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Dear Gwilym

Re: P/2014/0672 - Proposed Wind Farm, Hendy, Llandegley Rhos

Radnorshire Wildlife Trust wishes to **object** to this proposed development on and around Llandegley Rhos.

Having read the various ecological and environmental supporting information, we do not believe that the ecological assessments have been undertaken in a way that satisfies available guidance produced by Scottish Natural Heritage (and used by statutory agencies across the UK), nor those available from the Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management.

The search area needs to be widened. This is especially important in an area of tremendous natural, archaeological and landscape value, in order to adequately address the likely impact resulting from this type of development.

Within the application site is a well established and extremely large winter starling roost which is of at least regional importance (Pete Jennings, Radnorshire bird recorder, personal communication).

I am surprised that Radnorshire Wildlife Trust has not been approached by the applicants / agents as part of a scoping exercise which would normally be the case in developing application of this type and scale.

Should the applicants / agents wish to seek the detailed opinion of Radnorshire Wildlife Trust as to our detailed views on the impact of this planning application, we would be happy to oblige. Meantime I would urge you to refuse this application and advise the developers to carry out surveys that adhere to the current guidelines.

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Kind Regards

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