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Subject: Berden Hall Farm (Pelham Solar)

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

I am writing to object to the proposal by Statera to construct a solar farm on 177 acres of land at Berden Hall Farm.

Our names are Duncan and Jo Woodcock  
[REDACTED]

The reasons for our objection are as follows:

The suggested site for this latest application is totally unsuitable for such an installation for so many reasons.

The land is prime farming land and this is a commodity that we should be protecting. With the prospect of food shortages in the UK due to global issues means that arable land is precious.

The access to the site for both construction traffic and service vehicles is totally inadequate. The roads are narrow and generally in a bad state of repair, subsequently there would be an increased risk to road users many of whom are pedestrians due to there being a lack of pavements in the villages affected.

Why would these panels be considered to be a good idea when there are already superior products on the market, making those proposed for use at Berden soon to be obsolete?

The area proposed is close to two small communities linked by well used footpaths. The visual impact would be considerable to both walkers and road users. The site, being on a slope, would be impossible to screen from properties or the road and the footpaths would become corridors flanked by high, industrial fencing and overpowering solar panels.

To sum up, this is a totally irresponsible use of precious land which will hugely impact large numbers of residents in many villages. The proposal is being made with financial considerations only and with total disregard of quality of life in a rural community.