

Communities Against
Reagill & Sleagill Turbines

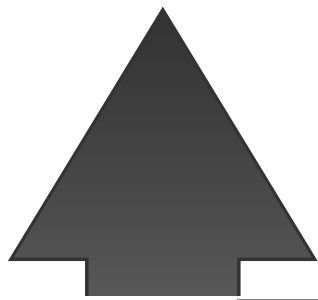
Alert

**13 Industrial Wind Turbines
proposed close to your home**

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Find out more



Estimated time to operation if we do nothing

	Winter 2010 Commissioning of turbines and operation, impact on your environment for 25 years
	Summer 2010 Construction of 13 wind turbines will take place. 6 months of major disruption & destruction
	March 2010 Likely planning application to EDC. Deadline for objection is 21 days from application
	2009 During 2009 the developer to undertake an Environmental Impact Assessment
	June 2009 EDC respond to scoping document. Now 13 turbines, anemometer application submitted
	May 2009 All parishes respond to scoping document following local meetings
	March 2009 Scoping document for 11 wind turbines received by EDC (Eden District Council) from PRE (Pure Renewable Energies). Responses requested from Crosby Ravensworth, Newby, Shap & Sleagill Parishes

What could be the impact on your home or life?

How would you feel if a tower the size of Dixon's Chimney (280ft) were built close to your home?

What if the height turned out to be almost 130ft higher (410ft)?

And if they were to build not one, but thirteen towers with massive rotating blades?

What if the noise and vibration from the rotating blades became unbearable and forced you to move home? **But** the presence of the towers devalued your home to such an extent that you could not afford to move? **Or** could the flicker effect caused by the blades blocking out the sun as they rotate exacerbate existing medical conditions?

A CAUTIONARY TALE

Last August, a Lincolnshire family Jane and Julian Davis had to abandon their home after turbines were built just 930 metres from their house. They were forced to rent a house miles away costing £1,000 a month to escape the noise and get some sleep. Estate agents said that their house was worth £170,000 before the wind farm was built, but was so severely affected that it could now prove impossible to sell.



Is it worth ruining our landscape for the meagre CO₂ savings from onshore wind?

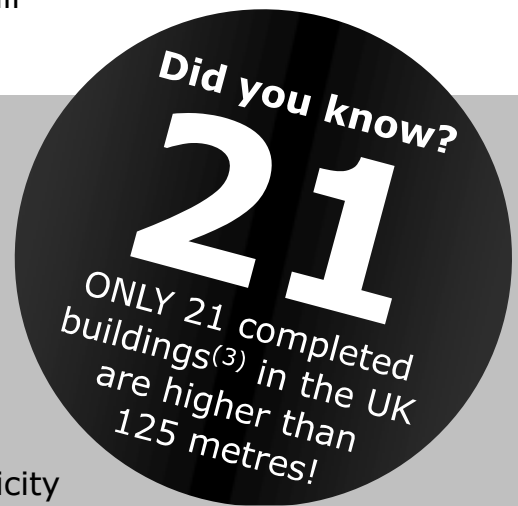
A cluster of 100 (125m) wind turbines operating for 25 years would save the equivalent CO₂ emissions of a coal-fired power station running for just 1 year.

Therefore, you might think that if 2500 turbines replaced each coal-fired power station then we might be making a difference?

Not so, sadly...wind power on our national grid has to be backed up by conventional power stations (this is the bit everyone forgets to mention) - therefore yielding a scant reduction in CO₂ emissions alongside the small amount of additional but intermittent electricity.

Cheap electricity?

Well, unfortunately not, due to the fact that we have to build conventional power stations to back up wind power, we pay twice for development, (we are running out of conventional power). Furthermore, because the vagaries of wind mean onshore wind turbines tend to produce only 18 to 26% of their potential electricity⁽¹⁾ the Government has to subsidise wind power. Wind generated electricity is 2.4⁽²⁾ times dearer than conventional power. And contrary to popular belief, you do NOT get any cheaper electricity just because you live near a wind farm.



STOP PRESS...STOP PRESS...STOP PRESS...

You need to object NOW, the initial planning application has been submitted for this development

Ref 09/0479 Wind Monitoring Mast – Yew Tree Farm
Deadline: 23 July 2009
To: planning.services@eden.gov.uk
 Or Director of Planning Services Office,
 Mansion House, Friargate, Penrith, CA11 7YG

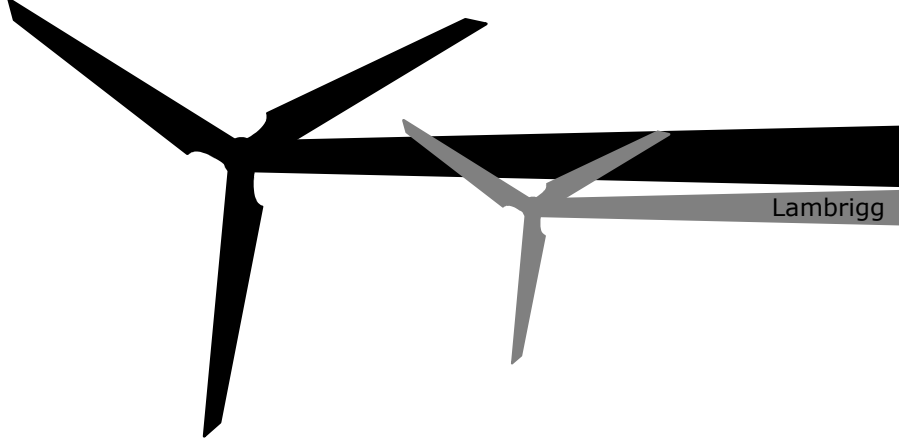
Reasons: Size (50m) – Overbearing
 Proximity to Reagill
 Visual impact on local landscape
 Need/Requirement – we don't need it
 Prominence in surrounding environment
 Link to associated industrial wind farm development

Source 1. House of Commons written answers to questions 175695 & 175696 from Mr Paterson MP – 15/01/08
 2. www.fells.info/fells.htm#not%20opposing
 3. www.skyscrapernews.com

So how big are they?

The current proposal incorporates thirteen turbines which are located at an altitude over 300 metres on some of the highest ground in the Eden Valley, they will extend a further 125m higher to the tip of the blade.

125 metres
Proposed Wind Turbines
by comparison Lambrigg
Wind Turbines are 70
metres tall and set down
in the landscape



85 metres
Dixon's Chimney, Carlisle

70 metres
Lambrigg Wind Turbines
M6, Junction 37

40 metres
National Grid Pylons
which follow M6, Shap

20 metres
Angel of the North

7 metres
Mid-Town Farm House

1.8 metres
You or I

But most importantly for our community, they will dominate the local area.

The Wind Turbines will dominate the area and be highly visible from:
The Lake District National Park including High Street, Helvellyn and Skiddaw Ranges
The Howgills and Orton Fells
The entire length of the Northern Pennines & Eden Valley

CARST was established in June 2009 by the local parishes to oppose the proposed development
Register online at www.carst.info for updates
or call 01931 714071. If you can help we are looking for specialist advice in law and landscape

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