## Consultee Comments for Planning Application 20/01242/FULM

## **Application Summary**

Application Number: 20/01242/FULM

Address: Land North Of Halloughton Southwell

Proposal: Construction of a solar farm and battery stations together with all associated works,

equipment and necessary infrastructure.

Case Officer: Honor Whitfield

## **Consultee Details**

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## **Comments**

Southwell Town Council considered application 20/01242/FULM Land North Of Halloughton and agreed by majority to strongly object to this application for the following reasons: -

There are no substantive changes to the previous application and this development is using prime 3B agricultural land Such developments should be reserved for brownfield sites.

The council reiterate their previous comments below:

Overall size, the proposed site is too large at 260 acres. They prefer to see a much smaller site -Loss of over 100 hectares of Grade 3 (according to the DEFRA maps and local evidence) agricultural land in a rolling landscape, (Govt policy to prefer flat landscapes for Solar Farms) -Lack of an adequate archaeological report, a full report is required as this area is of archaeological interest - Intrusive nature of the fencing and CCTV cameras, there are 138 three metre high CCTV poles around the fencing, could this height be reduced and could it be confirmed that these are infra-red cameras to reduce any risk of light pollution? - There will be I loss of amenity to well used public footpaths around and through the site also the loss of views and hedging-in of footpaths -Loss of amenity to the people of Halloughton from both the panels and the siting of the access road within the conservation area. Many of the shielding features of Woodland and hedges are on other peoples land and the removal of any of these would have a dramatic visual impact on the area and is out of the developers control - Inadequate flood mitigation measures especially in the Halloughton catchment. Also there seems to be no account taken of the probable silting of the attenuation po - Height of the panel arrays -It goes against Southwell Neighbourhood Plan in E4, E5 and in particular policy E6 which states: it should not 'impact negatively on the local landscape character' There will be loss of amenity to well used public footpaths around and through the site. The area around Westhorpe Dumble will be significantly impacted and the there will be significant loss of established wildlife corridors