**Template for Local MP, Councillors or Other Stakeholders**

Subject: Opposition to the Proposed Solar Farms on Romney Marsh

Dear [Name],

I am writing to raise concerns about the proposed oversized solar and battery storage NSIP schemes on grade 1 & 2 agricultural land near Old Romney and Newchurch, which, totalling 1100MW, would be the largest in Kent to date. The projects are likely to have profound and long-term implications for local communities, the local economy and our environment, not to mention removing best and most versatile land from our domestic food production - equivalent to removing an average of 8,600 tonnes of wheat a year, or 12.9 million loaves of bread.

[Insert your specific concerns here, such as environmental impact, flood risk, use of prime agricultural land for battery storage schemes, risk to life from large-scale lithium ion battery fires, loss of wildlife habitats, cultural/historical heritage etc]

I/we urge you to support our local community in ensuring that these projects, and others destined for Romney Marsh, are carefully reconsidered and preferably stopped or limited in scope and size to protect our unique rural character area, our villages, our heritage and our economy. Renewable energy is crucial, but not at the expense of our food security and our unique and valuable local landscape.

I/we am/are also very concerned about the lack of employment opportunities that these large-scale renewable energy infrastructure schemes provide for existing and future generations on Romney Marsh. If solar panels and battery storage schemes start to take over Romney Marsh, we fear many people, the young especially, will want to leave the area.

As a resident of Romney Marsh, I would like to see the redevelopment of Dungeness power station for new nuclear technology which provides hundreds of jobs and is a more stable base load energy solution for the UK compared to intermittent and unreliable solar and wind energy.

Your support in voicing these concerns to the appropriate authorities, including the local planning departments, county and district councillors, local the Planning Inspectorate and the relevant Secretaries of State, would be greatly appreciated.

Please help us stop solar and battery sprawl on Romney Marsh.

Yours sincerely,

[Your Name]

[Address and/or Postcode]

[Email address]

[Optional: Your Role/Connection to the Area, e.g., local resident, business owner, etc.]