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Thank you for the opportunity to respond.

- 1) Insurance- the concerns of adjacent landholders must be fully addressed
- 2)Tree screening— 5 m and 10m width totally inadequate for short or long term viability of plantings. 10m minimum, preferably 25m needed.
- 3)Contestable agricultural value of the site. Our community must address the most valuable use of all land. BCCAN believes that this site will return much greater value to our community as a solar farm. In recent years Bathurst has decided that extremely productive vegetable producing river flats and basalt soil orchards on Mount Panorama, should be used for sporting fields, car parks and residential developments. We are not aware of any Glanmire residents expressing concerns about this.
- 4)After thorough consideration BCCAN made the decision to fully support the Glanmire Solar Farm, and made public our stance. We have received numerous expressions of support and believe that the proposal has broad support in the Bathurst community.

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