

## **E-mail to Newark and Sherwood Planning on Behalf of the Local Communities**

Gunthorpe Under Siege from Turbines (GUST) was recently formed by a group of residents who are opposed to the construction by **Partnerships for Renewables Ltd (PfR)** of a very large wind turbine adjacent to the Gunthorpe Lock on land owned by British Waterways. At their first public meeting held on the 26th October, it was learned that PfR now wish to erect a **significantly larger** wind turbine with **double the capacity** of that originally proposed.

The planning application will be made to Newark and Sherwood District Council. Due to the proposed site location of the wind turbine, **more residents of East Bridgford** will be subjected to the **adverse health, safety, visual and noise pollution** that a large wind turbine (**413 ft** in height and **300ft** in diameter) bestows, than residents of Gunthorpe village.

The following e-mail was sent to Newark and Sherwood – Planning on 03.11.2011

**Attn: John Morrison Re: 11/SCR/00004**  
**Dear Planning Department / Committee,**

**The Supporting Letter from PfR of 17.10.2011 suggests that they would now wish to double the generating capacity of their wind turbine to 3MW which will increase the Tip Height to 126 metres and the blade sweep area to 289 sq. metres. The size and form of the proposed wind turbine is approaching that of the London Eye and would be taller than the highest structure in Nottingham.**

**The nature of this type of industrial development on green belt land adjacent to this much used recreational area of the Trent Valley would decimate the local environment and bestow upon the local communities a mechanical monster of incredible proportions that will produce noise pollution, health issues, safety risks and sleep deprivation for a period of 20 years or more.**

**Considerably more homes in East Bridgford are closer to the proposed site of the wind turbine than homes in Gunthorpe.**

**Current studies suggest that a very large wind turbine of this size would impact on all residences within at least 1.5 kilometres of the turbine. As all residents of East Bridgford and Gunthorpe will be within this distance of the wind turbine, may I request that we are all notified of any planning application that you might receive and, as a result, allow our views to the application to be heard by planning.**

**I do believe that the closest 'residence' to the present test mast is Cedar Vale on Kneeton Road East Bridgford which is a private hospital and home to 18 persons suffering with autism and learning difficulties. You will likely know how detrimental the strobe and repetitive noise created by a wind turbine can be on such less fortunate individuals.**

**It is understood that the views of residents of East Bridgford might not be considered, as we are not within your local council jurisdiction. However, in view of the location, nature and size of this industrial development that is closer to our community than many in Gunthorpe, you will allow our views to be heard.**

Trent Hills Against Wind Turbines (THAWT)