Environment and Sustainability Committee

Inquiry into Energy Policy and Planning in Wales EPP 192 – Jackie Evans

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Dear Sir/Madam

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I believe that the energy policy in Wales and UK is flawed and requires a total review for the following reasons:

- 1. The economy of Wales will be adversely affected by planning policy surrounding wind farms:
 - a. Reduced tourism leading to major job losses.
 - b. Roads blocked and damaged by transporting turbines and infrastructure.
 - c. House prices and business values reduced leading to school closures and people moving from the area.
- 2. Increased health risks from sub-stations and pylons (Draper Report).
- 3. Technical Advice Note 8 (TAN 8) should be scrapped. The overall cumulative effect of the wind farm and pylon infrastructure is not considered in any of the planning policies.
- 4. On shore wind turbines are less efficient than other forms of renewable energy (solar, off-shore, digesters.....)
- 5. Wind turbines and pylons are visually obtrusive and will ruin our landscape and our environment. (Flooding, forests destroyed, noise....)

In conclusion, I	am opposed to the current energy policy and planning process in Wales.
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