

I want to echo the comments I have submitted in the past, in the light of the further expansion of this project. Our village is located close to the proposed NI project. It will impact on every property in our village and on the the golf club which is located adjacent to our village.

The project is simply too large for a small rural community - it will dominate the area for decades to come.

We are particularly concerned about the impact of such a large development will have on food security, in a country that already cannot produce enough food for our population - this cannot be supplemented elsewhere.

The impact on wildlife and bio-diversity remains a question without convincing mitigating answers. This in a country that has already suffered one of the most significant reductions in bio-diversity in Europe.

Thirdly, the personal impact on our village mirrors the negative impact that will be suffered across West Lyndsey. Mental health issues are a real risk; house values may well suffer a negative impact; access to the countryside as an amenity will suffer, changing from a green rural landscape to a black industrial landscape.

The only logical reason to pursue this line of development is the location of two redundant power stations, giving ready access to the national grid. It appears that all other impacts and arguments have been collected and completely disregarded.

The consultation process is a sham - set up to ensure process is followed, but as a national project, and contrary opinions serve no purpose. There is no sense of an actual democratic process. I am appalled.