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Submission: Objection

Comments: I am writing to formally object to the proposed installation of a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) which is in close proximity to residential homes, businesses, and within the designated greenbelt.

The construction phase of the proposed BESS will have a detrimental impact on the local village and surrounding community. These impacts include increased traffic and noise, dust and pollution and damage to roads. Village roads are not designed for the volume and weight of construction traffic.

The proposed location is dangerously close to residential properties and local businesses. BESS facilities come with risks such as fire and potential toxic emissions. The close proximity to homes and businesses increases the risk of harm to public safety, property, and livelihoods in the event of an incident.

The site falls within protected greenbelt land, which is intended to prevent urban sprawl and preserve natural habitats. The installation of BESS sites in this area contradicts the core principles of greenbelt protection. Such developments could cause irreversible harm, disturb wildlife, and alter the natural landscape. This is contrary to both national and local planning policies designed to protect greenbelt areas from inappropriate development. The construction on greenbelt land undermines the very principles of environmental sustainability.

BESS installations often require large-scale cooling and operational systems that can generate noise and heat. This creates an ongoing disturbance to local residents and businesses. Additionally, any accidental release of harmful chemicals or gases poses a risk to air quality, further compromising public health.

In conclusion, I believe that this proposal poses unacceptable risks to public safety, the environment, and the character of the greenbelt.

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