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Castle House Great North Road
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Nottinghamshire
NG24 1BY

Our ref: LT/2023/128166/03-L01
Your ref: 23/01837/FULM
Date: 12 November 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

**PROPOSED GROUND MOUNTED PHOTO VOLTAIC SOLAR FARM AND BATTERY
ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM WITH ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT,
INFRASTRUCTURE, GRID CONNECTION AND ANCILLARY WORK**

LAND TO THE WEST OF MAIN STREET KELHAM

The Environment Agency previously referred the Planning Authority to flood risk standing advice in relation to this development. New information has come to light related to the A46 NSIP scheme which conflicts with the plans for this development, as submitted. We require further information to be provided by the applicant to ensure that the flood storage area of the proposed A46 is able to perform its function without increasing flood risk to this development.

We do not object to the principle of this development, but are now placing a holding objection on this development, subject to further information being provided.

Environment Agency position

We object to the proposed development, subject to further information being submitted to address the above concerns.

Advisory

The applicant is advised that were there any waste generated through the activity, for example broken/ discarded solar panels, that this waste be classified correctly as per the WM3 waste classification guidance and disposed of appropriately by sending it to an authorised waste treatment facility with the correct waste transfer documentation. The applicant is advised to plan and incorporate effective drainage to manage the rainwater that drains from the panels and appears as runoff over the downgradient cells. The applicant is advised to consider the vegetation cover that would minimise effect of the farm on total volumes of runoff or peak discharge rates, for example well maintained grass. The applicant is advised to consider taking measures to reduce soil compaction increasing runoff and erosion.

Yours faithfully,

**Mr Joshua Milsom
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