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**Subject:** S62A/22/0006

## Land at Berden Hall Farm, Dewes Green Road, Berden

Following my objection to the original proposal, I have now reviewed the latest planning application relating to this proposal being re-determined and the additional documents submitted by Statera. I would like to again object to the proposal where nothing has changed any of my concerns relating to the significant harm this large scale industrial installation will do to the countryside, to local wildlife, to the beautiful walks residents and visitors enjoy on Public Footpaths and Rights of Way and to Berden's wholly rural environment. I would ask that the Planning Inspector who is to determine this application please visit the proposed site, including Berden and the surrounding villages and also experiences for him/herself the local narrow and winding country roads that would be impacted by developer's huge lorries during construction so that s/he can benefit from a fully informed picture.

## My concerns are:

- The majority of the site for the proposed development is Best and Most Versatile Land, currently and historically farmed for food production; it would be taken out of use for around 40 years, adversely impacting domestic food production and national food security, which is not in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework; it is not brownfield, industrial or low/medium grade agricultural land and so does not meet the government's statements in its 'Powering Up Britain: Energy Security Plan'
- There is no compelling evidence for use of this site in the developer's site selection exercise and it is contrary to the Uttlesford Local Plan
- There are historic buildings in the area The Crump, St. Nicholas Church and Berden Hall and this development would fail to preserve their settings, as confirmed by the decision to refuse the application for Pelham Spring Solar Farm
- The decision to refuse the application for Pelham Spring Solar Farm needs to be referenced in determining this application and I would expect similar considerations to feed into this decision if policy is being applied consistently

Thank you for considering my objections as you determine this application.

Kind regards

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