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As the licensee in charge of the largest real estate business in Belconnen, I am writing to advise regarding the total lack of consultation regarding the proposed Wallaroo solar farm.

I have only become aware in the last week regarding the fact that our clients, specifically the landlords and tenants, will have 180,000+ solar panels in their backyard, and most of them have little to no idea that this is coming.

Why is such a large scale industrial development being placed so close to residential suburbs in any case? I am not aware of any other location in NSW or the country where a solar farm approaching this scale will be so close to large residential suburbs. It seems very much out of place.

I am aware of the strategy of Ginninderry nearby to generate power via rooftop installation. If the ACT needs more power then why don't we incentivise landlords (who my research indicates only 4% of them have rooftop solar installed) to provide this for their tenants? Typically the tenants are the ones who are closest to the margins and would benefit most from the lower cost of living.

I have also been in touch with our insurance broker to query if there will be any impact on our clients cost to insure their homes. They have said they have to check with the underwriters, but most likely there will be an increase.

I believe that these impacts should have been far more clearly impacted to the community and those who represent them.
