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**Subject:** Land at Berden Hall Farm Dewes Green Road Berden, and reference number S62A/22/0006.

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I object to the updated application from Stratera for the **land at Berden Hall Farm Dewes Green Road Berden** reference number **S62A/22/0006** because:

- There would be negative effects on landscape and visual amenities. This is open countryside, and a number of public rights of way (PROWs) would be impacted including several very well-used footpaths
- The development would cause harm to:
  1. The Crump ringwork, a scheduled ancient monument
  2. St Nicholas Church Berden, a Grade I listed building
  3. Berden Hall, a Grade II\* listed building

Consistency in planning decisions is important, and the refusal by the Planning Inspectorate to grant permission for Pelham Spring Solar Farm (PSSF), in close proximity to the Berden Hall Solar Farm site, is therefore a highly material consideration. The Planning Inspector, Mr Callum Parker, argued that PSSF would erode the agricultural landscape and constitute industrial infrastructure that would be present for c. 40 years, which is not temporary. The scheme would fail to preserve the setting of the listed buildings and other heritage assets, including the Crump scheduled ancient monument. Clearly, many of the factors which led to the refusal of Pelham Spring Solar Farm are also relevant to Berden Hall Solar Farm.

Kind regards  
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