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8th FEBRUARY 2018

My name is Neil Richards and I live at the above address opposite Llandegley Rhos Common (CL34). My family have lived and farmed here for 4 generations and I have grazing rights on the common for 236 sheep. I have written two letters of objection to the Hendy Windfarm proposal and these will be on record.

My wife's grandfather and uncle farmed at Pye corner until 1949, and subsequently at Llandw until 1960. In 1960 Llandegley Rhos common was open unfenced land, and included Hendy and Graig Fawr.

I have received no formal notification from the developers or the landowners and there has been no attempt to convene a meeting of the commoners to explain or resolve the problems relating to commons issues within this application.

One of the proposed access routes is opposite my farm on a particularly fast, and potentially dangerous, section of the A44. This access road would involve extensive construction work and fencing of my access track to my land and the common, and would severely affect my ability to farm normally. I am also very concerned about the damage that would be caused to the common, and the disruption to sheep flock's ability to graze normally. We graziers are not permitted to feed animals on the common. I am also concerned about the potential disruption to the wildlife on the common, particularly the huge starling roost and the curlews, which are now a rare sight.

I fully support and agree with the planning committee's decision to reject this proposal.

Neil Richards

NEIL RICHARDS

To The Planning Inspectorate

I own a smallholding some 25 yards from the Rhos Common. I have grazing rights for my sheep. I have lived here 60 years, my father purchased the place and previously bred sheep here.

I am worried about access to the common with my sheep whilst building work goes on. I am concerned about the reduced grazing area with all that will become a roadway I am concerned my property may be devalued.

I am saddened that the wildlife may be forced to leave the area. I enjoy seeing the starlings, listening to the curlews or cuckoos sing during the day and the owls hooting at night The swirling of the starlings as they roost at dusk is a wonderful site, many people come to watch and enjoy.

I believe there will be an increase in traffic and I will hear the construction noise. I am concerned I will have difficulty moving the trailer and sheep in and out of my drive. My breeding ewes may be affected by the disruption.

Gareth V. Lewis

The Rhos, Llandegley LD1 5UF

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8th Feb 2018

I own a house about 50m from the entrance to Rhos Common opposite Larch Grove. I have lived there three years. I moved here when I took early retirement from a long teaching career. I walk my dogs daily on the common. I enjoy seeing many wild birds, sheep, cattle and a mountain pony, also wild flowers.

I have grazing rights for the common and have several pet sheep who graze there sometimes.

I am unhappy there has been no meeting or face to face consultation with the graziers, explaining possible exchange land for that lost with the development nor how commoners with sheep would access the common, with new fencing placed around the construction work.

I am very concerned about the increase traffic during construction and noise and air pollution in a generally quiet and clean air area.

I am most worried about the effect on wildlife. Thousands of starlings form a murmuration daily at dusk over the common, throughout the winter. There are also cuckoos, owls, curlews and buzzards. Some wild flowers and many insects. On one occasion I saw an otter.

I believe the deep ruts required for heavy vehicle use on the roadway could impact upon the drainage in an area where the A44 road is often flooded on the side of the road closest to the common. Indeed on one occasion the whole of the road and my drive were submerged in over a foot of water.

Within the vicinity there are apparently Iron Age burial grounds and trilobite and sponge fossils from the Ordovician Age. No mention has been made of their historical and geological value and preserving anything that could be found on the

common.



Jane Stevens



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