

Kingswood Battery Energy Storage System
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As a nearby landholder to the above proposed project, I viciously oppose its development.

Given the size and impression of the proposed project, I would have expected better communication from the applicant company. Despite the fact that I am only a nearby landholder, the applicant company failed to contact me about this project. I approached the applicant company after hearing on the grapevine that this project was being proposed. If the company was hoping to avoid resistance from nearby landowners, this is one area that should have been dealt with carefully as it will cost them profoundly in the long run.

In recent times, four properties have been acquired by renewal energy companies/developers, with the aim of developing a renewable energy hub. Vendors had to sign nondisclosure promises, and the acquisition prices offered to the vendors were vastly overvalued in order to get a deal. This will affect the Valuer General valuation and, in turn, council rates, even though the obtainable value from a private buyer will be significantly reduced.

Contamination risk, specifically that of water supplies both above and below ground. When considering below ground water supplies, most properties surrounding the proposed site, rely on shallow water bores for their stock and domestic needs, as the town water supply is not available. If the water table was to get contaminated, by a battery leakage or battery fire, it would be both an environmental and economic disaster.¹

With any industrial development, there is going to be noise and sometimes light pollution. When it comes to these battery energy storage systems, the neighbours won't get any peace from the noise or light pollution that these projects omit. Furthermore, when there are three of these BESS projects within a five hundred metre radius, there is going to be an overlapping of the noise and light pollution footprint, that the 'expects' haven't even mentioned.

For landowners that have the option of subdividing their land neighbouring the proposed project, the fiscal effect on the value of the land that is within sight of the project site will be beyond measure.

¹ Battery ESS Fire: Neermoor, Germany Incident.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JM4ifQnIm2Q&list=PLz3ND1kx26QtH1DsSvG_zDlKhIYhiX0kY