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To: Nash2, Chris; Team P7
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Subject: RE: Planning Inspectorate: Ref 2192046: Mason House Farm, Clitheroe Road, Bashall Eaves, BB7 3DD

Dear Sir,

In response to the letter from the Inspectorate dated 18th of June 2013, sent in relation to the SoS for Communities and Local Government and the issued Written Ministerial Statement concerning Local Planning and Onshore Wind, the Council offer the following view.

As there were both public and community objections to the proposed development, the Council consider that this Statement adds further weight to the reasons for refusal. The Statement made highlights that in order to help ensure planning decisions reflect the balance in the framework, the SoS will seek to issue new planning practice guidance shortly to assist local councils and planning inspectors in their consideration of local plans and individual planning applications. This will set out clearly the following,

- That the need for renewable energy does not automatically override environmental protections and the planning concerns of local communities decisions should take into account the cumulative impact of wind turbines and properly reflect the increasing impact on (a) the landscape and (b) local amenity as the number of turbines in the area increases local topography should be a factor in assessing whether wind turbines have a damaging impact on the landscape (i.e. recognise that the impact on predominantly flat landscapes can be as great or greater than as on hilly or mountainous ones), and that
- great care should be taken to ensure heritage assets are conserved in a manner appropriate to their significance, including the impact of proposals on views important to their setting

Given the reasons for refusal of this turbine, the Council consider that significant weight should be given to this document on the basis of the planning concerns raised by the local community, the significant landscape impact the proposal would have on the area within the AONB and the proposals likely impact upon the setting of the nearby heritage assets.

Kind regards,

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