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Comments: Comment in support of the planning application.

Global warming will affect all of us and will affect green belt land significantly. It is the greatest threat to humanity.

To reduce greenhouse gas emissions requires changes, amongst others, to how we generate and store power.

Battery facilities are a necessary part of this.

This application is for a storage facility adjacent to the large and tall electrical substation and in comparison, especially with the proposed screening, will have little detrimental visual impact.

Noise & a noise assessments has been completed to the relevant British and International Standards concluding

5.5 The noise emissions can be satisfactorily controlled and therefore it is recommended that the application for planning consent for the BESS development should not be refused on noise grounds.&

Biodiversity & the report concludes the development will & deliver a measurable net gain to biodiversity, in accordance with the NPPF.&

The development of solar power and battery storage facilities is of immense benefit to society as we tackle the growing threat of global warming, and the UKs has been emitting green house gases through fossil fuel use for over 200 years. This benefit far outweighs the detriment as battery facilities help to reduce the use of fossil fuels.

Such battery facilities contribute to the security and stability of the energy supply and national energy strategy and therefore are supported within the NPPF. A battery facility does not constitute urban sprawl nor the coalescence of towns. Also, the proposed development is, in terms of the surrounding context, of low impact.

Cllr Ian Dakin.

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