

Why should we stop this happening around our Villages:

TOO BIG. A normal Solar Farm size is 75 to 100 acres. Sunnica's is an Industrial Power Plant, the largest in Europe at 2,792 acres, equivalent 2, 115 football pitches.

INDUSTRIAL LANDSCAPE. The views over the landscape and the feel of the area will be changed forever with panels, batteries, fencing, noise and light pollution a dominating factor.

INEFFICIENT. Sunnica is an inefficient, opportunistic, 'hotch potch' design with panels littering the countryside in four sites with a pipeline over 15 miles long to reach the connection point at Burwell, criss crossed by many roads, railway, rivers, streams, pathways and public rights of way.

WASTEFUL. It takes valuable agricultural land out of production for a minimum of 40 years, land currently producing high yielding vegetable and cereal crops. To improve our environment there is a need to reduce the carbon miles our food travels and improve our food security as the global population continues to increase.

DANGEROUS TECHNOLOGY. The Lithium-ion batteries used in the three Battery Energy Storage Systems are potentially dangerous, currently banned in Arizona as they are 'unacceptable risks', due to causing two uncontrollable fires. The fumes omitted during these toxic fires are extremely hazardous to human life.

TRAFFIC CHAOS. Through the estimated 2 years of construction of the Sunnica site, the contractor will bring in Heavy Goods Vehicles, including abnormal loads, 841 staff vehicles. 1,260 staff will be working Monday to Saturday 7am to 7pm creating noise and traffic through our villages. There are likely to be many road closures, diversions and muddy conditions to endure.

POOR SCREENING. Whilst Sunnica commit to trying to mitigate the damage done by the scheme, trees and shrubs will take years to grow to the height of 2.5m to obscure the panels and deer fencing and even longer for the 6m high Battery Energy Storage Systems. This means that from the start of the construction it will be over 5 years before the planting has much effect on hiding this ugly blot on our

NEGATIVE FINANCIALS. The financial position of Sunnica is negative in their last set of accounts (-£181k). It is extremely worrying that a company with this financial standing is able to work on an Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project involving hundreds of millions of pounds to construct and importantly provision to clear up the site should the scheme go bankrupt during its planned 40 year life.

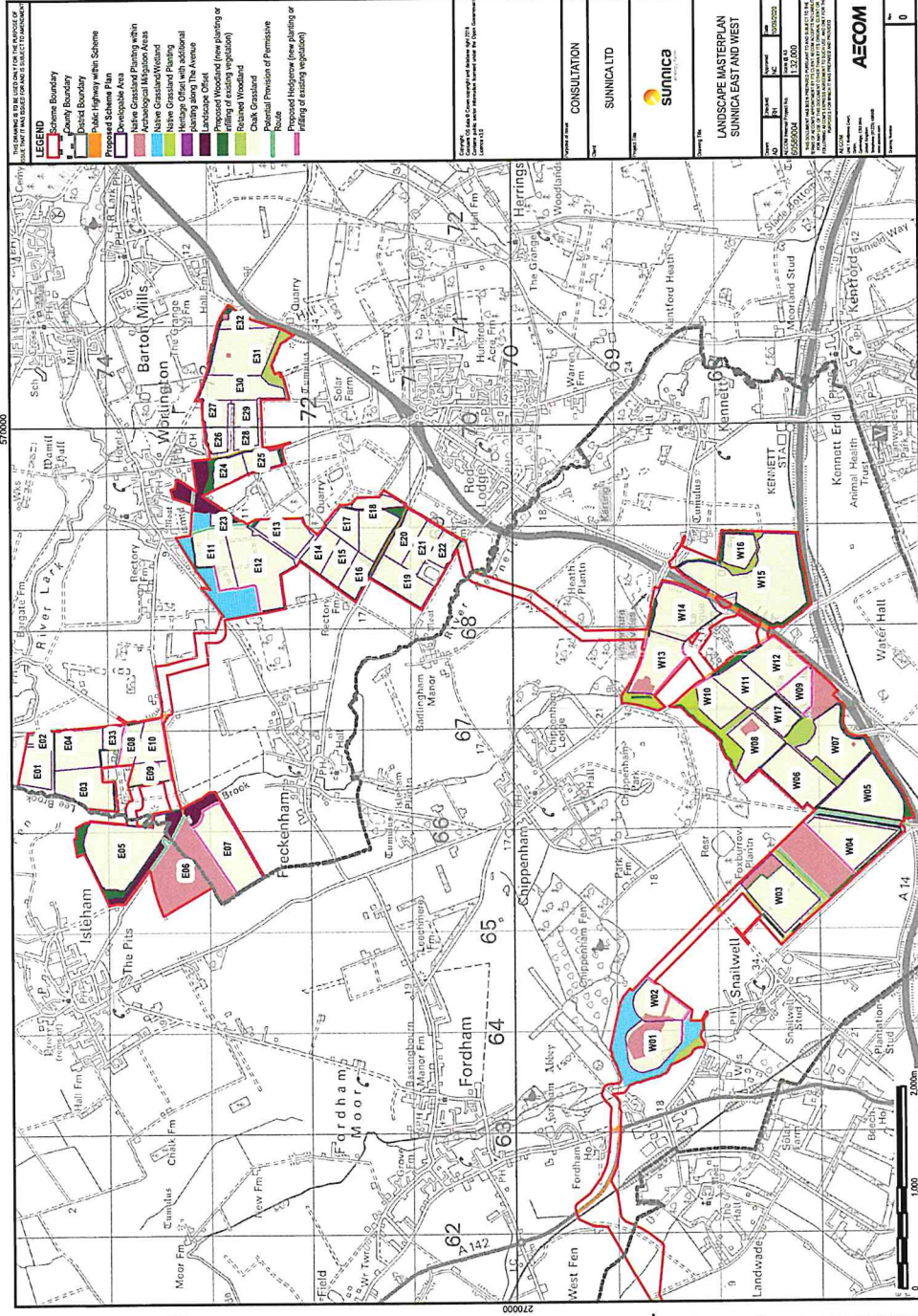
NOT FOR YOU, FOR PROFIT. This scheme will not supply sustainable energy to local housing, it will be sold for profit to large corporations and the national grid. Energy will be exported from the grid at cheap, off peak times and sold back at peak times, using the battery storage to generate huge profits from energy trading. It is not anticipated to create any long term local jobs. There is no compensation offered for a reduction in house values.

DESTROY WILDLIFE. The scheme will destroy wildlife corridors, nesting and feeding habitats, which, once gone will not be easily recovered.

NEGATIVE EFFECT ON HEALTH. Particularly during construction residents, both young and old, with lung conditions such as COPD & Asthma are at risk from high levels of dust in the air that is potentially lethal to human health.

PROPERTY VALUES WILL FALL. The opinion of local estate agents is that property prices in the area will fall reducing your property value. As an example, a house currently valued at £400k will fall in value by £40k at a 10% reduction and £80k at a 20% reduction.

COVID-19 CONSULTATION. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic Sunnica is avoiding having meaningful 'face to face' consultations in your village halls, allowing them to avoid contact with locals. It is clear in the aftermath of the Non-Statutory Consultation, they did not acknowledge much less, act on, the concerns raised by the local population, therefore we cannot let this happen again. Due to the NSIP process, now (22nd September til 2nd December) is the last time locals will be able to have a say on the project so we MUST use this time effectively. Our communities need us to make time in our busy lives and express our views to Sunnica. District and County Councils and our MP's.



How to respond to the consultation:

Complete and return the printed questionnaire (posted to you with Sunnica's consultation booklet). Return the questionnaire to the address "Sunnica Consultation, FREEPOST, RTRB-LUUJ-AGBY/c/o Newgate Communications, Sky Light City Tower, 50 Basinghall Street, London ED2V 5DE" (no stamp required). The questionnaire can also be completed online at the Sunnica website www.sunnica.co.uk

Write to Sunnica at their Freepost address "Sunnica Consultation, FREEPOST, RTRB-LUUJ-AGBY/c/o Newgate Communications, Sky Light City Tower, 50 Basinghall Street, London ED2V 5DE" or Email your comments to Sunnica at info@sunnica.co.uk and if you wish copy your MP.

Write to Matthew Hancock: Matthew Hancock MP, House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA or email at matt.hancock.mp@parliament.uk

Write to Lucy Frazer: Lucy Frazer MP, House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA or email at lucy.frazer.mp@parliament.uk

Write to Alok Sharma (Secretary of State for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy) who will make the final decision on Sunnica's proposal. House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA or email at alok.sharma.mp@parliament.uk



How to help your Community Action Group:

If you would like to display a sign, help to distribute flyers, have an interest or knowledge in any aspect of the scheme (From bees, bats, butterflies etc to technology & financials) find us online @SayNoToSunnica or www.saynotosunnica.com

To cover campaign costs, donations can be made to: Sunnica Action Group, Account Number: 76477268 Sort Code: 30-98-9

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