

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: Mr Raymond Walsh

Address: 7 Reader Drive, Marden, Tonbridge, Kent TN12 9FD

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: As much as I fully appreciate a need to drive self sufficiency in energy production, we do also need to drive and support self sufficiency for food production in these modern times, arable land is on the decline globally and we should be protecting each and every acre at all cost with our growing population. Utilising greenfield land when there is ample brownfield land locally is not a 'smart' use of limited land.

I am not oppose to solar in the countryside, and i am not oppose to wind generators either, but more careful consideration needs to be made to ensure the greenbelt countryside is not just maintained aesthetically for those who live and visit here, but also that it is able to support the local economies with agricultural jobs and supporting services. Another solar farm simply would be detrimental, not beneficial to our local community.