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Subject: Berden Hall Farm (Pelham Solar)

Application number on S62A/22/0006 (and UTT/22/2046/PINS)

I wish to object to this application on the grounds that its construction and maintenance will severely disrupt traffic on the road between Berden and Little Hadham.

1. The application includes what appear to be wide-angle photographs at some of the widest points on this road. In reality, it is much narrower and small family cars can only pass each other with care in many places. Two converging HGVs will cause blockages almost anywhere on this road. It is a fantasy to suggest -as the application does-that normal traffic will not be affected.
2. I would particularly draw the inspector's notice to the passage between Little Hadham traffic lights on the old A120 and the carriageway over the new A120 about half a mile north. This road is narrowed to a single 4 metre carriageway by a long line of vehicles legitimately parked on its western side. I cannot see any HGV using this route without blocking southbound traffic. I note that no particular modelling of this route has been done.
3. I also point out that the new A120 has no junction with the Hadham-Berden road as indicated by the application and included in its preferred transport route. Again, in reality, all vehicles will need to pass through Little Hadham crossroads and make an acute turn left. This error enables the applicant to ignore the point I have made in point 2. Above.
4. My greatest concern is about the impact of HGV traffic past the Pelhams Pre-school, in Stocking Pelham village. I can speak with particular knowledge as I have been their treasurer in the past. This longstanding village asset is on a blind bend, but there are no off-road parking or footpaths to enable parents to safely transport their children without walking in the road. They often need to load and unload their children into and out of car seats while standing in the road, at several times during the day.

In summary, this is an unsuitable location, without major road access in any location, and I urge you to reject it for this reason. Thank you.

Dr Stephen Bratt