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Community Engagement Review

Community Engagement Review when planning, developing and operating
renewable energy infrastructure projects

I consider community engagement regarding planning, developing and operating renewable energy infrastructure projects to be totally inadequate.

Conversion of farming districts to industrial renewable infrastructure projects is one the most significant changes to ongoing historical land use and changes to rural landscapes that this country has and may ever experience. Whilst not opposed to renewable energy in appropriate locations, I believe these large scale projects are being rushed to meet targets.

In my local district we will be losing the production of a significant area of high quality agricultural land for the development of the Meadow Creek Solar Farm. This is a large scale project. The group has held two, 2 hour drop in sessions to provide information to the community. This is totally inadequate for a development of this size and scale (in a financial and land area sense), which will totally change the local landscape for decades and likely indefinitely. For any other change of land use of this scale community consultation would be far more significant.

I urge you to listen to the community and halt these developments, until community consultation and concerns are appropriately considered.

Kind regards,

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