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

I am writing to object to application S62A/2022/0011 on the following grounds-

1. Brownfield sites, commercial rooftops, and new builds should be used instead of farmland.
2. Its a madness/ missed opportunity for nearly 1000 homes to be built in Bishops Stortford with no requirement for installation of solar panels whilst in planning. This argument applies to other builds local to this site.
3. Solar panels are not 'green', given the carbon footprint of their manufacture, import, installation, and decommissioning.
4. that solar energy is not as efficient as other renewable energy sources.
5. It will mean the removal of valuable productive arable land which will weaken our food production resilience and leave the land after the 40-year 'temporary' timescale as a 'brownfield site' no longer viable for agriculture.
6. The countryside should be protected as a valuable community asset, where locals and visitors alike can take advantage of the tranquility and health and well-being benefits it provides, untouched by industrial developments such as solar panel installations and batteries.
7. There will be a huge impact on the local road network and communities with no local benefit.
8. This application is simply an investment company with no long term interest in the production of low carbon energy other than making profit with maximum efficiency hence the location of the application near to easier and cheaper access to the grid.
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I urge you not to let this development proceed.

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