

I thought you would wish to know that Melton Borough Council has decided to identify the extensive land area which includes or borders the villages of Great Dalby, Thorpe Satchville, Ashby Folville, Barsby, Gaddesby, Kirby Bellars and Burton Lazars as suitable for wind farms comprising four or five turbines each up to 50 metres (164 feet) in height. The Council refers to this land area as LCU8

The Council has prepared a submission draft of a new Melton Local Plan which will guide development in the borough until 2036. The draft Plan includes policy EN10 which is concerned with energy generation from renewable sources and it is this policy which earmarks LCU8 for wind farms.

The public have been invited to submit comments which must be received by 19 December 2016 at the latest. This can be done on-line at <https://meltonboroughcouncil.citizenspace.com/planning-policy-team/mlp/>. Alternatively, comments can be submitted by email to [planningpolicy@melton.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@melton.gov.uk) or by post to Planning Policy, Regulatory Services, Melton Borough Council, Parkside, Station Approach, Melton Mowbray, LE13 1GH. The Council has produced a Respondent Form in pdf format. I am also attaching a Word version on which you can type comments directly.

Melton Borough Council is not required to identify suitable areas for wind farm development but has been persuaded so to do. I am sure you are aware that the Government's policy since 18 June 2015 has been that affected local communities should have the final say on whether wind farms should go ahead in their areas. Now is the time to have your say. If policy EN10 identifies landscape areas including LCU8 in the adopted Melton Local Plan it will be very difficult to resist planning applications which follow.

We all worked so hard to successfully resist the unwelcome Crown Hill Wind Farm application. Please do not let this and others slip in through the back door.

There is a map showing the area concerned but I can't print it, due to lack of ink at this critical moment!

**PLEASE DEFEND THORPE SATCHVILLE AND YOUR PROPERTY**