

# We invite you to follow the following steps in preparing your Objection Letter:

1	Ensure that you put <b>YOUR ADDRESS</b> at the head of the letter
2	<b>Post</b> - in the addressed envelope provided - <b>to:</b> Mr Andrew Ashcroft, Head of Planning Services, Isle of Wight Council, Seaclose Offices, Fairlee Road, Newport, PO30 2QS <b>OR e-mail to:</b> development@iow.gov.uk
3	At the start of your letter you must quote <b>“Planning Application P/01400/06”</b>
4	<b>Make it clear in your first sentence that you OBJECT</b> to the application for the wind farm
5	Your objections will only carry weight if they are <b>RELEVANT TO PLANNING LAW:</b> State your points of objection, choosing at least 2 or 3 from the options below. Choose more if you like, but make sure that you can <b>make your objections as personal as possible:</b>
	<b>(a) ESSENTIAL OBJECTION:</b> The most important objection to make is on impact on landscape, mainly through scale of structures, but also through installation of over a mile and a half of access roads as well as crane pads (18 x 35 metres) for each turbine.
	<b>(b) Other key objections</b> (from a planning perspective) include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Proximity to and resultant effect on public rights of way (and the effect on your “recreation”)</li> <li>- Visual impact - affecting the enjoyment of the West Wight by you (and others?)</li> <li>- Risk to wildlife - particularly Golden Plover, Skylark and bats</li> <li>- No detail of how grid connection would be made</li> <li>- Risk to TV signal and telecommunications</li> </ul>
	<b>(c) Other general objections:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Inadequate consultation process (explain your experience)</li> <li>- Inadequate benefits considering the long-term damage that will be done</li> <li>- Risk to water courses and springs due to placement of concrete bases and roadways</li> </ul>
	<b>(d) Other ‘local’ objections due to affect on “residential amenity”</b> (for people living - or regularly staying - in the vicinity of the proposed wind farm site): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Visual impact - affecting the enjoyment of your property by you (and others?)</li> <li>- Noise nuisance - against very low background noise levels (particularly at night)</li> <li>- Shadow/flicker nuisance</li> <li>- Affect on access to your property or business during servicing/repair (and construction) when very large vehicles, parts and cranes would have to be moved to and from the site</li> <li>- Ongoing effect on holiday businesses</li> </ul>
6	For each point, <b>explain why YOU object</b> , using personal reasons, as far as possible, e.g. “The proposal would place large structures close to public rights of way, which I frequently use (e.g. for walking, horse-riding etc), and so would severely affect the recreational amenity that I currently enjoy.”
<p><b>Make sure your letter will arrive by 21st July.</b></p> <p><b>To ensure receipt - deliver by hand if you can.</b></p> <p><b>If you e-mail your objection, please copy to : info@thwart.info</b></p>	