

Dear Sir, Madam,

Thank you for informing me of the Brynrhyd Solar Farm proposal, and consulting me on the application. I write to officially object to the application.

Whilst I support green renewable energy in principle, and have supported past solar farms in my ward, I am concerned about the large size of this proposal. I am concerned about the cumulative effect on the open countryside, and that it would become dominated by solar farms. There has to be a cut off at some point, before the entire villages of Tycroes and Llanedi are surrounded by solar farms and there will be no untouched countryside. Therefore, I cannot support this proposal.

Please see below my reasons for this which includes observations from many residents that have contacted me to express their views.

1. The solar farm will be seen from nearby properties.
2. Potential Noise pollution will cause nuisance to nearby properties.
3. The size of the proposed solar farm is too big, and the cumulative impact is too great.
4. The negative impact on leisure and tourism. Visitors to the area are drawn to activities such as walking and cycling as are many locals, and will not be drawn to an area surrounded by solar panels.
5. It will not enhance the areas biodiversity.
6. Some properties would be surrounded by solar panels.
7. The Natural habitat of many animals and insects will be destroyed and damage the local environment.
8. There is no direct benefit to the local community financially or economically.
9. It is adjacent to a SSSI hay meadow.
10. This would be the third solar farm in a small village. This area has already made a significant contribution to green renewable energy.

I strongly object to this proposal and ask you to reconsider it.

Regards
Councillor Tina Higgins
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