Environment and Sustainability Committee Inquiry into Energy Policy and Planning in Wales EPP 295 – Mr & Mrs Jarvis

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Committee Clerk Environment and Sustainability Committee National Assembly for Wales Cardiff Bay CARDIFF CF99 1NA

Dear Sir/Madam,

Enquiry into Energy Policy and Planning in Wales, Consultation Process: Feedback

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

- Having moved to Montgomeryshire from Hayling Island in March last year, it certainly was not our intent to live somewhere that would end up surrounded by wind turbines and pylons. Having put a lot of love and money into renovating our 1820s cottage, we know that we will be faced with a likely depreciation of 70% of our house value if the proposed wind farms are built.
- Flooding in this area is already a problem ~ we witnessed the problems around Llansantffraid, Llanymynech and Four Crosses first-hand last winter; with the de-forestation that would be necessary to allow wind farms to be built and access roads created, it will only exacerbate the delicate fragility of the Vyrnwy Valley.
- The 'normal' lorry loads expected to exceed 400,000 in five years, and more than 3,000 abnormal loads, will lead to much damage to existing roads and buildings in the shire. What about the future? All parts of these turbines have limited life, so replacements will have to be transported for ever: the destruction of our beloved countryside will never be reinstated.

In conclusion, we are opposed to the current energy policy and planning process in Wales.

Yours faithfully,





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