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WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL.

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To The Planning Inspectorate
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Dear Sir

APP/J3530/A/11/2161750/NWF Wind Turbine, Church Farm. Wenhaston.

The Parish Council reiterates why they could not support the original planning application, as per Minutes of the 9th February. 2011.

**TOO CLOSE TO NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES.
CONCERN ABOUT THE NOISE LEVEL.
FLICKER ISSUES AFFECTING HOUSEHOLDERS AND WILDLIFE.
THE SCALE OF THE TURBINE IN RELATIVELY OPEN COUNTRYSIDE.
DAMAGE TO OWLS, BATS AND OTHER RARE BIRDS.
NO BENEFIT FOR THE VILLAGE.
CONCERN ABOUT THE DEVALUATION OF PROPERTIES, WITHIN THE
SCOPE OF THE WIND TURBINE.**

An Extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council was held on Friday 11th November, 2011 to discuss the Grounds for Appeal. It was proposed and seconded that the meeting be closed to allow Parishioners to speak. The overwhelming views of the Parishioners present were strongly against the Wind Turbine.

It was then proposed and seconded that the Parish Meeting be re opened.

The Parish Council after deliberating the options of the Parishioners' would like to add further additional comments.

INSUFFICIENT TIME HAS BEEN GIVEN TO VIEW THE NEW POSITION OF THE TURBINE, OR FOR ANY TECHNICAL EVALUATION.

THE NEW POSITION OF THE WIND TURBINE INFRINGES GUIDELINES PPS 18, AS THE TURBINE HAS BEEN MOVED NEARER TO THE ROAD, AND FOOTPATHS.

THE NEW POSITION NEARER TO THE ROAD AND FOOTPATHS BRINGS INTO QUESTION THE POSSIBILITY THAT IF AN ACCIDENT WERE TO OCCUR PEOPLE WOULD BE PUT AT RISK.

IT WAS FELT THAT THE REPORT WAS ECONOMICAL WITH THE TRUTH AND VERY MISLEADING REGARDING THE PHOTO MONTAGE.

THE PARISH COUNCIL SUGGESTS THAT THE INSPECTOR SHOULD VIEW ON HIS VISIT, THE SITE FROM THE BACK OF THE SCHOOL, AS WELL AS THE CHURCH.

THE PARISH COUNCIL REQUESTS THAT THEY ARE INFORMED THE DATE AND TIME WHEN THE INSPECTOR IS DUE TO VISIT THE VILLAGE AND BE INVITED TO THE SITE INSPECTION.

THE BIODIVERSITY APPRAISAL DATED DECEMBER 2010 AND FURTHER WRITTEN REPORT FROM HCI LTD. HALESWORTH, THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT THE REDUCTION OF THE BAT POPULATION, IS PROBABLY DUE TO THE LACK OF INSECTS DUE TO A DRY SPRING.

IF A SURVEY IS CARRIED OUT SEVERAL TIMES DURING A YEAR, THE RESULTS WOULD BE DIFFERENT EVERY TIME, AND WHO WOULD ENFORCE THE MONITORING OF THE BAT POPULATION?

THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD ALSO LIKE TO BRING TO THE INSPECTORS ATTENTION, THAT AT KESSINGLAND A PARISH SOME 10 MILES AWAY WHICH HAS RECENTLY HAD 2 LARGE WIND TURBINES INSTALLED, THE NOISE LEVEL IS SUCH THAT AN INVESTIGATION IS BEING CARRIED OUT BY THE OPERATORS TRIODOS RENEWABLES FOLLOWING COMPLAINTS.

AND FINALLY, A QUOTE FROM THE RT.HON NICK CLEGG MP, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER.

**THE LOCALISM BILL.... MARKS THE BEGINNING OF A POWER SHIFT
AWAY FROM CENTRAL GOVERNMENT TO THE PEOPLE, FAMILIES AND
COMMUNITIES OF BRITAIN.**

**90% of the Parishioners present at the meeting were strongly against
the Wind Turbine, with this result the views of the people and Parish
Council should be considered.**

2 Copies of this letter are enclosed.

Yours sincerely

Mary Pennock Clerk to Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish Council.