

Planning application comment was submitted on the **30 June 2023 16:35 PM**

The following is a comment on application **P231390/F** by **Luke Hallam**

Nature of feedback: Objecting to the application

Comment: I object to the application for the reasons as followed:-

How are they going create a biodiversity net gain where the destruction on a field of grade 2 agricultural land is irrevocably changed to concrete plinths that would take a considerable increase in area to replace the current biodiversity of newts, grass snakes and a plethora of birds and bat species within the locality.

How are they going to mitigate the impact of the increased fire risk directly next to the gas pumping station, is there going to be automated specialist equipment to constantly monitor and spray the batteries with Carbon Dioxide powder or are you expecting the Herefordshire fire service to stop what has the potential to be a catastrophic fire/explosion with no additional training or staffing being introduced as far as I or the public have been made aware.

The distance to a water source within the catchment area of Luke's Brooke which leads into the River Wye is minimal, this distance I find it hard to believe that the Environmental Agency has signed off on, based on the report that the Wye is under threat of being ecologically dead. Especially with the current level of technology of battery stores and the ways in which lithium battery stores have a tendency to leak heavy metals and pollutants. Without adequate screening, this site will be visible to all the houses situated in the area and the proposed will not produce an adequate screen for another 50 years.

I understand that each unit requires a fan to run constantly thus creating a constant hum sound with this starting below the correct noise level of the planning has any thought has been given to after the first week, first month, or first year where everything slowly degrades it get louder and louder, does this mean that in every month they will be required by the council to change the fans to make sure they remain under the noise limit or will this be down to local people reporting each time to the police thus wasting police resources.

Has light pollution in the locality as it is close to a dark night zone and the assumption is that they will require a vast amount of lighting for security and health and safety across the site.

I also find it quite bad that the Visual Impacts of the Development does not take into consideration the impacts on the local habitants within the area.

Attachment:

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Infrastructure from section 106 to consider: I object to the application for the reasons as followed:-

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