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Site Address: Land at Newfields Farm Rownall Road Wetley Rocks Staffordshire ST9 0BS Stoke On Trent

Comments by: Jo Paterson

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Submission: Objection

Comments: I strongly object to this proposal, my home is too close to the bess. I am extremely concerned about the risk of fire and the high risk of this happening especially with this being reported as very likely, once one battery spontaneously combusts the spread of fire is rapid. The toxic fumes are highly likely to reach my home and that of many others along armshead road. The wildlife around this area is very robust, I have seen deer's frequently in this area, protected birds - red kites are also in this area I have seen them and this has been reported to staffs wildlife, various other birds frequent the area daily of this proposal such kestrels and buzzards, this will be lost with construction of such a site. The area has not got the infrastructure to cope with the construction traffic associated with this proposal. Armshead road is already over used with traffic and is well used by horse riders and fields are used for grazing for these horses too. Construction traffic with such a proposal will be detrimental to the horses and incredibly dangerous for any horse rider. Fire engines will find it incredibly difficult to access the site and the humongous water containers that are proposed to be lowered into the ground will require groundwork that will amount to so much disruption, noise, mess, and totally undermines the whole point of being green. All this and water isnt effective at putting out the battery fires. The farm is currently a dwelling and a business this would be lost in view of such a huge bess. Furthermore the noise associated with not only the construction of such a site but the actual running of the site, the batteries make a humming noise that will flow through the fields and likely not only cause harm to the grazing horses but also harm to my family and residents on armshead road which is directly linear with this site. Its far to close to homes and my home. My children live here with us for peace, views, and clean air, the reason we moved here, this site will completely ruin this. We wouldn't be able to move as our homes value will be significantly impacted by having hundreds of shipping containers filled with batteries causing noise pollution as well as the surrounding fencing causing an eyesore, light pollution from the security lighting which will be on 24hours a day and extremely visible through my children's windows at night time. Please consider us as residents, this is so close to homes it's not safe.

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