

My name is Ron Veness I'm a concerned resident and Property owner of Rye Park, and district and am opposed to the proposed development of wind turbines

- 1 Firstly I would like to say that most locals are becoming very frustrated with the time it has taken for a decision to be made on this industrial site. It is at least 8 years since negotiations commenced. I've noticed a lot of properties have been put on hold----- If they are against Windfarm Turbines there is no point improving their farm as input will not be redeemed if the project goes ahead. If you are a host, farms have been put on hold and things such as weeds are taking over.
- 2 We are relieved that some towers have been recommended to be removed but would be pleased if the whole Project was discarded.
- 3 The same concerns that we have had are still there in regards to Property and farming.
- 4 Some of these are;
 - Concerns of noise and visual impact on our property and house.
 - 1. Our property would be impacted by erosion into our main water supply from major Road Construction through a salt scald upstream and silt and salt into this dam would be disastrous.
 - 2. We have been given assurance that this would not happen from an employee of Trust Power but nothing in writing. We are unable to contact him now.
 - 3. There would also be discharge into Grassy Creek which runs through our property from a Batching Plant .Another concern is the movement of stock on roads which still will take place.
 - 4. Traffic on access roads to local towns has not been addressed adequately. The clearing of trees and vegetation on local roads is a concern----- aerial agriculture is still a problem, It has been recommended that screens would be erected to screen houses from the Wind Towers. This would almost be a joke in the village. One house just out of the village would have towers around 360 deg. If Bango goes ahead as well. This should also be taken into the equation , as Rye Park will be in the centre of 2 Wind developments.
 - 5. Land Values ,if development goes a head ,it will be very hard to sell a property in the area. I've already tried that.
 - 6. There are many more questions to be answered ie. De- commission of towers. if Proponent Company goes broke who is responsible then . Should they be building a fund for this from day one.
 - 7. Funding for the local community should it be distributed to local community not Hilltop Council as we are the ones looking at them and being affected by them.
 - 8. The best way to cause a split in the community is to mention Wind Turbines and it has been going on for too long .
 - 9. I would be very concerned if we had signed up for Wind Towers. We started off on the other side of the fence but every time there was a new contract I realised that it was wholly set up to Protect Wind Proponents and not the hosts. For those who have signed contracts think yourself lucky you have a good solicitor looking after your interests if this development goes ahead.

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