

## **Personal Statement of Opinion to the Inspector for the Combined Public Inquiry.**

1. My wife and I wish to make a statement of opinion. We live at Dol Frwynog, Felindre, Just outside SSAC. We are members of Conservation of Upland Powys and as such the ALLIANCE who represents us.
2. We are astonished and infuriated, that we need to make this further comment, in support of this area and protest against these developments, when there has already been a petition of over 7500 signatures against this development in Mid Wales handed to you as inspector and over 16000 signatures representing many others against these proposals were made to the Welsh Government in Cardiff and various other protestations. We would have thought that the public here had more than made our views known and the objection to this development in all its form to the government ministers, National Grid and Developers and latterly through the Alliance.
3. These proposed wind farms to us are deplorable and objectionable and have no place in this scenic rural landscape which relies on tourism and people buying property here because of its unique rural nature. We came here to enjoy this unique landscape and invested here in property not to look at the proposed mechanical man made monstrosities.
4. The proposals are out of scale with the environment and would destroy the natural landscape view and would become the more dominant feature which we as property owners and council tax payers object to most strongly and will not accept.
5. Westminster and the Welsh Government have created and fostered these planning applications by creating power madness plans based on ill conceived planning guidance and encouraged by subsidy gifts at the expense of people who live, invest here, own property and work here and attempt to run business. No proper assessment has been done on the true impact of these turbines AND THE AFFECT ON ALL THESE ASPECTS which we consider is negligent.
6. These wind farms are inefficient as is known and understood by most sane and reasoned lay persons and yet they would damage the natural landscape, create unacceptable mayhem during construction, with cumulative noise and road transport issues and destroy historic and natural geology and affect natural wild life habitat all for what a small amount of energy inefficiently produced ruining this scenic landscape and the every day enjoyment of the environment and homes and income from tourism. We don't want to see them in this area and find the whole thing frankly sickening on a daily basis causing unbelievable stress. There has

never been development of this nature and frankly the glib manner in which Ministers dismiss any concerns and push this wind power, offering jam to developers on get rich quick golden goose handouts, beggars belief in these times of austerity.

7. We object to this public inquiry as it is in our view a farce to carry on examining wind farms when the public have been unable to object on the infrastructure that would follow if any applications were approved, and it is tantamount to depriving us of rights to object as it would pre-determine matters that followed. It is in our view wholly unfair and nothing short of riding rough shod over the views of people who live here contrasted with the fetish of certain ministers on wind power and the greed of developers and some landowners fed by subsidy handouts. We further draw your attention to the recent UNECE ruling which finds the UK in breach of human rights under the Aarhus convention in respect of such power plans and ask why is this inquiry continuing and pontificating upon such development which is unlawful by that ruling.
  
8. These proposals are creating a scenario affecting our life styles and enjoyment of the area in which we live. The pure fact of this public inquiry is that it is a burden on the council tax payer of immense proportion and contribution from personal individuals to fund representation all of which in itself is wholly unacceptable that we should be placed in such position by government fostered proposals which should never have reached this point. This whole public inquiry in its cost forced on the public here is nothing short of criminal by contrast with unfortunate people struggling for food in this area at food banks as a result of the economic collapse. WE WANT OUR VIEWS TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT NOT IGNORED. WE ARE THE VOTERS AND TAX PAYERS HERE NOT DEVELOPERS OR MINISTERS IN LONDON.
  
9. WE DON'T WANT THESE WIND FARMS AND WILL NOT ACCEPT THEM NO WIND FARMS – NO PYLONS. THESE ARE OUR VIEWS PLEASE HEED THEM

N & S BULLOCK, Felindre.

