

I have many serious concerns with the possibility of wind turbines being installed both at the west and east of Rye Park and the impact this will have on all the residents of the village and its surrounding residents.

Rye Park is a quiet peaceful country village which is why people choose to live here and never visitors are drawn to its uniqueness, and quiet lifestyle.

At the possibility of wind turbines being installed in such a close proximity to Rye Park will simply transform the area into an industrial workplace which to me is completely gut wrenching.

I live 2km from the village, 50metres from the Cemetery road which is a proposed thoroughfare for heavy vehicles and approx 1.4km from the nearest proposed turbine, the impact from my own personal existence will be quite overwhelming as it will be for many many others.

One concern I am terribly worried about is a safety issue of our roads, with the large amount of heavy vehicles and traffic required to install the turbines, the impact this will have on our roads and everyone travelling them.

The reasons for this is simple, it is purely a numbers game and one which shouldnt be played.

Wind turbine companies increase the numbers of turbines installed to increase the possibility of more electricity generated but have they ever taken into consideration the more vehicles and larger ones at that, the more accidents there will be.

Many people commute everyday from Rye Park and surrounds to Yass, Boorowa, Canberrra, Dalton, Canning and farming properties for work, along with mail contractors and school buses and livestock with limited resources of police and emergency services it may take 30/40 minutes or longer

to attend any accidents. It is completely unnecessary to put all our lives at risk, well the wind turbine company take responsibility for any accidents ^{and injuries} as a result of the turbine installation. I was ensured about 20 years whilst they were installed well a lot can happen in those 730 days of travel.

I currently manage the Rye Park Post Office with the help of volunteers and have done for the past 11 years. Nine of those 11 years I have encountered and witnessed numerous discussions on a weekly basis between many residents both for and against wind turbine installation at Rye Park and surrounds whom I have seen frustration, confusion, aggravation, fear upset, anger and uncertainty which is quite distressing to everyone.

We were told at a meeting, at the Rye Park Hall last August a decision would be made on the proposed Rye Park Windfarm installation to the east of the village, by possibly October if not the definite before Christmas, well here we are still debating the subject putting all of us under more and more stress and frustration and its nearly the start of April.

This issue needs to be resolved and now. The impact of this proposed wind turbine installation on Rye Park and surrounds and everyone living there will be ^{undoubtedly} phenomenal, along with the destructive impact on the landscape, the vegetation and the wildlife/birds.

And lastly, due to the fact we're all here today once again debating this issue, being inconvenienced and have had to take time off work and lose a days pay, is the wind turbine company going to reimburse us for this - I think not.

Yours sincerely

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