skipwith Road. Has all this been considered?

I feel that the local proposed heavy farming area is wholly unsuitable for the installation of one million solar panels. It is a high annual food-productive farming area with delicately balanced wildlife, flora and fauna depending on it. In my opinion solar panels belong on residential roofs and industrial area roofs, away from conservation areas.

My husband and I store our caravan on Field House Farm caravan storage location and we use it to stay on the Field House Farm CL caravan site throughout the year. We bring our bicycles every time and cycle daily around the local area, departing and returning along the access lane two times a day. We feel safe on this access lane normally, but with heavy vehicles coming and going without warning, our safety may be put at risk not only cycling down the access lane, but turning into it from Skipwith Road involves a sharp 90 degree angle with no visibility of vehicles exiting from the Escrick side .

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