P-04-324 Say No to Tan 8 - Windfarms & High Voltage Power Lines Spoiling our Community

Petition wording

The Welsh Assembly Government Technical Advice Note (TAN) 8:- Planning for Renewable Energy (2005) document provides advice and guidelines which without doubt result in the desecration of our beautiful Mid-Wales Countryside. Following these guidelines, will spoil our beautiful landscape, increase health risk from electro-magnetic radiation, damage tourism which is one of the main employment sectors, devalue properties and cause major environmental damage.

When the technical advice note popularly known as TAN 8 was issued by the Welsh Assembly Government in 2005, the local population did not truly grasp the scale of what it meant to the inhabitants of Mid Wales.

The Technical Advice Note TAN 8 will allow hundreds of huge wind turbines to be built upon wind farms within our communities.

As a result of the construction of these wind farms the National Grid will be obliged to construct power transmission lines to carry the power to where it is needed, although it is recognised that the National Assembly for Wales are not involved in the decision to route these power lines.

We call upon the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh Government to undertake a major review of the TAN 8 policy to include more public consultation.

Link to the petition:

http://senedd.assemblywales.org/mglssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=1017

Petition raised by: John Day

Number of signatures: 3249 signatures. Associated petitions collected over 13,500 signatures.

Previously considered by the Committee on: 12 June, 21 July 2011.

Update: Correspondence has been received from the Minister for Environment and Sustainable Development, the Environment and Sustainability Committee and the Department of Energy and Climate Change and the Volunteers for Abergorlech, Llansawel and Rhydcymerau.