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Dear Sir/Madam

OBJECTION to Pelham Spring Solar Farm
Application No. S62A/2022/0011: Land East of Pelham substation, Maggots End, Manuden

I am writing to object to the application made by Low Carbon to construct a solar farm comprising ground mounted solar arrays plus battery storage, inverter cabins, a substation, fencing and CCTV cameras on land at Maggots End, East End Road Manuden CM23 1BJ on the grounds that the proposed solar farm is inappropriate development in the countryside.

The development proposed by Low Carbon can only be described as industrial. In addition to large numbers of solar PV panels (the exact quantity is not specified) the development will include: 23 containerised inverters; 36 containerised battery storage units; a Substation compound (containing Transformers, a DNO substation and Customer substation/switchgear), perimeter fences and access gates; and CCTV cameras..

National policy includes an environmental objective - to protect and enhance our natural, built and historic environment; including making effective use of land, improving biodiversity, using natural resources prudently, minimising waste and pollution, and mitigating and adapting to climate change, including moving to a low carbon economy. I do not understand how a massive solar farm can possibly enhance either the natural environment.

The proposed development is not compatible with Uttlesford's policy S7 which says that the countryside will be protected for its own sake.

Yours

23ra Feb 2023

Linda Quinn ……

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Print Name *Date*

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