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Windfarms are not wanted

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Peter, my name is Bev Gray, from a village near Cambridge in England. My group is called CFAG. See us on www.stopthewindfarm.org.uk.

We have fought a windfarm development near our village for the last 3 years. We are waiting for the final decision from the developers appeal this month. This is a law process where the local authorities said NO to the plans and the developers went to law to try and get the windfarm approved against the public wishes. We opposed them with my group raising £63,000 (English pounds) to pay for experts and lawyers. This is like a court of law with a Government Inspector making the decision. People locally do not want windfarms.

Here in England we have hundreds of action groups fighting developers. The people here do not want windfarms. Windfarms are very big, they are noisy, they are very close to us and they are devaluing our homes and way of life.

Currently we are asking our politicians to change the rules to stop windfarms so close to our homes and people. We all want renewable energy but much better renewable energy like tide power, mini hydroelectric, etc. We all understand wind turbines cannot produce much electricity and the developers actually make a lot more money from the subsidy. In UK that is a large increase on our fuel bills to pay for it.

Let your mayor and his committee know the developers are not telling the truth. In UK every project on land is fought by local people. The same in France, Germany and elsewhere in Europe. There is NO advantage to the local people. The money they give is very, very small.

Good luck in your fight. I am also helping four other groups local to me.

Many regards,
Bev
