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Comments: I attended the leigh village parish meeting on the 21st of March which only by word of mouth from a resident in Church Leigh village the day before, was the first time I heard about this proposal. I fear this application has been put forward as low profile as the applicants knew there would be opposition. There was a unsettled reaction as everyone explained and expressed their disapproval in the planning application
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The site design is concerning and inefficient, as to why a vast amount of area totalling 92.98 hectares is being taken out of productive farmland for only the very little amount of area totalling 49.5 hectares that is required.

The presence of solar panels on this site is a major concern. The development infrastructure (battery storage systems) located in flood risk 1 has not much clarity given as too the run off of intense rainfall from the panels and over a period of time the erosion too the soil. The infrastructure might therefore change from a flood risk 1 too a flood risk 2 or 3.

This planning application is a unwise and damaging approach too renewable energy. Policy makers should be urging a priority on rooftop solar and emulating moves in European countries such as France where carparks nationwide are being covered. Taking uk farmland out of food production will result in higher percentage of food imports which have a much lower quality food standards than the uk therefore the welfare of animals and people could be a course of concern. Long term food security should be a priority.

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