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The lights have already been fitted and turned off after complaints from residents about floodlights shining into their homes in March 2019. This application should be retrospective. Refer to Ann Green and Cllr Radford. Other than light intrusion from these floodlights shining in to my home and garden my objection is that these lights will drive away the Resident Tawny Owls that use the trees between our houses and this factory for breeding and hunting. Also there are several species of bat that use the line of trees for nesting and hunting in an otherwise built over area. The trees are a last refuge for many species of bird that live in and visit the area and night time illumination would disturb them. There is also a pond adjacent to the factory containing newts, frogs and toads, the effects of artificial lighting disturbing these protected species is well documented. Charnwood Borough Council removed the hedge at the rear of my property some years ago in a fit of spite because a neighbour sued them for subsidence damage so my home is more open than most to light intrusion from this factory. It would seem strange that the front of my house has the streetlights turned off at midnight, making it a thieves paradise, on environmental and cost grounds but I am going to have the equivalent of a fully lit football ground at the rear. We have lived in our property for thirty five years, which is before this factory was built for the previous owners, and no security issues have ever occurred so I was amazed when Mr Bonham, the Meggit environment manager told me that they saw no need for these lights but they were insisted on by the Inland Revenue, whatever that means! in the recent past we have complained to Charnwood Borough Council about noise, smells, and eyesore chimney stacks to no avail, so I would ask that this time you give us and nature some relief from our anti social neighbours Meggit who really couldn't care less about the residents of Belvoir Way.