

The local residents who will be effected by East Pye Solar have had to play catch up against a Tsunami of documentation and paper that seems to be generated to obscure and obfuscate our huge concerns about a project that will have massive ramifications (practically all of them detrimental) to our environment , fauna , flora , mental health , economy , housing and roads with absolutely no benefit to the local population .

The Department of Energy , in conjunction with Macquarie asset management (an organisation with a dubious track record , given their handling of Thames water and the ballooning debt that they created ,whilst stripping out huge dividends with minimal improvement of the water infrastructure) seems intent on bulldozing this project through on the basis of meeting self imposed Net Zero targets whilst completely ignoring the fact that the Solar panels will be built in China , will be shipped from China and are not the latest , most efficient panels currently available .

Furthermore , various claims as to how many homes they will power are based on assumptions rather than solid fact , which comes as no surprise given that the plans put together have been slipshod, subject to 'copy & paste' casualness with Geographical flaws and a lack of attention to detail.

Homeowners have received letters mentioning the possibility of compulsory purchase without any mention of compensation, leaving them distraught that their houses are valueless or impossible to sell . The mental strain on those individuals can only be regarded as incredibly stressful.

All the issues that have already been put forward regarding local ecology and environmental damage seem to be brushed aside in the desire to push this project through , always under the banner that it is essential to the National interest of meeting Net zero and yet taking into no account the further regional destruction of East Anglia , which continues to be hit by one application after another for Solar industrial sites on prime farmland . This is in addition to other unrelated projects for massive pylons down the A140 to Tilbury , along with housing developments that must ultimately endanger the country's biosecurity given the huge proportion of food produced here. If we have to import more food from overseas what is that carbon footprint likely to be offset against huge industrial solar sites ? this argument seems to have been conveniently side stepped .

The overwhelming feeling locally, given the sheer weight of battling against the ' Process' of objecting to an infrastructure project that has been forced upon us , is that MacQuarie with the full help of the Energy Department will be the recipients of a 'Land grab' that is wholly inappropriate and an environmental disaster with very bad consequences for the local population.

It is a very badly thought through proposal which I vehemently object to.