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**RE: Proposed wind turbine generating station at North Charlton, Alnwick,  
Northumberland to be known as Middlemoor Wind Farm**

Dear Sir,

I wish to object most strongly to the proposed development to be known as Middlemoor Wind Farm,

I am a Location Manager working within the British Film and Television Industry. I regularly scout for suitable locations around Britain for both Major Feature Films and Television Dramas.

Within the last few years I have had the pleasure of working in the North East of England on Dramas such as 55 Degrees North, Badger, Rocket Man etc. and more recently on the Forthcoming Feature Film "Atonement" (a little further South in Redcar). Colleagues of mine have also filmed in the local area on features such as "Harry Potter" and "Elizabeth".

The attraction to an area for filming especially for a period feature film is an un-spoilt landscape! Although there are methods in which items can be removed from a film they are both time consuming and costly.

The effect of an array of Turbines on the horizon would almost certainly discount it ever being used for filming a period piece.

Should the proposed planning be accepted I would have difficulty choosing this location to film and would recommend alternative parts of the country. I personally believe this would be of detriment to the local economy.

Where given the right circumstances a production can be greatly beneficial to the local economy when filming "Atonement" in the Borough of Redcar and Cleveland last year I estimate our local spend to have been at £1Million +.

Given that the proposed development has the potential to be seen from important landmarks and areas such as Bamburgh Castle, Dunstunborough Castle, parts of Alnwick Estate and Lindisfarne / Holy Isle. I believe it would be a visual travesty to filming both Factual and Fictional.

Regards

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