

The fields with proposed TB154 - TB157 form part of a much larger option agreement for a major DCO solar development. The proposed pylons would cross the site, reducing the available area for solar panels, causing shading, and introducing further constraints, potentially rendering the solar farm unviable in this location. The site is also the location of the annual Essex Young Farmers Show which is an event highly valued by the local community. Construction of pylons across the site would hugely impact the event.

Submission ID: SC365A618

We understand that National Grid requires future access to its assets. However, imposing a fixed route is unfair to landowners, as it sterilises the land and prevents any future use or development, as well as negatively affecting its future saleability.

Submission ID: SC365A618

Towers TB154 – TB157 are located on fields adjacent to a former mineral quarry site. These fields are safeguarded in the Essex County Council Minerals Plan due to their significant potential for future extraction of sand and gravel. However, the proposed pylons pose a serious risk of rendering a substantial portion of this valuable extraction area unusable.