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Submission: Objection

Comments: This is an inappropriate development in a green belt. Very special circumstances have not been demonstrated.

As per policy EQ3 of The High Peak local plan these proposals are not an acceptable development.

As per policy EQ2 the effect of landscape character on the site and adjacent land would be adverse.

There is a risk to local residents and the environment from the consequences of thermal runaway in conflict with the principles of sustainable development.

Road access is inadequate to support construction of this development and increases the danger and inconvenience

other highway users.

This is not a renewable energy project as it is not coupled to a solar or wind farm and the developer has not provided

any evidence that the proposals would specifically harness renewable energy for storage.

Therefore there is absolutely no justification for these proposals at this location.

This development is clearly not the best solution for the local area and is disappointing on many levels. It is sited on greenbelt land, when brownfield sites exist in the local vicinity. The development is visually intrusive and is not in keeping with the landscape of the Peak District.

If this is a storage facility then there is no reason for it to be situated at this location, it can be positioned anywhere, but would be most suited to an industrial site. This is simply a modern day gasometer, storing energy for later use across a network. As far as I'm aware most gasometers were situated in industrial zones not in areas of farmland, the same should be the case here.

Planning applications for less intrusive developments are turned down regularly, why is that not the case with this development.

The traffic plan proposed as woefully underdeveloped, Marsh Lane and Station Road are mostly single track and extra traffic should not be encouraged. The ability of the bridge over the Goyt at the start of Marsh Lane to withstand heavy traffic is unknown. The junction at Station Road is already chaotic, with local residents struggling to cross the A6 and leave the Yeadsley Lane junction. We should be supporting less traffic not encouraging more!

the junction at with Church Lane and Albion Road in New Mills is not suitable for heavy traffic and to use the development of houses at Marsh Mills to justify it can handle heavy traffic is a poorly constructed argument that simply shows a lack of foresight and common sense.

There is no rationale on any level for this development, as such it should be refused planning consent.

Unfortunately this is part of a wider systemic issue of how government policy is poorly thought through and cannot be delivered effectively. There needs to be a more robust review of how the UK will tackle future energy requirements which encourages more sensible solutions and supports longer term planning, rather than short term temporary fixes.

I would welcome any future debate on the issue.

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