



29 August 2022

The Planning Officer,
Uttlesford District Council
London Road,
Saffron Walden

Dear Sir,

UTT/22/2046/PINS
562A/22/0006
Application for Solar Farm at Berden, Essex.

We wish to object strongly to this application, on the grounds that it would be a waste of a large area of prime agricultural land, in this part of East Anglia where the farmland is the highest producing in the country.

It is, and has been for hundreds of years, the best land in the UK for growing food, cereal crops etc. for feeding our nation, and also therefore contributing to our stable economy and the country's balance of payments by not having to import unnecessarily.

Solar farms can be sited anywhere; on poor land, on hillsides or waste land - it is just cheaper for developers to use good flat farmland, and these developers obviously feel no moral social obligation to do what best serves our long-term needs and our economy.

We hope that the District Council will not support this application as being in any way a reasonable or socially responsible proposal.

Yours faithfully,
Mike & Carol Wilkinson

