

Comment for planning application 22/01682/F

Application Number	22/01682/F
Location	Land North Of Manor Farm Noke
Proposal	Development of a ground mounted solar farm incorporating the installation of solar PV panels, associated infrastructure and access, as well as landscape planting and designated ecological enhancement areas.
Case Officer	James Kirkham
Organisation Name	Michael Heaney
Address	1 Brinsmore House, Street From Oddington To Charlton On Otmoor, Oddington, Kidlington, OX5 2QZ
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>I shall not repeat the very cogent observations made on behalf of the parish of Oddington by our Parish Clerk Adrian Young, all of which I support. I wish to draw attention to a very specific issue. The application as a whole is based upon a flawed premise. Paragraph 3.7 of the Site Viability Assessment states "The NAREC report concludes that the small area around Noke offers the only viable location for a new 18 MVA solar farm connection within the Cherwell District Council geographical area, feeding through to Headington Primary Substation". This is disingenuous. The requirement for a solar farm with an output of 18 MVA is taken as a given, instead of being justified. Solar farms do not need a minimum output capacity of 18 MVA! Reduce the power output being demanded of the farm, and a host of other, less vulnerable sites become available. Green Nation must be challenged to justify the requirement (as opposed from their desire, for the purposes of their return on investment) for an 18 MVA solar farm.</p>
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