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About you

1 What is your name?

Name:

Richard Randell

2 What is your email address?

Email:

3 Are you responding as an individual, consultee, stakeholder or other?

Resident

If Consultee, Stakeholder, or Other, please give details here. :

4 Address



5 Age

Please select your age:

Chapter 1: Introduction

1 CH1Q1: Do you consider that Chapter 1 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Complies with Duty to Co-operate:

- 2 CH1Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?
- 3 CH1Q3: Please give details of why you consider Chapter 1 is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the Duty to Co-operate. Please be as precise as possible. If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Chapter 1 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

Please insert text here. :

4 CH1Q4: Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make Chapter 1 legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified at 2 above where this relates to soundness. (NB Please note that any non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why this change will make Chapter 1 legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

lease set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Melton Local Plan legally compliant or sound:

Policy EN10 – Energy Generation from Renewable Sources

1 CH7PEN10Q1: Do you consider that Policy EN10 is?

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Legally Compliant::

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Sound::

No

Do you consider that Policy SS1 - Complies with Duty to Co-operate:

2 CH7PEN10Q2: If answered "No" to "2: Sound" please answer the following question. Do you consider that the Policy is unsound because it is not?

2) Justified

3 CH7PEN10Q3: Please give details of why you consider Policy EN10 is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the Duty to Co-operate. Please be as precise as possible. If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of Policy EN10 or its compliance with the Duty to Co-operate, please use this box to set out your comments.

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As a resident of LCU8 I take exception to the suggestion that "Up to 50m as clusters of four/five turbines and in areas of varied, steeply sloping topography and small field patterns clusters of two/three" can be sited in the area.

A wind turbine of 50m to tip height is an industrial giant quite out of keeping with the pastoral farmland identified in LCU8. A cluster of up to 5 such machines becomes a devasting effect on the charm of this area of High Leicestershire.

Smaller individual wind turbines of less than 25m are part and parcel of an agricultural economy that assists farmers to diversify and maintain their livelihood and are of a scale that fits with the nature of this countryside.

There is no mention of the seperation distance between wind turbines and inhabited dwellings so future applications could be sited unreasonably close to villages.

We already have evidence that the siting of just one windturbine causes immense harm to the nature of this pastoral farmland. The wind turbine at Hall Farm Thorpe Satchville (still unlawfully operating, since it does not have planning permission) dominates the landscape in every direction.

Given that every attempt to erect large wind turbines within LCU8 has been met with strong and effective resistance it seems unlikely that future planning applications will meet the requirement of "demonstrated that the planning impacts identified by affected local communities have been fully addressed and therefore the proposal has their backing".

4 CH7PEN10Q4: Please set out what change(s) you consider necessary to make the Melton Local Plan legally compliant or sound, having regard to the test you have identified at 2 above where this relates to soundness. (NB Please note that any non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why this change will make the Melton Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

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LCU8 should be designated as "<25m as a single turbine or clusters of one/two in larger scale areas", and a seperation distance of not less than 1km from inhabited dwellings should be included.

Examination

1 EXQ1: Can your representation seeking a change be considered by written representations or do you consider it necessary to participate at the oral part of the examination?

Written Representations

If you wish to speak at examination, please outline why you consider this to be necessary::

2 EXQ2: Moreover please indicate if you wish to continue to be involved in the Local Plan (Please tick appropriate boxes).

If you wish to be notified at the address/e-mail provided when the Melton Local Plan is submitted to the Secretary of State for Communities & Local Government, If you wish to be notified at the address/e-mail provided when the Inspector's Report is available to view, If you wish to be notified at the address/e-mail provided in Part A when the Melton Local Plan is adopted, If you/your organisation wish to be included in future consultations on the Melton Local Plan

Acknowledgement

1 I understand the above statement and agree I have complied with its requirements

I agree