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HILLS OF GOLD WINDFARM SSD-9679

I object to the Hills of Gold Windfarm.

1. This proposed development forced us to sell our property because the personal stress and anxiety became intolerable.
2. I have 50 years experience in the property industry holding various roles and having acted for and against all level of government, local, national and international companies as well as a number of major and minor financial institutions.
3. Whilst I was a reluctant vendor, I was also an anxious vendor as our property was sold at a price below that which it would have fetched if the Wind Farm was not a consideration.
4. Upper Hunter Shire Council were invited to an onsite meeting at NAD73 (1843 Crawney Road Timor), only one councillor attended!

The inspection referred to by the mayor in the UHSC meeting and IPC was not in the Timor/Crawney area, but in the Nundle area, which is a TRC responsibility.

I have read the minutes between USSC and the IPC and it is my belief that the major consideration by UHSC was focused purely on money. Every other issue was secondary. Bushfires? Not an issue?

I have read the minutes between TRC and the IPC. TRC are to be commended on the thorough investigation of details relating to the application and its impact on the area.

The engineering analysis shows that it is not realistic to safely pursue such application.

The TRC advises that numerous concessions were given to the applicant, they have apparently failed to respond with additional information that satisfies council.

Council claims that out of 20 applications before them, this is the only one that they do not support.

Reading the transcript should satisfy most that this project is totally unrealistic. Unlike UHSC, there was minor commentary regarding money.

IPC-Public Meeting 1st and 2nd February in Nundle.

This meeting produced some excellent speakers presenting with supporting evidence of their claims.

The speakers supporting the project were largely supportive because of proposed future monetary benefits. I respect the right of those with Commercial enterprise to seek additional benefits but not to the overall detriment of a community.

Nundle has survived droughts, fires and floods and economic downturn which is beyond Community control. The development of a proposed Windfarm is a hazard that should not be considered as it within our powers of control.

The speakers against were not seeking anything above what they already have. They just wish to protect what they now have.

ICAC- CORRUPT BEHAVIOUR

Briefly described.

1 A member of the public influences or tries to influence probity of the public officials exercise of power.

2 A member of the public engages in conduct where such conduct impairs or could impair public confidence.

Has such occurred during this process?