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The Planning Inspectorate,

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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 near Battles Hall Maggots End Road Manuden CM23 1BJ on the grounds that people's enjoyment of the countryside will be negatively affected.

National Planning policy requires that planning decisions should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment by recognising the intrinsic character and beauty of the countryside, and the wider benefits from natural capital and ecosystem services – including the economic and other benefits of the best and most versatile agricultural land, and of trees and woodland.

There are eight local Public Rights of Ways within and immediately adjacent to the site comprising of one Bridleway and seven Footpaths. I believe that access to open countryside is particularly important these days – it makes a significant contribution to our mental well-being.

Walks in or around this industrial development will be ruined by the appearance of solar panels. I do not accept that the impact can be satisfactorily mitigated by planting hedges – particularly where there is no existing hedgerow.

Yours

4th March 2023

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Natalie Slade

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Print Name *Date*

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