#### January 2013

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## community newsletter



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### Thursday, 17th January, Bideford Town Hall, 2.00 pm.

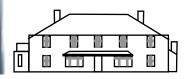
The Dunsland Cross Wind Farm application will be decided on 17th January at Bideford Town Hall. It is the first agenda item on the afternoon session of the TDC Plans Committee meeting starting at 2.00 pm.

We urge as many of you as possible to attend this meeting to demonstrate to committee members the strength of feeling against this proposal for 3 x 100m turbines just 501m from the nearest properties.

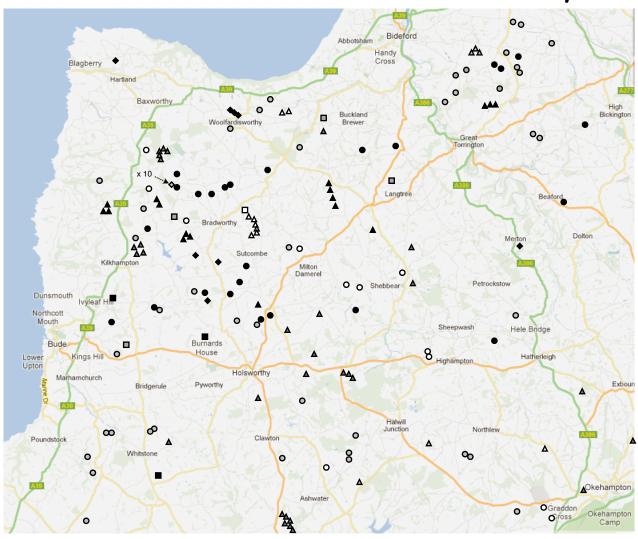
There have been over 230 individual letters of objection submitted to the council. There were only 26 letters of support for the wind farm, so the developer hired eco-activists again to collect signatures from holiday-makers and other passers-by in Bideford, 19 miles away. Over 300 people signed the pro-forma letters, but 86 of them did not realise they were also supporting a wind farm in Nottinghamshire, showing how little attention they paid to what they were signing and how little they cared for the people of Dunsland Cross and Brandis Corner. No planning policies were mentioned in these 'letters', which amount to no more than a petition in favour of wind power in general. It is policies which will determine the outcome of this application. DTOG has identified 23 policy conflicts which is why we are asking for the application to be refused.

For those of you who will be able to attend, Bideford Town Hall is next to the mini roundabout at the end of the old Long Bridge, next to the Library and Tantons Hotel.

Don't underestimate just how tall these 100 metres (328 feet) turbines will be. Here is one printed to scale against people standing outside The Bickford Arms Pub (which is 8.1 metres to the roof ridge).



### Wind Turbines - The Current State of Play



Legend:	Operational or Permitted	Still in Planning (inc. Screening	g) Refused/Withdrawn
	(TDC has 49 from 20-100m tall)	(TDC has 73 from 20-126m tall)	(TDC has 29 from 24-115m tall)
Smaller than 24 metres	•	<b>♦</b>	
24 - 49 metres tall	•	•	0
50 - 74 metres tall			
75 - 127 metres tall	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>	Δ

This graphic shows most of the 151 wind turbines ranging from 20-126m currently logged in the Torridge District Council system and the nearest ones in the neighbouring authorities' systems. A similar density of turbines exists as the map extends to the north, east and south. For example, just off to the north are the 22 x 105m turbines at Fullabrook and to the east will be the 9 x 125m turbines at Den Brook. Not shown are the 15 x 115m turbines which were planned for Chilla Moor but withdrawn before entering the planning system. Other applications refused or withdrawn are included as they have a tendency to reappear at a later date. Nor are all of the smaller operational turbines shown, some of which are only domestic scale. As well as the wind turbines, it should be noted that there are a large number of ground-based Solar PV Parks planned and consented. These range from 25 - 25,000 panels (or 75,000 panels if a different type is used). These are not shown either.

Surely enough is enough?

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