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Dear Sirs

Planning application no: 3/2013/0357

Proposal: Erection of a 60.7m single wind turbine.

Location: Land to the north of Huntroyd Home Farm, Huntroyd West, Whins Lane, Simonstone, Lancashire BB12 7QL.

I have no objection in principle to the proposed development, but please note the following comments.

LCC's abnormal loads officer, Tony Wood advises:

I consider that there is likely to be a problem with the route in as much as the crossing of bridge # 1116B1 Wallgreen located on Whins Lane. The record show a HB assessment of 19.5 with a caveat of "Needs rebuilding, no imminent danger of collapse". This being the case and with the extra traffic generated in building the turbine foundation I would suggest that the use of this part of the network should not be permitted without further detailed assessment of structure to see if it is suitable to carry the extra traffic associated with the construction of the foundation and erection of a wind turbine.

It maybe possible that another route could be found that avoids the use of Wallgreen Bridge by the use of School Lane/Trapp Lane.

The developer should liaise with Tony Wood concerning abnormal load issues for initial construction and later maintenance and de-commissioning issues.

The developer will be asked to pay for any works to the highway necessary to afford construction access, and for the repair of any damage to the highway due to the transit of delivery vehicles along the highway.

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Executive Director for the Environment
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I also have concerns about the future maintenance and decommissioning of this turbine and the effects of these works on the highway, due to the heavy plant required. The developer/operator should agree with LCC suitable routes to and from the site for this plant and equipment and this should be included in the Health and Safety documentation for this wind turbine. Where it appears that damage to the road surface or structure overloading may occur the developer should be asked for funding to strengthen the highway infrastructure for the lifetime of the turbine.

Please ask the developer to provide a construction method statement or plan detailing various issues impacting on the highway such as off loading equipment, parking for operatives, wheel washing, times of deliveries etc. This is to be approved by RVBC in conjunction with LCC Highways.

Yours faithfully

Trevor Lewis
Traffic and Development Engineer