

To the Examining Panel,

I am writing to endorse the submissions of Middleton-on-Sea Coastal Alliance (MOSCA) and the ongoing unanswered questions by Natural England and the Marine Management Organisation.

The noise generated by construction and operation of wind farms is in the process of being thoroughly researched, as stated in the submission for Deadline 5 by MOSCA IP no 20045287. The cumulative pressures on marine life increase the likelihood of a catastrophic event in which we lose the bioavailability of areas of the marine ecosystem, these in turn all support the fragile food chain that sustains, in the main, life on earth. It would be presumptuous to allow wind farm development without due consideration; this cannot be offered until the current research has concluded and is published. Marine life is not the only environment that wind farms threaten, the others include ornithology, entomology, and anthropology (the physiological wellbeing thereof).

There are multiple reasonable alternatives as presented in great detail by Protect Coastal Sussex IP no 20044835. These include carbon capture on existing gas turbine generators, and Small Modular Reactors, which can sit on footprints of decommissioned power stations and plug into the National Grid with relatively minor alteration to the sites or surrounding areas.

Finally, the South Downs National Park need be protected from this development. Alternative routes were not fully explored, and allowing such desecration of the land, hedgerows, habitats and the mentally & emotionally relaxing view over the sea should not be allowed as it would set a precedent that nothing is sacred. Natural capital and beauty should be protected at all costs. In this vein, the European Convention for Landscapes should protect these lands under Law, and infringement of such should be entirely disallowed.

Sincerely,

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