

Hellrigg Wind Turbines will Tower over Silloth

The SOSAC committee would like to thank the Holme Low Parish Council for organizing the open meeting held in the Golf Hotel Silloth, on February 26th to discuss the proposed Hellrigg development.

It was well attended and a number of speakers brought their various concerns to the meeting. Votes were taken at the close of the meeting, a few abstained from voting and only one person voted in favour of the development. The majority voted the proposal be rejected.

According to the Cumberland News on February 9th the Hellrigg development is going to cost £10 million. Would this amount not be better spent around Silloth and District to encourage businesses to generate and create much needed work. After all, these wind turbines are highly subsidised with government money (our money). Let us have a say in how it is spent. This proposed Hellrigg development will not provide work and will

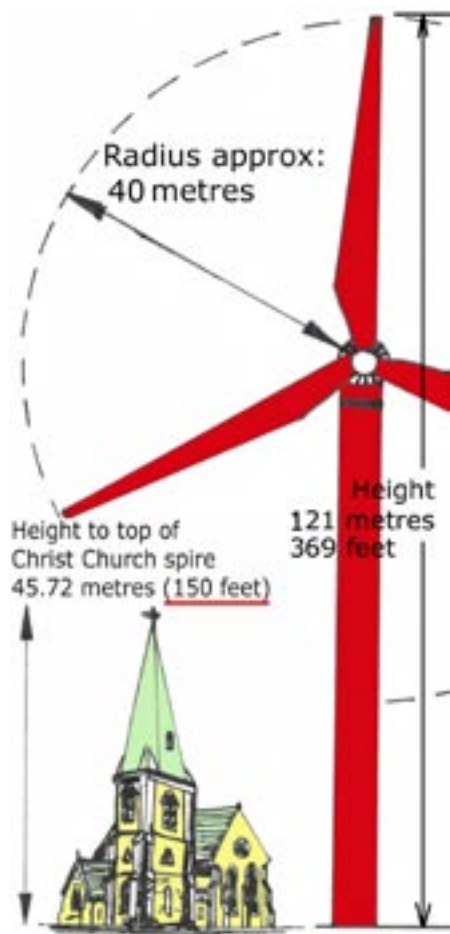
benefit few. Wind turbines will do little to combat global warming. The electricity that all these wind farms produce will not close any power stations, they are simply not reliable: The wind speeds are either too high or too low.

You may think if they build the turbines they will not affect me. This development will affect us all: Work in the area has been on the decline for many years.

How many factories, businesses and shops have closed that you can remember?

You may have employment now in the area but will there be any for your children.

Where will the community be, a majority of older people,



a few jobs locally, many people having to travel to find work adding to the global warming. No jobs for the younger generation of Silloth they will either have to leave home to find work or be on benefits. People of Silloth and district need the enrichment of youth

to have the community survive. The main source of employment in the area now is tourism and we must not forget this.

Visitors will not want to come to Silloth to see Wind Turbines. These can now be seen almost anywhere now. They come for the beautiful views, Scotland over the Solway Firth, the Lake District which if Hellrigg is allowed to proceed will be seriously marred. If the tourists should decide not to come vital jobs could be lost

Hopefully, the government will realize that wind power is far from being efficient and stop subsidising it and revise the energy strategy. The money spent on these inefficient monstrosities should be put into research for something that will really work; Tidal, Wave Power or Hydro Electric to try and combat global warming and provide us with reliable power which the country requires to function.

If this development of four Wind Turbines is allowed to proceed it may only be the start. Travel to Workington and see the result. Do not let this beautiful area be blighted

We thank all who have sent in letters of objection. If you have not already done so it is not too late. Write to: Mr R Outhwaite, Planning and Development Manager, Allerdale Borough Council, Allerdale House, Workington, CA14 3YJ.

Vintage Ploughing Match



L-R: Gordon Wilson, Lawrence Marshall, Bobby Douglas, Ian Tordiff, Trevor Johnstone and Robert Lightfoot

At Greenrigg farm (Wigton) the North Cumbria Tractor Club held its Vintage Ploughing match with over 50 competitors from up to 100 miles away.

The judging was in groups of two with Lawrence Marshall (Silloth) and Ian Tordiff formerly of Aldoth (Abbeytown) also Robert Lightfoot Smarthill (Abbeytown)

and Gordon Wilson (Aldoth).

Four Cups were awarded:
1st Trevor Johnstone, Sunderland (Bothel), Trailed Vintage Class.
2nd. Bobby Douglas, Ancrum (Jedburgh), Vintage Hydraulic Class.
3rd. Hugh Sutton, Preston, Classic Hydraulic Class
4th. Gavin Little, Penrith, Novice Section.

Obi-wan v Darth Bee
by Robbie Harrison
aged 11 from
Silloth Primary School

Disco Bee
by Kevin Brown
aged almost 9 from
Holme Cultram Abbey School

Or ask a SOSAC member for a pre printed letter. You could also write to your MP, Local County Councillor and Allerdale Borough Councillors.

Silloth Group Medical Practice

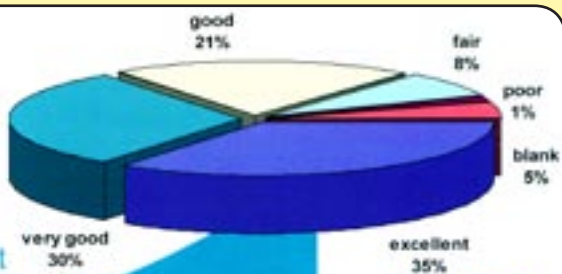
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