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Mr Nigel Lynn
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Dear Nigel

On Saturday 14 February I met 16 residents of Old Mead Road in Littlehampton who are very concerned about proposals from Anesco Limited to build a 5-hectare Solar Park at Brookbarn Farm. The proposal is for 13,200 solar panels to be erected on the land.

This will have a huge impact on the residents of Old Mead Road; from lorry movements on the unadopted Old Mead Road; from damage to the fauna, including barn owls and bats. There is also concern that as some of the land being used is a former landfill site, the pile-driving that will be necessary will penetrate and release gases and chemicals that will be a health hazard to local residents. I understand approximately 12 years ago there were proposals to build houses on this piece of land but the Inspector ruled against the development because of the dangers presented by the landfill site.

There is also concern about noise levels and access arrangements to the site.

I should be grateful if you would record this as an objection to the planning application and also let me know the latest position and Arun District Council's policy position regarding this particular planning application.

With best wishes.

