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**Subject:** Planning objection ref 2023/91996 ( Kirklees)

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I would like to register my concerns regarding the above application for the proposed installation of ground mounted solar panels at Holmbridge.

My concerns include:

- 1) Visual impact - the proposed site is directly opposite residential properties on Brownhill Lane in an area of high landscape value and will be potentially visible from the Peak District National Park.
  - 2) Ecological impact- the proposal could disrupt local ecosystems and potentially harm wildlife, particularly birds and other flying species.
  - 3) Noise/light nuisance-this could impact local residents and assurances would need to be made around noise from inverters and transformers.
- Construction would also create noise and pollution.  
Concerns also need to be addressed regarding the impact from security measures such as lighting and fencing.

With regards to the above , I feel that a full public consultation would be appropriate to enable the community to fully understand the nature and scale of the development and there impact on the quality of life for residents and visitors to the area alike.  
The provision of 3D to scale plans will be vital to gain a proper understanding of the full visual impact on the area.

I note that Government advice to councils when considering such proposals includes; Landscape Character Assessment, which technologies at which scale are appropriate for different types of location.

Planning concerns of local communities should be properly heard in matters that directly affect them.

The National Planning Policy Framework states that increased use and supply of green energy does not mean that it should automatically override environmental protection.