

# Comment for planning application 22/03873/F

<b>Application Number</b>	<input type="text" value="22/03873/F"/>
<b>Location</b>	<input type="text" value="Land North And Adjacent To Mill Lane Stratton Audley"/>
<b>Proposal</b>	<input type="text" value="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>	<input type="text" value="Rebekah Morgan"/>
<b>Organisation Name</b>	<input type="text" value="Rachel Dewhurst"/>
<b>Address</b>	<input type="text" value="1 Glen Close, Stratton Audley, Bicester, OX27 9BY"/>
<b>Type of Comment</b>	<input type="text" value="Objection"/>
<b>Type</b>	<input type="text" value="neighbour"/>
<b>Comments</b>	<input type="text" value="I object to the proposal for a rural solar farm. The planning authority should ensure that all new build is of the highest environmental standards, including provision of solar panels on all roofs with a suitable orientation with connections to the national grid before using farmland. There is no evidence of this in the local area, and the consideration of an application for the eco town for less than the required environmental standard demonstrates that Cherwell DC's commitment to net zero and environmental recovery is less than required, either by the residents or by the legislation in these areas.&lt;br/&gt;&lt;br/&gt;As this land space is not the highest grade, and if the owner does not wish to farm further, perhaps they should consider carbon credit tree planting or environmental payments to put it into beneficial use, and reducing both the carbon footprint and chemical use, and increasing the provision of good quality water for all. Justifying accepting rural solar and associated infrastructure disruption on the basis of low carbon does not account for the disturbance releases from construction, and rerouting of vehicles. Fencing to prevent animal ingress isolates wildlife communities, and while the grassland diversity would be improved, the maintenance would need to be planned carefully to maintain the benefits gained."/>
<b>Received Date</b>	<input type="text" value="08/02/2023 08:15:31"/>
<b>Attachments</b>	