

# Comment for planning application 22/03873/F

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| <b>Application Number</b> | 22/03873/F   |
| <b>Location</b>           | Land North And Adjacent To Mill Lane Stratton Audley   |
| <b>Proposal</b>           | Installation and operation of a renewable energy generating station comprising ground-mounted photovoltaic solar arrays and battery-based electricity storage containers together with a switchgear container, inverter/transformer units, Site access, internal access tracks, security measures, access gates, other ancillary infrastructure and landscaping and biodiversity enhancements.   |
| <b>Case Officer</b>       | Rebekah Morgan   |
| <b>Organisation Name</b>  | Sally Rowe   |
| <b>Address</b>            | 4 Willows Lodge, Stratton Audley, Bicester, OX27 9BQ   |
| <b>Type of Comment</b>    | Objection  |
| <b>Type</b>               | neighbour  |
| <b>Comments</b>           | <p>I object to this development because:-<br/>Having asked numerous questions to the developers the answers I received did not address the questions and were vague and unsupported. I have sent the full list of the questions asked and the responses received to Councillor Ian Corkin.<br/>The land is classified as arable but will be redesignated after the 40 year use as greenfield, thus losing its arable status and then open for future development.<br/>The disturbance during installation will result in the loss of many of the rarer species of animals and birds that currently dwell on the site. I was told crossings and gates would be installed to give animals access. They will flee as soon as their habitat is violated.<br/>I asked for evidence based on the installation of 100 panels and the resulting energy received against the pollution incurred during the mining and production of the rare minerals used to make solar panels, the CO2 released in the production of the batteries, contamination of the land and potential water loss to the site. I was told any adverse effect would be offset against the energy produced after 2 - 4 years, but is that per panel? I was given no figures to prove that the ratio between the entire environmental cost involved justified the installation. JBM solar sent a huge transcript, I think it was Environmental England, 98 pages which I read and had no bearing on my questions.<br/>I asked about the cost and pollution caused when dismantling the site. I was told it was cost effective and any minerals would be put back into the soil. How this is achieved when most of the waste will be crushed glass and metal I don't know.<br/>The panels produce noise. Have these noise levels been taken? If so, what were they, when and what time were they taken? The noise will be constant day and night. Rural noise is far more noticeable at night due to the open space and natural quiet.<br/>The disruption to our village will be huge and the time scale given is unrealistic. Further more we have only just had our main roads redone, only to have them dug up and poorly made good again.<br/>The village will not benefit in any way from this installation but we will lose valuable arable land used for recreation, wildlife and rural beauty.<br/>I feel the opportunistic way this proposed development has been handled thus far has not instilled confidence that is a bona-fide proposition.<br/>The developers have never completed a site of this magnitude before!</p> |
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| <b>Attachments</b>        |  |