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Subject: Ref.: Land East of Maggots End, Manuden 62A/22/0011

I am writing to object very strongly to the planning application for putting solar panels on good arable land on the land east of Maggots End, Manuden which is the ref ; Land East of Manuden 62/22/0011., I have always thought that solar pv panels should NEVER be put on good arable land as we need to grow crops on that land to feed our population. At the moment there is a great need for this, as sourcing our food from other countries is not always certain.

Also, when there is heavy rain, which with climate change, this is happening a lot more frequently, there is an increased risk of flash flooding as the rain runs off the panels rapidly on a very small area so the rain cannot be absorbed by the soil like it was when the ground has crops in it.

Also the rural area is just that at the moment, but with the proposed panels there it becomes an industrial area.

Regards,

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