

Comments for Planning Application 22/501335/FULL

Application Summary

Application Number: 22/501335/FULL

Address: Land North Of Little Cheveney Farm Sheephurst Lane Marden Kent

Proposal: Installation of a renewable energy led generating station comprising of ground-mounted solar arrays, associated electricity generation infrastructure and other ancillary equipment comprising of storage containers, access tracks, fencing, gates and CCTV together with the creation of woodland and biodiversity enhancements.

Case Officer: Marion Geary

Customer Details

Name: Ms Elizabeth Anderson

Address: Moors Barn, Spenny Lane, Marden Tonbridge, Kent TN12 9PR

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Parish

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: We need countryside for crop-growing, wildlife preservation and the well-being of the local population. Solar farm technology will undoubtedly be out of date in a few years and the site will then be considered brown-field and suitable for housing. House-building is not required in the South East; food production is. We regularly walk around this area, and it has been obvious that some of the land has been set aside, presumably because the owner is hoping to sell it, rather than use it productively. The beauty of the English countryside depends on the hard work of farmers, and not their selling off what is truly a national asset. The Second World War, and current events, make it obvious that fertile farmland should be used to improve the UK's food self-sufficiency, and not built over for profit.

I have noticed comments in favour of the solar farm but complaining about the construction traffic, suggesting a re-route to go through Collier St so they personally will not be affected. Really??