

COMING TO FARMLAND NEAR YOU!

THE UK'S LARGEST BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS IS PROPOSED FOR HILL RISE COLEBY

Nat Power UK wants to build the UK's largest Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) on productive farmland just below Coleby. The 1-Gigawatt (1000MW) plant will host 1386 containers (12.3m x 3.1m x 2.4m) for Lithium-ion batteries and a substation containing 6 x 139 ton transformers 10m high and 16m long. It will be seen for miles around due to its location below the Cliff. This is massive industrialisation of a rural agricultural area.



Cottingham Bess and substation 98MW and can store up to 196MWh of electricity (much smaller than the proposed site at Coleby)

Coleby Parish Council has serious concerns about the suitability of the site, on location, safety, and environmental grounds. We are working to ensure that this plant is not built in this area but created on brownfield land instead. A transformer substation will be built to connect the site to the National Grid.

THE SCALE OF THE SITE IS VAST

If you overlay the footprint of the site over Coleby it is larger than the village and is equivalent to 50 full size football pitches,

LOSS OF AGRICUTURAL FARMLAND AND INDUSTRIALISATION

This is productive agricultural land and should be used to provide crops as food security is as important as energy security. This is Industrialisation of a rural landscape.

CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC

The road system will be impacted by up to 3000 large HGVs and considerable construction traffic (workers) for 2 years. The current proposed route is for construction traffic through Harmston and along Hill Rise Coleby. Large low loader vehicles up to 139 tons will be used on narrow country roads. The batteries require changing every 10 years so heavy traffic will be a reoccurring issue.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Lithium-ion batteries are a fire hazard and the fumes from a thermal runaway are toxic, as is the water runoff from a fire at the site.

CONSTANT NOISE

We believe the constant hum of fans to cool the batteries will impact the wildlife and residents adversely and may give rise to mental health issues.

LOSS OF WILDLIFE HABITAT

This land is home to many species of birds e.g. yellow hammers and sky larks(on the red list as endangered species), bats and animals.

LOSS OF AMENITY/SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACT ON SURROUNDING LANDSCAPE

The site is on ground to the southwest of Coleby, which is visible from numerous significant viewpoints along the Lincoln Cliff Edge and is close to an Area of Great Landscape Value

One of the finest views in Lincolnshire will be spoiled forever, impacting tourism and leisure in the area and adversely impacting the Heritage Setting of Grade 1 & 2 Listed Buildings.

WHY IS IT A PROBLEM?

The Parish Council is working to make as many people as possible aware of the issue, in the Coleby, Boothby, Harmston and Navenby area so that we can protect our countryside and keep Britain farming. This won't just happen here, but all over the country; this type of development should be on brown field sites.

The people of this area have been poorly informed, and the consultation' has been inadequate.

We support the move toward net-zero and green energy in the right location and when the production is green. These batteries are not green and the manufacture and disposal of lithium-ion batteries are polluting. We are exporting our carbon emissions to other countries!

THERE IS NOW A FORMAL PLANNING APPLICATION FOR THIS DEVELOPMENT.

We urgently need your support in opposing this development. If you commented on the Public Consultation please do so again as this is the comment that counts.

YOUR COMMENTS ARE NEEDED AND SHOULD BE SENT NO LATER THAN THE 22nd JUNE 2025 Quoting Planning Reference 25/0533/FUL

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