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Personal Representation

A substation is planned 25mts from the boundary of our meadow, which is an extension of our garden and a haven for wildlife. The substation will be a noisy, light polluting, eyesore. We regularly walk along the tree lined Narrogate Lane, which adjoins our property, which then leads to an expanse of open farmland and onto another tree lined Hundred Lane. This rural landscape and associated wildlife will be ruined by a Substation and a sea of Solar Panels, BESS and associated roadways and fencing. Although you have already been along this route I would ask you to revisit to appreciate the rural nature and landscape as it is now and then envisage the eyesore it may become if this project goes ahead. Norfolk has enough of this kind of development on productive farmland and countryside.

I am also very concerned about the effects of this project in general.

1. The use of good agricultural land and the decrease in food production.
2. The suitability of rural lanes for large HGVs.
3. The risk of fire and pollution and its after effects.
4. The flood risk and drainage problems caused by ground compaction and concrete constructions.
5. Disruption to the local community especially during construction.
6. The effect on wildlife and protected species.
7. Effect on tourism and its income to the area.
8. Rural amenities such as footpaths would be ruined.
9. The possible effect on the local climate.
10. Will solar be superseded by another cheaper and more efficient technology and can the sites really be returned back to their rural nature?