

Roger & Helen Fielden -
To: Claire Jones-Hughes
Mid Wales Conjoined Public Inquiry

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Dear Claire Jones-Hughes,
Re: Mid Wales Conjoined Public Inquiry

With regard to the above inquiry we are writing to ask that you consider holding the inquiry in Welshpool as this is more convenient for the many people affected by this issue. Welshpool has a good rail link - London to Welshpool involves just one change in Birmingham and the journey time can be little more than 3 and a half hours. There are suitable venues in Welshpool - The Royal Oak Hotel is less than 10 min walk from the station and has conference rooms and over 20 bedrooms. There is also the Town Hall and the Council Offices.

On the question of format the Inspector has suggested each application would be looked at individually (2 weeks each) and then topically to look at the cumulative effects as a whole. We suggest that the applications be looked at topically.

Also the following items have not been considered for the Statement of Matters so we would suggest that the following be included:

1. Inspector to grant a concession under Inquiry Rule 19(5) allowing 3rd party objectors to cross-examine witnesses
2. Effect of the Mid Wales connection as (a) transmission lines to hub, (b) hub itself and (c) transmission lines from hub to grid to be included in the Statement of Matters to be considered at the Inquiry
3. Hydrology/flooding implications
4. Effect on tourism in locality
5. Effect on Glyndwr Way and Offas Dyke Footpath
6. Effect of the power connections including ;
 - a) transmission lines to the hub
 - b) the hub itself
 - c) transmission lines from the hub to the national grid.

The inspector A.D Poulter is planning to visit communities within the vicinity of the proposed wind farms. However, we would like to ask that there be consultations with local communities at local community centres in areas affected including those on the proposed pylon route corridors.

Thank you

Yours Sincerely
Helen & Roger Fielden

