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

I am writing to object to the application to construct a solar farm on land near Pelham Substation Maggots End Road Manuden

My name is Joanne Beadle and I live at [REDACTED]
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The reasons for my objection are as follows:

This is NOT development on a small scale or for a short amount of time. Its proposed size huge and it would be in place for an incredibly long time at 40 years!

It will not enhance the precious rural environment which surrounds us and which is one of the main reasons many of us enjoy living in this location. With my family I regularly walk along footpaths that border and cross this proposed site. I personally feel a great sense of peace and wellbeing from being in this quiet rural location and I enjoy seeing the wildlife and countryside views. Walking alongside fencing and solar panels reaching 3 metres high, 23 containerised inverters, 36 containerised battery storage units, a substation compound and CCTV cameras will certainly be much less enjoyable!

Fertile farmland should be used for food production. The UK needs to become more self-sufficient in terms of food production and solar installations absolutely do not need to be built in the countryside. Put them on commercial roof space and new builds and leave the fields for the production of crops for our food security.

Uttlesford already has enough ground mounted solar to power 132% of its households! There is no need to lose any more precious farm land in this way.

Please reject this application.