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....say NO to
Rutland's first
Industrial Wind Farm

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**Background:** Rutland County Council is in the process of determining a planning application from energy giant RES to build a wind farm on the Woolfox site, just south of the villages of Stretton, Pickworth and Clipsham. This will consist of 9 turbines each 440 feet (130 metres) tall placed in an area designated by RCC as "particularly attractive countryside", next to three villages with significant conservation status, and only 950 metres from the nearest dwelling! We believe that this is inappropriate and unsustainable. This is a Rutland issue and we need as many people as possible to register their objection to this planning application.

**Information:** RES, as a major player in the Energy industry, is in this for profit! Their publicity is very much a PR activity, and can be misleading. To get the complete story and for the information on how this affects you and the rest of Rutland, please visit our website www.stop-woolfox-wind-farm.co.uk .If you could also attend one of our meetings that would be excellent. The details of these are:

Friday 20th March, Monday 23rd March Tuesday 24th March Wednesday 25th March

Greetham Community Centre, 7.00pm Castle Bytham Village Hall, 7.00pm Empingham Audit Hall, 7.00pm Great Casterton Church Hall, 7.00pm

We are hoping that Sir Alan Duncan will attend the Greetham Meeting on 20th March

What can you do to help stop this development: The most important thing you can do is to WRITE AND OBJECT to the Planners at Rutland County Council. The number of people objecting really matters and you should have your say. Your letter or email need not be long and should highlight your own personal concerns. Some of the valid reasons for objecting are outlined below. YOUR LETTER MATTERS and is the most essential one to send. You could also get your family and friends to write. This campaign is not solely about the Woolfox wind farm application....if this goes ahead Rutland can look forward to many more in the future.

Objections to wind farms include: Domination of the villages and intrusion on the landscape: Damage to heritage features: Noise: Radar interference: Danger to wildlife: Danger to health, especially autistic people: General damage to the scenic nature of Rutland: Negative effect on tourism: Huge government subsidies: No overall reduction in carbon emissions: Energy companies paid not to operate wind farms: UK has already fulfilled its' commitment to renewables: House prices tumble: Overhead power lines down to Stamford: Electricity produced is more expensive: Massive concrete foundations left after decommissioning: turbines manufactured outside of the UK: no long term local jobs created: possible distraction for A1 motorists

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## **Useful contact details:**

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Details of the Councillor for your ward can be found on the Rutland website www.rutland.gov.uk

**Donations to the cause:** As well as the energy, enthusiasm and dedication to the cause of local people, we also need money for publicity and to enable us to bring in some professional help to effectively fight the might of RES. If you would like to make a donation, it would be much appreciated. The details are on the website.

The threat is real and the consequences calamitous for what Rutland is and what it wants to be in the future.....please don't miss the chance to help stop this planning application for the Woolfox wind farm!