



DART

dorset against rural turbines

To the News Editor:

**DISASTROUS APPEAL ON WIND TURBINES AFFECTS
DORSET COMMUNITIES**

DORSET AGAINST RURAL TURBINES (DART) AND CPRE (CAMPAIGN TO PROTECT RURAL ENGLAND) HAVE JUST LEARNT THAT YOUR ENERGY LTD HAVE LODGED AT THE 11TH HOUR AN APPEAL TO OVERTURN THE REFUSAL BY NORTH DORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL OF THE APPLICATION TO BUILD NINE GIANT INDUSTRIAL WIND TURBINES ABOVE THE VILLAGES OF WINTERBORNE ZELSTON, ANDERSON, KINGSTON AND MUSTON.

THIS IS DEVASTATING NEWS FOR THE HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE WHO WOULD BE AFFECTED BY THIS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT. THERE IS INCREASINGLY NEW EVIDENCE OF ADVERSE AFFECTS ON HEALTH, BLIGHT ON PROPERTY VALUES AND OBVIOUS DESTRUCTION OF THE DORSET LANDSCAPE WHEN TURBINES ARE INSTALLED.

THE DEVELOPER, YOUR ENERGY LTD, WAS RECENTLY FINED BY COMPANIES HOUSE FOR LATE SUBMISSION OF ACCOUNTS AND HAS SET UP A SHELL COMPANY (LOWER WINTERBORNE FARM LTD) AS THE APPLICANT. ON THE ONE PREVIOUS OCCASION WHERE PLANNING PERMISSION WAS GRANTED TO YOUR ENERGY LTD (IN THE ORKNEYS) THE COMPANY IMMEDIATELY SOLD THE LICENCE ON FOR OVER £8 MILLION.

THE ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY IS REGISTERED THROUGH THE BAHAMAS TO THE PACIFIC MARSHALL ISLANDS. DORSET PEOPLE WILL NOT ONLY SUFFER, BUT BE PROVIDING FROM THEIR INCREASED ELECTRICITY BILLS HUGE PROFITS ABROAD AND TO THE FAMILY FARMING FIRM OF M HOOPER & SONS LTD BASED IN TOMSON.

SINCE THIS APPLICATION WAS FIRST PROPOSED THERE HAVE BEEN INCREASING REPORTS BOTH NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY THAT LARGE ONSHORE WIND TURBINE DEVELOPMENTS ARE INEFFECTIVE IN MEETING THE PLANNED TARGETS FOR CO2 REDUCTION. UNFORTUNATELY THE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT YET RESPONDED TO THE EVIDENCE AND THE ALMOST UNANIMOUS OPPOSITION FROM LOCAL COUNCILS AND REPRESENTATIVE BODIES.

THE SITUATION LEAVES DART & CPRE WITH NO OPTION BUT TO LAUNCH A DETERMINED CAMPAIGN ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITIES, WORKING WITH THE STATUTORY AUTHORITIES AND OTHER PARTNERS, TO FIGHT THIS APPEAL.

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