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Subject: Objection to Solar Farm on Land East of Pelham substation, Maggots End Manuden - Application number: S62A/2022/0011

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I am writing to object to the application to construct a solar farm comprising ground mounted solar arrays together with (among other things) battery storage, inverter cabins, a substation, fencing and CCTV cameras on land near Pelham Substation Maggots End Road Manuden CM23 1BJ

My name is David Lawrence , and I live at [REDACTED]

The reasons for my objection are as follows:

I would like express my objection as a resident of the village of Berden to the proposed solar farm that is being considered to be situated at Battles Farm in Essex.

Although I support the need for green energy and welcome ways to produce energy without harming the environment, In my view I believe this proposal would be another blight to the existing landscape by creating a structure that is alien to the surrounding setting, casting a glass scar across scenery that naturally frames the beautiful villages that are sat within it.

Basically in my view this proposal is an industrial application and not agricultural, we have already accommodated our fair share of energy related industrialisation within this area in the form of Stocking Pelham Sub-station which also has recently been developed and expanded.

I would like to express that I believe that industrial proposals of this size should always be ideally located within existing industrial settings where possible, and that any proposal to introduce an industrial structure to a green field site should explain how this option has been explored and exhausted before they have elected to choose to apply to a green field site.

There is no information provided by Low Carbon in regards to there surveys of brown field sites and how they have exhausted this option without success.

I end my email to say thank you for taking the time to read my concerns, please may I ask that when you and your colleagues consider the proposal , please take into account what my local community has already accepted in regards to the sizeable power related structures at Stocking Pelham Substation and the traffic that this installation has brought with it. To have another industrial structure supporting the electrical industry in my view would disregard the sacrifices to the environment that we have already made.

Thanks again for your time.

Kind Regards

David Lawrence