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Section 62A Applications <section62a@planninginspectorate.gov.uk> Subject: Objection to solar farm on land east of Pelham substation, Maggots End Manuden number S62A/2022/0011

I strongly object to this planning application for the following reasons:

The majority of this site is highly fertile soil and ideal for arable crops and as over 40% of our food in the UK is imported it is imperative that for our food security, we increase our output and not turn good quality arable land over to Solar farming.

Uttlesford already has sufficient ground mounted solar to power 132% of its households and already approved further ground mounted solar to power over 63000 Uttlesford homes. More than is needed

The way forward is

a) offshore wind turbines and as UK is an island it is naturally placed to be the world's largest offshore wind power generator. And therefore we should leave our countryside alone.
b) solar panels on commercial roofs and new builds , take notice of Germany, where 50% of their solar generated electricity comes from roof mounted solar panels
c) we should be using existing brown field sites such as disused airfields etc.

Proposed Pelham Springs Development will have a huge impact on local road networks with great damage to our country lanes, excessive traffic through small villages, it is proposed that construction traffic will go passed a primary school in Manuden where the road is narrow with barely space for cars to pass especially with parked cars on either side. The actual site will house acres of solar panels along with numerous buildings, perimeter fencing and CCTV cameras all in all a ugly site.

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