

The Planning Inspectorate,
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Dear Sir

**OBJECTION to Berden Hall Solar Farm
Section 62A Planning Application: S62A/22/0006 and UTT/22/2046/PINS
(Uttlesford)**

I am writing to object to the application to construct a solar farm comprising ground mounted solar arrays together with inverter cabins, a substation, fencing and CCTV cameras on land adjacent to Ginns Road, Berden on the grounds of the harm that this development will cause to the landscape.

The National Planning Policy Framework includes an environmental objective which is expressed as an aim to protect and enhance the natural, built and historic environment.

Fields containing continuous rows of metal and glass will bring a dramatic industrial scar to this rural environment which is further damaged by perimeter security fencing, CCTV systems and buildings housing associated apparatus including the inverters. At 177 acres, the scale and appearance of this ground-mounted solar installation will be obtrusive on the landscape and will therefore be contrary to local planning policies.

Traditional views, which frame the setting of the historic buildings in the immediate vicinity of the site will be destroyed and the character of footpaths will be altered forever. Much of the site for this development is on sloping land and will be highly visible from the surrounding landscapes.

Solar panels belong on the roofs of buildings and not in the countryside.

Yours,

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4-9-22

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Date

cc Laurence Ackrill, Planning Department, Uttlesford District Council, Council Offices,
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