

# 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: Mrs Sarah Moncreiffe

Address: Brook Farmhouse, Green Lane, Marden Tonbridge, Kent TN12 9RA

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: We live at Brook Farm, and our house and land is immediately the other side of the railway line from this proposed solar farm.

1. This plan will have a huge impact on flooding. The Lesser Teise is prone to flooding and needs the land to soak up any excess water. The huge infrastructure required for a site as large as this would mean that there is nowhere for the excess water to go and would affect not just Brook farm but neighbouring villages such as Collier Street, Haviker Street, Yalding etc.
2. Construction of this solar farm would mean that the land, which is Grade 2, 3a and 3b (ie. good quality food producing agricultural land), could no longer be used (at least in the medium term, and probably in the long term) to produce food. This is particularly important now (see Government statements regarding food security)
3. This construction would have a severe impact on indigenous wildlife, (in our case, the Greater Crested Newt as Kent Wildlife have created several ponds in the Brook Farm Community to save them from extinction)

In view of the above, please treat this as an objection.

Sarah Moncreiffe

Brook Farmhouse