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Submission: Objection

Comments: NPPF (paras 185,187) requires that any new developments should be appropriate for the location. As a number of similar applications in this area have already been approved the erection of a 300 MW Battery Energy Storage System here would be inappropriate on the grounds of pollution, noise and other impacts.

NPPF para 130 requires development to be sympathetic to local character. Because of the number of similar applications in this area that have already been approved the erection of a 300 MW Battery Energy Storage System would result in over intensification of this rural area.

NPPF para 185 seeks to reduce the adverse impact of noise and activity. As this is a residential setting the erection of a 300 MW Battery Energy Storage System would have a negative impact on the residents in the area because of the unsuitable hours of operation.

NPPF para 92 requires safe and healthy communities. The erection of a 300 MW Battery Energy Storage System would result in monitoring that would typically be done remotely with no on-site staff present. This raises unacceptable concerns for public safety.

NPPF para 174(b) seeks to protect valued landscapes. The erection of a 300 MW Battery Storage System would require extensive concrete hardstanding harming the character of the landscape.

NPPF para 174(e) seeks to prevent any new development from causing unacceptable levels of noise pollution. Battery storage facilities generate a constant buzzing noise. this is inappropriate in a residential area as it would impact on the quality of life of nearby residents.

NPPF para 185(c) requires planning permission decisions to limit the impact of light pollution on health, living conditions and biodiversity. The erection of a 300 MW Battery Storage System would typically use floodlighting for security. This would have a negative effect on residents during night time hours and on local wildlife.

In conclusion I feel that this development would have a detrimental impact on the people, the wildlife and the character of this area.

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