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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.

My name is Karen Drew
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Points of my objection include but are not limited to the following:

- Farmland in our area is some of the highest quality in the UK, and therefore it's prime use should be for the production of food.
- The impact of climate change should not result in the loss of this type of productive land when other solutions are available - such as the use of existing roofs on domestic and industrial buildings.
- The risks to individuals and the surrounding buildings and countryside as a result of the delivery, installation, and ongoing maintenance of the site. The local roads are not suitable for such large construction traffic. I understand that the supporting text for Uttlesford Policy ENV15 states development will only be permitted in locations where the local road network is capable of handling any additional traffic generated by the proposal. This area is not capable of handling this traffic.
- And the likely demand for building new, or extending existing, battery storage facilities in the area to support the solar panel installations/farms, and all the fire risks associated with this type of storage facility.

Our local area is being bombarded with planning applications to build battery storage facilities and the conversion of farmland to solar panel 'farms'. This application should not be taken in isolation but be considered 'as a whole', across the local communities and neighbouring counties, to better understand the cumulative effect of the sites and installations being proposed.

Regards
Karen Drew