

AMENDMENT SHEET

**Planning Committee
16th March 2023**

AMENDMENTS OF CONDITIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED

7.1 221151 – Land to the north west of Hardy's Green, Birch

Five further letters of objection have been received.

The full text can be read on the Council's website but in summary:

One was from a local horse rider who was concerned that the local roads will not be safe for horse riding during the construction phase.

Two noted points of concern that have already been addressed in the report.

Two were from the Rt. Hon. Priti Patel MP setting out her constituents concerns which were matters already addressed in the report.

Two further letters of support have been received.

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One was from the Country Land and Business Association. This states that the scheme is sustainable development and should be supported.

One was from the National Farmers Union (NFU). This stated that this scheme will help the farm diversify and notes that it has been a long-held NFU aspiration that every farmer and grower should have the opportunity to become a net exporter of low-carbon energy.

Maldon DC also have no further comments on the scheme, noting the significant reduction in the extent of the proposed solar farm.