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Application Reference No. : SMD/2022/0076 Site Address: Land Off Bemersley Road Brown Edge
Staffordshire Comments by: Steve Waters
From:

Flatts Road
Norton
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Submission: Objection

Comments: I wish to object to the planning application for a battery storage site for the following reasons

- Inappropriate development of designated Green Belt within the city of Stoke on Trent
- Development of this type and magnitude is not consistent with local planning frameworks and infrastructure as the road is unsuitable for HGV's
- The very special circumstances required by the National Planning Policy Framework are not met
- There are already Brownfield sites that have been identified just 850 metres away from this site
- The storage of electricity is not increasing the production of energy from renewable sources
- The site is of significant value with the valley being home to various animals, flora and fauna
- Any fire would cause irreparable damage and pollution to the River Trent and Caudon Canal
- Battery storage units and related equipment are well documented to be a fire hazard
- Incidents of serious fire and explosions, which release toxic gases, at other battery storage units suggest that there is a danger to the public
- This site is within proximity of two primary schools
- Anesco's own provided information is flawed and contradictory
- It is false to say it will be unseen as planting will take 15 years to grow before it shields
- Travel to and from the site during construction will increase risk of accident in the area
- The removal of our hedgerows is an unacceptable loss, and against SMDC policy

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