

Solar Farms, Distribution Centres and other building construction that takes up a significant area of farm land.

In February this year Natural England released their Guidance to help towns and cities turn greener with their <https://designatedsites.naturalengland.org.uk/GreenInfrastructure/Home.aspx> web site. Whilst this is a step in the right direction for towns and cities, it does not appear to help rural areas.

We need to have legislation in place before large areas of farmland get swallowed up by large construction development sites. Rutland Countryside Access Forum on its own will not be able to exert much pressure, if any, on Government. However, if we work with other local access forums we may be able to persuade Government to listen to our concerns. With the CAF agreement I will pursue this matter with the CAF and the Lincolnshire Joint Local Access Forum and their Disability Sub Group. I will be asking for input from members as the need arises and these maybe between Forum meetings. The answers to these questions will help to construct a document stating what we require in the legislation, before opening the debate up to other LAFs. The final document will be submitted to the Lincolnshire and Rutland Forum meetings for approval before circulating to other LAFs for their input.

Action: CAF members to vote on whether John Law should work on the above project for the CAF