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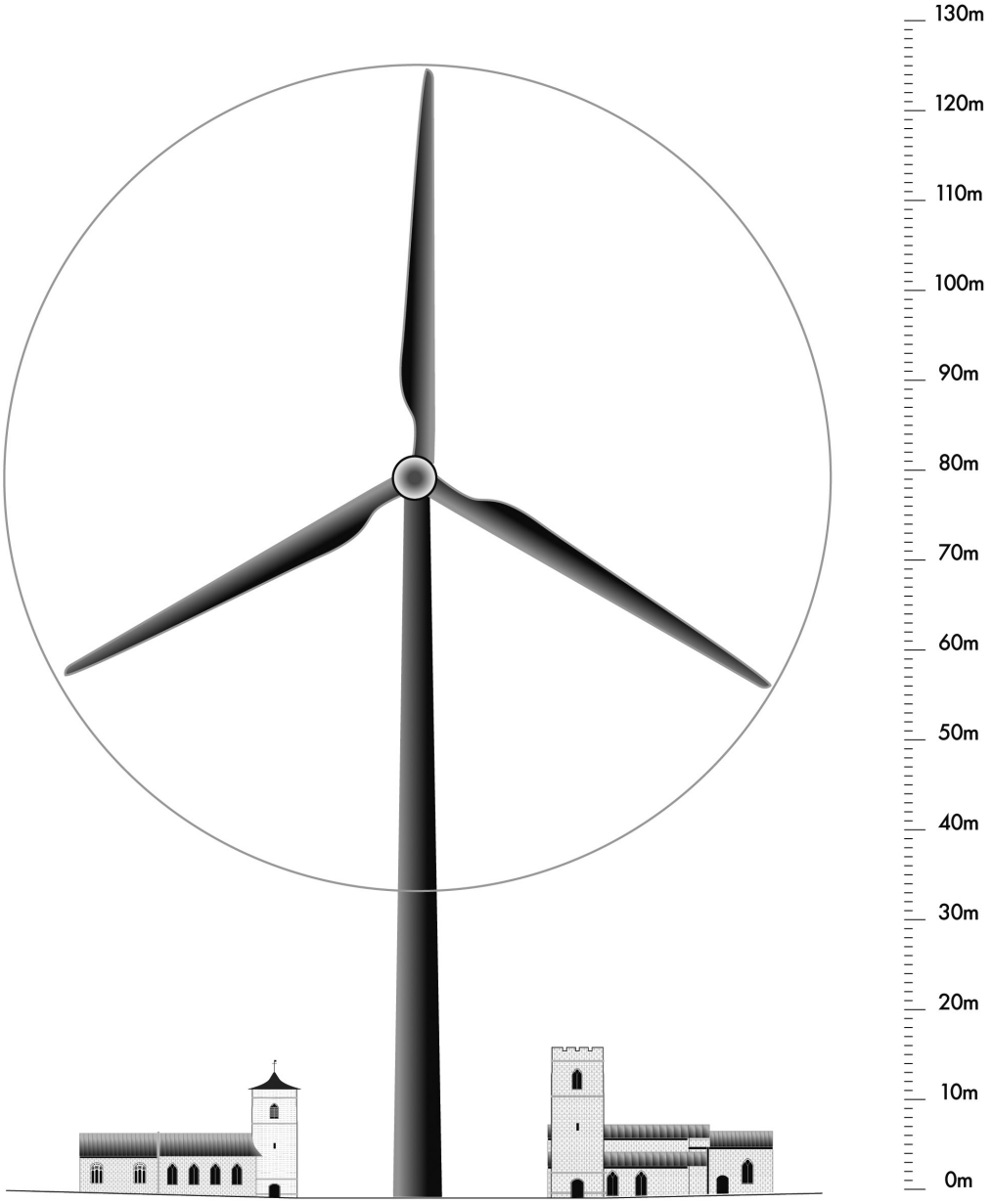
IS THIS WHAT YOU WANT?



St Mary's Syderstone, All Saints Stanhoe,

THIS IS WHAT YOU'LL GET UNLESS WE ALL ACT TOGETHER TO STOP IT

You may have seen the glossy newspaper recently distributed to our villages in which RES lay out their plans for giant industrial wind turbines to be installed at Barwick Hall Farm. As yet, no mention is made of their original intention to also use more land on Bluestone Farm, closer to South Creake and North Creake, and their plans in that respect remain unclear. We must remain vigilant. Their publication contains much predictable propaganda about wind energy in general and the suitability of this site in particular. **WE DO NOT AGREE** - and will be challenging their assertions in detail in our next newsletter. But we feel you, the residents in these villages may wish to appreciate the true scale of these monsters - see the illustration to scale above. They will dwarf everything we value in our rural village way of life. Furthermore, we are not alone in our complete rejection of these proposals and the arguments put forward to support them - see quotes overleaf.

RES have attempted to put forward a persuasive case in support of their plans to industrialise our open space. They have been preparing the case for this site for more than five years. We come new to the implications of this technology. But a reading of the research and a review of expert opinion reveals a very different picture from the one that RES presents.

> If we covered the windiest 10% of the country with windmills, we would be able to generate half of the power (per person) used by driving an average car 50 kms per day.

Sustainable Energy – without the hot air: David JC Mackay, Professor, Dept of Physics, University of Cambridge, Chief Scientific Advisor to the Department of Energy and Climate Change

> I can see the devastating health impact from wind turbine noise but I can only comment on the physical noise exposure.

George W. Kamperman, INCE Bd. Cert. Emeritus, INCE Kamperman Associates, Inc., past member of the acoustics firm Bolt, Berack and Newman (USA)

> Against the negligible contribution of (onshore) wind farms to reductions in carbon emission is the loss that concerns me as an environmentalist. That loss is the steady erosion of the habitats of quite spectacular fauna, some resident, but many migratory.

Professor Sir Partha Dasgupta, FBA, FRS, Frank Ramsey Professor of Economics, University of Cambridge

> My reading of the empirical findings of environmental scientists tells me that wind farms in the UK, unless they are placed strategically offshore, where the wind velocity is both high and regular, will be negligible contributors to reductions in the emission of carbon into the atmosphere. Moves to establish wind farms in the countryside are palliatives, nothing more.

Professor Sir Partha Dasgupta, FBA, FRS, Frank Ramsey Professor of Economics, University of Cambridge

> If people are so disturbed by their headaches, tinnitus, sleeplessness, panic episodes, disrupted children, or memory deficits that they must move or abandon their homes to get away from wind turbine noise and vibration, then that noise and vibration is by definition significant…

Wind Turbine Syndrome, Page 31, Dr Nina Pierpont, MD, PhD

> Civil servants have suppressed warnings that wind turbines can generate noise damaging people's health for several square miles around

The Sunday Times, 13th December 2009

What next….?

CAPE plans to issue a follow up leaflet challenging some of the assertions made, and more importantly some of the omissions, in RES's recent publicity. In the meantime, if you are concerned about any of the issues arising from this leaflet, or require more information or copies of past Newsletters, or feel you can help in any way, please register on our website www.creakesaction.com

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Donations to our fighting fund, with cheques made payable to C.A.P.E., may be sent to:
The Treasurer, Cornflake Barn, Bluestone Road, South Creake, Fakenham, Norfolk NR21 9LY

You can write to Henry Bellingham MP, voicing your concerns, at The House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA or email: bellinghamh@parliament.uk

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