

Little Dunham Parish Council objects to this application on the grounds that it would have an adverse cumulative impact on the overall character, beauty and skyline to the area.

The Inspector will be familiar with the provisions of National Planning Policy Statement EN-1. We would suggest that in determining this application the Inspector needs to consider the combined effects of how the proposal will interact with other existing, proposed or reasonably foreseeable developments in the area. This part of Norfolk is geographically described as a plateau landscape with wide, open vistas. Bunds or other mitigation measures would be alien to such a landscape. We already have an enormous sub-station development in Necton, twelve wind turbines on the old North Pickenham Airfield and a permitted solar array in Little Dunham and Great Dunham. There is a proposed large solar array on disparate parcels of land from Beachamwell to Wendling.

It is our submission that no amount of landscape mitigation would satisfactorily screen the panels, batteries and sub-stations proposed by the applicants. There would therefore be a cumulative negative impact on the area and so we would suggest that the application should be refused.