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Development Management

From: 09 January 2018 01:16
Sent: Mullaney, Andrew
To: Ref. APP/Q2371/W/15/3134385
Subject:

Dear Development Management Group,

1 I object to the appeal from Cuadrilla to drill and frack up to four wells in Roseacre, Lancashire. The plans have already been refused by Lancashire County Council, after thousands of objections by local people, and recommended for refusal by the Planning Inspectorate –because of “a serious and very significant adverse impact on the safety of people using the public highway”.

2 The revised transport plans submitted by Cuadrilla would mean more rural communities are subject to heavy traffic of HGVs transporting equipment and waste to and from an unwanted fracking site. Residents and visitors of the quiet villages of Roseacre, Inskip, Crossmoor, Elswick, Thistleton and Clifton would be subject to up to 50 HGV lorries a day on their rural roads. This represents a huge increase in HGVs, including 94% in Roseacre and 81% in Inskip. This would negatively impact on the health and wellbeing of residents and users of amenities on these same routes, such as schoolchildren, and potentially wildlife.

3 These rural roads are also well used by walkers, cyclists, horse riders, dog walkers and others enjoying the local environment and contributing to the valuable local visitor and rural economy.

4 Cuadrilla’s plans show they would have to construct 39 passing places to make the route viable, and install a set of traffic lights, demonstrating the unsuitability of these narrow rural roads for the HGVs required to facilitate major industrial fossil fuel development.

5 Cuadrilla propose mitigation through a Traffic Management Plan (TMP) that would restrict routes – however the TMP for their Preston New Road site has already been amended several times by Cuadrilla as its original provisos were previously being breached.

6 Fracking poses unacceptable risks to local people, the environment and the climate, and I request that the appeal by Cuadrilla is refused, on the grounds of unacceptable impact on highways safety.

Yours faithfully,

I sent this email via the Friends of the Earth website. Replies will go to my personal email address.