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Application Reference No. : SMD/2024/0055

Site Address: LAND SOUTH OF CELLARHEAD SUBSTATION AND WEST OF Rownall Road Wetley Rocks Staffordshire

Comments by: ALAN YEOMANS

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Submission: Objection

Comments: Regarding the proposal of a solar farm in the area outlined in planning application SMD/2024/0055 which is to be accessible from Rownall Road I would like to raise the following points in my objection to the above scheme.

- 1) Foremost the proposed solar farm is to be built on a greenfield site, and it does not take a genius to work out what that means but for some this is not clear and hence the application.
 - 2) V surrounding farms will have their livelihoods severely affected during its construction.
 - 3) The word Greenfield and enables nature to run its course, birds, animals, and flora and fauna will be affected by the proposed site despite what the smart application would have you believe.
 - 4) Traffic problems :- As a resident of Rownall Road 27 years I have seen the steady increase in traffic and regard the junction of Rownall and Armshead Roads as the junction of two rat runs a) Wetley Rocks via Mill Lane and Rownall road to get onto the A 52 thus bypassing the Cellerhead traffic lights b) the roads from Burslem, Cobridge and Milton to come through to join Armshead Road and get onto the A52 thus bypassing the Limekiln traffic lights on their way to either Leek or Cheadle.
 - 5) Parents of school children use both car and taxi along Rownall road to get to the two schools in Mill Lane, the junction of which will be right opposite the construction site entrance this junction will be extremely busy at both morning and evening school times.
 - 6) Rownall road is classed as a country road being sex at its way this point, how do you propose getting large loads past parked cars and vehicles who always use the road and have always helped to keep the road clear in times of winter snow.
 - 7) There will be an added danger to school children attending Moorside High school as those students who walk to school which constitute the majority of those attending, use the very same junction where the A52 turns into Rownall road and then crosses the Armshead road junction and so students crossing either of these two junctions will be put at increased risk of a road traffic accident.
 - 8) There is a danger that if Staffs Moorlands and Staffs county council give their approval for this application then this will lead to a flood of applications for your construction on Greenbelt land something that this area does not want and cannot support.
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